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Thursday, April 6, 2023 Maundy Thursday 1:00 pm & 7:00 pm

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About Today's Service:

Holy Thursday, occurring on the eve of our Lord's crucifixion, begins the celebration of the holy three days of Christ's Passover, commonly known as the Triduum. The service on this day culminates the Lenten period of preparation for Christ's Passion and Resurrection and leads into His sacrifice on our behalf. As such, the service, like that for Good Friday, exhibits a mood of restrained joy. The Service for Holy Thursday consists of four parts: the Service of Corporate Confession and Absolution, the Service of the Word, the Service of the Sacrament, and the Stripping of the Altar.

The Service of Corporate Confession and Absolution signals the end of the Lenten preparations with the absolution and peace of Christ that stand at the center of the Three Days. The Service of the Word focuses upon Christ's sacrificial service demonstrated in His washing of His disciples' feet, a servant hood enacted on the cross and whose benefits are bestowed in His means of grace. The service culminates with the Lord's ministry to His people through the Sacrament of the Altar.

The depth of Christ's servant hood is demonstrated as the altar is reverently stripped in preparation for the Church's observance of Jesus' death on Good Friday. On Holy Thursday, the Church and her catechumens begin the journey through the three days of Christ's Passover from death to life and from captivity to freedom.

Because the Triduum is seen as one service in three parts, no Benediction is spoken at the conclusion of the last service on Holy Thursday. The Benediction spoken at the chief service on Easter Sunday concludes all the services of the Three Days.

Opening Hymn - 445 When You Woke That Thursday Morning 1 When You woke Thurs - day that morn ing, Sav - ior, 2 Nev - er lone and lone Long - ing SO a ly, give 3 What was there that You could them That would 4 One in faith, in love u nit ed, All one 5 One day all the Church will That bright cap ture faith-ful friend, Thoughts of self and safe - ty teach - er, be with with tor ment-ed heart To Your dear ones that would out nev - er be out - spent, What great gift bod - y, You the head, When we meet, by You in will know the Your saints vi - sion glo - ri - ous, And ing, Know - ing how the day would end; scorn on ly For a qui - et hour a part: will and tes What ment? live them, last ta You vit ed, are with us, You said. as rap ture That Your heart de - sired for us, Lamb of God, fore - told for Now ges, at a Sin - less Lamb and fall - en crea ture, One last "Show Me and the world you love Me, Know Me One with You and one an oth er In a When the longed for peace and u nion Of the could pay last the hour had come When but One sin's as chal meal to One last les - son their pas eat. as the Lamb of God: Do this in re - mem - brance See ni - ty sub - lime, Your sis - ter, in us

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Stand

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

- **P** In the name of the Father and of the

 → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

Exhortation

- P I will go to the altar of God,
- to God my exceeding joy.
- P Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- **©** who made heaven and earth.

Confessional Address

P During this Lenten season we have heard our Lord's call to intensify our struggle against sin, death, and the devil—all that prevents us from trusting in God and loving each other. Since it is our intention to receive the Holy Supper of our Lord Jesus Christ on this night when He instituted this blessed meal for our salvation, it is proper that we complete our Lenten discipline by diligently examining ourselves, as St. Paul urges us to do. This holy Sacrament has been instituted for the special comfort of those who are troubled because of their sin and who humbly confess their sins, fear God's wrath, and hunger and thirst for righteousness.

But when we examine our hearts and consciences, we find nothing in us but sin and death, from which we are incapable of delivering ourselves. Therefore, our Lord Jesus Christ has had mercy on us. For our benefit He became man so that He might fulfill for us the whole will and law of God and, to deliver us, took upon Himself our sin and the punishment we deserve.

So that we may more confidently believe this and be strengthened in the faith and in holy living, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread, broke it, and gave it to His disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My body, which is given for you." It is as if He said, "I became man, and all that I do and suffer is for your good. As a pledge of this, I give you My body to eat."

In the same way also He took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins." Again, it is as if He said, "I have had mercy on you by taking into Myself all your iniquities. I give Myself into death, shedding My blood to obtain grace and forgiveness of sins, and to comfort and establish the new testament, which gives forgiveness and everlasting salvation. As a pledge of this, I give you My blood to drink."

Therefore, whoever eats this bread and drinks this cup, confidently believing this Word and promise of Christ, dwells in Christ and Christ in him and has eternal life.

We should also do this in remembrance of Him, showing His death—that He was delivered for our offenses and raised for our justification. Giving Him our most heartfelt thanks, we take up our cross and follow Him and, according to His commandment, love one another as He has loved us. For we are all one bread and one body, even as we are all partakers of this one bread and drink from the one cup. For just as the one cup is filled with the wine of many grapes and one bread made from countless grains, so also we, being many, are one body in Christ. Because of Him, we love one another, not only in word, but in deed and in truth.

May the almighty and merciful God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, by His Holy Spirit, accomplish this in us.

- C Amen.
- P Having heard the Word of God, let us confess our sins, imploring God our Father the sake of His Son, Jesus Christ, to grant us forgiveness.
- C Amen.

Confession of Sins

- P O almighty God, merciful Father,
- I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.
- **P** God be merciful to you and strengthen your faith.
- C Amen.
- P Do you believe that the forgiveness I speak is not my forgiveness but God's?
- **G** Yes.

P Let it be done for you as you believe.

Absolution

- In the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- **G** Amen.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

- P The Lord be with you.
- **C** And with thy spirit.
- Let us pray. O Lord, in this wondrous Sacrament You have left us a remembrance of Your passion. Grant that we may so receive the sacred mystery of Your body and blood that the fruits of Your redemption may continually be manifest in us; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.

Sit

Service of the Word

Old Testament Reading Exodus 12:1–14

¹The LORD said to Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt, ²"This month shall be for you the beginning of months. It shall be the first month of the year for you. ³Tell all the congregation of Israel that on the tenth day of this month every man shall take a lamb according to their fathers' houses, a lamb for a household. ⁴And if the household is too small for a lamb, then he and his nearest neighbor shall take according to the number of persons; according to what each can eat you shall make your count for the lamb. ⁵Your lamb shall be without blemish, a male a year old. You may take it from the sheep or from the goats, ⁶and you shall keep it until the fourteenth day of this month, when the whole assembly of the congregation of Israel shall kill their lambs at twilight.

"Then they shall take some of the blood and put it on the two doorposts and the lintel of the houses in which they eat it. They shall eat the flesh that night, roasted on the fire; with unleavened bread and bitter herbs they shall eat it. Do not eat any of it raw or boiled in water, but roasted, its head with its legs and its inner parts. And you shall let none of it remain until the morning; anything that remains until the morning you shall burn. In this manner you shall eat it: with your belt fastened, your sandals on your feet, and your staff in your hand. And you shall eat it in haste. It is the LORD's Passover. For I will pass through the land of Egypt that night, and I will strike all the firstborn in the land of Egypt, both man and beast; and on all the gods of Egypt I will execute judgments: I am the LORD. The blood shall be a sign for you, on the houses where you are. And when I see the blood, I will pass over you, and no plague will be-

fall you to destroy you, when I strike the land of Egypt. ¹⁴"This day shall be for you a memorial day, and you shall keep it as a feast to the LORD; throughout your generations, as a statute forever, you shall keep it as a feast."

- **A** This is the Word of the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.

Psalm

Psalm 116:12–19 (antiphon: v. 17)

- 12What shall I render | to the LORD* for all his bene- | fits to me?
- ¹³I will lift up the cup of sal- | vation* and call on the name | of the LORD,
- ¹⁴I will pay my vows | to the LORD* in the presence of all his | people.
- ¹⁵Precious in the sight | of the LORD* is the death | of his saints.
- 16O LORD, I am your | servant;*
 I am your servant, the son of your maidservant.
 You have | loosed my bonds.
- ¹⁷I will offer to you the sacrifice of thanks- | giving* and call on the name | of the LORD.
- ¹⁸I will pay my vows | to the LORD* in the presence of all his | people,
- ¹⁹in the courts of the house | of the LORD,* in your midst, O Jerusalem. | Praise the LORD!

Epistle 1 Corinthians 11:23–32

²³For I received from the Lord what I also delivered to you, that the Lord Jesus on the night when he was betrayed took bread, ²⁴and when he had given thanks, he broke it, and said, "This is my body which is for you. Do this in remembrance of me." ²⁵In the same way also he took the cup, 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 guilty of profaning the body and blood of the Lord. ²⁸Let a person ex-

amine himself, then, and so eat of the bread and drink of the cup. ²⁹For anyone who eats and drinks without discerning the body eats and drinks judgment on himself. ³⁰That is why many of you are weak and ill, and some have died. ³¹But if we judged ourselves truly, 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.

- **A** This is the Word of the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.

Stand

Holy Gospel *John 13:1–17, 31b–35*

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the thirteenth chapter.

G Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

¹Now before the Feast of the Passover, when Jesus knew that his hour had come to depart out of this world to the Father, having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end. ²During supper, when the devil had already put it into the heart of Judas Iscariot, Simon's son, to betray him, ³Jesus, knowing that the Father had given all things into his hands, and that he had come from God and was going back to God, ⁴rose from supper. He laid aside his outer garments, and taking a towel, tied it around his waist. ⁵Then he poured water into a basin and began to wash the disciples' feet and to wipe them with the towel that was wrapped around him. ⁶He came to Simon Peter, who said to him, "Lord, do you wash my feet?" ¹Jesus answered him, "What I am doing you do not understand now, but afterward you will understand." ⁶Peter said to him, "You shall never wash my feet." Jesus answered him, "If I do not wash you, you have no share with me." ⁴Simon Peter said to him, "Lord, not my feet only but also my hands and my head!" ¹¹Jesus said to him, "The one who has bathed does not need to wash, except for his feet, but is completely clean. And you are clean, but not every one of you." ¹¹For he knew who was to betray him; that was why he said, "Not all of you are clean."

¹²When he had washed their feet and put on his outer garments and resumed his place, he said to them, "Do you understand what I have done to you? ¹³You call me Teacher and Lord, and you are right, for so I am. ¹⁴If I then, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another's feet. ¹⁵For I have given you an example, that you also should do just as I have done to you. ¹⁶Truly, truly, I say to you, a servant is not greater than his master, nor is a messenger greater than the one who sent him. ¹⁷If you know these things, blessed are you if you do them.

³¹When he had gone out, Jesus said, "Now is the Son of Man glorified, and God is glorified in him. ³²If God is glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself, and glorify him at once. ³³Little children, yet a little while I am with you. You will seek me, and just as I said to the Jews, so now I also say to you, 'Where I am going you cannot come.' ³⁴A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another: just as I have loved you, you also are to love one another. ³⁵By this all people will know that you are

my disciples, if you have love for one another."

- **P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

Apostles' Creed

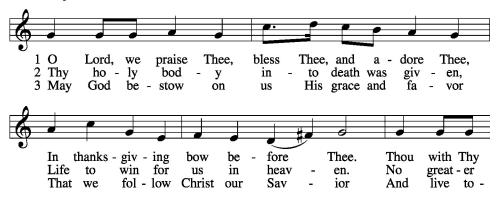
I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended into hell.
The third day He rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life

→ everlasting. Amen.

Sermon Hymn 617 O Lord, We Praise Thee





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Sermon - Pastor Wagner

Stand **Offertory**



Sit Offering

Stand

Prayer of the Church

A WORD ABOUT HOLY COMMUNION: Today we celebrate the Holy Blessed Sacrament of the Altar. We joyfully receive our dear Lord's Body and Blood through the bread and wine, for the forgiveness of sins, life, and salvation. Those who celebrate this Sacrament with us give public confession that they are one

with us in our doctrines and beliefs. We seek to be obedient to the admonition of St. Paul who speaks for Christ concerning the proper administration and reception of this gift of life and for the spiritual welfare of those who receive this Sacrament. We ask that anyone wishing to partake of the communion who is not yet a confirmed member of this congregation or another congregation of the Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod, to please speak to the PASTOR or an ELDER prior to the worship service.

Service of the Sacrament

Preface



It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who accomplished the salvation of mankind by the tree of the cross that, where death arose, there life also might rise again and that the serpent who overcame by the tree of the garden might likewise by the tree of the cross be overcome. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven

we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus



Lord's Prayer

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.

The Words of Our Lord

P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My → body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

(The chime is struck to recognize Christ present under the form of bread)

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My → blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

(The chime is struck to recognize the presence of Christ under the form of wine)

Pax Domini



Agnus Dei



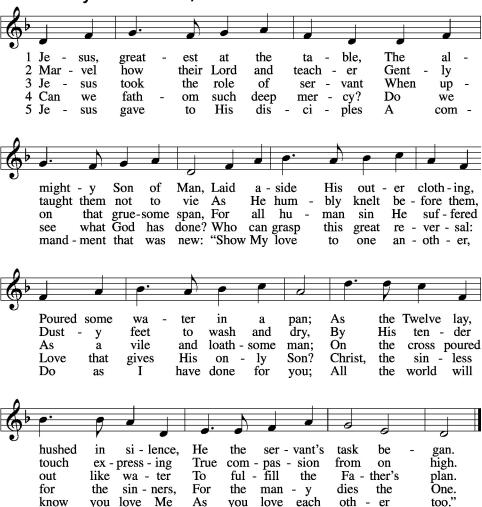


world, have mer-cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that



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Distribution Hymn 446 Jesus, Greatest at the Table



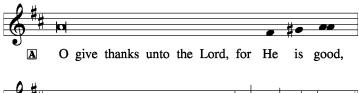
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Stand

Nunc Dimittis



Thanksgiving





A Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Salutation and Benedicamus





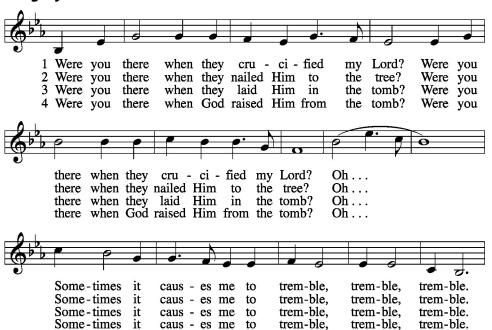
Benediction

The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and

→ give you peace.



Closing Hymn 456 Were You There?





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Stripping of the Altar (7:00 PM only)

The communion vessels are reverently removed from the altar, the altar is stripped, and the chancel is cleared in preparation for the solemn services of Good Friday.

All leave the church in silence.

Friday, April 7 - Good Friday Tenebrae Service of Darkness 11:00 a.m. & 7:00 p.m.

> Sunday, April 9 - Easter Sunday Divine Service 7:00 a.m. (Sunrise) Divine Service 10:00 a.m. Breakfast service between Easter Services

> > Monday April 10 NO SERVICE

