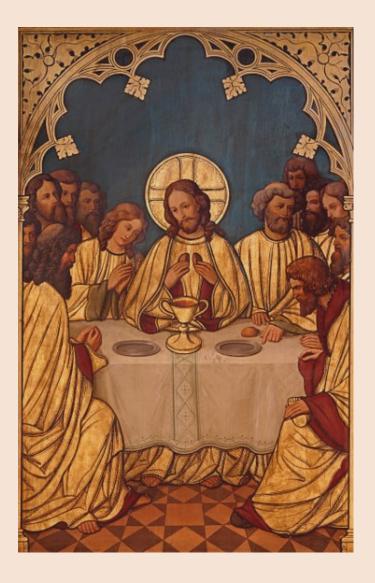
MAUNDY THURSDAY

Divine Service



Messiah Lutheran Church Keller, Texas March 28, 2024

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Maundy is an English form of the Latin word for commandment. The overarching theme of the day is Jesus' new commandment to "love one another even as I have loved you," a love sharply focused by the contrast of the betrayal which followed. Jesus' love is demonstrated both in His example of servant -hood and in His gift of Himself in Holy Communion.

On Maundy Thursday we remember our Savior's institution of the new covenant of His body and blood. On the eve of His suffering and death, the Lamb of God thought of us and cared for us, even to the giving of this extraordinary gift by such ordinary means. As His gift is received this evening, we also remember His care and concern for the truths of God's Word. Believing that the Bible clearly sets forth doctrinal unity for those receiving the sacrament together, we practice *closed communion*, and ask guests desiring to commune to kindly speak with a pastor before the service.

The Benediction is omitted on this day, following the tradition of the "Triduum", in which the services of Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, and Holy Saturday are considered a unit.



Prelude

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Opening Hymn: 445 When You Woke That Thursday Morning



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Confession and Absolution

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

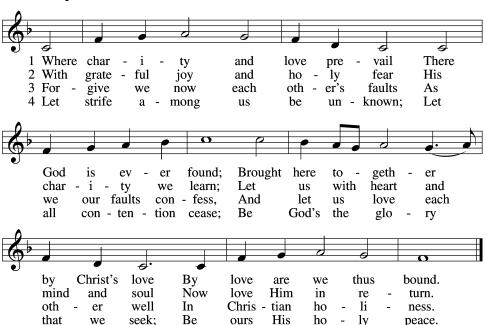
- **P** In the name of the Father and of the

 → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.
- **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.
- **P** I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,
- and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.
- P If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?
- **B**ut with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.
- 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. We take up our cross and follow Him and, according to His commandment, love one another as He has loved us. As our Lord on this night exemplified this love by washing His disciples' feet, so we by our words and actions serve one another in love. Because of Him, we love one another, not only in word, but in deed and in truth.
- P Having heard the Word of God, let us confess our sins, imploring God our Father for the sake of His Son, Jesus Christ, to grant us forgiveness.

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

- 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.
- Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit. 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.
- C Amen.

845 Where Charity and Love Prevail



- 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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Salutation and Collect of the Day

- The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.
- P 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.

 \mathbf{C} Amen.

Service of the Word

Anthem: "Thy Body, Given for Me, O Savior," arr. Sandra Eithuntext at LSB 619

Old Testament Reading

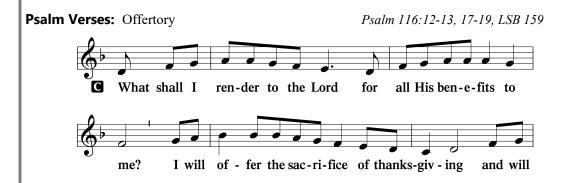
Exodus 12:1-14

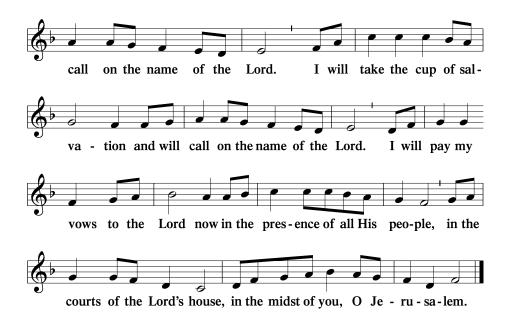
¹The LORD said to Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt, ²"This month shall be for you the beginning of months. It shall be the first month of the year for you. ³Tell all the congregation of Israel that on the tenth day of this month every man shall take a lamb according to their fathers' houses, a lamb 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."

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





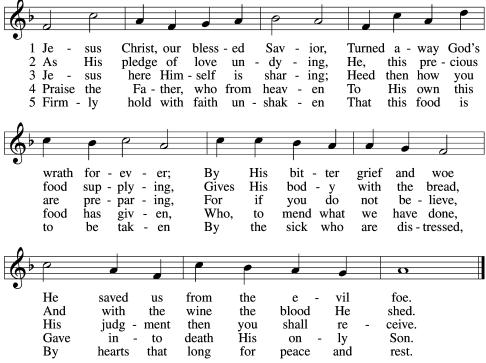
Epistle 1 Corinthians 11:23–32

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.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.



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Holy Gospel

John 13:1–17. 31b–35

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

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." Simon Peter said to him, "Lord, not my feet only but also my hands and my head!" 10 Jesus 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. . . .

"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."

- This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- Praise to You, O Christ.

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Hymn of the Day (continued): 627 Jesus Christ, Our Blessed Savior sts. 6-10



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Sermon

Voluntary: "O Dearest Jesus, What Law Hast Thou Broken," arr. Jason W. Krug text at LSB 439

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Reception of the Offering

Prayer of the Church

Service of the Sacrament

Preface LSB 160

- P The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.
- P Lift up your hearts.
- **W**e 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.

Proper Preface

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:

Sanctus LSB 161





Prayer of Thanksgiving

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:

Lord's Prayer

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

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."

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 Holood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

Pax Domini

- P The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C Amen.



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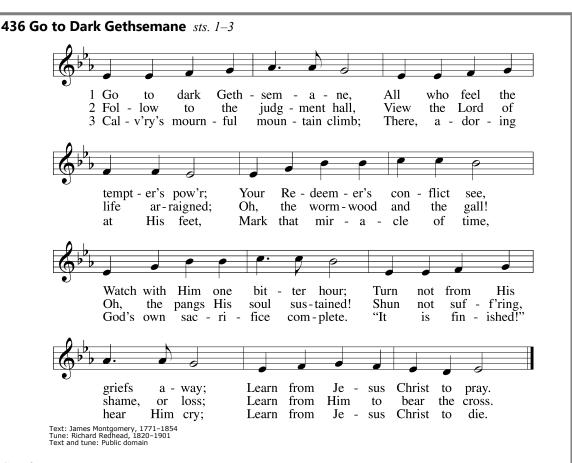
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619 Thy Body, Given for Me, O Savior 1 Thy bod - y, giv'n for 0 Sav - ior, Thy blood which me, 2 With Thee, Lord, u - nit - ed; live am now in 3 Who For The can con-demn me now? sure - ly Lord is 4 Though death may threat - en with dis - as - ter, It can - not 5 My heart has now be - come Thy dwell-ing, 0 bless - ed, Thou These for me didst shed, life and are my Thee and Thou in me. No sor row fills my nigh, who jus ti - fies. No hell Ι fear, and For He of rob me of my cheer; who is With Thy ho ly Trin i ty. an gels I, By strength for them my is fed. soul soul, de light - ed It finds its on - ly joy in Thee. thus se cure - ly With Je - sus Ι heav - en rise. to death the mas - ter With aid and com - fort e'er is near. prais es tell - ing, Shall live in joy e - ter - nal - ly. Refrain

Lord, may Thy bod-y and Thy blood Be for my soul the high-est good!

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Post-Communion Collect

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 in 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.

C Amen.

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Stripping of the Altar

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.

My God, my God, why have You forsaken me? Why are You so far from saving me, from the words of my groaning?

¹My God, my God, why have you forsaken 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 delivered 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 deliver him; let him rescue him, for he delights in him!"

My God, my God, why have You forsaken me? Why are You so far from saving me, from the words of my groaning?

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.

Many bulls encompass me;
 strong bulls of Bashan surround me;
 they 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 within 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.

My God, my God, why have You forsaken me? Why are You so far from saving me, from the words of my groaning?

¹⁶For dogs encompass 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 among 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, glorify 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.

My God, my God, why have You forsaken me? Why are You so far from saving me, from the words of my groaning?

From you comes my praise in the great congregation; my vows I will perform before those who fear him.
 The afflicted shall eat and be satisfied; those who seek him shall praise the LORD!
 May your hearts live forever!

All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the LORD,
 and all the families of the nations shall worship before you.
 For 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 himself alive.

³⁰Posterity shall serve him;

it shall be told of the Lord to the coming generation;

³¹they shall come and proclaim his righteousness to a people yet unborn, that he has done it.

My God, my God, why have You forsaken me? Why are You so far from saving me, from the words of my groaning?

All leave the church in silence.
Service Music:
Prelude:
HERZLICH TUT MICH VERLANGEN ("O Sacred Head, Now Wounded") – J. S. Bach, BWV 727
GOTT SEI GELOBET UND GEBENEDEIET ("O Lord, We Praise Thee") – Gunther Martin Gottsche O LAMB GOTTES, UNSCHULDIG ("Lamb of God, Pure and Holy") – Johann Pachelbel
JESUS CHRISTUS, UNSER HEILAND ("Jesus Christ, Our Blessed Savior") – Steven Wente
Postlude: [all leave in silence after the stripping of the altar and singing of Psalm 22]
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