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Stripping of the Altar

*The communion vessels are reverently removed from the altar, the altar is stripped, and the chancel is cleared in preparation for the solemn services of Good Friday. The pastors chant **Psalm 22**, parts of which were prayed by Jesus from the cross.*

The congregation departs in silence...



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Visitors & Guests

Thank you for attending! Please introduce yourself to the Pastors or Elders, fill out our Visitor Card (*turn in for additional resources*) and assist us in recording church attendance in the Record of Fellowship book in the pews. We hope you join us again soon.

LARGE PRINT HYMNALS & BULLETINS are located in the back center pews as you enter.

The Sacrament of the Altar

Advent Evangelical Lutheran Church teaches and believes that through the body and blood of Jesus Christ, offered under bread and wine in the Lord's Supper, God gives to His children the forgiveness of sins. Since this is a sacred meal, Advent distributes the Lord's Supper to communicants who have been prepared to receive it.

If communing, please prepare using pp. 308, 329-330 found in the front of our Hymnal.

- **If you are a member at an LCMS parish**, please speak with one of our pastors beforehand so that they may greet you and inform you accordingly regarding our practice.
- **If you are a visitor** and have not been confirmed or hold to a confession of faith that differs from Advent and the Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod, please refrain from receiving the Lord's Supper. You may come forward during Distribution to receive a blessing, indicated by crossing your arms over your chest.
- **Distribution** - If communing, at the appropriate time in the Divine Service, please approach the altar via the center aisle. When directed to a position at the rail, bow and kneel without waiting (you may also stand as needed). After you receive the Sacrament (or blessing), please stand, bow, and return to your pew via the side aisle. The final blessing will be made at the end of the distribution and the covering of the elements.

Please see an Usher for help locating:

- Hearing assistive devices for use during worship are available in the Narthex.
- Wheelchairs are available upon request.
- Restrooms are located to the left of the Narthex as you enter the church.
- The Nursery and Cry Room provide quiet places for active or crying children and are equipped to broadcast our services.

Coffee & Donuts served every Sunday between the early and late service in the Fellowship Hall.

Join us for Sunday School & Bible Study Sunday morning in the Fellowship Hall. We begin at 9:35am and conclude at 10:30am.

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The Congregation at Prayer

A Guide for Daily Meditation and Prayer is included on the last two pages of this bulletin.

Flower Calendar

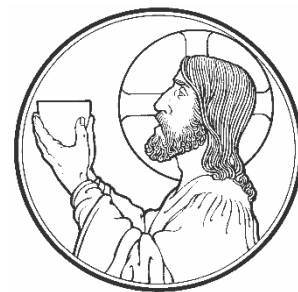
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Easter Lilies- \$25 for 1
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HOLY (MAUNDY) THURSDAY

Tonight's Readings: Exodus 12:1-14; 1 Corinthians 11:23-32; John 13:1-15



Let Us Love One Another, as Christ Jesus Has Loved Us

“For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord’s death until He comes” (1 Cor. 11:26). By eating His body and drinking His blood, we proclaim to all the world that Jesus is, indeed, our Passover Lamb (Ex. 12:1-14), who was sacrificed for us on Calvary. In Christ, the Lord remembers us in mercy and remembers our sin no more; He forgives us all our iniquity. With such love, he “loved His own who were in the world,” and even loves us “to the end” (John 13:1). As He washes us and feeds us in love, let us love one another, just as He has done to us and continues to do in the Sacrament (John 13:15).

About tonight's Divine Service

The term “**Maundy**” is derived from the Latin word “*mandatum*,” which means “*commandment*.” The literal Latin title means “The Day of Commandment” or “Mandate”.

Holy (Maundy) Thursday, occurring on the eve of our Lord’s crucifixion, begins the celebration of the holy three days of Christ’s Passover, commonly known as the **Triduum**. Jesus gave His disciples and us a new commandment, to love one another, along with His Last Will and Testament – The Lord’s Supper, all celebrated on this holy night. The service on this day culminates the Lenten period of preparation for Christ’s Passion and Resurrection and leads into His sacrifice on our behalf. As such, the service, like that for **Good Friday**, exhibits a mood of restrained joy.

You will note that our service tonight consists of four parts: **The Service of Corporate Confession & Absolution, The Service of the Word, The Service of the Sacrament** and **The Stripping of the Altar**. You will also note that there are a few elements missing from our normal Divine Service. This is due to the fact that each Service of the Triduum is to be seen as a continuation of the former. For tonight, the service of Corporate Confession and Absolution signals the end of the Lenten preparation with the Absolution and then the Peace of Christ (Pax Domini). The Service of the Word focuses upon Christ’s sacrificial service demonstrated in His washing of His disciples’ feet, a servanthood enacted on the cross and whose benefits are bestowed in His **Means of Grace**. The service culminates with the Lord’s ministry to His people through the Sacrament of the Altar.

The depth of Christ’s servanthood is demonstrated as the Altar is reverently stripped in preparation for the Church’s observance of Jesus’ death on Good Friday. Because the **Triduum** is seen as one service in three parts, no Benediction is spoken at the conclusion of the service. The Benediction spoken at the Holy Saturday Vigil service concludes all the services. On Holy Thursday, the Church begins the journey through the three days of Christ’s **Passover** from death to life and from captivity to freedom.

In His Service Today:

P Rev. Marcus Mackay, Senior Pastor
A Rev. Aaron Schultz, Headmaster & Assoc. Pastor

Choir Director: Deb Trewartha
Kantor/Organist: Phil Lehman
Audio/Visual: Marc Mackay

Megan Brenton, violin; Amanda Dahlke, flute; Elizabeth Paul, clarinet

7:00pm

Greeter: Open
Altar Guild: Jen Siukola
Ushers: Joel Zagel
Elder: Don Hahn

SERVE



Help serve as Greeters,
Ushers & Altar Guild

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HOLY (MAUNDY) THURSDAY *(LSB 290 & DS 1, p. 159)*

Prelude & Tolling of Bells

Stand

Processional Hymn

Jesus, Thy Boundless Love to Me

LSB 683

- 1 Jesus, Thy boundless love to me
No thought can reach, no tongue
declare;
Unite my thankful heart to Thee,
And reign without a rival there!
Thine wholly, Thine alone I am;
Be Thou alone my constant flame.
- 2 O grant that nothing in my soul
May dwell, but Thy pure love alone;
Oh, may Thy love possess me whole,
My joy, my treasure, and my crown!
All coldness from my heart remove;
My ev'ry act, word, thought be love.

- 3 This love unwearied I pursue
And dauntlessly to Thee aspire.
Oh, may Thy love my hope renew,
Burn in my soul like heav'nly fire!
And day and night, be all my care
To guard this sacred treasure there.
- 4 In suffering be Thy love my peace,
In weakness be Thy love my pow'r;
And when the storms of life shall cease,
O Jesus, in that final hour,
Be Thou my rod and staff and guide,
And draw me safely to Thy side!

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Corporate Confession and Absolution

LSB 290

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

- P** In the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C Amen.

- P** I will go to the altar of God,
C to God my exceeding joy.
P Our help is in the name of the Lord,
C who made heaven and earth.

Sit

- P** During this Lenten season we have heard our Lord's call to intensify our struggle against sin, death, and the devil – all that prevents us from trusting in God and loving each other. Since it is our intention to receive the Holy Supper of our Lord Jesus Christ on this night when He instituted this blessed meal for our salvation, it is proper that we complete our Lenten discipline by diligently examining ourselves, as St. Paul urges us to do. This holy Sacrament has been instituted for the special comfort of those who are troubled because of their sin and who humbly confess their sins, fear God's wrath, and hunger and thirst for righteousness.

But when we examine our hearts and consciences, we find nothing in us but sin and death, from which we are incapable of delivering ourselves. Therefore, our Lord Jesus Christ has had mercy on us. For our benefit He became man so that He might fulfill for us the whole will and law of God and, to deliver us, took upon Himself our sin and the punishment we deserve.

So that we may more confidently believe this and be strengthened in the faith and in holy living, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread, broke it, and gave it to His disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My body, which is given for you." It is as if He said, "I became man, and all that I do and suffer is for your good. As a pledge of this, I give you My body to eat."

In the same way also He took the cup, gave thanks, and 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." Again, it is as if He said, "I have had mercy on you by taking into Myself all your iniquities.

I give Myself into death, shedding My blood to obtain grace and forgiveness of sins, and to comfort and establish the new testament, which gives forgiveness and everlasting salvation. As a pledge of this, I give you My blood to drink.”

Therefore, whoever eats this bread and drinks this cup, confidently believing this Word and promise of Christ, dwells in Christ and Christ in him and has eternal life.

We should also do this in remembrance of Him, showing His death—that He was delivered for our offenses and raised for our justification. Giving Him our most heartfelt thanks, we take up our cross and follow Him and, according to His commandment, love one another as He has loved us. As our Lord on this night exemplified this love by washing His disciple’s feet, so we by our words and actions serve one another in love. For we are all one bread and one body, even as we are all partakers of this one bread and drink from the one cup. For just as the one cup is filled with wine of many grapes and one bread made from countless grains, so also we, being many, are one body in Christ. Because of Him, we love one another, not only in word, but in deed and in truth.

May the almighty and merciful God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, by His Holy Spirit, accomplish this in us.

C Amen.

Stand

P Having heard the Word of God, let us confess our sins to Him, imploring Him for the sake of His Son Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

C 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.

P God be merciful to you and strengthen your faith.

C Amen.

P Do you believe that the forgiveness I speak is not my forgiveness but God’s?

C Yes.

P Let it be done for you as you believe.

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 † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

P Now may the God of peace Himself sanctify you completely, and may your whole spirit, soul, and body be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. He who calls you is faithful; He will surely do it. Go in † peace.

C Amen.

Service of the Word

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C And with thy spirit.

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.

Sit

Old Testament Reading

Exodus 12:1–14

¹The LORD said to Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt, ²“This month shall be for you the beginning of months. It shall be the first month of the year for you. ³Tell all the congregation of Israel that on the tenth day of this month every man shall take a lamb according to their fathers’ houses, a lamb for a household. ⁴And if the household is too small for a lamb, then he and his nearest neighbor shall take according to the number of persons; according to what each can eat you shall make your count for the lamb. ⁵Your lamb shall be without blemish, a male a year old. You may take it from the sheep or from the goats, ⁶and you shall keep it until the fourteenth day of this month, when the whole assembly of the congregation of Israel shall kill their lambs at twilight.

⁷“Then 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. ⁸They shall eat the flesh that night, roasted on the fire; with unleavened bread and bitter herbs they shall eat it. ⁹Do not eat any of it raw or boiled in water, but roasted, its head with its legs and its inner parts. ¹⁰And you shall let none of it remain until the morning; anything that remains until the morning you shall burn. ¹¹In this manner you shall eat it: with your belt fastened, your sandals on your feet, and your staff in your hand. And you shall eat it in haste. It is the LORD’s Passover. ¹²For I will pass through the land of Egypt that night, and I will strike all the firstborn in the land of Egypt, both man and beast; and on all the gods of Egypt I will execute judgments: I am the LORD. ¹³The blood shall be a sign for you, on the houses where you are. And when I see the blood, I will pass over you, and no plague will befall you to destroy you, when I strike the land of Egypt.

¹⁴“This day shall be for you a memorial day, and you shall keep it as a feast to the LORD; throughout your generations, as a statute forever, you shall keep it as a feast.”

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Anthem

Jesu, Word of God Incarnate

W.A. Mozart

*Jesu, Word of God Incarnate, of the virgin Mary born;
On the cross Thy sacred body for us men with nails was torn.
Cleanse us by the blood and water streaming from Thy pierced side.
Feed us with Thy body broken, now and in death's agony.*

Epistle Reading

1 Corinthians 11:23–32

²³For I received from the Lord what I also delivered to you, that the Lord Jesus on the night when he was betrayed took bread, ²⁴and when he had given thanks, he broke it, and said, “This is my body which is for you. Do this in remembrance of me.” ²⁵In the same way also he took the cup, after supper, saying, “This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.”

²⁶For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord’s death until he comes.

²⁷Whoever, therefore, eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty of profaning the body and blood of the Lord. ²⁸Let a person examine himself, then, and so eat of the bread and drink of the cup. ²⁹For anyone who eats and drinks without discerning the body eats and drinks judgment on himself. ³⁰That is why many of you are weak and ill, and some have died. ³¹But if we judged ourselves truly, we would not be judged. ³²But when we are judged by the Lord, we are disciplined so that we may not be condemned along with the world.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Stand

Tract

Psalm 111:4–5; John 6:55–56

C He has caused his wondrous works to be remembered;
the LORD is gracious and merciful.

He provides food for those who fear him; he remembers his covenant forever.

My flesh is true food, and my blood is true drink.

Whoever feeds on my flesh and drinks my blood abides in me, and I in him.

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the thirteenth chapter.

C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

¹Now before the Feast of the Passover, when Jesus knew that his hour had come to depart out of this world to the Father, having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end. ²During supper, when the devil had already put it into the heart of Judas Iscariot, Simon’s son, to betray him, ³Jesus, knowing that the Father had given all things into his hands, and that he had come from God and was going back to God, ⁴rose from supper. He laid aside his outer garments, and taking a towel, tied it around his waist. ⁵Then he poured water into a basin and began to wash the disciples’ feet and to wipe them with the towel that was wrapped around him. ⁶He came to Simon Peter, who said to him, “Lord, do you wash my feet?” ⁷Jesus answered him, “What I am doing you do not understand now, but afterward you will understand.” ⁸Peter said to him, “You shall never wash my feet.” Jesus answered him, “If I do not wash you, you have no share with me.” ⁹Simon Peter said to him, “Lord, not my feet only but also my hands and my head!” ¹⁰Jesus said to him, “The one who has bathed does not need to wash, except for his feet, but is completely clean. And you are clean, but not every one of you.” ¹¹For he knew who was to betray him; that was why he said, “Not all of you are clean.”

¹²When he had washed their feet and put on his outer garments and resumed his place, he said to them, “Do you understand what I have done to you? ¹³You call me Teacher and Lord, and you are right, for so I am. ¹⁴If I then, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another’s feet. ¹⁵For I have given you an example, that you also should do just as I have done to you.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to You, O Christ.**

Sit

Hymn of the Day

O Lord, We Praise Thee

LSB 617

1 O Lord, we praise Thee, bless Thee, and adore
Thee,
In thanksgiving bow before Thee.
Thou with Thy body and Thy blood didst
nourish
Our weak souls that they may flourish:
O Lord, have mercy!
May Thy body, Lord, born of Mary,
That our sins and sorrows did carry,
And Thy blood for us plead
In all trial, fear, and need:
O Lord, have mercy!

2 Thy holy body into death was given,
Life to win for us in heaven.
No greater love than this to Thee could bind us;
May this feast thereof remind us!
O Lord, have mercy!

Lord, Thy kindness did so constrain Thee
That Thy blood should bless and sustain me.
All our debt Thou hast paid;
Peace with God once more is made:
O Lord, have mercy!

3 May God bestow on us His grace and favor
That we follow Christ our Savior
And live together here in love and union
Nor despise this blest Communion!
O Lord, have mercy!
Let not Thy good Spirit forsake us;
Grant that heav’nly-minded He make us;
Give Thy Church, Lord, to see
Days of peace and unity:
O Lord, have mercy!

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Sermon

Stand

Offertory & Offering

LSB 159

C **What shall I render to the Lord for all His benefits to me?**

I will offer the sacrifice of thanksgiving and will call on the name of the Lord.

I will take the cup of salvation and will call on the name of the Lord.

**I will pay my vows to the Lord now in the presence of all His people,
in the courts of the Lord’s house, in the midst of you, O Jerusalem.**

Service of the Sacrament

Preface

LSB 160

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Lift up your hearts.

C 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.

P 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 saying:

Sanctus

LSB 161

C Holy, holy, holy Lord God of pow'r and might:
Heaven and earth are full of Your glory.
Hosanna. Hosanna.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

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.

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."

Pax Domini

LSB 163

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C Amen.

Agnus Dei

LSB 163

C Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.

Distribution Hymn

- 1 If God Himself be for me,
I may a host defy;
For when I pray, before me
My foes, confounded, fly.
If Christ, my head and master,
Befriend me from above,
What foe or what disaster
Can drive me from His love?
- 2 I build on this foundation,
That Jesus and His blood
Alone are my salvation,
My true, eternal good.
Without Him all that pleases
Is valueless on earth;
The gifts I have from Jesus
Alone have priceless worth.
- 3 Christ Jesus is my splendor,
My sun, my light, alone;
Were He not my defender
Before God's judgment throne,
I never should find favor
And mercy in His sight,
But be destroyed forever
As darkness by the light.
- 4 He canceled my offenses,
Delivered me from death;
He is the Lord who cleanses
My soul from sin through faith.
In Him I can be cheerful,
Courageous on my way;
In Him I am not fearful
Of God's great Judgment Day.
- 5 For no one can condemn me
Or set my hope aside;
Now hell no more can claim me:
Its fury I deride.
No sentence now reproves me,
No guilt destroys my peace;
For Christ, my Savior, loves me
And shields me with His grace.

If God Himself Be for Me

- 6 Who clings with resolution
To Him whom Satan hates
Must look for persecution;
For him the burden waits
Of mock'ry, shame, and losses
Heaped on his blameless head;
A thousand plagues and crosses
Will be his daily bread.
- 7 From me this is not hidden,
Yet I am not afraid;
I leave my cares, as bidden,
To whom my vows were paid.
Though life from me be taken
And ev'rything I own,
I trust in You unshaken
And cleave to You alone.
- 8 No danger, thirst, or hunger,
No pain or poverty,
No earthly tyrant's anger
Shall ever vanquish me.
Though earth should break asunder,
My fortress You shall be;
No fire or sword or thunder
Shall sever You from me.
- 9 No angel and no gladness,
No throne, no pomp, no show,
No love, no hate, no sadness,
No pain, no depth of woe,
No scheming, no contrivance,
No subtle thing or great
Shall draw me from Your guidance
Nor from You separate.
- 10 My heart with joy is springing;
I am no longer sad.
My soul is filled with singing;
Your sunshine makes me glad.
The sun that cheers my spirit
Is Jesus Christ, my King;
The heav'n I shall inherit
Makes me rejoice and sing.

LSB 724

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Distribution Hymn

- 1 Now, my tongue, the myst'ry telling
Of the glorious body sing,
And the blood, all price excelling,
Which the Gentiles' Lord and King,
Once on earth among us dwelling,
Shed for this world's ransoming.

Now, My Tongue, the Mystery Telling**LSB 630 sts.1-4**

- 2 Giv'n for us, and condescending
To be born for us below,
He with us in converse blending
Dwelt, the seed of truth to sow,
Till He closed with wondrous ending
His most patient life of woe.

3 That last night at supper lying
Mid the Twelve, His chosen band,
Jesus, with the Law complying,
Keeps the feast its rites demand;
Then, more precious food supplying,
Gives Himself with His own hand.

4 Word made flesh, the bread He taketh,
By His word His flesh to be;
Wine His sacred blood He maketh,
Though the senses fail to see;
Faith alone the true heart waketh
To behold the mystery.

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Distribution Hymn

Now the Light Has Gone Away

LSB 887

**Choir to sing a Stanza in German prior to st. 1*

1 Now the light has gone away;
Father, listen while I pray,
Asking Thee to watch and keep
And to send me quiet sleep.

2 Jesus, Savior, wash away
All that has been wrong today;
Help me ev'ry day to be
Good and gentle, more like Thee.

3 Let my near and dear ones be
Always near and dear to Thee;
O bring me and all I love
To Thy happy home above.

4 Now my evening praise I give;
Thou didst die that I might live.
All my blessings come from Thee;
Oh, how good Thou art to me!

5 Thou, my best and kindest Friend,
Thou wilt love me to the end.
Let me love Thee more and more,
Always better than before.

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Stand

P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart † in peace and with great joy, your sins are forgiven.

C **Amen.**

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C **Lord, now You let Your servant go in peace; Your word has been fulfilled. My own eyes have seen the salvation which You have prepared in the sight of ev'ry people: A light to reveal You to the nations and the glory of Your people Israel.**

Post-Communion Collect

A Let us pray.

O God the Father, the fountain and source of all goodness, who in loving-kindness sent Your only-begotten Son into the flesh, we thank You that for His sake You have given us pardon and peace in this Sacrament, and we ask You not to forsake Your children but always to rule our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that we may be enabled constantly to serve You; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

Stripping of the Altar

The communion vessels are reverently removed from the altar, the altar is stripped, and the chancel is cleared in preparation for the solemn services of Good Friday. The pastors chant Psalm 22, parts of which were prayed by Jesus from the cross.

¹*My God, my God, why have you for- | saken me?**

Why are you so far from saving me, from the words of my | groaning?

²*O my God, I cry by day, but you do not | answer,*
and by night, but I | find no rest.*

³Yet you are | holy,*
enthroned on the praises of | Israel.

⁴In you our fathers | trusted,*
they trusted, and you de- | livered them.

⁵To you they cried and were | rescued;*
in you they trusted and were not | put to shame.

⁶But I am a worm and | not a man,*
scorned by mankind and despised by the | people.

⁷All who see me | mock me;*
they make mouths at me; they | wag their heads;

⁸“He trusts in the LORD; let him de- | liver him;*
let him rescue him, for he de- | lights in him!”

⁹Yet you are he who took me | from the womb;*
you made me trust you at my | mother’s breasts.

¹⁰On you was I cast | from my birth,*
and from my mother’s womb you have | been my God.

¹¹Be not far from me, for trouble | is near,*
and there is | none to help.

¹²Many bulls en- | compass me;*
strong bulls of Bashan sur- | round me;

¹³they open wide their | mouths at me,*
like a ravening and roaring | lion.

¹⁴I am poured out like water, and all my bones are | out of joint;*
my heart is like wax; it is melted with- | in my breast;

¹⁵my strength is dried up like a potsherd, and my tongue sticks | to my jaws;*
you lay me in the | dust of death.

¹⁶For dogs en- | compass me;*
a company of evildoers encircles me; they have pierced my | hands and feet—

¹⁷I can count | all my bones—*
they stare and gloat | over me;

¹⁸they divide my garments a- | mong them,*
and for my clothing they | cast lots.

¹⁹But you, O LORD, do not be | far off!*
O you my help, come quickly | to my aid!

²⁰Deliver my soul | from the sword,*
my precious life from the power | of the dog!

²¹Save me from the mouth of the | lion!*
You have rescued me from the horns of the wild | oxen!

²²I will tell of your name to my | brothers;*
in the midst of the congregation I will | praise you:

²³You who fear the LORD, praise him! All you offspring of Jacob, glo- | rify him,*
and stand in awe of him, all you offspring of | Israel!

*²⁴For he has not despised or abhorred the affliction of the afflicted,
and he has not hidden his | face from him,*
but has heard, when he | cried to him.*

*²⁵From you comes my praise in the great congre- | gation; *
my vows I will perform before those who | fear him.*

*²⁶The afflicted shall eat and be satisfied; those who seek him shall | praise the LORD! *
May your hearts live for- | ever!*

*²⁷All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn | to the LORD, *
and all the families of the nations shall worship be- | fore you.*

*²⁸For kingship belongs | to the LORD, *
and he rules over the | nations.*

*²⁹All the prosperous of the earth eat and | worship; *
before him shall bow all who go down to the dust,
even the one who could not keep him- | self alive.*

*³⁰Posterity shall | serve him; *
it shall be told of the Lord to the coming gener- | ation;*

*³¹they shall come and proclaim his righteousness to a people | yet unborn, *
that he has | done it.*

The congregation departs in silence . . .



*The **Triduum** continues tomorrow, Good Friday, at 12:00pm & 7:00pm, then
concludes on Holy (Vigil) Saturday at 7:00pm.*

*We celebrate the Resurrection of Our Lord on Sunday at 8:15am and 10:45am (Easter
Breakfast & Egg Hunt in between services).*

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*¹⁶But Jesus called them to him, saying,
“**Let the children come** to me, and do not hinder them,
for to such belongs the kingdom of God.”*

-Luke 18:16



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