

St. Luke Lutheran Church

"Energized by God's Love"

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Evangelical Lutheran Worship
Maundy Thursday

April 17, 2025



Dear Members & Guests - Welcome to Worship!

God has greatly blessed us with your presence this evening.

Thank you for responding to his invitation.

If you have a prayer request, please send it by email or voicemail to Letty in the church office.

SERVING US THIS EVENING

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WELCOME

Pastor Dan Tisdell

TABLE GRACE (Unison)

Gracious God, as we remember our Savior gathered with his disciples in an upper room, we too come together. Bless the food we are about to share and our companionship in faith, in Jesus' name. Amen.

THE MAUNDY THURSDAY MEAL

GATHERING HYMN *"WHERE CHARITY AND LOVE PREVAIL"*

ELW #359

LITANY OF REMEMBRANCE

[P] This is an evening when we remember.

[C] **We remember the Passover meal Jesus shared with his disciples.**

[P] We remember how as a humble servant he washed the feet of the disciples.

[C] **We remember his night alone in prayer in the garden.**

[P] We remember his betrayal, his arrest, his passion and the abandonment of the disciples.

[C] **We remember these events and give thanks for Jesus' presence with us.**

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

[P] Let us make our confession before God.

[C] **Merciful God, you have required that we love one another as Jesus loves us. We confess that, in what we have done and left undone, we have fallen short. Forgive us, we pray, in the name of the One who gave himself on the cross for us. Amen.**

[P] This is love. Not that we loved God, but that God loved us and gave the Son to be the sufficient sacrifice for our sins. Believe this word and live in peace.

[C] **Amen.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

[A] Let us pray ...

[C] **Eternal God, in the sharing of a meal your Son established a new covenant for all people, and in the washing of feet he showed us the dignity of service. Grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit these signs of our life in faith may speak again to our hearts, feed our spirits, and refresh our bodies, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

First Reading: Exodus 12:1-14

Israel remembered its deliverance from slavery in Egypt by celebrating the festival of Passover. This festival featured the Passover lamb, whose blood was used as a sign to protect God's people from the threat of death. The early church described the Lord's supper using imagery from the Passover, especially in portraying Jesus as the lamb who delivers God's people from sin and death.

The LORD said to Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt: This month shall mark for you the beginning of months; it shall be the first month of the year for you. Tell the whole congregation of Israel that on the tenth of this month they are to take a lamb for each family, a lamb for each household. If a household is too small for a whole lamb, it shall join its closest neighbor in obtaining one; the lamb shall be divided in proportion to the number of people who eat of it. [Your lamb shall be without blemish, a year-old male; you may take it from the sheep or from the goats. You shall keep it until the fourteenth day of this month; then the whole assembled congregation of Israel shall slaughter it at twilight. 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. They shall eat the lamb that same night; they shall eat it roasted over the fire with unleavened bread and bitter herbs. Do not eat any of it raw or boiled in water, but roasted over the fire, with its head, legs, and inner organs. You shall let none of it remain until the morning; anything that remains until the morning you shall burn.] This is how you shall eat it: your loins girded, your sandals on your feet, and your staff in your hand; and you shall eat it hurriedly. It is the passover of the LORD. For I will pass through the land of Egypt that night, and I will strike down

every firstborn in the land of Egypt, both human beings and animals; on all the gods of Egypt I will execute judgments: I am the LORD. The blood shall be a sign for you on the houses where you live: when I see the blood, I will pass over you, and no plague shall destroy you when I strike the land of Egypt.

This day shall be a day of remembrance for you. You shall celebrate it as a festival to the LORD; throughout your generations you shall observe it as a perpetual ordinance.

Psalm 116:1-2, 12-19

[OT] I love the LORD, who has heard my voice, and listened to my supplication,

[NT] for the LORD has given ear to me whenever I called.

[OT] How shall I repay the LORD for all the good things God has done for me?

[NT] I will lift the cup of salvation and call on the name of the LORD.

[OT] I will fulfill my vows to the LORD in the presence of all God's people.

[NT] Precious in your sight, O LORD, is the death of your servants.

[OT] O LORD, truly I am your servant; I am your servant, the child of your handmaid; you have freed me from my bonds.

[NT] I will offer you the sacrifice of thanksgiving and call upon the name of the LORD.

[OT] I will fulfill my vows to the LORD in the presence of all God's people,

[C] in the courts of the LORD's house, in the midst of you, O Jerusalem.

CHOIR ANTHEM

"REMEMBER ME"

St. Luke Choir

(By Grier/Everson)

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 11:23-26

In the bread and cup of the Lord's supper, we experience intimate fellowship with Christ and with one another because it involves his body given for us and the new covenant in his blood. Faithful participation in this meal is a living proclamation of Christ's death until he comes in the future.

For I received from the Lord what I also handed on to you, that the Lord Jesus on the night when he was betrayed took a loaf of bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, "This is my body that is for you. Do this in remembrance of me." In the same way he took the cup also, after supper, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me." For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

GOSPEL: John 13:1-17,31b-35 Pastor Dan Tisdell

The story of the last supper in John's gospel recalls a remarkable event not mentioned elsewhere: Jesus performs the duty of a slave, washing the feet of his disciples and urging them to do the same for one another.

Now before the festival of the Passover, Jesus knew that his hour had come to depart from this world and go to the Father. Having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end. The devil had already put it into the heart of Judas son of Simon Iscariot to betray him. And during supper Jesus, knowing that the Father had given all things into his hands, and that he had come from God and was going to God, got up from the table, took off his outer robe, and tied a towel around himself. Then he poured water into a basin and began to wash the disciples' feet and to wipe them with the towel that was tied around him. He came to Simon Peter, who said to him, "Lord, are you going to wash my feet?" Jesus answered, "You do not know now what I am doing, but later you will understand." Peter said to him, "You will never wash my feet." Jesus answered, "Unless I wash you, you have no share with me." Simon Peter said to him, "Lord, not my feet only but also my hands and my head!" Jesus said to him, "One who has bathed does not need to wash, except for the feet, but is entirely clean. And you are clean, though not all of you." For he knew who was to betray him; for this reason he said, "Not all of you are clean."

After he had washed their feet, had put on his robe, and had returned to the table, he said to them, "Do you know what I have done to you? You call me Teacher and Lord—and you are right, for that is what I am. So if I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another's feet. For I have set you an example, that you also should do as I have done to you. Very truly, I tell you, servants are not greater than their master, nor are messengers greater than the one who sent them. If you know these things, you are blessed if you do them."

"Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, 'Where I am going, you cannot come.' I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

HOMILY

"FRIENDS AT THE TABLE"

Pastor Dan Tisdell

HYMN

"WHAT WONDROUS LOVE IS THIS"

ELW #666

HOLY COMMUNION

Thanksgiving

Words of Institution

THE LORD'S PRAYER

[C] 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.

SHARING THE LOAF AND CUP

BENEDICTION

THE DISMISSAL

[A] Our worship continues; our service is just begun. Go in peace to love and serve
The Lord.

[C] **THANKS BE TO GOD!**

SENDING SONG

"BENEATH THE CROSS OF JESUS"

See Song Sheet

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE – Tomorrow at 7:00 PM

EASTER BRUNCH – April 20, 2025, 8:30 AM – 9:30 AM

EASTER SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE – April 20, 2025 at 10:00 AM

EASTER EGG HUNT – April 20, 2025, 11:30 AM