

Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church

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Maundy Thursday



With nightfall our Lenten observance comes to an end, and we gather with Christians around the world to celebrate the Three Days of Jesus' death and resurrection. At the heart of the Maundy Thursday liturgy is Jesus' commandment to love one another. As Jesus washed the feet of his disciples, we are called to follow his example as we humbly care for one another, especially the poor and the unloved. At the Lord's table we remember Jesus' sacrifice of his life, even as we are called to offer ourselves in love for the life of the world.

Welcome members and guests to our worship service today. If you are visiting, we encourage you to sign the guest register located in the narthex. Please include your home address, email address and phone number. In each pew, there is a card that you can fill out if you wish to have a consult with the pastor and/or leave us more information about you.

A nursery is available for children up to five years of age during the service. The nursery is located off the hallway on the Huntington Avenue side of the church building. There are also “quiet bags” available for older children to enjoy during the service. Please ask an usher about borrowing one.

Parents are invited to bring children from the nursery for Holy Communion to receive a blessing. If children become restless or noisy during worship, parents are encouraged to take them in to and out of the sanctuary as necessary.

Trinity offers an induction loop for the benefit of hearing impaired worshippers. To use, please switch your hearing aid to “T.” If you are unsure if your hearing aid is compatible, please contact your audiologist.



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Maundy Thursday - *Maundy* is an English form of a Latin word for commandment. We remember Jesus' new commandment to "love one another even as I have loved you." Jesus' love is demonstrated both in his example of servant-hood through washing the disciples' feet, and in his gift of Himself in the Lord's Supper. Jesus also gave a commandment at the table meal with bread and wine. He said, "Do this to remember me," and the meal becomes Christ's presence with us.

The assembly stands and faces the processional cross.

(All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.)

Gathering

Confession and Forgiveness

Pastor Friends in Christ . . . and enter the celebration of the great Three Days reconciled with God and with one another.

Pastor Most merciful God,

People we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

(You are invited to come to kneel or stand at the chancel rail before one of the pastors, who will speak the absolution to you. Please come down the center aisle and return by the side aisle.)

Laying on of Hands and Absolution

Pastor In obedience to the command of our Lord Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven through his grace.

People Amen. *(return to seats)*

Hymn (sung during Laying on of Hands)

Healer of Our Every Ill

ELW 612

Hymn (sung during Laying on of Hands)

Take, Oh, Take Me As I Am

ELW 814

Sharing of the Peace

The peace, which enables people to live in unity and in the spirit of mutual forgiveness, comes from Christ whose word has been proclaimed.

The peace of the Lord be with you always. **And also with you.**

(when the hymn is announced, please stand)

Gathering Hymn

Ah, Holy Jesus

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The Greeting

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

Prayer of the Day

Holy God, source of all love, on the night of his betrayal, Jesus gave us a new commandment, to love one another as he loves us. Write this commandment in our hearts, and give us the will to serve others as he was the servant of all, your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

Word

Old Testament Lesson: Exodus 12:1-14

Israel remembered its deliverance from slavery in Egypt by celebrating the festival of Passover. This festival featured the Passover lamb, whose blood was used as a sign to protect God's people from the threat of death. The early church described the Lord's supper using imagery from the Passover, especially in portraying Jesus as the lamb who delivers God's people from sin and death.

The Lord said to Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt: This month shall mark for you the beginning of months; it shall be the first month of the year for you. Tell the whole congregation of Israel that on the tenth of this month they are to take a lamb for each family, a lamb for each household. If a household is too small for a whole lamb, it shall join its closest neighbor in obtaining one; the lamb shall be divided in proportion to the number of people who eat of it. [Your lamb shall be without blemish, a year-old male; you may take it from the sheep or from the goats. You shall keep it until the fourteenth day of this month; then the whole assembled congregation of Israel shall slaughter it at twilight. 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 lamb that same night; they shall eat it roasted over the fire with unleavened bread and bitter herbs. Do not eat any of it raw or boiled in water, but roasted over the fire, with its head, legs, and inner organs. You shall let none of it remain until the morning; anything that remains until the morning you shall burn.] This is how you shall eat it: your loins girded, your sandals on your feet, and your staff in your hand; and you shall eat it hurriedly. It is the passover of the Lord. For I will pass through the land of Egypt that night, and I will strike down every firstborn in the land of Egypt, both human beings and animals; 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 live: when I see the blood, I will pass over you, and no plague shall destroy you when I strike the land of Egypt.

This day shall be a day of remembrance for you. You shall celebrate it as a festival to the Lord; throughout your generations you shall observe it as a perpetual ordinance.

Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**



Psalm: 116:1-2, 12-19

I love the Lord, who has | heard my voice,
and listened to my | supplication,
for the Lord has given | ear to me
whenev- | er I called.

How shall I re- | pay the Lord
for all the good things God has | done for me?

I will lift the cup | of salvation
and call on the name | of the Lord.

I will fulfill my vows | to the Lord
in the presence of | all God's people.

Precious in your | sight, O Lord,
is the death | of your servants.

O Lord, truly I | am your servant;

I am your servant, the child of your handmaid; you have freed me | from my bonds.

**I will offer you the sacrifice | of thanksgiving
and call upon the name | of the Lord.**

I will fulfill my vows | to the Lord
in the presence of | all God's people,
**in the courts of | the Lord's house,
in the midst of you, | O Jerusalem.**

Epistle Lesson: 1 Corinthians 11:23-26

In the bread and cup of the Lord's supper, we experience intimate fellowship with Christ and with one another, because it involves his body given for us and the new covenant in his blood. Faithful participation in this meal is a living proclamation of Christ's death until he comes in the future.

For I received from the Lord what I also handed on to you, that the Lord Jesus on the night when he was betrayed took a loaf of bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, "This is my body that is for you. Do this in remembrance of me." In the same way he took the cup also, 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.

Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

The assembly stands.

Gospel Acclamation



Re - turn to the Lord, your God, for he is gra - cious and mer - ci - ful,



slow to an - ger, and a - bound - ing in stead - fast love.

Gospel Lesson: John 13:1-17, 31b-35

The Holy Gospel according to John. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

The story of the last supper in John's gospel recalls a remarkable event not mentioned elsewhere: Jesus performs the duty of a slave, washing the feet of his disciples and urging them to do the same for one another.

Now before the festival of the Passover, Jesus knew that his hour had come to depart from this world and go to the Father. Having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end. The devil had already put it into the heart of Judas son of Simon Iscariot to betray him. And during supper Jesus, knowing that the Father had given all things into his hands, and that he had come from God and was going to God, got up from the table, took off his outer robe, and tied a towel around himself. Then he poured water into a basin and began to wash the disciples' feet and to wipe them with the towel that was tied around him. He came to Simon Peter, who said to him, "Lord, are you going to wash my feet?" Jesus answered, "You do not know now what I am doing, but later you will understand." Peter said to him, "You will never wash my feet." Jesus answered, "Unless I 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, "One who has bathed does not need to wash, except for the feet, but is entirely clean. And you are clean, though not all of you." For he knew who was to betray him; for this reason he said, "Not all of you are clean."

After he had washed their feet, had put on his robe, and had returned to the table, he said to them, “Do you know what I have done to you? You call me Teacher and Lord—and you are right, for that is what I am. So if I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another’s feet. For I have set you an example, that you also should do as I have done to you. Very truly, I tell you, servants are not greater than their master, nor are messengers greater than the one who sent them. If you know these things, you are blessed if you do them.”

“Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, ‘Where I am going, you cannot come.’ I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

The assembly is seated.

Sermon

“Tough Love”

Pastor Judy Cobb

Silence is kept for reflection after the sermon.

The assembly stands.

Hymn of the Day

Lord Jesus, Think on Me

ELW 599

Prayers of Intercession

Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

The assembly is seated.

Receiving of Tithes and Offerings

Anthem

Temple Bevan

*O thou who at thy Eucharist didst pray
That all thy church might be for ever one,
Grant us at every Eucharist to say
With longing heart and soul “Thy will be done.”
Oh, may we all one bread, one body be,
One through this sacrament of unity.*

Offertory Hymn

Create in Me a Clean Heart

ELW 188

Offertory Prayer

Let us pray:

God of glory, receive these gifts and the offering of our lives. As Jesus was lifted up from the earth, draw us to your heart in the midst of this world, that all creation may be brought from bondage to freedom, from darkness to light, and from death to life; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord **Amen.**

Meal

The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

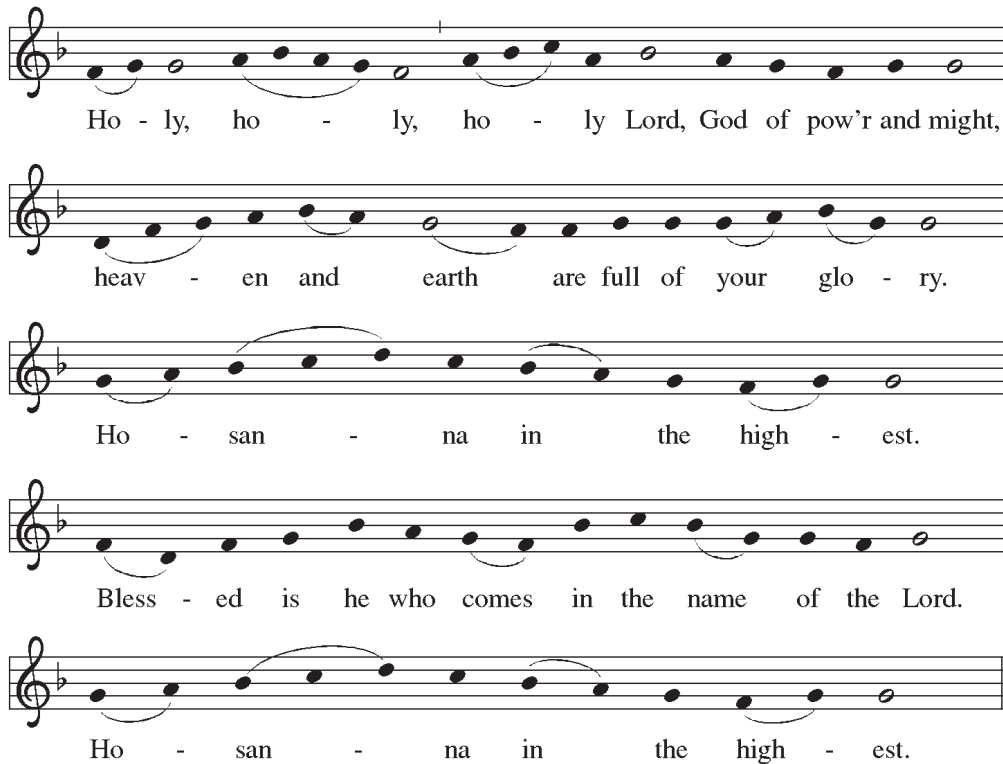
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Proper Preface

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise...
...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Sanctus



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,
heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry.
Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Ho - san - na in the high - est.

The text of the Sanctus is based on Isaiah 6:3 and Matthew 21:9. This is the highest point of the entire liturgy.

Words of Institution

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

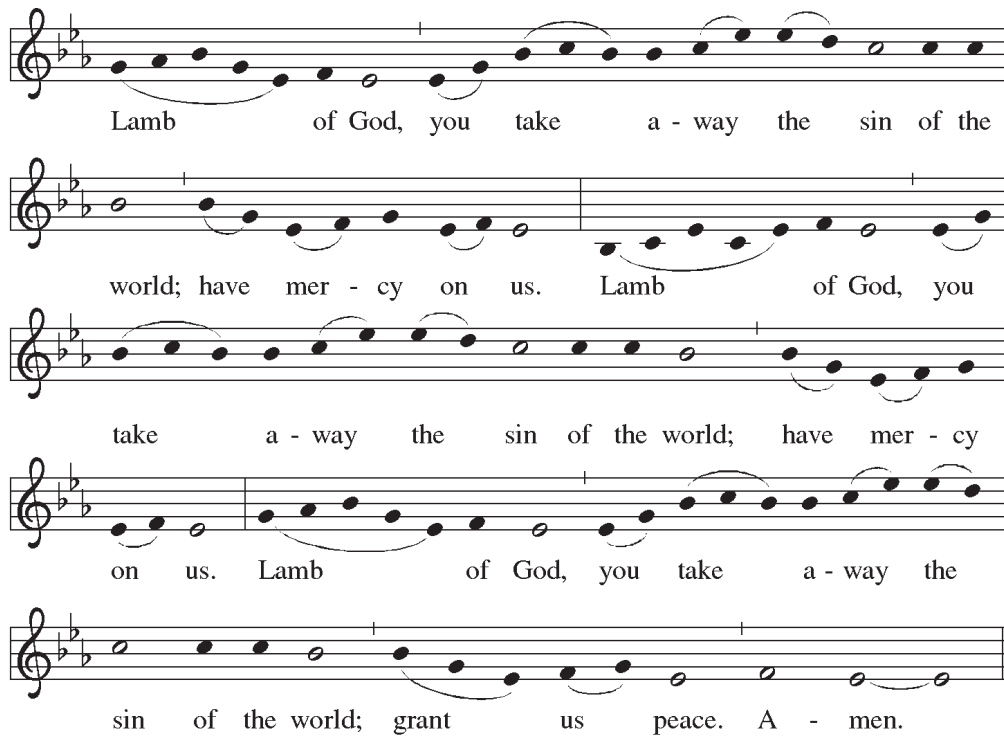
Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Lord's Prayer

**Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those
who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
forever and ever. Amen.**

*At the breaking of the bread, the Presider says,
"Come to the table. Feast on God's abundant life for you."
The assembly is seated.*

Agnus Dei



Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you
take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy
on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sin of the world; grant us peace. A - men.

*In John 1:29, John the Baptist says of Jesus, "Behold, the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world."
Before Holy Communion, we sing these same words.*

Communion

*As you receive the bread in your hand, you may commune by intinction using the silver chalice,
or you may consume the bread and then drink from the pewter chalice.*

Music During the Distribution

Hoc corpus, quod pro vobis tradetur

Gerald Near

The assembly stands.

Blessing

Table Blessing

The blessings and body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.
Amen.

Post Communion Prayer

Lord Jesus, in a wonderful sacrament you strengthen us with the saving power of your suffering, death, and resurrection. May this sacrament of your body and blood so work in us that the fruits of your redemption will show forth in the way we live, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

Closing Hymn

*Go to Dark Gethsemane
(following hymn, please be seated)*

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Stripping of the Altar

Psalm 88 (chanted)

The assembly departs in silence.



Worship Participants

Liturgist and Celebrant	The Rev. Dr. James G. Cobb
Preacher	The Rev. Judith A. Cobb
Organist and Director of Music	Rob Keene
Soloist	Celia Macchia
Lector	Brad Goodman
Cantor	JoAnne Rawls
Crucifer	Chip Nassau
Acolytes	Thomas McWithey, Stephen McWithey
Communion Assistant	William C. Solomon
Ushers	Clifford Obara
Altar Guild	Astrid Quist, Anne Obara



Holy Week Services

Good Friday 7:00 PM Worship

Easter - Festival of the Lord's Resurrection
8:30 and 11:00 AM Worship

