# YOU ARE WELCOME AT CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH because

God welcomes you. You are welcome here regardless of your religious background, race or ethnicity, age, gender, sexual orientation, ability, national citizenship, economic circumstances, political views, marital status, or anything else that may divide or diminish our common humanity. Sharing faith in Jesus, who came to be the savior of all humanity, we strive to uphold and rejoice in the dignity, value, and gifts of every individual and to celebrate the richness that diverse backgrounds and personal stories bring to our community.

CHILDCARE: We welcome the sounds and sights of young people in our Sanctuary and want them to experience worship. If your young worshiper (or you) need a break from the Sanctuary, we offer a nursery to the left and down the hall from the rear Sanctuary doors.

**SERVICE:** In Lutheran worship, we usually stand to pray and sing, and as a special sign of respect when we hear the words of the Gospel. We sit to listen to the announcements, the readings, and the sermon. If you ever prefer to sit while others are standing or to stand and stretch your legs while others are sitting, please feel free to do so! Sitting or standing is never required. Please let an usher know if you need to receive Holy Communion in your seat rather than coming to the front.

**HYMNAL:** Evangelical Lutheran Worship (ELW). The red hymnal in the pew in front of you.



# **SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION**

## MAUNDY THURSDAY

March 28, 2024

(Tonight, we are joined by the members of the Order of St. John, who will assist with stripping the altar as part of our custom at CLC. They are a historic group that supports medical education & charitable work)

PRELUDE: "Great God, Your Love Has Called Us" ELW 358

#### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

## **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

Please stand

P: Friends in Christ, in this Lenten season we have heard our Lord's call to struggle against sin, death, and the devil—all that keeps us from loving God and each other. This is the struggle to which we were called at baptism. Within the community of the church, God never wearies of forgiving sin and giving the peace of reconciliation. On this night let us confess our sin against God and our neighbor, and enter the celebration of the great Three Days reconciled with God and with one another.

(Silence for reflection and self-examination)

P: Most merciful God,

C: we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. 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. 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.

P: God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin,

and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of + Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.

C: Amen.

(The assembly is seated. People may come forward and kneel for the laying on of hands)

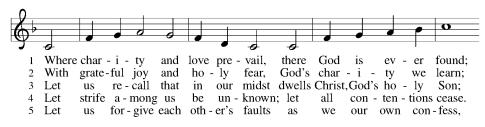
P: In obedience to the command of our Lord Jesus Christ, I forgive you all your sins.

C: Amen.

Please stand

## **GATHERING**

GATHERING HYMN: "Where Charity and Love Prevail" ELW 359





(Please turn to face the Cross as it enters)

## **GREETING**

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray (Silence). Holy God,

C: source of all love, on the night of his betrayal, Jesus gave us a new commandment, to love one another as he loves us. Write this commandment in our hearts, and give us the will to serve others as he was the servant of all, your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

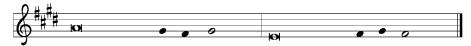
## FIRST READING: Exodus 12:1-14

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.

P: Word of God, word of life.

C: Thanks be to God.

## **PSALM TONE 5**



## Psalm 116:1-2, 12-19

I love the LORD, who has | heard my voice, and listened to my | supplication, for the LORD has given | ear to me whenev- | er I called.

How shall I re- | pay the LORD for all the good things God has | done for me?

I will lift the cup | of salvation and call on the name | of the LORD.

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

Precious in your | sight, O LORD, is the death | of your servants.

O LORD, truly I | am your servant;

I am your servant, the child of your handmaid; you have freed me | from my bonds.

I will offer you the sacrifice | of thanksgiving and call upon the name | of the LORD.

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

in the courts of | the LORD's house, in the midst of you, | O Jerusalem.

## SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 11:23-26

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.

P: Word of God, word of life.

C: Thanks be to God.

## **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

Please stand

(The Acclamation is sung by the cantor and repeated by all)



I give you a | new commandment, that you love one another just as I | have loved you.

(Repeat Acclamation)

**GOSPEL:** John 13:1-17, 31b-35

P: The holy gospel according to John.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

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."

P: The gospel of the Lord.

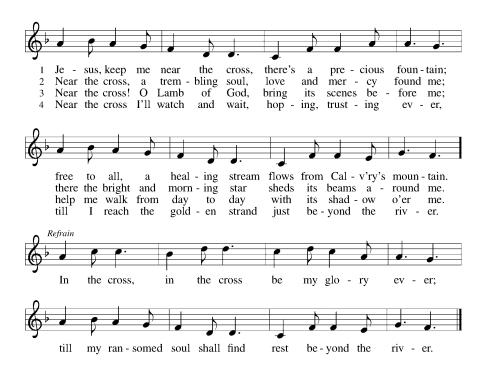
C: Praise to you, O Christ.

(Repeat Acclamation)

Please be seated

**SERMON** (After the sermon, silence for reflection is kept)

HYMN OF THE DAY: "Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross" ELW 335



## **FOOTWASHING**

P: On this night we have heard our Lord's commandment to love one another as he has loved us. We who receive God's love in Jesus Christ are called to love one another, to be servants to each other as Jesus became our servant. Our commitment to this loving service is signified in the washing of feet, following the example our Lord gave us on the night before his death.

Please be seated

(All who wish to receive the ministry of foot washing may come forward.

Please remove the shoe and sock from one foot to be washed)

Please stand

**PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION** (In the course of the silence after each petition, the People offer their own prayers, silently)

P: Lord Jesus Christ, you said to your apostles, "Peace I give to you; my own peace I leave with you:" Regard not our sins, but the faith of your Church, and give to us the peace and unity of that heavenly City, where with the Father and the Holy Spirit you live and reign, now and forever.

C: Amen.

#### SHARING OF THE PEACE

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

C: And also with you.

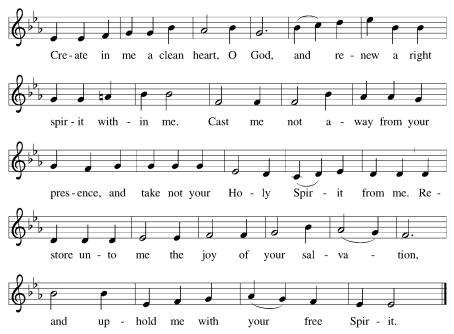
**OFFERINGS RECEIVED** (Many of our members give electronically. Learn more at clcdallas.org)

SPECIAL MUSIC: "Ah, Holy Jesus" J. Heermann, J. Cruger

#### PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS

Please stand

## OFFERTORY HYMN: "Create in Me a Clean Heart" ELW 188



#### OFFERING PRAYER

A: Let us pray (Silence). Blessed are you, O God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts: ourselves, our time, and our possessions. Use us, and what we have gathered, in feeding the world with your love, through the one who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

## **GREAT THANKSGIVING**

## **DIALOGUE**

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them to the Lord.

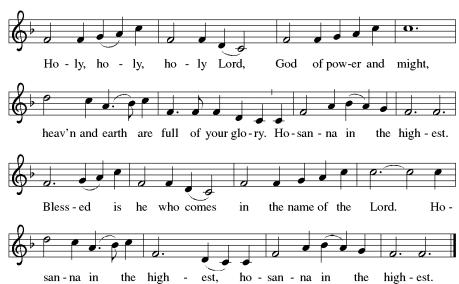
P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

## **PREFACE**

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ, whose suffering and death gave salvation to all. You gather your people around the tree of the cross, transforming death into life. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:





#### **EUCHARISTIC PRAYER**

P: Blessed are you, O God of the universe. Your mercy is everlasting and your faithfulness endures from age to age.

Praise to you for creating the heavens and the earth.

Praise to you for saving the earth from the waters of the flood.

Praise to you for bringing the Israelites safely through the sea.

Praise to you for leading your people through the wilderness to the land of milk and honey.

Praise to you for the words and deeds of Jesus, your anointed one.

Praise to you for the death and resurrection of Christ.

Praise to you for your Spirit poured out on all nations.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

With this bread and cup we remember our Lord's passover from death to life as we proclaim the mystery of faith:



O God of resurrection and new life: Pour out your Holy Spirit on us and on these gifts of bread and wine. Bless this feast. Grace our table with your presence.

C: Come, Holy Spirit.

Reveal yourself to us in the breaking of the bread. Raise us up as the body of Christ for the world. Breathe new life into us. Send us forth, burning with justice, peace, and love.

C: Come, Holy Spirit.

With your holy ones of all times and places, with the earth and all its creatures, with sun and moon and stars, we praise you, O God, blessed and holy Trinity, now and forever.



## LORD'S PRAYER

P: Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

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.

**LAMB OF GOD:** *ELW* Setting 10



## INVITATION TO COMMUNION

P: Behold the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world. Happy are those who are called to his table.

C: Lord I am not worthy to receive you, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

#### DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION

Please be seated

(Please use the sanitizer in your pew as you come forward for the Sacrament. Communion will be distributed at the altar rail. You will be given the host, which you may dip in the chalice containing red wine or white grape juice. If you want to receive a blessing instead, fold your arms before your chest. Remember that communion in one kind (only host or chalice) is a proper way to receive the Sacrament. You may stand or kneel at the altar rail for prayer after you receive communion. Someone can pray with you if you wish. When the altar is cleared, the presider will invite the people to stand as they can)

Please stand

#### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P: Let us pray (Silence). Lord Jesus,

C: in a wonderful sacrament you strengthen us with the saving power of your suffering, death, and resurrection. May this sacrament of your body and blood so work in us that the fruits of your redemption will show forth in the way we live, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

#### STRIPPING OF THE ALTAR

Please be seated

#### PSALM 22

My God, my God, why have you for- | saken me?
Why so far from saving me, so far from the words | of my groaning?

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

Yet you are the | Holy One, enthroned on the prais- es of Israel.

> Our ancestors put their | trust in you, they trusted, and you | rescued them.

They cried out to you and | were delivered;

they trusted in you and were not | put to shame.

But as for me, I am a worm | and not human, scorned by all and despised | by the people.

All who see me laugh | me to scorn;

they curl their lips; they | shake their heads.

"Trust in the LORD; let the LORD deliver;

let God rescue him if God so de- | lights in him."

Yet you are the one who drew me forth | from the womb, and kept me safe on my | mother's breast.

I have been entrusted to you ever since | I was born;

you were my God when I was still in my mother's womb.

Be not far from me, for trou- | ble is near, and there is no | one to help.

Many young bulls en- | circle me;

strong bulls of Ba- | shan surround me.

They open wide their | jaws at me, like a slashing and | roaring lion.

I am poured out like water; all my bones are | out of joint; my heart within my breast is | melting wax.

My strength is dried up like a potsherd; my tongue sticks to the roof <sup>1</sup> of my mouth; and you have laid me in the | dust of death.

Packs of dogs close me in, a band of evildoers | circles round me; they pierce my hands | and my feet.

I can count | all my bones while they stare at | me and gloat.

They divide my gar- | ments among them;

for my clothing, | they cast lots.

But you, O LORD, be not | far away; O my help, hasten | to my aid.

Deliver me | from the sword,

my life from the power of the dog.

Save me from the | lion's mouth! From the horns of wild bulls you have | rescued me.

I will declare your name | to my people;

in the midst of the assembly | I will praise you.

You who fear the LORD, give praise! All you of Jacob's | line, give glory.

Stand in awe of the LORD, all you off- | spring of Israel.

For the LORD does not despise nor abhor the poor in their poverty;

neither is the LORD's face hid- | den from them;

but when they cry out, | the LORD hears them.

From you comes my praise in the | great assembly;

I will perform my vows in the sight of those who <sup>1</sup> fear the LORD.

The poor shall eat | and be satisfied,

Let those who seek the LORD give praise! May your hearts | live forever!

All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn | to the LORD;

all the families of nations shall bow | before God.

For dominion belongs | to the LORD,

who rules o- | ver the nations.

Indeed, all who sleep in the earth shall bow | down in worship;

all who go down to the dust, though they be dead, shall kneel be- | fore the LORD.

Their descendants shall | serve the LORD,

whom they shall proclaim to genera- | tions to come.

They shall proclaim God's deliverance to a people | yet unborn, saying to them, "The | LORD has acted!"

# All depart in silence.

The service continues with the liturgy of Good Friday at 12 PM & 6 PM and the Vigil of Easter on Saturday at 7 PM. Join us for Easter Sunday worship at 8:30 AM & 11 AM.

## **SERVING TODAY**

**Presiding Minister:** Pastor Ben Dueholm

Organist/Pianist: Hando Nahkur

**Cantor:** Betsy Lintel

Assisting Minister: Eliana Katchkey

Communion Assistant: David Marshall

Crucifer: Soren Dueholm

Altar Guilds: Laura & Steve Haynie Usher: Jeff Uhri and Cheryl Kowalczik