

MAUNDY THURSDAY WORSHIP
APRIL 14, 2022



ST. PAUL EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH
LAKEWOOD, COLORADO



Opening Prayer

Hymn 620 (1-4)

Jesus Comes Today with Healing

Trinitarian Invocation

P O Lord, open my lips:

C **And my mouth shall show forth Your praise.**

P Make haste, O God, to deliver me:

C **Make haste to help me, O Lord. Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit: As it was in the beginning, is now, and shall be forever. Amen.**

Responsive Reading from Psalm 116

- P I love the LORD, for he heard my voice:
C **He heard my cry for mercy.**
P Because he turned his ear to me:
C **I will call on him as long as I live.**
P The LORD is gracious and righteous:
C **When I was in great need, he saved me.**
P For you, O LORD, have delivered my soul from death:
C **My eyes from tears, my feet from stumbling.**
P How can I repay the LORD:
C **For all his goodness to me?**
P I will lift up the cup of salvation:
C **And call on the name of the LORD.**

Scripture Lesson

Selected Verses from Exodus 12

The LORD said to Moses and Aaron in Egypt, “This month is to be for you the first month, the first month of your year. Tell the whole community of Israel that on the tenth day of this month each man is to take a lamb for his family, one for each household. If any household is too small for a whole lamb, they must share one with their nearest neighbor, having taken into account the number of people there are. You are to determine the amount of lamb needed in accordance with what each person will eat. The animals you choose must be year-old males without defect, and you may take them from the sheep or the goats. Take care of them until the fourteenth day of the month, when all the people of the community of Israel must slaughter them at twilight. Then they are to take some of the blood and put it on the sides and tops of the doorframes of the houses where they eat the lambs. That same night they are to eat the meat roasted over the fire, along with bitter herbs, and bread made without yeast. This is how you are to eat it: with your cloak tucked into your belt, your sandals on your feet and your staff in your hand. Eat it in haste; it is the LORD’S Passover. The blood will be a sign for you on the houses where you are; and when I see the blood, I will pass over you. No destructive plague will touch you when I strike Egypt.” The LORD said to Moses and Aaron, “These are the regulations for the Passover: No foreigner is to eat of it. Any slave you have bought may eat of it after you have circumcised him, but a temporary resident and a hired worker may not eat of it. It must be eaten inside one house; take none of the meat outside the house. Do not break any of the bones. The whole community of Israel must celebrate it.” All the Israelites did just what the LORD had commanded Moses and Aaron. And on that very day the LORD brought the Israelites out of Egypt by their divisions.

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A Wondrous Mystery Is Here

The Sermon

Text - John 15:1-5

*Through the Lord’s Supper Jesus Strengthens
Our Faith-Attachment to Him, Our Vine*

Maundy Thursday Offering / Prayer

Lord's Prayer, sung

Tune: *O God, Our Help in Ages Past*

Our Father, Lord on heav'n's high throne, Most holy be Your name.
Your kingdom come. Your will be done On earth – in heav'n the same.

Give us this day the food we need; Forgiven may we be;
Into temptation do not lead; From evil set us free.

Yours is the kingdom, Yours the pow'r, And Yours the majesty.
So shall it be from this glad hour And to eternity.

Exhortation / Confession of Sins / Words of Absolution

P Dear friends in Christ: It is your desire to receive the Sacrament of the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ for the assurance of the forgiveness of your sins, the strengthening of your faith in Him as your Savior, and the grace to serve Him with a God-pleasing life. In order that these blessings may be yours, it is necessary that you bear in mind the Word of God recorded by St. John in his First Epistle: *“If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.”*

I ask you therefore before God who searches the heart: Do you confess the sins which you have committed in desire, thought, word, and deed? Do you heartily repent of them, believe in Jesus Christ for forgiveness, and sincerely intend, with the help of God the Holy Spirit, to amend your sinful life? Then answer: Yes.

As God has given to you the Keys of the Kingdom of Heaven, and as you have called me to administer the same, even so, in the name of our Savior, Jesus Christ, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Words of Institution

Lamb of God

Tune: *O Dearest Jesus*

Jesus, the Lamb of God, have mercy on us!
Jesus, who bore our sins, have mercy on us!
Jesus, Redeemer of the world, have mercy!
Grant us Your peace, Lord!

Distribution of the Sacrament

The Nunc Dimittis

Tune: *O God, Our Help in Ages Past*

Lord, let Your servant go in peace, Your Word has been fulfilled:
My eyes have seen the Light increase Which for the world You willed,

For Israel's light, the promised One, Now shines for all to see,
To God, the Father, Spirit, Son, Be praise eternally!

Benediction & Closing Hymn: 620, stanzas 5-6

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Good Friday Worship

Tomorrow, 7:00 pm

Easter Sunday Worship

9:30 am

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A Wondrous Mystery Is Here

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M. Loy, 1828-1915, *alt.*

WAREHAM
W. Knapp, 1698-1768

1. A wondrous mys - ter - y is here To hold in
 2. This world is love - less, but a - bove, What won - drous
 3. In con - se - crat - ed wine and bread No eye per -
 4. How dull are all the pow'rs of sense Em - ployed on

faith and ho - ly fear: The Sav - ior comes as
 bound - less - ness of love! The King of Glo - ry
 ceives the mys - t'ry spread; But Je - sus' words are
 proofs of love im - mense! The rich - est food lies

food di - vine, Con - cealed in earth - ly bread and wine.
 stoops to me My spir - it's life and strength to be.
 strong and clear: "My bod - y and My blood are here."
 hid from view, The high - est gifts we have be - low.

5. We have no greater gift on earth,
 And faith alone discerns its worth:
 The Word, not sense, must be our guide,
 Christ's words assure though sight's denied.

6. Lord, show us still that You are good
 And grant us evermore this food
 To strengthen ev'ry humble soul
 And make each wounded spirit whole.

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Christian Questions for Those About to Receive the Lord's Supper

1. Do you believe that you are a sinner? *Yes, I believe that I am a sinner.*
2. How do you know this? *From the Ten Commandments, which I have not kept.*
3. Are you sorry for your sins? *Yes, I am sorry that I have sinned against God.*
4. What have you deserved from God because of your sins? *I deserve His wrath and displeasure, temporal death, and eternal damnation.*
5. Do you hope to be saved? *Yes, that is my confident hope.*
6. In whom, then, do you trust? *I trust in my Lord Jesus Christ.*
7. What has Christ done for you that you trust in Him? *He kept the Ten Commandments for me. He died for me and shed His blood on the cross to atone for my sins.*
8. How do you know this? *I know this from the holy Gospel and from the words of the Sacrament of Holy Communion.*
9. What is the Sacrament of Holy Communion? *It is the true body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ together with the bread and wine, instituted by Christ for us Christians to eat and to drink.*
10. Do you believe that the true body and blood of Christ are present in the Sacrament? *Yes, I believe it.*
11. What moves you to believe this? *I am moved to believe this by the words of Christ: "Take and eat. This is My body. Drink from it, all of you. This is My blood."*
12. What blessing do we receive through this eating and drinking? *That is shown us by these words, "Given and shed for you for the forgiveness of sins." Through these words we receive forgiveness of sins, life, and salvation in this sacrament. For where there is forgiveness of sins, there is also life and salvation.*
13. What admonishes and moves you to receive the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper frequently? *The command and promise of Christ my Savior admonishes and moves me. Also, the burden of sin which lies heavy upon my conscience fills my heart with a hunger and thirst for the Holy Supper of my Lord.*



Prayer for Our Communicants: Lord Jesus, who calls to You all who are weary and burdened, to refresh them and to give rest to their souls, we pray: Let these guests experience Your love at the heavenly feast which You have prepared for Your children on earth. Keep them from impenitence and unbelief that no one may partake of this Sacrament to his judgment. Remove from them the spotted garment of the flesh and of their own righteousness and clothe them in the robe of holiness which You purchased with Your blood. Strengthen their faith, increase their love and hope, and after this life grant them a place at Your heavenly table, where they shall eat of the eternal manna and drink of the river of Your pleasure forevermore. For Your own sake, dear Savior. Amen.