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Maundy Thursday

Introduction

TODAY'S THEME: This evening our Lenten observance comes to an end, and we gather with Christians around the world to celebrate the Three Days of Jesus' death and resurrection. Tonight we remember Christ's last meal with his disciples, but the central focus is his commandment that we live out the promise embodied in this meal. As Jesus washed his disciples' feet, so we are called to give and receive love in humble service to one another. Formed into a new body in Christ through this holy meal, we are transformed by the mercy we have received and carry it into the world. Departing worship in solemn silence, we anticipate the coming days.

THANK YOU FOR JOINING US FOR Thursday Evening WORSHIP

Print out your bulletin or use it on your phone or tablet to follow along.
Announcements are televised or found on our website

Be creative how you worship and remember God during this time. It will calm your soul, give you peace and enliven your spirit.

*Our community gathers in unity with others in-person and a virtual way.
We hope all people find it easy to follow along.*

GOD GATHERS US

Announcements are found on our website

PRELUDE

Were You There

We invite you to read/respond to the texts, pray the prayers, using this as a meditation guide all week long.

WELCOME MAUNDY THURSDAY WORSHIP

CHOIR ANTHEM

The Precious Lamb

Choir

Psalm: Psalm 116:1-2, 12-19

I will lift the cup of salvation and call on the name of the LORD. (Ps. 116:13)

L:¹ I love the LORD, who has heard my voice,
and listened to my supplication,

**C:² for the LORD has given ear to me
whenever I called.**

L:¹² How shall I repay the LORD
for all the good things God has done for me?

**C:¹³ I will lift the cup of salvation
and call on the name of the LORD.**

L:¹⁴ I will fulfill my vows to the LORD
in the presence of all God's people.

**C:¹⁵ Precious in your sight, O LORD,
is the death of your servants.**

L:¹⁶ O LORD, truly I am your servant;
I am your servant, the child of your handmaid; you have freed me from my bonds.

**C:¹⁷ I will offer you the sacrifice of thanksgiving
and call upon the name of the LORD.**

L:¹⁸ I will fulfill my vows to the LORD
in the presence of all God's people,

**C:¹⁹ in the courts of the LORD's house,
in the midst of you, O Jerusalem.**

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

P: Friends in Christ, in this Lenten season we have heard our Lord's call to struggle against sin, death, and the devil—all that keeps us from loving God and each other. This is the struggle to which we were called at baptism.

Within the community of the church, God never wearies of forgiving sin and giving the peace of reconciliation. On this night let us confess our sin against God and our neighbor, and enter the celebration of the great Three Days reconciled with God and with one another.

Silence is kept for reflection and self-examination.

P: Most merciful God,

C: we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name.

All: Amen.

P: God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of ✝ Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.

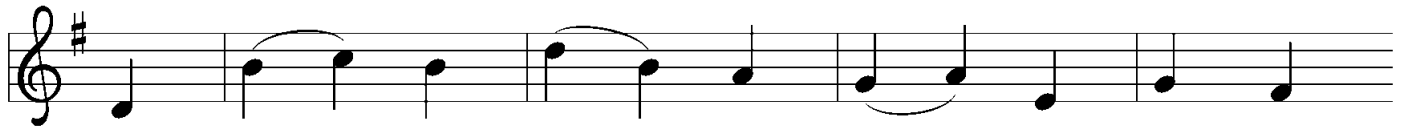
All: Amen

OPENING SONG

The Day You Gave Us, Lord, Has Ended

ELW 569 v 1,2,5/Red Book

The Day You Gave Us, Lord, Has Ended ELW 569 v 1,2,5



1 The day you gave us, Lord, has end - ed;
2 We thank you that your church, un - sleep - ing
5 So be it, Lord; your realm shall nev - er,



the dark - ness falls at your be - hest.
while earth rolls on - ward in - to light,
like earth's proud em - pires, pass a - way;



To you our morn - ing hymns as - cend - ed;
through all the world its watch is keep - ing,
but stand and grow and rule for - ev - er,



your praise shall hal - low now our rest.
and nev - er rests by day or night.
till all your crea - tures own your sway.

Text: John Ellerton, 1826–1893, alt.

Music: ST. CLEMENT, Clement C. Scholefield, 1839–1904

GREETING & PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: The Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

All: And also with you.

P: Holy God, source of all love,

C: on the night of his betrayal, Jesus gave us a new commandment, to love one another as he loves us. Write this commandment in our hearts, and give us the will to serve others as he was the servant of all, your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

SHARING OF PEACE

P: God has received us, pardoned us and loved us; let us forgive each other in love and share the peace of Christ. Peace be with you.

C: And you also.

Share the peace with each other either by a wave or a bow.

HEARING GOD'S WORD

FIRST READING: 1 Corinthians 11:17-32

¹⁷Now in the following instructions I do not commend you, because when you come together it is not for the better but for the worse. ¹⁸For, to begin with, when you come together as a church, I hear that there are divisions among you; and to some extent I believe it. ¹⁹Indeed, there have to be factions among you, for only so will it become clear who among you are genuine. ²⁰When you come together, it is not really to eat the Lord's supper. ²¹For when the time comes to eat, each of you goes ahead with your own supper, and one goes hungry and another becomes drunk. ²²What! Do you not have homes to eat and drink in? Or do you show contempt for the church of God and humiliate those who have nothing? What should I say to you? Should I commend you? In this matter I do not commend you!

²³For I received from the Lord what I also handed on to you, that the Lord Jesus on the night when he was betrayed took a loaf of bread, ²⁴and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, "This is my body that is for you. Do this in remembrance of me." ²⁵In the same way he took the cup also, after supper, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me." ²⁶For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

²⁷Whoever, therefore, eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be answerable for the body and blood of the Lord. ²⁸Examine yourselves, and only then eat of the bread and drink of the cup. ²⁹For all who eat and drink without discerning the body, eat and drink judgment against themselves. ³⁰For this reason many of you are weak and ill, and some have died. ³¹But if we judged ourselves, we would not be judged. ³²But when we are judged by the Lord, we are disciplined so that we may not be condemned along with the world.

P: Word of God; Word of Life.

All: Thanks be to God.

(Please rise for the reading of the Gospel)

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. John

All: Glory to you O Lord

THE HOLY GOSPEL John 13:1-17, 31b-35

The story of the last supper in John's gospel recalls a remarkable event not mentioned elsewhere: Jesus performs the duty of a slave, washing the feet of his disciples and urging them to do the same for one another.

¹Now before the festival of the Passover, Jesus knew that his hour had come to depart from this world and go to the Father. Having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end. ²The devil had already put it into the heart of Judas son of Simon Iscariot to betray him. And during supper ³Jesus, knowing that the Father had given all things into his hands, and that he had come from God and was going to God, ⁴got up from the table, took off his outer robe, and tied a towel around himself. ⁵Then he poured water into a basin and began to wash the disciples' feet and to wipe them with the towel that was tied around him. ⁶He came to Simon Peter, who said to him, "Lord, are you going to wash my feet?" ⁷Jesus answered, "You do not know now what I am doing, but later you will understand." ⁸Peter said to him, "You will never wash my feet." Jesus answered, "Unless I wash you, you have no share with me." ⁹Simon Peter said to him, "Lord, not my feet only but also my hands and my head!" ¹⁰Jesus said to him, "One who has bathed does not need to wash, except for the feet, but is entirely clean. And you are clean, though not all of you." ¹¹For he knew who was to betray him; for this reason he said, "Not all of you are clean."

¹²After he had washed their feet, had put on his robe, and had returned to the table, he said to them, "Do you know what I have done to you?" ¹³You call me Teacher and Lord—and you are right, for that is what I am. ¹⁴So if I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another's feet. ¹⁵For I have set you an example, that you also should do as I have done to you. ¹⁶Very truly, I tell you, servants are not greater than their master, nor are messengers greater than the one who sent them. ¹⁷If you know these things, you are blessed if you do them."

^{31b}"Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. ³²If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. ³³Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, 'Where I am going, you cannot come.' ³⁴I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. ³⁵By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to You O Christ!

Foot Washing as part of the Sermon
Come up after Gospel

MESSAGE FOR ALL
Pastor David Mercurio

Love Consecrates the Humblest Act ELW 360



- 1 Love con - se - crates the hum - blest act and ha - loes mer - cy's deeds;
- 2 When in the shad - ow of the cross Christ knelt and washed the feet
- 3 Love serves and will - ing stoops to serve; what Christ in love so true



it sheds a ben - e - dic - tion sweet and hal - lows hu - man needs.
 of his dis - ci - ples, he gave us a sign of love com - plete.
 has free - ly done for one and all, let us now glad - ly do!

Text: Silas B. McManus, 1845–1917

Music: TWENTY-FOURTH, attr. Lucius Chapin, 1760–1842

APOSTLES' CREED

P: With the whole church, let us confess our faith.

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
 creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
 who was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit,
 born of the virgin Mary,
 suffered under Pontius Pilate,
 was crucified, died, and was buried;
 he descended to the dead.
 On the third day he rose again;
 he ascended into heaven,
 he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
 and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
 the holy catholic church,
 the communion of saints,
 the forgiveness of sins,
 the resurrection of the body,
 and the life everlasting. Amen.**

OFFERING IS WELCOMED

P: God of good gifts,

**C: receive these and all our offerings
as we present them in faithful service
for the sake of your gospel.**

Prepare our hearts to receive you in this meal
as you pour out your very presence
through Christ Jesus, the wellspring of eternal life.

All: Amen.

(An offering will be taken before the prayer.)

Offertory Music

Solemn Meditation

PRAYERS OF GOD'S PEOPLE

*See list of those Grace is currently praying for at end of this document
or online. Please let us know your prayer needs.*

Please respond accordingly



P: Sustained by God's abundant mercy, let us pray for the church, the world, and all of creation.

A brief silence.

P: You make a new covenant with your people. Gather your church around word and table in love and promise as these three holy days enfold us. Open us to behold the mystery of our salvation. Merciful God,

C: receive our prayer.

P: You give us our daily bread, fruit of the earth and work of human hands. Bless those who labor and tend to their crops and those who prepare our meals. Strengthen us to advocate for food justice and a fair distribution of resources. Merciful God,

C: receive our prayer.

P: You, our Savior and Teacher, stoop down to us in servant love. Inspire national and local leaders with a renewed sense of public service. Increase in them a humility to serve with equity and fairness. Teach us to pray for our enemies. Merciful God,

C: receive our prayer.

P: You incline your ear to us in every need. Befriend all who are lonely. Comfort those who grieve. Soothe any who are anxious. Console all who are distressed. Graciously tend to the hurts of your children who suffer in body, mind, and spirit. Merciful God,

C: receive our prayer.

P: You inspire your people to praise in word, song, and art. We give thanks for artists whose gifts enrich the church's worship. Kindle in us appreciation for all who beautify our worship space throughout the changing seasons. Merciful God,

C: receive our prayer.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

P: Precious in your sight is the death of your faithful ones. We remember and give thanks for those who have died. With them, we trust your promise to love your own until the end. Merciful God,

C: receive our prayer.

P: We lift our prayers to you, O God, trusting in your steadfast love and your promise to renew your whole creation; through Jesus Christ our Savior.

C: Amen.

HOLY COMMUNION

P: Come and receive Jesus, our strength in the wilderness.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

P: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them in the Spirit's love.

P: Let us give thanks to our Triune God.

All: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

P: It is indeed right that we should at all times and in all places offer thanks and praise to you, O God. In mercy for our fallen world you gave your only Son, that all who believe in Him should not perish. We give thanks to you for the salvation you have prepared for us through Jesus Christ. Send now your Holy Spirit into our hearts that we may receive our Lord with a living faith as he comes to us in his Holy Supper.

P: WORDS OF INSTITUTION

**ALL: Our Father who art in heaven,
Hallowed be thy name, Thy kingdom come,
Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass
against us
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory
Forever and ever. Amen**

P: These are the gifts of God for the people of God.

All: Thanks be to God

TAKE AND EAT OF THE BREAD AND CUP

Communion hymns:

Were You There	ELW 353/Red Book
Go To Dark Gethsemane	ELW 347/Red Book
Lamb of God	ELW 357/Red Book

Were You There ELW 353



1 Were you there when they cru - ci - fied my Lord?
2 Were you there when they nailed him to the tree?
3 Were you there when they pierced him in the side?
4 Were you there when the sun re - fused to shine?
5 Were you there when they laid him in the tomb?



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Were you there when they nailed him to the tree?
Were you there when they pierced him in the side?
Were you there when the sun re - fused to shine?
Were you there when they laid him in the tomb?

Refrain



Oh, some-times it caus-es me to trem-ble, trem-ble, trem-ble.



Were you there when they cru - ci - fied my Lord?
Were you there when they nailed him to the tree?
Were you there when they pierced him in the side?
Were you there when the sun re - fused to shine?
Were you there when they laid him in the tomb?

Text: African American spiritual

Music: WERE YOU THERE, African American spiritual

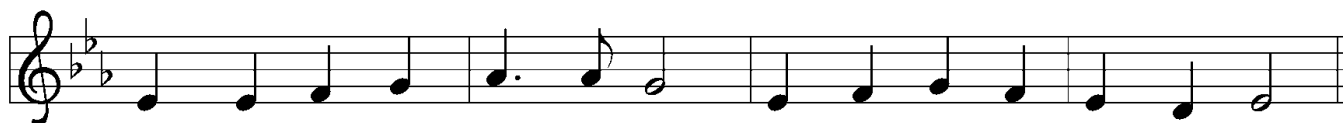
Go to Dark Gethsemane ELW 347



1 Go to dark Geth-sem - a - ne, all who feel the tempt - er's pow'r;
2 Fol - low to the judg - ment hall, view the Lord of life ar - rained;
3 Cal - v'ry's mourn - ful moun - tain climb; there, a - dor - ing at his feet,
4 Ear - ly has - ten to the tomb where they laid his breath - less clay;



your Re - deem - er's con - flict see. Watch with him one bit - ter hour;
oh, the worm - wood and the gall! Oh, the pangs his soul sus - tained!
mark that mir - a - cle of time, God's own sac - ri - fice com - plete.
all is sol - i - tude and gloom. Who has tak - en him a - way?



turn not from his griefs a - way; learn from Je - sus Christ to pray.
Shun not suf - f'ring, shame, or loss; learn from him to bear the cross.
"It is fin - ished!" hear him cry; learn from Je - sus Christ to die.
Christ is ris'n! He meets our eyes. Sav - ior, teach us so to rise.

Text: James Montgomery, 1771–1854

Music: GETHSEMANE, Richard Redhead, 1820–1901

Lamb of God, Pure and Sinless ELW 357



Lamb of God, pure and sin - less, once on the cross an of - f'ring,



pa - tient, low - ly, guilt - less, for - sak - en in your suf - f'ring:



from sin's grasp you have torn us, from gloom to hope have borne us.



- 1 Grant us your mer - cy, O Je - sus.
- 2 Grant us your mer - cy, O Je - sus.
- 3 Your peace be with us, O Je - sus. A - men.

Text: Nikolaus Decius, 1485-1550; tr. composite

Music: O LAMM GOTTES, UNSCHULDIG, Nikolaus Decius

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PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P: Lord Jesus,

C: in a wonderful sacrament you strengthen us with the saving power of your suffering, death, and resurrection. May this sacrament of your body and blood so work in us that the fruits of your redemption will show forth in the way we live, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

All: Amen.

CLOSING SONG: Now Rest Beneath Night's Shadows ELW 568 v 1&2

Now Rest beneath Night's Shadow ELW 568



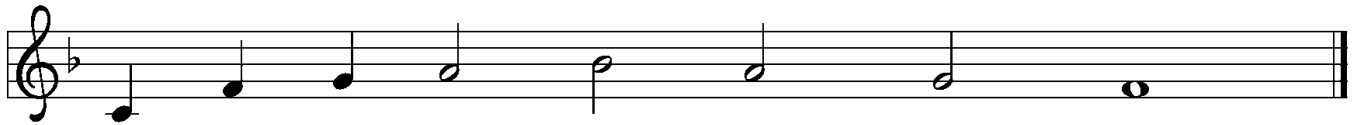
1 Now rest be - neath night's shad - ow the wood - land, field,
2 Lord Je - sus, since you love me, now spread your wings
3 My loved ones, rest se - cure - ly, for God this night



and mead - ow— the world in slum - ber lies. But you, my heart,
a - bove me and shield me from a - larm. Though e - vil would
will sure - ly from per - il guard your heads. Sweet slum - ber may



a - wak - ing and prayer and mu - sic mak - ing:
as - sail me, your mer - cy will not fail me;
God send you; the an - gel hosts at - tend you



let praise to your cre - a - tor rise.
I rest in your pro - tect - ing arm.
and through the night watch o'er your beds.

Text: Paul Gerhardt, 1607–1676; tr. composite

Music: O WELT, ICH MUSS DICH LASSEN, Heinrich Isaac, 1450–1517

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GOD SENDS US

Lowering of lights

BLESSING

P: God, the giver of love, ✚ Christ, the resurrection and the life, and the Holy Spirit of rebirth bless you in this Lenten journey.

All: Amen.

DISMISSAL

P: Go in peace. Serve in love.

All: Thanks be to God

NO POSTLUDE

Leave in Quiet

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ADDITIONAL LECTIONARY LESSON

Exodus 12:1-4 [5-10] 11-14

The passover of the LORD

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE WHOLE CHURCH

- * God's Church in all time and place, that God be seen and heard.
- * As we face these times both together and while apart, keep us from fear, suffering and death.
- * Ministries of the ELCA and Metro Chicago Synod, especially Bishop Yehiel Curry.
- * Efforts of Lutheran World Relief, ELCA World Hunger, and Disaster Relief

FOR THE WORLD

- * For every living person facing the threat of coronavirus – it affects us all, our loved ones and our worldwide neighbors together.
- * For the healing of the divisions in our Nation.

FOR OUR CONGREGATION

- * For God's Spirit to guide the Vision Team, and whole congregation as we face transition and change.
- * As we plan regarding the future of our congregation.

FOR THOSE IN THE MILITARY (members, relatives, and friends of members of our congregation)

- * Adam & Julia Sajdak, grandson & granddaughter in law of Bill and Lori U'Ren
- * Nathan Sajdak, grandson of Bill and Lori U'Ren
- * William Delmer, grandson of Kirk and Kathy Hooey
- * David Brazee, Grandson of Steve and Cathy Lindquist

(If you know of someone currently serving our country, please share their information with the Church office.)

FOR ALL

- * The continued support of our members
- * For all members of healthcare around the world
- * For those serving as first responders and in the military
- * For our Nation, that extend peace in all things.

FOR THOSE SICK IN BODY, MIND OR SPIRIT... Andrew Kinsel and his family in Ukraine, Fred Alstadt, Barb Asher, Vicki Barclay, Aina Baumanis, Nelson Brodhead, Joanna Alverado/Klaus, Jim (brother of Rita Burnham), Elaine Chaney, the Chavez family and Joe, Juanita Curley, Jane Cutler, Ken Deutschmann, Alexa Diehl, Jack and Jan Docherty, **Maggie Docherty**, Rebecca Eagen, Joyce Helander and Jim Serafin, Howard (friend of Alexa Diehl), Rich Jackson, Manfred Kaufmann, Paul and Kay Kinsel, Marlene Klingner, Bob Koehling, Katie Kozeva, Pastor Dave and Carol Langseth, Ray Larsen, Gay Leslie (cousin of Kurt Redemann), Vicki Linden, Pat and Chili Lindgren, Sherry Manke, Janelle McDonald, George and Eileen Morris, Joan Mortenson, Mike Myers, Ray Navarro, Ed Nordwind, Donald Overby, Pat Penfold, Carol Prevenas, Pastor Art, Joan Rygula (sister of Lori U'Ren), Nancy Schaeffer, John Schnaitman, Kim Theros, Tia Thorne, Shirley and **Norm Turner**, Crystal Vines, Kristy Weydert, Wayne Whiteside, Catherine Zegial, and Barbara Zegiel.

*Please let us know your prayer requests for inclusion in our public prayers.
Type them in the comments or send them to the church office via our prayer card on our website.*