

# **Holy (Maundy) Thursday**

**6 April 2023 + 7:00 p.m.**

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## **A warm welcome to all our guests!**

Please sign our guest book in the narthex and let us know how we can be of service to you. If you are a member in good standing of a sister LC-MS congregation, we invite you to commune with us. Members of other church bodies with whom we are not in confessional fellowship are asked to please refrain from communing. Our pastor will be happy to visit with you about our desire for true unity in Christ and how that is connected to our communion practice. All communicants need to register in the narthex prior to the service.

The service for Holy Thursday is the first service in the celebration of the holy three days of Christ's Passover, commonly known as the **TRIDUUM** (*Latin for "three days"*). It *culminates* the Lenten period of preparation for Christ's Passion and Resurrection and *leads into* His sacrifice on our behalf. As such, this service, like that for Good Friday, exhibits a mood of restrained joy. It consists of four parts:

- +** **THE SERVICE OF CORPORATE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION** signals the end of the Lenten preparations with the absolution and peace of Christ that stand at the center of the Three Days.
- +** **THE SERVICE OF THE WORD** focuses on Christ's humble service to His disciples and to us as He establishes His last will and testament, a provision enacted by His death on the Cross.
- +** **THE SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT** is what our Lord first instituted on this most holy night. On the night He was betrayed He mandated His Supper, where He gives us His holy body and blood. These bestow the benefits of His death and resurrection—forgiveness of sins, life, and salvation.
- +** **THE STRIPPING OF THE ALTAR** demonstrates the depth of Christ's servanthood as the altar is reverently stripped in preparation for the solemn observance of Jesus' death on Good Friday.

This service begins our journey through the three days of Christ's Passover from death to life and from captivity to freedom.

*Gathering in silence, we reflect on God's Word to prepare for confession and to receive Holy Communion. You are invited to use the "Self-Examination Questions based on the Holy Ten Commandments" which are in your hymnal or pew rack.*

## Corporate Confession and Absolution p. 290-91

### **SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY**

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** **And also with you.**

**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.**

## **Service of the 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.

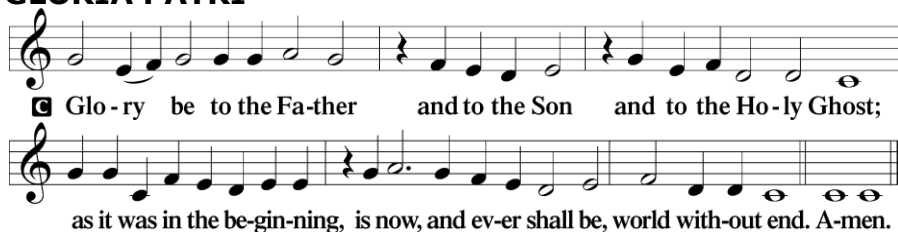
**C** **Thanks be to God.**

## PSALM

## Psalm 116:12-19

- <sup>12</sup>What shall I render | to the LORD\*  
for all his bene- | fits to me?  
<sup>13</sup>I will lift up the cup of sal- | vation\*  
and call on the name | of the LORD,  
<sup>14</sup>I will pay my vows | to the LORD\*  
in the presence of all his | people.  
<sup>15</sup>Precious in the sight | of the LORD\*  
is the death | of his saints.  
<sup>16</sup>O LORD, I am your | servant;\*  
I am your servant, the son of your maidservant.  
You have | loosed my bonds.  
<sup>17</sup>I will offer to you the sacrifice of thanks- | giving\*  
and call on the name | of the LORD.  
<sup>18</sup>I will pay my vows | to the LORD\*  
in the presence of all his | people,  
<sup>19</sup>in the courts of the house | of the LORD,\*  
in your midst, O Jerusalem. | Praise the LORD!

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## EPISTLE

## Hebrews 9:11-22

<sup>11</sup>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) <sup>12</sup>he 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. <sup>13</sup>For 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, <sup>14</sup>how 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.

<sup>15</sup>Therefore 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. <sup>16</sup>For where a will is involved, the death of the one who made it must be established. <sup>17</sup>For a will takes effect only at death, since it is not in force as long as the one who made it is alive. <sup>18</sup>Therefore not even the first covenant was inaugurated without blood. <sup>19</sup>For 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, <sup>20</sup>saying, "This is the blood of the covenant that God commanded for you." <sup>21</sup>And in the same way he sprinkled with the blood both the tent and all the vessels used in worship. <sup>22</sup>Indeed, under the law almost everything is purified with blood, and without the shedding of blood there is no forgiveness of sins.

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

**[C] Thanks be to God.**

*Please stand*

## **VERSE**

**[P]** Having loved His own who were in the world,  
He loved them to the end.

## **HOLY GOSPEL:**

## **St. Matthew 26:17-30**

**[P]** The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 26th Chapter.

**[C] Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>17</sup>Now 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?" <sup>18</sup>He 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.'" <sup>19</sup>And the disciples did as Jesus had directed them, and they prepared the Passover.

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

<sup>26</sup>Now 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." <sup>27</sup>And he took a cup, and when he had given thanks he gave it to them, saying, "Drink of it, all of you, <sup>28</sup>for this is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins. <sup>29</sup>I 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."

<sup>30</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.**

*Please be seated*

## 651 I Love Your Kingdom, Lord

sts. 1-4



The Church our blest Re-deem-er saved With His own pre-cious blood.  
 Its sweet com-mu-nion, sol-emn vows, Its hymns of love and praise.  
 Dear as the ap-ple of Your eye And grav-en on Your hand.  
 For them my cares and toils be giv'n Till toils and cares shall end.

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## **SERMON** – “The Savior’s Swan Song” - Matthew 26:30

### **PRAYER OF THE CHURCH**

*Please be seated*

### **OFFERTORY**

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# Service of the Sacrament

*Please stand*

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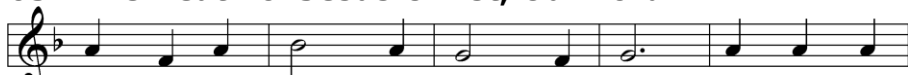
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### **634 The Death of Jesus Christ, Our Lord**



1 The death of	Je - sus Christ,	our Lord,	We cel - e -
2 He blot - ted	out with His	own blood	The judg - ment
3 That this for - ev -	er true	shall be	He gives a
4 His Word pro -	claims and we	be - lieve	That in this



brate with one	ac - cord;	It is our	com - fort
that a - gainst	us stood;	For us He	full a -
sol - emn guar -	an - tee:	In this His	ho - ly
Sup - per we	re - ceive	His ver - y	bod - y,



in dis - tress,	Our heart's sweet	joy and hap -	pi - ness.
tone - ment made,	And all our	debt He ful -	ly paid.
Sup - per here	We taste His	love so sweet,	so near.
as He said,	His ver - y	blood for sin -	ners shed.

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| <p>5 We dare not ask how this can be,<br/>But simply hold the mystery<br/>And trust this word where life begins:<br/>"Given and shed for all your sins."</p> <p>6 They who this word do not believe<br/>This food unworthily receive,<br/>Salvation here will never find—<br/>May we this warning keep in mind!</p> | <p>7 But blest is each believing guest<br/>Who in these promises finds rest;<br/>For Jesus shall in love remain<br/>With all who here His grace obtain.</p> <p>8 Help us sincerely to believe<br/>That we may worthily receive<br/>Your Supper and in You find rest.<br/>Amen! They who believe are blest.</p> |
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Text (sts. 1-4, 6-8): Haquin Spegel, 1645-1714; (sts. 1-4, 6-8): tr. Olof Olsson, 1841-1900, alt.; (st. 5): composite  
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## Zion Adult Choir – “Lord Jesus Christ Be Present Now”

### 632 O Jesus, Blessed Lord, to Thee



1 O Je - sus, bless - ed Lord, to Thee My heart - felt  
 2 Break forth, my soul, for joy and say: What wealth is  
 thanks for - ev - er be, Who hast so lov - ing -  
 come to me this day! My Sav - ior dwells with -  
 ly be - stowed On me Thy bod - y and Thy blood.  
 in my heart: How blessed am I! How good Thou art!

Text: Thomas Hansen Kingo, 1634-1703; tr. Arthur J. Mason, 1851-1928 Tune: Trente quatre Pseaumes de David, 1551, Geneva, ed. Louis Bourgeois Text and tune: Public domain

## POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

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### HYMN # 445: “When You Woke That Thursday Morning”



1 When You woke that Thurs - day morn - ing, Sav - ior,  
 2 Nev - er so a - lone and lone - ly, Long - ing  
 3 What was there that You could give them That would  
 4 One in faith, in love u - nit - ed, All one  
 5 One day all the Church will cap - ture That bright  
 teach - er, faith - ful friend, Thoughts of self and safe - ty  
 with tor - ment - ed heart To be with Your dear ones  
 nev - er be out - spent, What great gift that would out -  
 bod - y, You the head, When we meet, by You in -  
 vi - sion glo - ri - ous, And Your saints will know the  
 Lamb of God, fore - told for a - ges, Now at  
 Sin - less Lamb and fall - en crea - ture, One last  
 “Show Me and the world you love Me, Know Me  
 One with You and one an - oth - er In a  
 When the longed - for peace and u - nion Of the  
 last the hour had come When but One could pay sin’s  
 pas - chal meal to eat, One last les - son as their  
 as the Lamb of God: Do this in re - mem - brance  
 u - ni - ty sub - lime, See in us Your sis - ter,  
 Great - est and the least Meet in joy - ous, blest com -





wa - ges: You as - sumed their dread - ful sum.  
teach - er, Wash - ing Your dis - ci - ples' feet.  
of Me, Eat this bod - y, drink this blood."  
broth - er, One in ev - 'ry place and time.  
mu - nion In Your nev - er - end - ing feast.

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*Due to the unified nature of the services of the **TRIDUUM**, the **BENEDICTION** is omitted on this day. It is spoken on Easter Sunday to conclude all the services of the Three Days.*

## Stripping of the Altar

The candles are extinguished, and we pray Psalm 22, which our Lord prayed from the cross. The communion vessels are reverently removed from the altar, the altar is stripped, and the chancel is cleared. This reminds us of how our Lord endured being forsaken by the Father while suffering and dying on the cross, which remains our focus during the solemn services of Good Friday. As we pray the Psalm and observe this rite, ponder anew all that Jesus has done for you and your salvation because of His great love for you.

### **Pastor prays odd verses and congregation even.**

*My God, my God, why have you forsaken me? Why are you so far from saving me, so far from the words of my groaning?*

**O my God, I cry out by day, but you do not answer,  
by night, and am not silent.**

*Yet you are enthroned as the Holy One; you are the praise of Israel.*

**In you our fathers put their trust; they trusted and  
you delivered them.**

*They cried to you and were saved; in you they trusted and were not disappointed.*

**But I am a worm and not a man, scorned by men and  
despised by the people.**

(Pause)

*All who see me mock me; they hurl insults, shaking their heads:*

**"He trusts in the LORD; let the LORD rescue him. Let him deliver him, since he delights in him."**

*Yet you brought me out of the womb; you made me trust in you even at my mother's breast.*

**From birth I was cast upon you; from my mother's womb you have been my God.**

*Do not be far from me, for trouble is near and there is no one to help.*

**Many bulls surround me; strong bulls of Bashan encircle me. (Pause)**

*Roaring lions tearing their prey open their mouths wide against me.*

**I am poured out like water, and all my bones are out of joint. My heart has turned to wax; it has melted away within me.**

*My strength is dried up like a potsherd, and my tongue sticks to the roof of my mouth; you lay me in the dust of death.*

**Dogs have surrounded me; a band of evil men has encircled me, they have pierced my hands and my feet.**

*I can count all my bones; people stare and gloat over me.*

**They divide my garments among them and cast lots for my clothing.**

**(Pause)**

*But you, O LORD, be not far off; O my Strength, come quickly to help me.*

**Deliver my life from the sword, my precious life from the power of the dogs.**

*Rescue me from the mouth of the lions; save me from the horns of the wild oxen.*

**I will declare your name to my brothers; in the congregation I will praise you.**

*You who fear the LORD, praise him! All you descendants of Jacob, honor him! Revere him, all you descendants of Israel!*

**For he has not despised or disdained the suffering of the afflicted one; he has not hidden his face from him but has listened to his cry for help.**

## (Pause)

*From you comes the theme of my praise in the great assembly;  
before those who fear you will I fulfill my vows.*

**The poor will eat and be satisfied; they who seek the  
LORD will praise him-- may your hearts live forever!**

*All the ends of the earth will remember and turn to the LORD,  
and all the families of the nations will bow down before him,  
for dominion belongs to the LORD and he rules over  
the nations.*

*All the rich of the earth will feast and worship; all who go down  
to the dust will kneel before him-- those who cannot keep  
themselves alive.*

**Posterity will serve him; future generations will be  
told about the Lord.**

*They will proclaim his righteousness to a people yet unborn--  
for he has done it.*

**+** *At the conclusion of the Stripping of the Altar, please  
leave the church in silence, pondering what Jesus has  
done for you by His death and resurrection.*

## Holy Week Worship Schedule

<b>Good Friday</b> <b>April 7, 2022</b>	7:00 p.m. ~ Vespers Tenebrae Service
<b>Holy Saturday</b> <b>April 8, 2022</b>	7:00 p.m. ~ Easter Vigil – Part 1
<b>Easter Sunday</b> <b>April 9, 2022</b>	7:00 a.m. ~ Sunrise Easter Vigil – Part 2 8:00-8:45 a.m. ~ Easter Breakfast 9:00 a.m. ~ Festival of Our Lord's Resurrection *No Sunday School or Bible Study

### Serving This Evening

Elder: Nathan Gaunt  
Acolyte: Reilly Fisher  
Special Music: Zion Adult Choir  
Soloist: Don Richmond

Usher: Fred Flessner  
Engineer: Eric Rosenthal  
Altar Guild: Shirley Helmbrecht  
Organist: Teresa Leising

**Serving Good Friday - April 7 - 7:00pm**

Elder: Nathan Gaunt  
Acolyte: Addison Splittgerber  
Altar Guild: Shirley Helmbrecht

Usher: Steve Junge  
Engineer: Jared Nuttelman  
Organist: Teresa Leising

**Service Easter Vigil (Part 1) - April 8 - 7:00pm**

Elder: Keith Nuttelman  
Acolyte: Jamie Wilkens  
Organist: Carol DeLoach

Usher: Steve Junge  
Engineer: Reilly Fisher  
Altar Guild: Sue Bartels &  
Ellen Hockemeier

**Serving Easter Sunrise-Vigil (Part 2) - April 9 7:00am**

Elder: Keith Nuttelman  
Acolyte: Addison Helmbrecht  
Organist: Carol DeLoach

Usher: Andy Wollberg  
Engineer: Jared Nuttelman  
Altar Guild: Sue Bartels &  
Ellen Hockemeier

**Serving Easter Festival - April 9 - 9:00am**

Elder: Keith Nuttelman  
Acolyte: Harper Florang  
Engineer: Jared Nuttelman  
Organist: Carol DeLoach  
Special Music: Zion Adult Choir  
Altar Guild: Sue Bartels & Ellen Hockemeier

Usher: Andy Wollberg  
Crucifer: Grady Fisher  
Announcer: Brooke Fisher  
Trumpets: Zach DeLoach &  
Jamie Nikodym

**Serving Next Sunday - April 16<sup>th</sup> - 9:00am**

Elder: Bruce Brooks  
Acolyte: Lauren Starkey  
Announcer: Lonna Gronewoller

Usher: Andy Wollberg  
Engineer: Reilly Fisher  
Altar Guild: Sue Bartels &  
Ellen Hockemeier