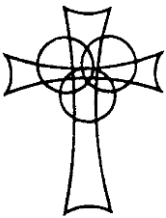




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ALSO ARE TO LOVE
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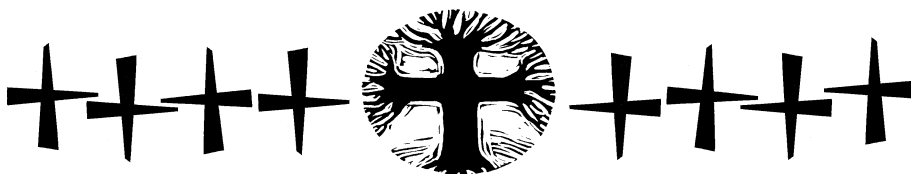
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MAUNDY THURSDAY

The First Day of the Easter Triduum
The Evening Commemoration of the Lord's Supper

April 14, 2022

Welcome in the Name of our Savior and Redeemer, Jesus Christ!

Some thoughts as we gather for this evening's liturgy:

Maundy Thursday (from the Latin *mandatum* meaning “command”) begins the three day service often known as the Sacred Triduum lasting until Easter. From the invocation of this service to the benediction on Easter Sunday, it is but one solemn liturgy spanning three days that recounts the whole story—from betrayal and crucifixion to burial and empty tomb and the resurrection.

Tonight, we come to the culmination of our Lenten observance as we focus our hearts and minds on the great acts of love that our God worked for us in our Lord Jesus and His Passion, death, and resurrection. On this first night of the Sacred Triduum, we find ourselves in the Upper Room with Jesus and the Twelve—washing feet, breaking bread, sharing the cup, and hearing of the love that God has for us to forgive us our sins and bring us everlasting life. As we stand in the shadow of Good Friday's cross, we come to the Table of the Lord to receive the fruits of Christ's Cross—His very Body and Blood—so that we may be assured of our forgiveness and life and strengthened to walk with our Lord in His Passion towards the glory of Easter's life.

A Silent Prayer As We Enter Into Worship

Eternal God, in the sharing of a meal Your Son established a new covenant for all people, and in the washing of feet He showed us the dignity of service. Grant that by the power of Your Holy Spirit these signs of our life in faith may speak again to our hearts, feed our spirits, and refresh our bodies, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.



The Solemn Liturgy of Holy Thursday

✠ *Jesus, Mercy!* ✠

✠ The Preparation ✠

The congregation gathers together for worship, the sacred lights are lit, and the ministers go to their places.

The Lenten Music for Meditation

The Prelude

“Then Let Us Glory in the Cross”

The Words of Welcome

The Congregation rises.

The Gathering Hymn for the Sacred Triduum

Tune: *Hamburg*

“Then Let Us Glory in the Cross”

Paraphrase of the Introit for Holy Thursday from Galatians 6:14 and Psalm 67

- 1 Then let us glory in the cross
Of Jesus Christ, who sets us free;
He rescues us and gives us life
That we may sing eternally.**
- 2 May God be merciful to us,
Bless us, shine on us from above;
Let all earth's people know Your ways,
All nations know Your saving love.**
- 3 Let all the nations praise You, Lord,
Let them praise You, be glad and sing,
You judge with equity all lands
And rule the nations as their King.**

The Hymn concludes on the next page...

**4 Let all the nations praise You, Lord,
And may the earth yield its increase;
Then God, our God, will bless our land
And nations worship Him in peace.**

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✠ The Service of Corporate Confession and Absolution ✠

The Invocation and Opening Versicles:

P In the Name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

P I will go to the altar of God,

C to God my exceeding joy.

P Our Help is in the Name of the Lord,

C who made heaven and earth.

The Congregation is seated.

The 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. And 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.

P 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.

The Confession of Sins:

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.

A moment of silence is kept for reflection on God’s Word and for self-examination.



P O almighty God, merciful Father,

C 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.

The Absolution:

P Do you believe that the forgiveness I speak is not my forgiveness but God's?

C Yes.

P Let it be done for you as you believe.

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.

C Amen.

The Congregation rises.

The Peace:

P Now may the God of peace Himself sanctify you completely, and may your whole spirit, soul and body be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. He who calls you is faithful; He will surely do it. The Peace of the Lord be with you always.

C And also with you.

✠ The Service of the Word ✠

The Salutation and Collect of the Day:

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us pray.

God our Father, You have invited us to share in the Supper which Your Son gave to His Church to proclaim His death until He comes. May He nourish us by His presence, and unite us in His love; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

The Congregation is seated.

The 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.

⁷“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. ⁸They shall eat the flesh that night, roasted on the fire; with unleavened bread and bitter herbs they shall eat it. ⁹Do not eat any of it raw or boiled in water, but roasted, its head with its legs and its inner parts. ¹⁰And you shall let none of it remain until the morning; anything that remains until the morning you shall burn. ¹¹In 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. ¹²For 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. ¹³The 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 befall 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.”

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.



The Psalm Hymn

Tune: *Rockingham Old*

“What Shall I Render to the Lord”
A Paraphrase of Psalm 116:12-19

- 1 **What shall I render to the Lord
 For all His benefits to me?
 How shall my life, by grace restored,
 Give worthy thanks, O Lord, to Thee?**
- 2 **Salvation's cup of blessing now
 I take and call upon God's Name.
 Before His saints I pay my vow
 And here my gratitude proclaim.**
- 3 **His saints the Lord delights to save;
 Their death is precious in His sight.
 He has redeemed me from the grave,
 And in His service I delight.**
- 4 **With thankful heart I offer now
 My gift and call upon God's Name.
 Before His saints I pay my vow
 And here my gratitude proclaim.**
- 5 **Within His house, the house of prayer,
 I dedicate myself to God.
 Let all His saints His grace declare
 And join to sound His praise abroad.**

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The 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 examine 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.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

The Congregation rises.

The Gradual and Verse:

Hebrews 9:12a, c, 15a; Psalm 111:9a; John 13:1b

P [Christ] entered once for all into the holy places, by means of his own blood, thus securing an eternal redemption.

C **Therefore he is the mediator of a new covenant, so that those who are called may receive the promised eternal inheritance.**

P He sent redemption to his people;

C **he has commanded his covenant forever.**

P Having loved his own who were in the world,

C **he loved them to the end.**

The Holy Gospel

John 13:1-17, 31b-35

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

C **Glory to You, 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?"

⁷Jesus answered him, “What I am doing you do not understand now, but afterward you will understand.” ⁸Peter said to him, “You shall never wash my feet.” Jesus answered him, “If I do not 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, “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. ...

^{31b}“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.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

The Congregation is seated.

The Hymn of the Day

Lutheran Service Book Hymn # 845

“Where Charity and Love Prevail”

- 1 **Where charity and love prevail
There God is ever found;
Brought here together by Christ’s love
By love are we thus bound.**
- 2 **With grateful joy and holy fear
His charity we learn;
Let us with heart and mind and soul
Now love Him in return.**

The Hymn continues on the next page...

- 3 Forgive we now each other's faults
As we our faults confess,
And let us love each other well
In Christian holiness.**
- 4 Let strife among us be unknown;
Let all contention cease;
Be God's the glory that we seek;
Be ours His holy peace.**
- 5 Let us recall that in our midst
Dwells Christ, His only Son;
As members of His body joined
We are in Him made one.**
- 6 For love excludes no race or clan
That names the Savior's name;
His family embraces all
Whose Father is the same.**

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The Sermon

Love Outpoured

The Congregation rises.

The Prayer of the Church:

- P** As we enter into the mystery of these three great and holy days, let us pray for new life in the Church, and new hope for the world and all who are in need.
- P** Holy Lord, the Death and Resurrection of Your Son is the source and foundation of the faith of all who trust in You. Bless Your holy Church throughout the world in these holy days that we might all find our faith and hope strengthened and confirmed. Be with those who will join Your holy people through the Easter Sacrament of Baptism and with those who will renew their professions of faith, that trusting in Your grace given through the work of Your Son, they may entrust themselves and their lives to Your never-failing love. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**

- P** Holy Lord, be with this congregation, the Mekane Yesus congregation, and all congregations in our synodical fellowship during these Holy Days, that we might ever cling to the cross of Your Son, find our salvation and life in Him alone, and ever proclaim the grace that You have given to the world through Jesus Christ. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** Holy Lord, we remorsefully confess that we are prone to stray. Guard and defend each of us from the temptations of the devil, the world, and our own sinful inclinations. Forgive our sins, strengthen our faith, and keep us as your own until You bring us to feast with angels, archangels, and all your saints at Your heavenly table. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** Holy Lord, grant that the leaders of the nations of this world would love justice, that they would be more concerned with the well-being of the people they serve than with their own power, and that they would work tirelessly for the common good of all. Be especially with the President and Congress of these United States, the Governor of this State, and with all those in authority so that we may live in peace and safety, and with freedom to proclaim the Gospel. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** Holy Lord, as Your Son washed His disciples' feet and then offered Himself in service by going to the cross, give us humble hearts that are ready always to serve our families, our friends, our communities, and even our enemies, caring for everyone in Your Name and using our lives to do your will. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** Holy Lord, answer our prayers for those who are sick, suffering, dying, and grieving. Since Your Son suffered as we do and since You know our needs far better than we do, give to each of them and each of us Your gracious care. Show Your mercy to everyone in need. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** Holy Lord, You look with compassion and love upon all of Your children. To Your fatherly care we commend all those who have asked for our prayers. Especially we remember before you all those whom we name in the silence of our hearts... Hear our prayers, we beseech You, and grant them all according to Your good and gracious will. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**

P Holy Lord, Christ entered the Most Holy Place once for all by His own blood; He has redeemed us and inaugurated Your new covenant. Teach us to examine ourselves, so that confessing our sins, we come in repentance to receive our Savior’s Body and Blood. By those gifts that You place in our mouths at this altar, give us Christ’s forgiveness and renew us in faith. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Holy Lord, as we enjoy communion in the one bread and one cup of Your Son’s Body and Blood, unite us with each other and with all those who have gone before us in the faith and feed us with Your life so that we serve You and love one another as our Messiah loves us. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P We offer You these prayers, O God, in the shadow of the Cross, in the hope of the Paschal feast to come, and in the Name of Him who endured for us the Cross and Grave, Jesus Christ our Lord.

C **Amen.**

The Congregation is seated.

✠ **The Service of the Sacrament** ✠

The Hymn of Preparation

The Lutheran Hymnal Hymn # 304

“An Awe-Full Mystery Is Here”

- 1 **An awe-full mystery is here
To challenge faith and waken fear:
The Savior comes as Food divine,
Concealed in earthly bread and wine.**
- 2 **This world is loveless—but above,
What wondrous boundlessness of love!
The King of Glory stoops to me
My spirit's life and strength to be.**
- 3 **In consecrated wine and bread
No eye perceives the myst'ry dread;
But Jesus' words are strong and clear:
“My Body and My Blood are here.”**

The Hymn continues on the next page...

- 4 **How dull are all the pow'rs of sense
Employed on proofs of love immense!
The richest food remains unseen,
And highest gifts appear—how mean!**
- 5 **But here we have no boon on earth,
And faith alone discerns its worth:
The Word, not sense, must be our guide,
And faith assure, since sight's denied.**
- 6 **Lord, show us still that Thou art good
And grant us evermore this food.
Give faith to ev'ry wav'ring soul
And make each wounded spirit whole.**

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The Congregation rises

The Preface Dialogue and Proper Preface for Passiontide:

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Lift up your hearts.

C **We lift them to the Lord.**

P Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.

C **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

P It is truly good, 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:

C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth a - dored;

Heav'n and earth with full ac-claim shout the glo-ry of Your name.

Sing ho - san-na in the high-est, sing ho-san - na to the Lord;

Tru - ly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!

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The Prayer of Thanksgiving and the Lord's Prayer:

- P** Blessed are You, O Lord our God, King of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life. At Your command, Abraham prepared to offer his son Isaac as a sacrifice on the mountain; yet, in mercy You provided a ram as a substitute. We give You thanks that on Calvary You spared not Your only Son but sent Him to offer His life as a ransom for many. As we eat and drink His Body and Blood, grant us, like Abraham our father, to trust in Your promise now fulfilled in Christ, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world. Hear us as we pray in His Name and as He has taught us:
- C** **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 The day before He suffered to save us and all men, that is today, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread into His sacred hands and looking up to heaven, to You, His almighty Father, He gave You thanks and praise. He broke the bread, gave it to His disciples, and said: “Take this, all of you, and eat it: this is My ✠ Body which will be given up for you. Do this in memory of Me.”

When supper was ended, He took the cup. Again He gave You thanks and praise, gave the cup to His disciples and said: “Take this, all of you, and drink from it: this is the cup of My ✠ Blood, the Blood of the new and everlasting covenant. It will be shed for you and for all so that sins may be forgiven. Do this in memory of Me.”

The *Pax Domini*:

P The Peace of the Lord be with you always.

C Amen.

The *Agnus Dei*:

C 1 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
2 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,

You take the sin of the world a - way;
You take the sin of the world a - way;

O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus Christ,

Have mer - cy on us, Lord, we pray.
And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.

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The Congregation is seated.

The Distribution of Holy Communion

Lutherans believe that in this Sacrament the very Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ are present in, with, and under the physical elements of bread and wine. And this Sacrament is distributed to the Baptized of the Church who believe in the Presence of Christ in the Sacrament, sincerely repent of their sins, and desire to receive God's forgiveness in this Holy Meal. Those who are present at this celebration who are baptized, have been instructed in the meaning of this Supper, and believe likewise are welcome to commune with us at this Altar today.

Holy Communion is distributed to the congregation in a continuous manner in front of the altar. Please follow the direction of the ushers to make your way to the Altar. The Sacrament is distributed in the following way...Please extend your hand to the Pastor to receive the Body of Christ. Christ's Blood is then received from individual cups from the assistant (wine and white grape juice are available). After receiving, please place your empty cup into the tray at the end of the communion rail and return to your seat by way of the side aisle. Children and those not wishing to receive the Sacrament are welcome to come forward to receive a blessing from the Pastor.

Music at the Distribution: "Before the Ending of the Day" – The Trinity Singers
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After all have communed, the Pastor continues:

The Eucharistic Blessing:

- P** The Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart ✠ in peace.
- C** **Amen.**

The Congregation rises.

The Post-Communion Thanksgiving:

- P** For as often as we eat this Bread and drink this Cup,
- C** **we show forth the Lord's death until He comes.**
- P** Let us pray.
O Lord Jesus, since You have left us a memorial of Your Passion in a wonderful Sacrament, grant, we pray, that we may so use this Sacrament of Your Body and Blood that the fruits of Your redeeming work 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.**

As the following Hymn is sung, the Communion Vessels are removed from the Altar and taken into the sacristy and the Altar Candles are extinguished.

The Post-Communion Hymn

Lutheran Service Book Hymn # 617

“O Lord, We Praise Thee, Bless Thee, and Adore Thee”

- 1 O Lord, we praise Thee, bless Thee, and adore Thee,
In thanksgiving bow before Thee.
Thou with Thy Body and Thy Blood didst nourish
Our weak souls that they may flourish:
O Lord, have mercy!
May Thy Body, Lord, born of Mary,
That our sins and sorrows did carry,
And Thy Blood for us plead
In all trial, fear, and need:
O Lord, have mercy!**
- 2 Thy holy Body into death was given,
Life to win for us in heaven.
No greater love than this to Thee could bind us;
May this Feast thereof remind us!
O Lord, have mercy!
Lord, Thy kindness did so constrain Thee
That Thy Blood should bless and sustain me.
All our debt Thou hast paid;
Peace with God once more is made:
O Lord, have mercy!**
- 3 May God bestow on us His grace and favor
That we follow Christ our Savior
And live together here in love and union
Nor despise this blest Communion!
O Lord, have mercy!
Let not Thy good Spirit forsake us;
Grant that heav'nly-minded He make us;
Give Thy Church, Lord, to see
Days of peace and unity:
O Lord, have mercy!**

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*Following the Hymn, the Congregation is seated,
and the ministers leave the chancel in silence.*

*The lights in the Nave are darkened for
The Preparation of the Church for Good Friday*



✠ **The Preparation of the Church for Good Friday** ✠

The Stripping of the Altar is an action which symbolizes the humiliation which our Lord suffered at the hands of the elders of the Jewish people and the Roman soldiers. The Altar, as well as the entire chancel—being the symbol of our Lord’s glory and presence among us—is stripped of all its ornaments as we prepare to celebrate His Passion and Death in the Liturgies of Good Friday. Thus, before we leave the church this night, we see in symbol our Lord Christ stripped in humiliation and left in the hands of his captors.

As this is done, Psalm 22, which is connected with our Lord’s Passion, is sung by a lone voice from the back of the church, reminding us of the voice of our Lord from the Cross.

Psalm 22

Antiphon: verse 18

^{Antr}They divide my garments a- | mong them,*
and for my clothing they | cast lots.

¹My God, my God, why have you for- | saken me?*

Why are you so far from saving me, from the words of my | groaning?

²O my God, I cry by day, but you do not | answer,*
and by night, but I | find no rest.

³Yet you are | holy,*
enthroned on the praises of | Israel.

⁴In you our fathers | trusted;*

they trusted, and you de- | livered them.

- ⁵To you they cried and were | rescued;*
in you they trusted and were not | put to shame.
- ⁶But I am a worm and | not a man,*
scorned by mankind and despised by the | people.
- ⁷All who see me | mock me;*
they make mouths at me; they | wag their heads;
- ⁸“He trusts in the LORD; let him de- | liver him;*
let him rescue him, for he de- | lights in him!”
- ⁹Yet you are he who took me | from the womb;*
you made me trust you at my | mother’s breasts.
- ¹⁰On you was I cast | from my birth,*
and from my mother’s womb you have | been my God.
- ¹¹Be not far from me,
for trouble | is near,*
and there is | none to help.
- ¹²Many bulls en- | compass me;*
strong bulls of Bashan sur- | round me;
- ¹³they open wide their | mouths at me,*
like a ravening and roaring | lion.
- ¹⁴I am poured out like water,
and all my bones are | out of joint;*
my heart is like wax;
it is melted with- | in my breast;
- ¹⁵my strength is dried up like a potsherd,
and my tongue sticks | to my jaws;*
you lay me in the | dust of death.
- ¹⁶For dogs en- | compass me;*
a company of evildoers encircles me;
they have pierced my | hands and feet—
- ¹⁷I can count | all my bones—*
they stare and gloat | over me;
- ¹⁸they divide my garments a- | mong them,*
and for my clothing they | cast lots.

- ¹⁹But you, O LORD, do not be | far off!*
O you my help, come quickly | to my aid!
- ²⁰Deliver my soul | from the sword,*
my precious life from the power | of the dog!
- ²¹Save me from the mouth of the | lion!*
You have rescued me from the horns of the wild | oxen!
- ²²I will tell of your name to my | brothers,*
in the midst of the congregation I will | praise you:
- ²³You who fear the LORD, praise him!
All you offspring of Jacob, glo- | rify him,*
and stand in awe of him, all you offspring of | Israel!
- ²⁴For he has not despised or abhorred
the affliction of the afflicted,
and he has not hidden his | face from him,*
but has heard, when he | cried to him.
- ²⁵From you comes my praise in the great congre- | gation;*
my vows I will perform before those who | fear him.
- ²⁶The afflicted shall eat and be satisfied;
those who seek him shall | praise the LORD!*
May your hearts live for- | ever!
- ²⁷All the ends of the earth shall remember
and turn | to the LORD,*
and all the families of the nations
shall worship be- | fore you.
- ²⁸For kingship belongs | to the LORD,*
and he rules over the | nations.
- ²⁹All the prosperous of the earth eat and | worship;*
before him shall bow all who go down to the dust,
even the one who could not keep him- | self alive.
- ³⁰Posterity shall | serve him;*
it shall be told of the Lord to the coming gener- | ation;
- ³¹they shall come and proclaim his righteousness to a people | yet unborn,*
that he has | done it.

Ant They divide my garments a- | mong them,*
and for my clothing they | cast lots.

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There is no benediction. All leave the church in silence. The omission of benedictions at the end of the Liturgies of Maundy Thursday and Good Friday indicate their continuity with each other and with the Liturgy of Easter Day.

Our Holy Week Devotions continue tomorrow with the Celebration of our Lord’s Passion in the Liturgy of Good Friday.



Those Who Serve Us Tonight in Worship

The Celebrant and Preacher	The Reverend Peter A. Schiebel
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The Communion Assistant:	Paul Ritter
The Worship Assistant:	Paul Ritter
The Choir:	The Trinity Singers
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**The Easter Triduum 2022
at Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church
Mount Rainier, Maryland**

Good Friday ✕ April 15, 2022

7:00 PM

The Office of Tenebrae

The “Service of Darkness” with the Adoration of the Cross; the Reading of the Passion according to Saint John; Sermon: “You Can’t Look Away”; and Prayers for the Church and the World.



EASTER

**The Feast of the Resurrection of our Lord
Easter Sunday ✕ April 17, 2022**

8:30 AM

Bible Study

9:30 AM

The Festival Celebration of the Resurrection
with Hymns; Special Music; Sermon: “Memory Recall”; the Renewal of Baptismal Vows; and the celebration of Holy Communion.

All are invited and welcome to join us as we celebrate these Most Holy Days commemorating God’s great acts of love to redeem the world through Jesus Christ.

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Mount Rainier, Maryland 20712

Sunday Mornings:
Adult Bible Study – 8:30 AM
Worship with Holy Communion – 9:30 AM

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