



Maunderly Thursday



† Maundy Thursday †

April 18, 2019

As We Gather:

It is Passover night, the night before the day the children of Israel walked through blood-stained doorways into freedom and life as God's people. This is the paschal night, the night of the remembrance meal—the hard, unleavened bread, the bitter herbs, the lamb roasted to dry toughness. The Lamb's blood painted on the doorposts. It is the night of judgment and death as God seeks out the blood. Under the blood of the lamb, you are safe. Death passes over. Without the blood you are dead. It is neither safe nor salutary to deal with God apart from the blood of the Lamb.

† WE PREPARE FOR THE MEAL †

Invocation and Confession

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: **Amen.**

Pastor: I will go to the altar of God,

People: **to God my exceeding joy.**

Pastor: Our help is in the name of the Lord,

People: **who made heaven and earth. (Sit)**

Hymn: "Lord Jesus Christ, We Humbly Pray"

LSB 623:1-3

Pastor: 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.

People: **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.

Pastor: 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."

People: **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."

Pastor: 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.

People: **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.**

Pastor: 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.

People: **Because of Him, we love one another, not only in word, but in deed and in truth.**

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

People: **Amen.**

Stand

Pastor: 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.

People: Amen.

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

Pastor: O almighty God, merciful Father,

People: **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.**

Pastor: God be merciful to you and strengthen your faith.

People: **Amen.**

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

People: **Yes.**

Pastor: 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 T Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: **Amen.**

Salutation and Collect of the Day

2 Timothy 4:22

LSB # 205

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Pastor: Let us pray.

People: **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. Amen.**

† SERVICE OF THE WORD †

Old Testament: *Exodus 12:1–14*

The LORD said to Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt, “This month shall be for you the beginning of months. It shall be the first month of the year for you. Tell 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. And 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. Your lamb shall be without blemish, a male a year old. You may take it from the sheep or from the goats, and 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 befall you to destroy you, when I strike the land of Egypt.

“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.”

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Epistle Reading: *1 Corinthians 11:23–32*

For I received from the Lord what I also delivered to you, that the Lord Jesus on the night when he was betrayed took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it, and said, “This is my body which is for you. Do this in remembrance of me.” In 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.” For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord’s death until he comes.

Whoever, 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. Let a person examine himself,

then, and so eat of the bread and drink of the cup. For anyone who eats and drinks without discerning the body eats and drinks judgment on himself. That is why many of you are weak and ill, and some have died. But if we judged ourselves truly, we would not be judged. But when we are judged by the Lord, we are disciplined so that we may not be condemned along with the world.

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Maunder Thursday Verse:

Pastor: "The time is coming," declares the LORD, "when I will make a *new covenant* with the house of Israel and with the house of Judah. (Jeremiah 31:31.34b NIV)

People: **For I will forgive their wickedness and will remember their sins no more.**

Holy Gospel: John 13:1–17, 31–35

Now 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. During supper, when the devil had already put it into the heart of Judas Iscariot, Simon's son, to betray him, Jesus, knowing that the Father had given all things into his hands, and that he had come from God and was going back to God, rose from supper. He laid aside his outer garments, and taking a towel, tied it around his waist. Then 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. He came to Simon Peter, who said to him, "Lord, do you wash my feet?" Jesus answered him, "What I am doing you do not understand now, but afterward you will understand." Peter 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!" 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." For he knew who was to betray him; that was why he said, "Not all of you are clean."

When 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? You call me Teacher and Lord, and you are right, for so I am. If I then, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another's feet. For I have given you an example, that you also should do just as I have done to you. Truly, truly, I say to you, a servant is not greater than his master, nor is a messenger greater than the one who sent him. If you know these things, blessed are you if you do them.

When he had gone out, Jesus said, "Now is the Son of Man glorified, and God is glorified in him. If God is glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself, and glorify him at once. Little 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.’ A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another: just as I have loved you, you also are to love one another. By this all people will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.”

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: **Praise to You, O Christ.**

Creed: *Luther’s Small Catechism; Sacrament of the Altar*

Pastor: What is the Sacrament of the Altar?

People: **It is the true body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ under the bread and wine, instituted by Christ Himself for us Christians to eat and to drink.**

Pastor: What is the benefit of this eating and drinking?

People: **These words, “Given and shed for you for the forgiveness of sins,” show us that in the Sacrament forgiveness of sins, life, and salvation are given us through these words. For where there is forgiveness of sins, there is also life and salvation.**

Pastor: How can bodily eating and drinking do such great things?

People: **Certainly not just eating and drinking do these things, but the words written here: “Given and shed for you for the forgiveness of sins.” These words, along with the bodily eating and drinking, are the main thing in the Sacrament. Whoever believes these words has exactly what they say: “forgiveness of sins.”**

Children’s Message:

Sermon Hymn: *When You Woke That Thursday Morning*

LSB 445

Sermon: “The Remembering Word”

Pastor David Benning

Offering Hymn: *Glory Be to Jesus*

LSB # 433

Offering Prayer

Pastor: Let us pray

People: **Lamb of God, who sacrificially gave Yourself for us; Enable our gifts to be sacrificially given. Receive these offerings to support Your Gospel ministry here and throughout the world. Amen.**

† THE SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION †

Prayer of the Day, Lord’s Prayer, Sanctus, and Preface:

Pastor: O God, it is painful to admit the truth about ourselves and what we sinfully long for. Keeping guilt bundled up inside seems safer, but it only creates more pain and more problems. Denial follows us like a shadow and holds us captive to the freedom that is ours in Jesus Christ. Broken and repentant, now feed us at the Holy Supper with divine forgiveness and mercy.

People: **This we ask, craving food that lasts so that by it we may grow in our salvation, now that we have tasted that the Lord is good.**

Pastor: Father, save us from anxious thoughts, vindictive words, unhelpful worry, and the vain imagination that we can do anything apart from your love in Christ Jesus.

People: **This we ask, craving the food that lasts so that by it we may grow in our salvation, now that we have tasted that the Lord is good.**

Pastor: Heavenly Father, in times of crisis empower us to come to you as our Refuge, build on you as our Foundation, follow you as our Guide, look to you as our Comforter, believe in you as our Savior, and trust you to be our Light in the darkness. Show us that in time tears will turn to healing, and loss into joy, for in your Son's body and blood you give us a foretaste of everlasting life.

People: **This we believe, craving the food that lasts so that by it we may grow in our salvation, now that we have tasted that the Lord is good.**

Pastor: Loving Lord, teach us to distinguish between your kingdom and our vain imaginations, between your plans and ours. Humble us to rely on your wisdom and not ours, to place our faith in your word and not in the wisdom of this world.

People: **This we ask, craving the food that lasts so that by it we may grow in our salvation, now that we have tasted that the Lord is good.**

Pastor: O God, we commit our lives to you and hand over, again, all that is ours. Finding a peace that the world can never give, we celebrate your unending love for us in Christ Jesus our Lord who comes to us in his true body and blood.

People: **This we ask, craving the food that lasts so that by it we may grow in our salvation, now that we have tasted that the Lord is good. In Jesus' name. Amen.**

Pastor: Lord, remember us in Your Kingdom and teach us to pray . . . *Matthew 6:9-13*

People: **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.**

Preface

LSB 208

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.** *2 Timothy 4:22*

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

People: **We lift them to the Lord.** *[2 Colossians 3:1]*

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.** *[Psalm 136]*

Pastor: It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord,...

Sanctus (*Sung*)*Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9*

LSB 208

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!

The Words of Our Lord *Matthew 26:26-28; Mark 14:22-24; Luke 22:19-20; 1 Corinthians 11:23-25*

Pastor: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed...

Pastor: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

People: **Amen.****Agnus Dei** (*Sung*)*John 1:29*

LSB 210

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.

Distribution: Hymns sung during distribution as time permits

“The Death of Jesus Christ, Our Lord”

LSB 634

“Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness”

LSB 636

“Draw Near and Take the Body of the Lord”

LSB 637

Post Communion Blessing

Pastor: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart in His peace.

People **Amen.**

Nunc Dimittis (*Sung*)

Luke 2:29-32

LSB 211

1 O Lord, now let Your ser - vant De -
2 All glo - ry to the Fa - ther, All
part in heav'n - ly peace, For I have seen the
glo - ry to the Son, All glo - ry to the
glo - ry Of Your re - deem - ing grace;
Spir - it, For - ev - er Three - in - One;
A light to lead the Gen - tiles Un -
For as in the be - gin - ning, Is
to Your ho - ly hill, The glo - ry of Your
now, shall ev - er be, God's tri - une name re -
peo - ple, Your cho - sen Is - ra - el.
sound - ing Through all e - ter - ni - ty.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Pastor: Let us pray

People: **Blessed are You, O Lord, our God, King of the universe. You have nourished us through Christ's body and blood. Strengthen us to live in the constant remembrance of Your love, that we may continue to proclaim Him who gives life and hope to the world; through Him who lives and reigns with the You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

Stripping of the Altar:

It is the night in which our Savior was betrayed. We remove the appointments of the chancel to symbolize the abuse He received. The candles shine no more as the Light of the World is taken to His death, the books are closed as the Word is silenced for a time, the paraments on the altar are removed as our Lord's body is laid bare, and the altar is left alone for the sacrifice to be remembered tomorrow.

As the altar is stripped Diane Tarr will sing The Lamb Hymn 547. The congregation will leave in silence, returning tomorrow to gather for Good Friday worship.



Good Friday Service

6:30 p.m.

Tenebrae Service

Easter Sunday Services

6:30 a.m.

Sunrise Service

7:15 a.m.

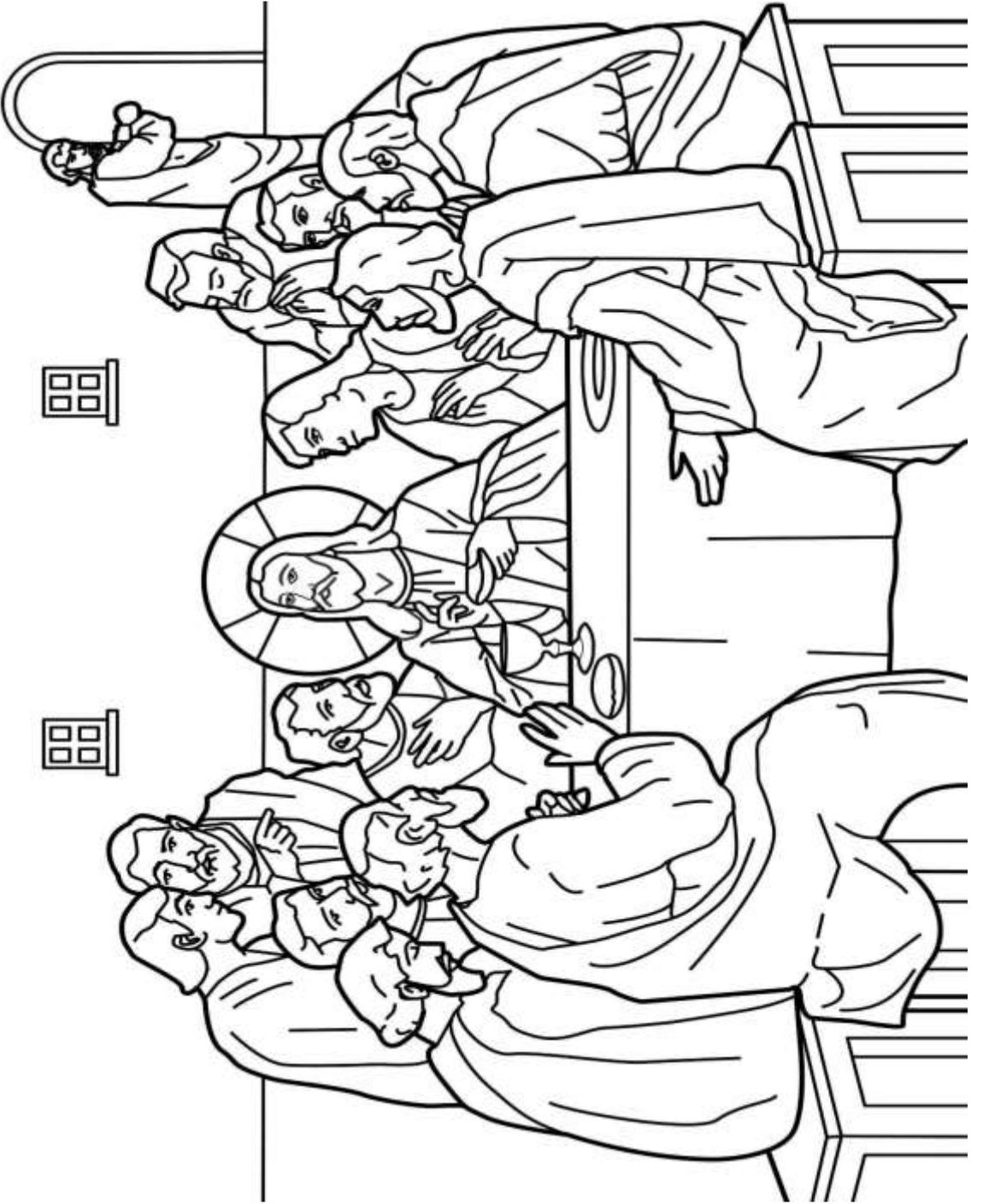
Easter Breakfast served by Walther League

9:00 a.m.

Sunday School Easter Egg Hunt

10:00 a.m.

Easter Service with Communion



The Last Supper

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APOSTLES
EUCHARIST
HOLY COMMUNION
JESUS
MAUNDY THURSDAY
NEW TESTAMENT
PETER
SHARED
WASHING FEET

BREAD
FINAL MEAL
JERUSALEM
LOVE ONE ANOTHER
MY BODY
PASSOVER MEAL
PREDICTS BETRAYAL
THE LAST SUPPER
WINE

