

# Maundy Thursday Worship

April 1, 2021

7:00 pm



The Gospel in Seven Words

## **AS WE GATHER**

The quarantine (literally, forty days) of Lent, a time of repentance, began on Ash Wednesday with an extended prayer and confession of sins, and with this reminder: “Remember that you are dust, and to dust you shall return.” The forty days (not including Sundays, which are considered “little Easters”) come to their conclusion now in the three holy days, or Triduum, of Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and Holy Saturday. Therefore these days center around the only sacrifice that gives us absolution, the forgiveness we so desire: the body and blood of the Lord’s Supper that proclaim the glorious substitutionary suffering and death of our Lord on the cross and interment in the tomb. Only in this way can a person know and believe what there is to be so happy about on Easter Sunday!

**PRESERVICE MUSIC**    “O Sacred Head” & “Amazing Grace”    (arr. Rosenhaus)    Flute & Piano

## **INVOCATION**

**P**    In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C**    Amen.

## **EXHORTATION**

*LSB 184*

**P**    Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

**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,

**C**    **and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

## **CONFESSION OF SINS**

*LSB 184*

**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.**

## **ABSOLUTION**

*LSB 185*

**P**    Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and 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.

**+ WORD +**

## **OLD TESTAMENT READING**

*Exodus 24:3–11*

<sup>3</sup>Moses came and told the people all the words of the LORD and all the just decrees. And all the people answered with one voice and said, “All the words that the LORD has spoken we will do.” <sup>4</sup>And Moses wrote down all the words of the LORD. He rose early in the morning and built an altar at the foot of the mountain, and twelve pillars, according to the twelve tribes of Israel. <sup>5</sup>And he sent young men of the people of Israel, who offered burnt offerings and sacrificed peace offerings of oxen to the LORD. <sup>6</sup>And Moses took half of the blood

and put it in basins, and half of the blood he threw against the altar. <sup>7</sup>Then he took the Book of the Covenant and read it in the hearing of the people. And they said, “All that the LORD has spoken we will do, and we will be obedient.” <sup>8</sup>And Moses took the blood and threw it on the people and said, “Behold the blood of the covenant that the LORD has made with you in accordance with all these words.” <sup>9</sup>Then Moses and Aaron, Nadab, and Abihu, and seventy of the elders of Israel went up, <sup>10</sup>and they saw the God of Israel. There was under his feet as it were a pavement of sapphire stone, like the very heaven for clearness. <sup>11</sup>And he did not lay his hand on the chief men of the people of Israel; they beheld God, and ate and drank.

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## EPISTLE

*1 Corinthians 10:16–17*

<sup>16</sup>The cup of blessing that we bless, is it not a participation in the blood of Christ? The bread that we break, is it not a participation in the body of Christ? <sup>17</sup>Because there is one bread, we who are many are one body, for we all partake of the one bread.

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

**ANTHEM** “Jesus in Gethsemane” (Williams/Nolan) Solo – Rick Behrens

## HOLY GOSPEL

*Mark 14:12–26*

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the fourteenth chapter.

**C** Glory to You, O Lord.

<sup>12</sup>On the first day of Unleavened Bread, when they sacrificed the Passover lamb, [Jesus’] disciples said to him, “Where will you have us go and prepare for you to eat the Passover?” <sup>13</sup>And he sent two of his disciples and said to them, “Go into the city, and a man carrying a jar of water will meet you. Follow him, <sup>14</sup>and wherever he enters, say to the master of the house, ‘The Teacher says, Where is my guest room, where I may eat the Passover with my disciples?’” <sup>15</sup>And he will show you a large upper room furnished and ready; there prepare for us.” <sup>16</sup>And the disciples set out and went to the city and found it just as he had told them, and they prepared the Passover. <sup>17</sup>And when it was evening, he came with the twelve. <sup>18</sup>And as they were reclining at table and eating, Jesus said, “Truly, I say to you, one of you will betray me, one who is eating with me.” <sup>19</sup>They began to be sorrowful and to say to him one after another, “Is it I?” <sup>20</sup>He said to them, “It is one of the twelve, one who is dipping bread into the dish with me. <sup>21</sup>For the Son of Man goes as it is written of him, but woe to that man by whom the Son of Man is betrayed! It would have been better for that man if he had not been born.” <sup>22</sup>And as they were eating, he took bread, and after blessing it broke it and gave it to them, and said, “Take; this is my body.” <sup>23</sup>And he took a cup, and when he had given thanks he gave it to them, and they all drank of it. <sup>24</sup>And he said to them, “This is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many. <sup>25</sup>Truly, I say to you, I will not drink again of the fruit of the vine until that day when I drink it new in the kingdom of God.” <sup>26</sup>And when they had sung a hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives.

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C** Praise to You, O Christ.

## 622 LORD JESUS CHRIST, YOU HAVE PREPARED

*sts. 1, 4–5, 7–8*

1 Lord Jesus Christ, You have prepared This feast for our salvation;  
It is Your body and Your blood, And at Your invitation  
As weary souls, with sin oppressed,  
We come to You for needed rest, For comfort, and for pardon.

- 4 We eat this bread and drink this cup, Your precious Word believing  
That Your true body and Your blood Our lips are here receiving.  
This Word remains forever true;  
All things are possible with You, For You are Lord Almighty.
- 5 Though reason cannot understand, Yet faith this truth embraces:  
Your body, Lord, is even now At once in many places.  
I leave to You how this can be;  
Your Word alone suffices me; I trust its truth unfailing.
- 7 Grant that we worthily receive Your supper, Lord, our Savior,  
And, truly grieving for our sins, May prove by our behavior  
That we are thankful for Your grace  
And day by day may run our race, In holiness increasing.
- 8 For Your consoling supper, Lord, Be praised throughout all ages!  
Preserve it, for in ev'ry place The world against it rages.  
Grant that this sacrament may be  
A blessed comfort unto me When living and when dying.

**SERMON** "Jesus Comes to Feed My Hungry Soul" Matthew 26:26-28

**CREED** Nicene Creed (*Creed can be found in the back of the hymnal and on the screens*)

## PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

**P** Lord God, our heavenly Father, we offer to You our common supplications for the well-being of Your Holy Church throughout the world and for this congregation gathered in Your name. Guide and govern Your Church by Your Holy Spirit that all who profess themselves Christians may be led into the way of truth and hold the truth in unity of spirit, in the bond of peace, and in righteousness of life. As Your Son, our Lord Jesus, commanded us, enable us to love one another in sincerity and truth.

Be merciful to all who are in authority over us. Supply them with Your blessing that they may be inclined to Your will and walk according to Your commandments. Preserve all who travel, satisfy the wants of Your creatures, and help those who call upon You in any need that they may have patience in the midst of suffering and, according to Your will, be released from their afflictions.

We praise You for the abundant mercy that You so richly have provided us, blessing us not only with daily bread for our bodies but also with heavenly food for our souls. Grant that Your living and powerful Word abide in our hearts. Let Your holy angels be with us that the evil foe may have no power over us. Deliver and preserve us in the saving faith, and grant Your blessing upon us all; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**G** Amen.

**ANTHEM** "Thy Will Be Done" (Eilers)

## + SACRAMENT +

## PREFACE

**P** The Lord be with you.

**G** 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.

## 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 195*

- C** Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth;  
heav'n and earth are full of Thy glory.  
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is He, blessed is He, blessed is He that cometh in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.

## PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

- P** Blessed are You, O Lord our God, King of the universe, 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.  
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 to trust in Your promise now fulfilled in Christ, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world.
- C** Amen.

## WORDS OF OUR LORD

## LORD'S PRAYER

## PAX DOMINI

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

## AGNUS DEI

*LSB 198*

- C** O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.  
O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.  
O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace. Amen.

## + DISTRIBUTION HYMNS +

## MUSICAL OFFERING “Just As I Am” (arr. Stevens) Flute & Piano

## 619 THY BODY, GIVEN FOR ME, O SAVIOR

*sts. 1, ref, 3, 5*

- 1 Thy body, giv'n for me, O Savior, Thy blood which Thou for me didst shed,  
These are my life and strength forever, By them my hungry soul is fed. **Refrain**

**Refrain** Lord, may Thy body and Thy blood Be for my soul the highest good!

3 Who can condemn me now? For surely The Lord is nigh, who justifies.  
No hell I fear, and thus securely With Jesus I to heaven rise. **Refrain**

5 My heart has now become Thy dwelling, O blessed, holy Trinity.  
With angels I, Thy praises telling, Shall live in joy eternally. **Refrain**

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## 761 ROCK OF AGES, CLEFT FOR ME

- 1 Rock of Ages, cleft for me, Let me hide myself in Thee;  
Let the water and the blood, From Thy riven side which flowed,  
Be of sin the double cure: Cleanse me from its guilt and pow'r.
- 2 Not the labors of my hands Can fulfill Thy Law's demands;  
Could my zeal no respite know, Could my tears forever flow,  
All for sin could not atone; Thou must save, and Thou alone.
- 3 Nothing in my hand I bring; Simply to Thy cross I cling.  
Naked, come to Thee for dress; Helpless, look to Thee for grace;  
Foul, I to the fountain fly; Wash me, Savior, or I die.
- 4 While I draw this fleeting breath, When mine eyelids close in death,  
When I soar to worlds unknown, See Thee on Thy judgment throne,  
Rock of Ages, cleft for me, Let me hide myself in Thee.

## POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

**P** Gracious God, our heavenly Father, You have given us a foretaste of the feast to come in the Holy Supper of Your Son's body and blood. Keep us firm in the true faith throughout our days of pilgrimage that, on the day of His coming, we may, together with all Your saints, celebrate the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**G** Amen.

## 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. While this is done, Psalm 22 is sung by the choir ensemble.)*

## PSALM

*Psalm 22*

- <sup>1</sup>My God, my God, why have you for- | saken me?\*
- Why are you so far from saving me, from the words of my | groaning?
- <sup>2</sup>O my God, I cry by day, but you do not | answer,\*
- and by night, but I | find no rest.
- <sup>3</sup>Yet you are | holy,\*
- enthroned on the praises of | Israel.
- <sup>4</sup>In you our fathers | trusted;\*
- they trusted, and you de- | livered them.
- <sup>5</sup>To you they cried and were | rescued;\*
- in you they trusted and were not | put to shame.

<sup>6</sup>But I am a worm and | not a man,\*  
scorned by mankind and despised by the | people.  
<sup>7</sup>All who see me | mock me;\*  
they make mouths at me; they | wag their heads;  
<sup>8</sup>“He trusts in the LORD; let him de- | liver him;\*”  
let him rescue him, for he de- | lights in him!”  
<sup>9</sup>Yet you are he who took me | from the womb;\*  
you made me trust you at my | mother’s breasts.  
<sup>10</sup>On you was I cast | from my birth,\*  
and from my mother’s womb you have | been my God.  
<sup>11</sup>Be not far from me,  
for trouble | is near,\*  
and there is | none to help.  
<sup>12</sup>Many bulls en- | compass me;\*  
strong bulls of Bashan sur- | round me;  
<sup>13</sup>they open wide their | mouths at me,\*  
like a ravening and roaring | lion.  
<sup>14</sup>I 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;  
<sup>15</sup>my strength is dried up like a potsherd,  
and my tongue sticks | to my jaws;\*  
you lay me in the | dust of death.  
<sup>16</sup>For dogs en- | compass me;\*  
a company of evildoers encircles me;  
they have pierced my | hands and feet—  
<sup>17</sup>I can count | all my bones—\*  
they stare and gloat | over me;  
<sup>18</sup>they divide my garments a- | mong them,\*  
and for my clothing they | cast lots.  
<sup>19</sup>But you, O LORD, do not be | far off!\*  
O you my help, come quickly | to my aid!  
<sup>20</sup>Deliver my soul | from the sword,\*  
my precious life from the power | of the dog!  
<sup>21</sup>Save me from the mouth of the | lion!\*

You have rescued me from the horns of the wild | oxen!

<sup>22</sup>I will tell of your name to my | brothers;\*  
in the midst of the congregation I will | praise you:

<sup>23</sup>You 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!

<sup>24</sup>For 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.

<sup>25</sup>From you comes my praise in the great congre- | gation;\*  
my vows I will perform before those who | fear him.

<sup>26</sup>The afflicted shall eat and be satisfied;  
those who seek him shall | praise the LORD!\*  
May your hearts live for- | ever!

<sup>27</sup>All the ends of the earth shall remember  
and turn | to the LORD,\*  
and all the families of the nations  
shall worship be- | fore you.

<sup>28</sup>For kingship belongs | to the LORD,\*  
and he rules over the | nations.

<sup>29</sup>All 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.

<sup>30</sup>Posterity shall | serve him;\*  
it shall be told of the Lord to the coming gener- | ation;

<sup>31</sup>they shall come and proclaim his righteousness to a people | yet unborn,\*  
that he has | done it.

*(All leave the church in silence.)*

Those serving this evening:

Pastor - Rev. Peter Kufahl

Organist/Accompanist - Marlene Rieck

Choir Ensemble - Rick Behrens, Pastor Kufahl, Jean Meyer, Jackie Pearce, Becky Pflughoeft, Dan Scafaro

Flute – Becky Pflughoeft

Elder – Jacob Husing

Altar Guild – Mandy Rottier, Wende Sisavath, Heidi Skarda, Emily Rottier-Douangmala, Addisan Rottier

### **Our worship continues:**

Good Friday, April 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1 pm

Good Friday Tenebrae, April 2<sup>nd</sup>, 7 pm

Easter Celebration with Holy Communion, April 4<sup>th</sup>, 7:30 & 10 am

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