

Our mission is to

Glorify God

as we

Gather

around the Gospel to help people

Grow

in the **Gospel** and

Go

with the Gospel

Welcome! We thank God that you have joined us at worship today.

Restrooms are located in the basement. Hearing loop headphones and Large Print Hymnals are available from an usher.

If your children need to leave worship, please take them to the basement. A TV broadcasts the service in the basement.

Today we gather together in the presence of God. He is present among us in a special way through his Word and Sacrament. We acknowledge our sin and rejoice in the good news of forgiveness through the life and death of Christ. This is the focus of our worship.

March 28, 2024 Maundy Thursday



Rest

The Triduum (TRID-oo-um, "three days") refers to the time from worship on Maundy Thursday until the final worship of Easter Day. The "Three Holy Days" of the passion and resurrection of Christ is the culmination of the entire church year. It is over these days – Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, Easter – that we celebrate God's redeeming love in the dying and rising of his Son, Jesus, and still see that love today. The Triduum is a single celebration. Once we have begun the Triduum on Maundy Thursday, we do not "leave" it until Easter Sunday. It is one continuous celebration of dying and rising, with Christ.

Rest The Supper is a rest for believers in an antagonistic world. In it we find peace, reconciliation, and communion with Christ and one another. In this room, we are safe—and strengthened for our task. Even Jesus longed for this before his suffering!

Because God speaks of communing together as an expression of unity in faith (1 Corinthians 10:17) and warns there are dangers in taking the Lord's Supper in an improper way (1 Corinthians 11:27-29), we practice close communion. WELS, ELS, and members of other churches around the world who are in fellowship with WELS are welcome to commune with us. If you would like to learn more about becoming a member and communing with us in the future, please speak to pastor or an usher.



Maundy Thursday

Maundy Thursday ushers the believer into the "Three Holy Days" of Christendom. It is more than history that is celebrated today. The Holy Sacrament extends to the believer the very body and blood of our Savior and gives the forgiveness of sins.

M: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.

C: And also with you.

To underscore the end of the Lenten time of preparation, the sermon is placed at the beginning of the service. When placed here, the institution of the Lord's Supper in the sermon provides (both by its placement and content) a powerful preamble to the Instruction for the End of Lent and the confession that follows.

Sermon Rest Luke 22:7-20

⁷Then came the day of Unleavened Bread on which the Passover lamb had to be sacrificed. ⁸Jesus sent Peter and John, saying, "Go and make preparations for us to eat the Passover."

- ⁹ "Where do you want us to prepare for it?" they asked.
- ¹⁰ He replied, "As you enter the city, a man carrying a jar of water will meet you. Follow him to the house that he enters, ¹¹ and say to the owner of the house, 'The Teacher asks: Where is the guest room, where I may eat the Passover with my disciples?' ¹² He will show you a large room upstairs, all furnished. Make preparations there."
- ¹³ They left and found things just as Jesus had told them. So they prepared the Passover.
- ¹⁴ When the hour came, Jesus and his apostles reclined at the table. ¹⁵ And he said to them, "I have eagerly desired to eat this Passover with you before I suffer. ¹⁶ For I tell you, I will not eat it again until it finds fulfillment in the kingdom of God."

¹⁷ After taking the cup, he gave thanks and said, "Take this and divide it among you. ¹⁸ For I tell you I will not drink again from the fruit of the vine until the kingdom of God comes."

¹⁹ And he took bread, gave thanks and broke it, and gave it to them, saying, "This is my body given for you; do this in remembrance of me."

²⁰ In the same way, after the supper he took the cup, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood, which is poured out for you. (NIV)

Hymn of the Day

Jesus Christ, Our Blessed Savior CW 313:1,4-6



INSTRUCTION FOR THE END OF LENT

M: In this Lenten season, we have heard our Lord's call to intensify our struggle against sin, death, and the devil – all that keeps us from loving God and each other. This is the struggle to which we were committed at baptism; God's forgiveness and the power of his Spirit to amend our lives continue with us because of his love for us in Jesus our Savior.

With the family of the Church, God never wearies of giving peace and new life. In the Absolution we receive forgiveness as from God himself. This absolution we should not doubt, but firmly believe that thereby our sins are forgiven before God in heaven, for it comes to us in the name and by the command of our Lord.

We who receive God's love in Jesus Christ are called to love one another, to be servants to each other as Jesus became our servant.

It is, however, in the Holy Communion that the members of Christ's body participate most intimately in his love. Remembering our Lord's last supper with his disciples, we eat the bread and drink the cup of this meal. Together we receive the Lord's gift of himself and participate in that new covenant that makes us one in him. The Lord's Supper is the promise of the great banquet we will share with all the faithful when our Lord returns, the culmination of our reconciliation with God and each other.

CONFESSION OF SINS

M: Let us confess our sins to God and ask for his forgiveness.

Stand

C: Almighty God, merciful Father, I confess to you that I have not loved you with all my heart. I have pursued my ways instead of your ways. In what I have done and left undone, I have not loved my brothers and sisters as myself. For this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity.

I am truly sorry for my sins.

I repent of them.

I beg for your mercy, O Lord.

Silence for meditation

M: Forgive us for the sake of Jesus Christ, who suffered and died for us.

C: Cleanse me from my sins.

Release me from my guilt.

Grant me your Holy Spirit to amend my sinful life.

- M: The almighty God has been merciful to us and has sent his Son to die for all. For his sake he forgives us our sins and calls us from darkness to his marvelous light. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C: Amen.
- M: Our Lord, who has forgiven us and reconciled us to God through Christ our Lord, has also promised us the power to forgive and love each other. Therefore, let us be reconciled with one another and extend to each other the peace of our Lord Jesus Christ.
- C: Brothers and sisters, I forgive you just as in Christ, God has forgiven me. May the peace of Christ rule in our hearts, in our words, and in our actions.

Prayer of the Day

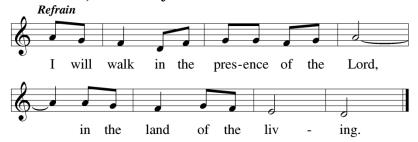
M: Lord Jesus Christ, in the Sacrament of Holy Communion you give us your true body and blood as a remembrance of your suffering and death on the cross. Grant us so firmly to believe your words and promise that we may always partake of this sacrament to our eternal good; for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

Be Seated

Psalm, Meditation, and Prayer

Psalm 116 CW





I love the LORD, for he <u>heard</u> my voice;*
he heard my cry for <u>mer</u>cy.

Because he turned his <u>ear</u> to me,*
I will call on him as long <u>as</u> I live.

The LORD is gracious and <u>right</u>eous;* when I was in great need, he <u>saved</u> me.

Refrain

For you, O LORD, have delivered my <u>soul</u> from death,* my eyes from tears, my feet from <u>stum</u>bling.

How can I repay the LORD * for all his goodness to me?

I will lift up the cup of sal<u>va</u>tion* and call on the name <u>of</u> the LORD.

Glory be to the Father and <u>to</u> the Son* and to the Holy <u>Spir</u>it, as it was in the be<u>gin</u>ning,* is now, and will be forever. <u>A</u>men.

Refrain

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Silence for meditation

Psalm Prayer

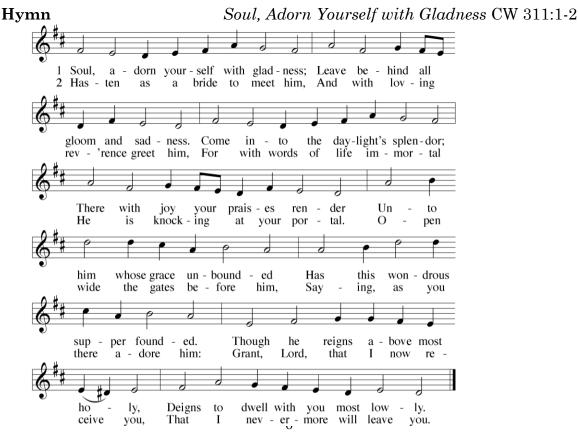
M: Lord Jesus, as I face death, turn my thoughts to your body, broken for me, and your blood, spilled for me. Let me rise as you have risen from the dead, to walk with you forever in the land of the living. I call on your name, for you have promised to be with me. Amen.

First Lesson Exodus 12:21-30

²¹ Then Moses summoned all the elders of Israel and said to them, "Go at once and select the animals for your families and slaughter the Passover lamb. ²² Take a bunch of hyssop, dip it into the blood in the basin and put some of the blood on the top and on both sides of the doorframe. None of you shall go out of the door of your house until morning. ²³ When the Lord goes through the land to strike down the Egyptians, he will see the blood on the top and sides of the doorframe and will pass over that doorway, and he will not permit the destroyer to enter your houses and strike you down.

²⁴ "Obey these instructions as a lasting ordinance for you and your descendants. ²⁵ When you enter the land that the Lord will give you as he promised, observe this ceremony. ²⁶ And when your children ask you, 'What does this ceremony mean to you?' ²⁷ then tell them, 'It is the Passover sacrifice to the Lord, who passed over the houses of the Israelites in Egypt and spared our homes when he struck down the Egyptians." Then the people bowed down and worshiped. ²⁸ The Israelites did just what the Lord commanded Moses and Aaron.

²⁹ At midnight the Lord struck down all the firstborn in Egypt, from the firstborn of Pharaoh, who sat on the throne, to the firstborn of the prisoner, who was in the dungeon, and the firstborn of all the livestock as well. ³⁰ Pharaoh and all his officials and all the Egyptians got up during the night, and there was loud wailing in Egypt, for there was not a house without someone dead. (NIV)



Verse of the Day

As often as you eat this bread and drinkp, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes. (1 Corinthians 11:26)

Second Lesson

1 Corinthians 10:16,17

¹⁶ Is not the cup of thanksgiving for which we give thanks a participation in the blood of Christ? And is not the bread that we break a participation in the body of Christ? ¹⁷ Because there is one loaf, we, who are many, are one body, for we all share the one loaf. (NIV)

Hymn 2#

Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness CW 311:3-4



Offering

Please sign the friendship register located in your pew.

Guests please don't feel a necessity to give an offering today. "Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver" (2 Corinthians 9:7).

Prayer of the Church

M: In peace let us pray to the Lord, saying "Lord, have mercy."

For the holy Church of God, that it may be filled with truth and love and be found without fault at the day of your coming, we pray to you, O Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

M: For the president of our synod, for the president of our district, for all pastors and teachers, and for all the holy people of God, we pray to you, O Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

M: For all who fear God and believe in you, Lord Christ, that our divisions may cease, and that all may be one as you and the Father are one, we pray to you, O Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

M: For the mission of the Church, that in faithful witness it may preach the gospel to the ends of the earth, we pray to you, O Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

M: For those who do not yet believe and for those who have lost their faith, that they may receive the light of the gospel, we pray to you, O Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

M: For the peace of the world, that a spirit of respect and forbearance may grow among nations and peoples, we pray to you, O Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

M: For those in positions of public trust, that they may serve justice and promote the dignity and freedom of every person, we pray to you, O Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

M: For a blessing on human labor and for the right use of the riches of creation, that the world may be freed from poverty, famine, and disaster, we pray to you, O Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

M: For the poor, the persecuted, the sick, and all who suffer; for refugees, prisoners, and all who are in danger; that they may be relieved and protected, we pray to you, O Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

M: For this congregation, for those who are present, and for those who are absent, that we may be delivered from hardness of heart and show forth your glory in all we do, we pray to you, O Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

- **M:** For our enemies and those who wish us harm, and for all whom we have injured or offended, we pray to you, O Lord.
- C: Lord, have mercy.
- M: For ourselves, for the forgiveness of our sins, and for the grace of the Holy Spirit to amend our lives, we pray to you, O Lord.
- C: Lord, have mercy.
- **M:** For all who have commended themselves to our prayers; for our families, friends, and neighbors; that being freed from anxiety, they may live in joy, peace, and health, we pray to you, O Lord.
- C: Lord, have mercy.
- M: Rejoicing in the fellowship of all the saints, let us commend ourselves and one another and all our lives to Christ our God.
- C: Amen.
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The 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.

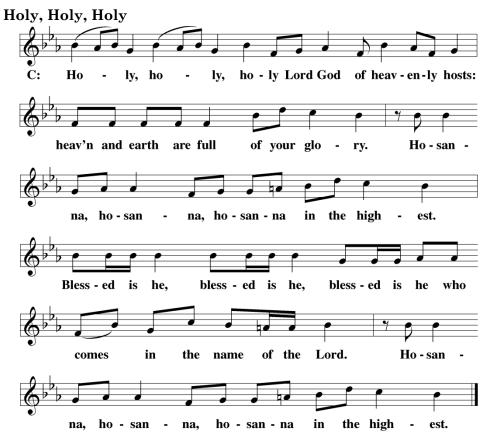
THE SACRAMENT

- M: The Lord be with you.
- C: And also with you.
- M: Lift up your hearts.
- C: We lift them up unto the Lord.
- M: Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.
- C: It is good and right so to do.

Proper Preface

M: It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places give you thanks, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who brought the gift of salvation to all people by his death on the tree of the cross, so that the devil, who overcame us by a tree would in turn by a tree be overcome. Therefore, with all

the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song:



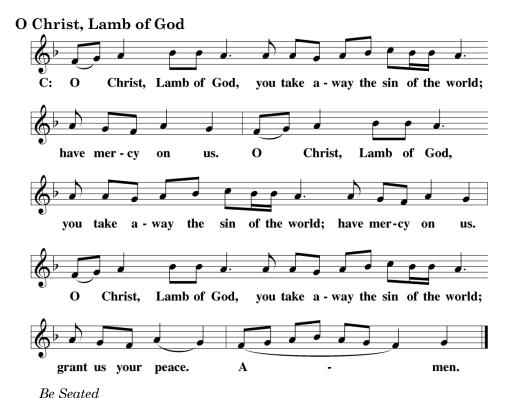
Words of Institution

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

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

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

C: Amen



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Distribution Hymns

Junior Choir (11:00 am) (Refrain) You satisfy the hungry heart with gift of finest wheat. Come, give to us, O saving Lord, The Bread of Life to eat

1 As when the shepherd calls his sheep, they know and heed his voice, So when you call your family, Lord, we follow and rejoice. *Refrain*

You Satisfy the Hungry Heart CWS 744 2 With joyful lips we sing to you our praise and gratitude,

That you should count us worthy,

Lord, to share this heav'nly food. Refrain

3 Is not the cup we bless and share the blood of Christ outpoured? Do not one cup, one, loaf, declare our oneness in the Lord? *Refrain* 4 The myst'ry of your presence, Lord, no mortal tongue can tell; Whom all the world cannot contain comes in our hearts to dwell. *Refrain*

5 You give yourself to us, O Lord; then selfless let us be, To serve each other in your name in truth and charity. *Refrain*

Choir (7 pm) Remember Me

At the close of the day in an upper room, the Lord sat down with the twelve. It was then that He took the bread, broke it and blessed it and said: "Take, eat and remember Me. This is My body I give for you. Take, eat and remember Me. Remember Me."

The disciples ate with their Lord that night, not knowing this was the last. It was then that He took the cup, raised it and blessed it and said: "Take, drink and remember Me. This is My lifeblood I give for you. Take, drink and remember Me. Remember Me."

Hymn

I Come, O Savior, to Your Table CW 310



- 6 Weary am I and heavy laden; With sin my soul is sore oppressed. Receive me graciously and gladden My heart, for I am now your guest. Refrain
- 7 You here will find a heart most lowly 12 With you, Lord, I am now united; That feels unworthy in your sight, That duly weeps o'er sin, yet solely Your merit pleads, as it is right. Refrain
- 8 By faith I call your holy table The testament of your deep love, For by your gift I now am able To know the heart of God above. Refrain
- 9 What higher gift can we inherit? It is faith's bond and solid base; It is the strength of heart and spirit, The covenant of hope and grace. Refrain
- 10 This feast is manna, wealth abounding 15 Unto the poor, to weak ones pow'r, To angels joy, to hell confounding, And life for me in death's dark hour. Refrain

- 11 Your body, giv'n for me, O Savior, Your blood, which you for me have shed— These are my life and strength forever; By them my hungry soul is fed. Refrain
- I live in you and you in me. No sorrow fills my soul; delighted, It finds its peace on Calvary. Refrain
- 13 Who can condemn me now? For surely The Lord is near, who justifies. No hell I fear, and thus securely With Jesus I to heaven rise. Refrain
- 14 Though death may threaten with disaster, It cannot rob me of my cheer, For he who is of death the master With help and strength is always near. Refrain
- My heart has now become your dwelling, O blessed, holy Trinity. With angels I, your praises telling, Shall live in joy eternally. Refrain

Text: Friedrich C. Heyder, 1677–1754, abr.; tr. The Lutheran Hymnal, St. Louis, 1941, alt. Tune: ICH STERBE TÄGLICH (98 98 88) Emskirchner Choralbuch, Leipzig, 1756, alt.

THANKSGIVING

Stand

C: Lord, now you let your servant de - part in peace ac-cord-ing to your word. For my eyes have seen your salvation, which you have prepared be - fore the face of all people, a light to light-en the

M: O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good.

C: And his mercy endures forever.

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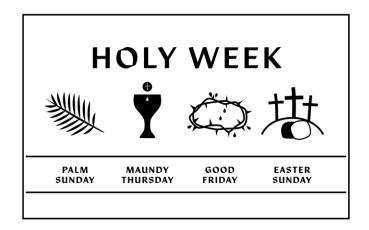
M: We give thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us with this holy supper. We pray that through it you will strengthen our faith in you and increase our love for one another. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

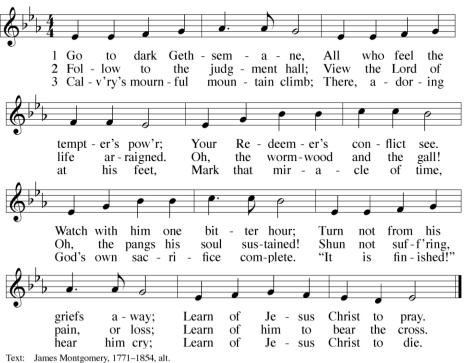
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C: Amen.

Be seated





The Hymn ends, the pastor exits the chancel, and the congregation disperses quietly into the night. The service concludes with no blessing or postlude because Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, and Easter are one continuous service of our Lord's Passion and Resurrection.

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Wittenberg, 1535, alt.

JOIN US FOR

HOLY WEEK & EASTER

Palm Sunday, March 24

8:00am & 10:30am (Confirmation)

Maundy Thursday, March 28

11:00am & 7:00pm

Good Friday - Seven Words, March 29

11:00am

Good Friday - Tenebrae, March 29

7:00pm

Easter Vigil, March 30

8:00pm

Easter Sunday, March 31

8:00am & 10:30am

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