

Maundy Thursday

Maundy comes from
the Latin word, “mandatum,”
which means “command.”

On this night,
in the Upper Room,
Jesus gave His disciples and us
a new command—
“love one another
as I have loved you.”

April 13, 2017



**A High Priest
of the Good Things
that have come**

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WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Sundays 8:00 a.m. & 10:45 a.m. and Wednesdays 6:30 p.m.

Holy Communion: 1st, 3rd, 5th Sundays

Becky Lanzito & Karen Leicht - Organists, Ann Souza - Music Director,

Mandi Stilson – Choir/New Music Accompanist

WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS

We are pleased you chose to be with us in worship today, and pray the Lord blesses you as he has blessed us with your presence. Our goal is to help people find the right place for them to hear God's word and serve His mission. We'd love to support you in that spiritual journey. Please take a moment to complete an attendance card and place it in the Offering plate or give to an usher. This card will help us connect with you.

HOLY COMMUNION

The Lord's Supper is celebrated according to the Lutheran Confessions based on the teaching Jesus gave his disciples and us that he is truly present in this meal. Confident that our sins are forgiven, we experience our oneness with him and each other as he gathers us at his table. His true body and blood, given and shed for us, we share in this meal as he invites in Matthew 26:26-28, "Take and eat; this is My Body ... This is My Blood..." Baptized Christians sharing these beliefs are invited to receive Communion. All others are invited to the altar rail for a blessing. Wine can be taken by common chalice, individual cup, or by dipping your wafer into the chalice. Please address questions to the Elders or the Pastor. ***Non-alcoholic wine is in purple-colored cups.***

NURSERY

We have two rooms available for your use. When the service is in the sanctuary, the nursery is down the hall just past the restrooms. If the service is held in the gym, the nursery is in the youth room at the far end of the gym.

SERVING TODAY

Elder: JJ Jones

Comm./Asst. Elder: Andy Barkley

Acolyte: OPEN

Lay Readers: Joan Heidlauf, Norm Balliet

Ushers: Dave Hoffmeister, Bill Ratzburg

1 CORINTHIANS SERVICE

Worship in a traditional order that uses portions of 1 Corinthians.

Opening Hymn

The Lamb

LSB 547 sts. 1, ref, 2-4



1 The Lamb, the Lamb, O Fa - ther, where's the sac - ri - fice?
2 The Lamb, the Lamb, One per - fect fi - nal of - fer - ing.
3 The Lamb, the Lamb, As way - ward sheep their shep - herd kill
4 He sighs, He dies, He takes my sin and wretch - ed - ness.



Faith sees, be - lieves God will pro - vide the Lamb of price!
The Lamb, the Lamb, Let earth join heav'n His praise to sing.
So still, His will On our be - half the Law to fill.
He lives, for - gives, He gives me His own righ - teous - ness.

Refrain



Wor - thy is the Lamb whose death makes me His



own! The Lamb is reign - ing on His throne!

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Invocation (Based on 1 Corinthians 1:2-3)

P: In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: **Amen.**

P: To the church of God, to those sanctified in Christ Jesus and called to be holy,

C: **Together with all those everywhere who call on the name of our Lord Jesus Christ,**

P: Grace and peace to you from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

C: **Amen.**

Confession and Absolution (Based on 1 Corinthians 10:6-13, 15:56-57, 5:7a)

P: Paul warns the Corinthians from Israel's history: "Do not be idolaters," "we should not test the Lord," and "do not grumble." "So if you think you are standing firm, be careful that you don't fall! No temptation has seized you except what is common to man. And God is faithful; He will not let you be tempted beyond what you can bear. But when you are tempted, He will also provide a way out so that you can stand up under it." Do you recognize that you are tempted in many ways?

C: Yes.

P: "The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law."

All: "But thanks be to God!

He gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen."

P: "For Christ, our Passover lamb, has been sacrificed" for our sins.

C: Amen!

Prayer of the Day

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. **C: Amen.**

Old Testament Reading

Exodus 12:1-14 (ESV)

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.

Epistle (New Testament Letter)

Hebrews 9:11–22 (ESV)

¹¹But when Christ appeared as a high priest of the good things that have come, then through the greater and more perfect tent (not made with hands, that is, not of this creation) ¹²he entered once for all into the holy places, not by means of the blood of goats and calves but by means of his own blood, thus securing an eternal redemption. ¹³For if the sprinkling of defiled persons with the blood of goats and bulls and with the ashes of a heifer sanctifies for the purification of the flesh, ¹⁴how much more will the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself without blemish to God, purify our conscience from dead works to serve the living God.

¹⁵Therefore he is the mediator of a new covenant, so that those who are called may receive the promised eternal inheritance, since a death has occurred that redeems them from the transgressions committed under the first covenant. ¹⁶For where a will is involved, the death of the one who made it must be established. ¹⁷For a will takes effect only at death, since it is not in force as long as the one who made it is alive. ¹⁸Therefore not even the first covenant was inaugurated without blood. ¹⁹For when every commandment of the law had been declared by Moses to all the people, he took the blood of calves and goats, with water and scarlet wool and hyssop, and sprinkled both the book itself and all the people, ²⁰saying, “This is the blood of the covenant that God commanded for you.” ²¹And in the same way he sprinkled with the blood both the tent and all the vessels used in worship. ²²Indeed, under the law almost everything is purified with blood, and without the shedding of blood there is no forgiveness of sins.

L: This is the Word of the Lord. **C: Thanks be to God.**

Anthem

Love and mercy, thistle, thorn,
God is here and life is born.
Love and mercy, ashes, dust,
God is here; in God we trust.

Love and mercy, awful tree,
God is here, so let it be.
Love and mercy, silent hill,
God is here; O death, be still.

“Love and Mercy”

Love and mercy, broken bread,
God is here and life is shed.
Love and mercy, heaven earth,
God is here for second birth.

Love and mercy, harvest home,
God is here and love is done.
Love and mercy, Christ, the Lamb.
Angel choirs, one God, I Am.

Adult Choir

Holy Gospel

Matthew 26:17–30 (ESV)

¹⁷Now on the first day of Unleavened Bread the disciples came to Jesus, saying, “Where will you have us prepare for you to eat the Passover?” ¹⁸He said, “Go into the city to a certain man and say to him, ‘The Teacher says, My time is at hand. I will keep the Passover at your house with my disciples.’” ¹⁹And the disciples did as Jesus had directed them, and they prepared the Passover.

²⁰When it was evening, he reclined at table with the twelve. ²¹And as they were eating, he said, “Truly, I say to you, one of you will betray me.” ²²And they were very sorrowful and began to say to him one after another, “Is it I, Lord?” ²³He answered, “He who has dipped his hand in the dish with me will betray me. ²⁴The 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.” ²⁵Judas, who would betray him, answered, “Is it I, Rabbi?” He said to him, “You have said so.”

²⁶Now as they were eating, Jesus took bread, and after blessing it broke it and gave it to the disciples, and said, “Take, eat; this is my body.” ²⁷And he took a cup, and when he had given thanks he gave it to them, saying, “Drink of it, all of you, ²⁸for this is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins. ²⁹I tell you I will not drink again of this fruit of the vine until that day when I drink it new with you in my Father’s kingdom.”

³⁰And when they had sung a hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives.

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Hymn of the Day “...The great High Priest in human flesh...”

LSB 624, sts. 2-7; tune: 571



2 This great High Priest in hu - man flesh Was i - con
 3 The ho - ly Lamb un - daunt - ed came To God's own
 4 But death would not the vic - tor be Of Him who
 5 The veil is torn, our Priest we see, As at the
 6 The bo - dy of God's Lamb we eat, A priest - ly
 7 With cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim Our voi - ces

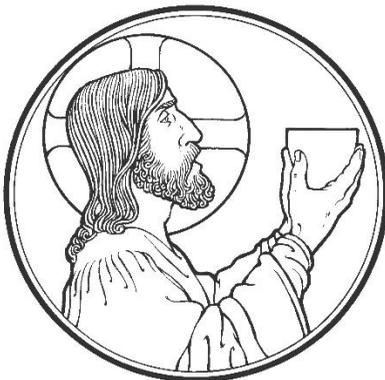


of God's righ - teous - ness. His hal - lowed touch brough
 al - tar lit with flame; While weep - ing an - gels
 hung up - on the tree. He leads us to the
 rail on bend - ed knee Our hun - gry mouths from
 food_ and priest - ly meat; On sin - parched lips_ the
 join_ the end - less hymn, And “Ho - ly, ho - ly,



sanc - ti - ty; His hand re - moved im - pu - ri - ty.
 hid their eyes, This Priest be - came a sac - ri - fice.
 Ho - ly Place With - in the veil, be - fore God's face.
 Him re - ceive The bread of im - mor - tal - i - ty.
 cha - lice pours His quench - ing blood that life re - stores.
 ho - ly” sing to Christ, God's Lamb, our Priest and King.

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Sermon

Hebrews 9:11-22

**“A High Priest
of the Good Things That Have Come”**



Confession of Faith

1 Corinthians 15:1-6a,20-22,58

P: Now, brothers and sisters, I want to remind you of the gospel I preached to you, which you received and on which you have taken your stand. By this gospel you are saved, if you hold firmly to the word I preached to you. Otherwise, you have believed in vain. For what I received I passed on to you as of first importance:

C: that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day according to the Scriptures, and that he appeared to Peter, and then to the Twelve. After that, he appeared to more than five hundred of the brothers at the same time. Christ has indeed been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep. For since death came through a man, the resurrection of the dead comes also through a man. For as in Adam all die, so in Christ all will be made alive. Amen.

P: Therefore, my dear brothers and sisters, stand firm. Let nothing move you. Always give yourselves fully to the work of the Lord, because you know that your labor in the Lord is not in vain. Amen.

Offering

Evening Psalmody

Psalm 141

P: Let us pray.

**C: Let my prayer rise before You as incense,
the lifting up of my hands as the evening sacrifice.**

P: O Lord, I call to You; come to me quickly; hear my voice when I cry to You.

**C: Let my prayer rise before You as incense,
the lifting up of my hands as the evening sacrifice.**

P: Set a watch before my mouth, O Lord, and guard the door of my lips.

**C: Let my prayer rise before You as incense,
the lifting up of my hands as the evening sacrifice.**

P: Let not my heart incline to any evil thing;
let me not be occupied in wickedness with evildoers.
But my eyes are turned to You, O God; in You I take refuge.
Strip me not of my life.
Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

**C: Let my prayer rise before You as incense,
the lifting up of my hands as the evening sacrifice. Amen.**

Preparation for the Lord's Supper Liturgy based on 1 Corinthians 10:16-17, 11:26-28, 15:22-23

P: Test your hearts. Recognize that you are sinners in need of God's mercy and forgiveness.
And when you have recognized your sin, then eat of the bread and drink of the
cup. For anyone who eats and drinks without discerning the body of Christ in the
meal, eats and drinks judgment on himself, guilty of the body and blood of the Lord.

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: The cup of blessing we bless now

C: is a sharing in the blood of Christ.

P: The bread that we break

C: is a sharing in the body of Christ.

P: Since through man's sin came death,

C: Therefore through a man comes the resurrection of the dead.

P: Since all die because we are Adam's offspring,

C: Therefore also in Christ all will be made alive.

P: Because there is one bread, we who are many are one body,

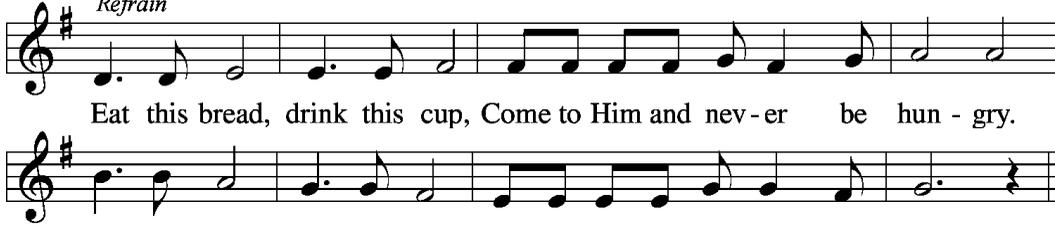
C: for we all share the one bread.

Eat This Bread

Pastor sings refrain, all join & sing refrain a second time.

Then Pastor sings each verse and the congregation sings the refrain after each verse.

Refrain



The image shows two staves of musical notation in G major (one sharp). The first staff is labeled 'Refrain' and contains the melody for the first line of the refrain. The second staff contains the melody for the second line of the refrain. The lyrics are written below each staff.

Eat this bread, drink this cup, Come to Him and nev - er be hun - gry.

Eat this bread, drink this cup, Trust in Him and you will not thirst.

1 This is His body given for you; this is His blood that was shed for you.

Refrain

2 As often as you eat this bread and drink this cup, you show His death until He comes again.

Refrain

3 Eat His flesh and drink His blood, and Christ will raise you up on the Last Day.

Refrain

4 Anyone who eats this bread will live forever.

Refrain

5 If we believe and eat this bread, we will have eternal life.

Refrain

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The Lord's Prayer

P: Lord, remember us in Your kingdom, and teach us to pray:

All: 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.

Words of Institution

Pax Domini (The Peace of the Lord)

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

C: And also with you.

(We greet one another in peace saying "God's peace" or "The Lord be with you.")

Agnus Dei (Lamb of God)

LSB 163

☐ 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.

First Distribution Hymn Lamb of God, Pure and Holy

LSB 434

1 Lamb of God, pure and ho - ly, Who on the cross didst suf - fer,
 2 Lamb of God, pure and ho - ly, Who on the cross didst suf - fer,
 3 Lamb of God, pure and ho - ly, Who on the cross didst suf - fer,
 Ev - er pa-tient and low - ly, Thy - self to scorn didst of - fer.
 Ev - er pa-tient and low - ly, Thy - self to scorn didst of - fer.
 Ev - er pa-tient and low - ly, Thy - self to scorn didst of - fer.
 All sins Thou bor-est for us, Else had de-spair reigned o'er us:
 All sins Thou bor-est for us, Else had de-spair reigned o'er us:
 All sins Thou bor-est for us, Else had de-spair reigned o'er us:
 Have mer-cy on us, O Je - sus! O Je - sus!
 Have mer-cy on us, O Je - sus! O Je - sus!
 Thy peace be with us, O Je - sus! O Je - sus!

Second Distribution Hymn**Go to Dark Gethsemane**

LSB 436



1 Go to dark Geth - sem - a - ne, All who feel the
 2 Fol - low to the judg - ment hall, View the Lord of
 3 Cal - v'ry's mourn - ful moun - tain climb; There, a - dor - ing
 4 Ear - ly has - ten to the tomb Where they laid His



tempt - er's pow'r; Your Re - deem - er's con - flict see,
 life ar-raigned; Oh, the worm - wood and the gall!
 at His feet, Mark that mir - a - cle of time,
 breath - less clay; All is sol - i - tude and gloom.



Watch with Him one bit - ter hour; Turn not from His
 Oh, the pangs His soul sus-tained! Shun not suf - f'ring,
 God's own sac - ri - fice com-plete. "It is fin - ished!"
 Who has tak - en Him a - way? Christ is ris'n! He



griefs a - way; Learn from Je - sus Christ to pray.
 shame, or loss; Learn from Him to bear the cross.
 hear Him cry; Learn from Je - sus Christ to die.
 meets our eyes. Sav - ior, teach us so to rise.

Common Dismissal

P: Now may this true body and true blood of our Lord...

C: Amen.**Post-Communion Prayer**

LSB 212

P: Let us pray. O God the Father, the fountain and source of all goodness, who in loving-kindness sent Your only-begotten Son into the flesh, we thank You that for His sake You have given us pardon and peace in this Sacrament, and we ask You not to forsake Your children but always to rule our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that we may be enabled constantly to serve You; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

Closing Hymn Verse

O Sacred Head, Now Wounded

LSB 450 st. 6

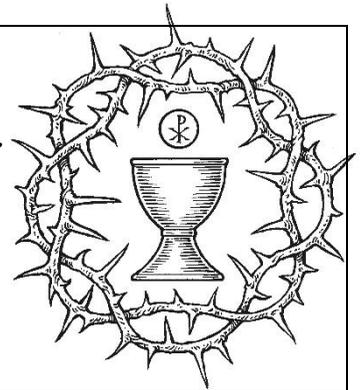


6 My Sav - ior, be Thou near me When death is at my door;
Then let Thy pres - ence cheer me, For - sake me nev - er - more!
When soul and bod - y lan - guish, O leave me not a - lone,
But take a - way mine an - guish By vir - tue of Thine own!

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Stripping of the Altar

The Lord went out that night with His disciples, singing a hymn. But He went out to be betrayed, arrested, and put on trial. We remove the altar furnishings in preparation for Good Friday's stark reminder of His death on the cross for us.



Benediction (Blessing) (Based on 1 Corinthians 1:5,7-9 & 16:23)

P: “In Christ Jesus you have been enriched in every way—in all your speaking and in all your knowledge. Therefore you do not lack any spiritual gift as you eagerly wait for our Lord Jesus Christ to be revealed. He will keep you strong to the end, so that you will be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ.

C: God, who has called us into fellowship with His Son Jesus Christ, is faithful.”

P: The grace of the Lord Jesus be with you.

C: Amen.

You may remain in the sanctuary for silent reflection and prayer, exiting at your own pace. We leave in silence out of remembrance of what Jesus set out to do on this night. You may gather in the Fellowship Hall for conversation. Pastor Squires will come there after all have exited if you were hoping to speak with him tonight.



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What Would Happen If You Told the Pastor?

If you come to me and confess your sin of _____,
I will listen.

I may ask why, what led to this,
to see if you understand
the nature of the temptation and consequences.

I will affirm God's Law.

I will APPLY GOD'S FORGIVENESS directly to you.

I will pray for you.

I will offer a blessing for you from God.

I will ask how I can

support, encourage, and hold you accountable.

I will point you towards the work of the Holy Spirit in you
for your transformation day by day.

If you come to me and express
your frustration or fear or confusion
or what you think might be an error in our ministry,

I will listen.

I will admit to my own failures and seek your forgiveness.

I will affirm God's Law.

I will affirm God's Gospel.

We will pray together, asking for God's blessing on us
as the Lord calls us to be on His mission together.

I will celebrate that we are brothers and sisters in Christ.

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Holy Week Worship Services

Good Friday

1:00 p.m. & 6:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary

Easter Sunday

Sunrise 6:00 a.m. in the Sanctuary

Festival Services 8:00 a.m. & 10:45 a.m. in the Gym

Bethel Easter Egg Hunt

Saturday, April 15

10:00 a.m.—11:00 a.m.



The hunt is for families with children from birth through grade 3. Please sign-up in the back of church so we know how many children to expect. Young people in grade 4 through grade 8 are invited to help hide the eggs and assist with the crafts. If you are interested in assisting from 9:00 a.m.—11:00 a.m. please contact Karen Kozlik at karenkozlik@gmail.com.



Easter Breakfast at Bethel

You are Invited!

Sunday, April 16

after the Sunrise and 8:00 a.m. Easter services

Please find the breakfast sign-up sheets in the back of church, fill it out and place it in the offering plate or drop off in the church office.

Volunteers are needed for Easter Breakfast!



Easter breakfast is a wonderful opportunity for fellowship. On Sunday and we need many helpers to assist with preparing, cooking, and cleaning up. Please sign-up in the back of church if you are able to help serve. We are looking for helpers of ANY AGE from middle school up to adults!