Our Savior Evangelical Lutheran Church

9 April A.D. 2020



The Triduum

WE NOW COMPLETE the forty days of Lent. We enter the Paschal/Easter Triduum, the three days of Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, and Holy Saturday. During these days we meditate intently upon the mystery of our redemption in Christ. We celebrate His Passion and victory over the powers of darkness. We mark our Passover in Him from death to life. The celebration of His death and resurrection is extended for the Pentecost of days (50 days) stretching from Easter Day through the Day of Pentecost.



MAUNDY THURSDAY

The name of this day is derived from the Latin <u>mandatum</u>, "mandate." On this evening in the Upper Room, Jesus gave His disciples the gift of His very body and blood for the forgiveness of sins through His Last Will and Testament. He has lovingly mandated that this Supper be celebrated in His Church until His return in glory. In demonstration of His sacrificial love and as an example of the humble, selfless service that we who are baptized into Christ are enabled to render to all, Jesus washed the feet of His disciples. As we eat the bread and drink the cup of this Meal, we proclaim the Lord's death until He returns in glory, strengthened by Him to rise and live a new life in joyous expectation of that glorious Day. In preparation for this evening's Service, please reverently meditate on Psalm 116:12-19 in the hymnal. God the Holy Spirit bless us through the Word and Sacrament of Christ, to the praise of our heavenly Father.

"O CHRIST, THOU LAMB OF GOD, THAT TAKEST AWAY THE SIN OF THE WORLD, HAVE MERCY UPON US AND GRANT US THY PEACE."

+ IN THE NAME OF JESUS +

Processional Hymn

"Sing, My Tongue, the Glorious Battle" (LSB 454)



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+ The Entrance +

Invocation

- ${f P}$ In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

Call to Enter the Easter Three Days and Instruction and Call to Confession

+ The Preparation +

Kneel

Confession

- **C** Who made heaven and earth.
- I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,
- **C** And you forgave the iniquity of my sin.
- P O almighty God, merciful Father,
- I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

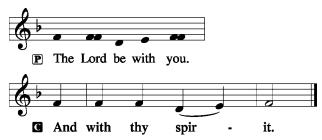
Absolution

- P Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the -I- Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

Stand

+ The Service of the Word +

Salutation



Collect



The Collect is prayed





Old Testament Reading

After the reading:

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

Gradual

- P What shall I render to the LORD
- **G** for all his benefits to me?
- **P** I will lift up the cup of salvation
- **C** and call on the name of the Lord,
- P I will pay my vows to the LORD
- **G** in the presence of all his people.

Epistle Reading

After the reading:

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

Choral Response "When You Woke That Thursday Morning" (*Text: LSB 445, stanzas 1,4,5*)

Stand

Holy Gospel

P The Holy Gospel according to Saint John, the 13th chapter.



After the Reading:

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Exodus 12:1-14

1 Corinthians 11:23-32

Saint John 13:1-15, 34-35



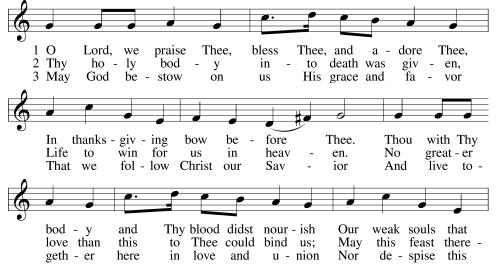
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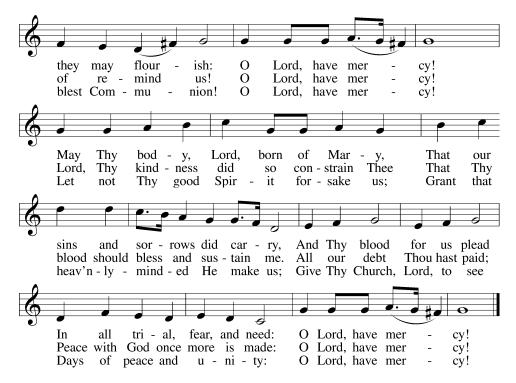
C I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate. was crucified. died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life + everlasting. Amen.

Remain standing for the Hymn of the Day.

Hymn of the Day

"O Lord, We Praise Thee" (LSB 617)





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Sit

Sermon

Stand

Prayer of the Church

Lord's Prayer

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- **P** 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.

Kneel

Stripping of the Altar

As a symbol of the deep humiliation the Son of God suffered at the hands of His captors, the altar, which represents Christ, is stripped. The Messianic words of Psalm 22 are proclaimed, following which the minister and assistants leave the church in silence.

+ TO GOD ALONE BE GLORY +