



"Leading People into a Living Relationship with Jesus Christ"

Maundy Thursday

As We Gather When Moses told the people at Mount Sinai what God wanted, they replied, "All the words that the Lord has spoken we will do" (Exodus 24:3). But they didn't. And neither do we follow through on our commitments to God. Yet, because of the sacrifice of His Son, God has kept His covenant promises, signed with a meal shared by the leaders of Israel. We, too, partake of a foretaste of the coming feast as we go to the Lord's Table today.

God sealed the covenant as Jesus' tomb was sealed by the Roman authorities on Good Friday. In our Baptism we have been sealed for eternal life, united with our Lord in the Body of Christ, the Church. And on Easter, as our Savior was delivered from death and the grave, so we have been delivered from the punishment due us. Our worship today and through Easter is an opportunity to thank God for the covenant He has signed, sealed, and delivered through the death and resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Prelude	Meditation on Lamb of God	Elizabeth Jordan
	Craig Amendt, horn	

Please stand as you are able

Invocation

- In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

Opening Sentences

Hebrews 9:12a, c, 15a; Psalm 111:9a

- Christ entered once for all into the holy places by means of His own blood,
- **G** thus securing an eternal redemption.
- P Therefore He is the mediator of a new covenant,
- **C** so that those who are called may receive the promised eternal inheritance.
- P He sent redemption to His people;

G He has commanded His covenant forever.

Opening Hymn When You Woke That Thursday Morning LSB 445

Exhortation

- If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
- But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Please kneel as you are able

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

Confession of Sins

P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. 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. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. 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.

Absolution

Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the +I Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

Please stand as you are able

Introit

Psalm 116:1–4; antiphon: v. 5

P Gracious is the LORD, and righteous; our God is merciful.

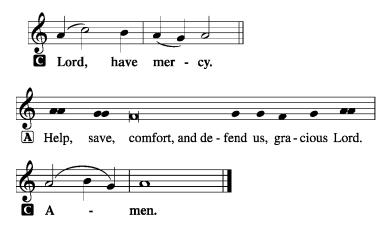
I love the LORD, because He has heard my voice and my pleas for mercy.

- Because He inclined His ear to me, therefore I will call on Him as long as I live.
- The snares of death encompassed me; the pangs of Sheol laid hold on me; I suffered distress and anguish.

Then I called on the name of the LORD: "O LORD, I pray, deliver my soul!"

Gracious is the LORD, and righteous; our God is merciful.





Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

▶ Let us pray. O Lord, in Your 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.

Please be seated

Old Testament

Exodus 24:3-11

A The Old Testament lesson is from Exodus, chapter twenty-four.

³Moses 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." ⁴And 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. ⁵And he sent young men of the people of Israel, who offered burnt offerings and sacrificed peace offerings of oxen to the LORD. ⁶And Moses took half of the blood and put it in basins, and half of the blood he threw against the altar. ⁷Then 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." ⁸And Moses took the blood of the blood of the blood of the blood of the blood and threw it on the people and said, "Behold the blood of

the covenant that the $\ensuremath{\mathsf{LORD}}$ has made with you in accordance with all these words."

⁹Then Moses and Aaron, Nadab, and Abihu, and seventy of the elders of Israel went up, ¹⁰and 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. ¹¹And he did not lay his hand on the chief men of the people of Israel; they beheld God, and ate and drank.

- A This is the Word of the Lord.
- Psalm Psalm 116:12-13, 17-19 What shall I ren - der to the Lord for all His ben - e-fits to С I will of - fer the sac - ri - fice of thanks - giv - ing me? and will call on the name of the Lord. I will take the cup of salva-tion and will call on the name of the Lord. I will pay my vows to the Lord now in the pres-ence of all His peo - ple, in the courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Je-ru-sa-lem.
- **G** Thanks be to God.

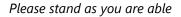
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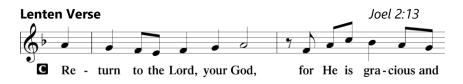
A The Epistle is from Hebrews, chapter nine.

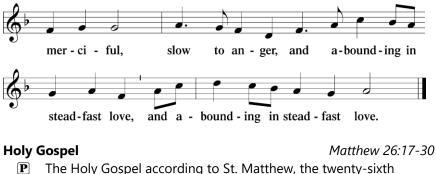
¹¹When Christ appeared as a high priest of the good things that have come, then through the greater and more perfect tent (not made with hands, that is, not of this creation) ¹²he entered once for all into the holy places, not by means of the blood of goats and calves but by means of his own blood, thus 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.

- A This is the Word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.







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P¹⁷Now 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



Hymn of the Day

O Lord, We Praise Thee

LSB 617

Please be seated

Sermon

Silence for reflection

Please stand as you are able

Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life + of the world to come. Amen.

Please be seated

Prayer of the Church

After each petition:

- **P** Lord in Your mercy.
- G Hear our prayer.
- Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever.

C Amen.

Offering

During this time, please fill out and pass the blue Friendship Register. Please indicate if you plan to receive the sacrament of Holy Communion and whether you are a member or visitor. Alternatively, you may record your attendance with us on your smartphone or tablet via the QR code found on the back of the bulletin. If you do not currently have a church home, we invite you to join the family of believers here at Christ the Redeemer.

Voluntary	I Will Arise and Go to Jesus with What Wondrous Love	
	Marion Penka, violin	Lynette Maynard

Please stand as you are able

Offertory Hymn	Lamb of God, Pure and Holy	LSB 434
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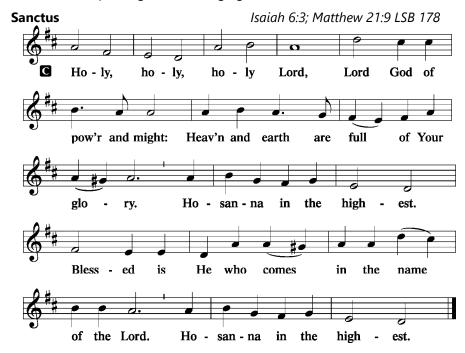
Service of the Sacrament

The Lord's Supper is celebrated in the confession that we receive not just bread and wine but the true body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, which we eat and drink for the forgiveness of sins, life, and salvation. Our Lord invites to His table those who have faith in His words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to love and forgive as He loves and forgives us.

Holy Communion also signifies a unity of faith and belief with those who gather at this altar. Baptized Christians who share the confession of the Lutheran church are welcome at the Lord's Table. If you are unsure what you believe or have questions, we invite you to speak with the Elder on duty or the Pastor before the service. Grape juice is available in the center circle of the individual cup trays.

Preface

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- **C** And also with you.
- P Lift up your hearts.
- **G** We lift them to the Lord.
- **P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- **C** It is right to give Him thanks and praise.
- It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who accomplished the salvation of mankind by the tree of the cross that, where death arose, there life also might rise again, and that the serpent who overcame by the tree of the garden might likewise by the tree of the cross be overcome. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and singing:



Prayer of Thanksgiving

P Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we ask You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth, to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

Matthew 6:9-13

▶ Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:
■ 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.

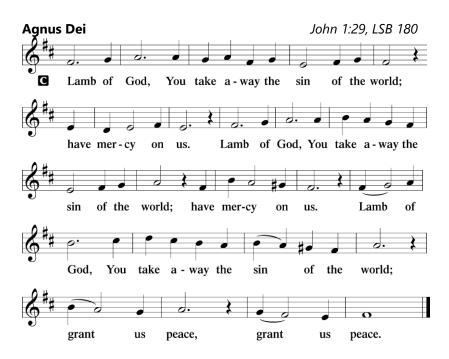
The Words of Our Lord

P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He 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. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

And also with you.



Please be seated

Voluntary

Drop, Drop Slow TearsOrlando GibbonsSanctuary Choir(1583-1625)

Drop, drop slow tears, and bathe those beauteous feet, Which brought from heaven the news and Prince of peace.

> Cease not, wet eyes, His mercies to entreat; To cry for vengeance sin doth never cease.

In your deep floods drown all my faults and fears; Nor let His eye see sin but through my tears. -Phineas Fletcher (1582-1650)

Distribution Hymns

Draw Near and Take the Body of the Lord LSB 637 1 Draw near and take the bod - y of the Lord. 2 He who His saints in this world rules and shields, for - ward faith - ful hearts 3 Come then with sin - cere, Θ drink ly blood And the ho _ for out - poured; you - liev - ers То all be life e - ter - nal vields; And take the pledg - es of sal - va - tion here. 0 for Of fered was He great - est and for least. heav'n - ly He makes the With bread hun - gry whole, 0 Lord, hearts with our grate - ful thanks en dow -0 Him - self the vic - tim and Him - self the priest. Gives liv - ing wa - ters to the thirst ing soul. As in Text and tune: Public domain this feast of love You bless us now. Lord Jesus Christ, Life-giving Bread LSB 625 1 Lord Je - sus Christ, life - giv - ing bread, May Ι in grace 2 To pas-tures green, Lord, safe - ly guide, То rest - ful wa 3 O bread of heav'n, my soul's de - light, For full and free 4 I iť fa - vor, Lord, do not mer -Mv weight of sin You. Let me with ho ly food be fed. pos sess Your ta - ble ters lead me; well for me pro - vide, come with prayer re mis sion Ι be - fore Your sight would break me; In all mv guilt - y heart's dis - cord, 1 In hun - ger I ad dress You. Pre well pare me wound - ed Your feed Though hand me. wea - ry, sin now In sor - row and tri tion. Your righ-teous-ness, con 0 Lord, do for sake In not me. my dis - tress



5 The veil is torn, our Priest we see, as at the rail on bended knee Our hungry mouths from Him receive the bread of immortality.

- 6 The body of God's Lamb we eat, a priestly food and priestly meat; On sin-parched lips the chalice pours His quenching blood that life restores.
- 7 With cherubim and seraphim Our voices join the endless hymn, And "Holy, holy, holy" sing to Christ, God's Lamb, our Priest and King. Text: © 1997, 2003 Chad L. Bird. Used by permission: LSB Hymn License no. 110004617 Tune: Public domain

Please stand as you are able

 Now may this body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart in peace.
 Amen.

Post-Communion Prayer

Gracious heavenly Father, in the midst of this Holy Week, when we remember all that Your beloved Son sacrificed for us, You have given us a remembrance of the Passover meal and the freedom from bondage it recalls. You have given us true pardon and peace in this Holy Supper, and a foretaste of the feast to come. Keep us firm in the true faith until we celebrate the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom that has no end; through Jesus Christ, Your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Psalm

Psalm 22:1-11, antiphon: v. 1

P My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?

• Why are you so far from saving me, so far from my cries of anguish?

P My God, I cry out by day, but you do not answer, by night, but I find no rest.

• Yet you are enthroned as the Holy One; you are the one Israel praises.

■ In you our ancestors put their trust; they trusted and you delivered them.

C To you they cried out and were saved; in you they trusted and were not put to shame.

P But I am a worm and not a man, scorned by everyone, despised by the people.

☑ All who see me mock me; they hurl insults, shaking their heads.
IP "He trusts in the Lord," they say, "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.

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

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

My God, my God, why have you forsaken me? Why are you so far from saving me, so far from my cries of anguish?

Hymn	A Lamb Goes Uncomplaining Fort	th LSB 438
Postlude	O Dearest Jesus	Johannes Brahms (1833-1897)

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