

MAUNDY THURSDAY WORSHIP GUIDE † April 9, 2020

CHRIST OUR SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS; OFFERING INVITATION

CALL TO WORSHIP

P In the past God spoke through the prophets at many times and in various ways,

C but in the last days he has spoken to us by his Son.

A This is the day, **C** that Christ gathered with his disciples in an upper room.

A This is the day, **C** that Christ took a towel and washed the disciples' feet and showed us how to serve others.

A This is the day, **C** that Christ shared a meal as a sign of his great love.

HYMN: *Alas! And Did my Savior Bleed Stanzas 1-3*

ELW Hymn 337



1 A - las! And did my Sav - ior bleed, and did my sov-'reign die?
2 Was it for sins that I had done he groaned up - on the tree?
3 Well might the sun in dark - ness hide and shut its glo - ries in



Would he de - vote that sa - cred head for sin - ners such as I?
A - maz - ing pit - y, grace un-known, and love be - yond de - gree!
when God, the might - y mak - er, died for his own crea-tures' sin.

INVOCATION, CONFESSION and FORGIVENESS

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

P Friends in Christ, in this Lenten season we have heard our Lord's call to intensify our 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 holy 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. (*pause and then say...*) 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.

HYMN: *Alas! And Did my Savior Bleed Stanzas 4 and 5*

ELW Hymn 337



4 Thus might I hide my blush - ing face while his dear cross ap - pears,
5 But tears of grief can - not re - pay the debt of love I owe;



dis - solve my heart in thank - ful - ness, and melt my eyes to tears.
here, Lord, I give my - self a - way: 'tis all that I can do.

- ☐ 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.

- ☑ **Amen.**

GREETING

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

- ☑ **And also with you.**

FIRST READING: *The Passover Story for Kids*

from Exodus 12:1-14, 29-42

SONG: *Go Down, Moses*



- 1 When Is - rael was in E - gypt's land,
2 The Lord told Mo - ses what to do, let my peo - ple go;
3 As Is - rael stood by the wa - ter - side,
4 Oh, let us all from bon - dage flee,



- op - pressed so hard they could not stand,
to lead the childr'n of Is - rael through, let my peo - ple go.
at God's com - mand it did di - vide,
and let us all in Christ be free,



- Go down, Mo - ses, way down in E - gypt's land,



- tell old Pha - raoh: Let my peo - ple go!

SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 11:23-26

- ☐ A reading from Paul's first letter to the Corinthian Christians.

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,²⁴ 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."

²⁵In 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."²⁶ For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

- ☐ The Word of the Lord.

- ☑ **Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL: Jesus Washes the Feet of the Disciples

from John 13

MEDITATION

PRAYER

☐ Let us pray together. Holy God, on this night Jesus gave his disciples a new commandment, to love one another as he loved them.

☑ **Write this commandment on our hearts and strengthen us in service, in unity and in love. In the name of Jesus, we pray. Amen.**

HYMN OF THE DAY: *Jesu, Jesu*

ELW Hymn 708

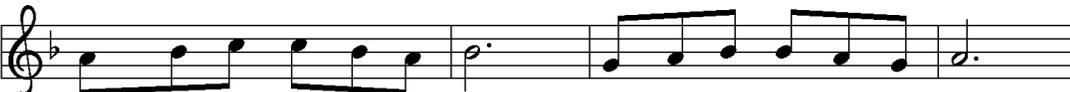
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Je - su, Je - su, fill us with your love, show



us how to serve the neigh-bors we have from you.



1 Kneels at the feet of his friends, si - lent - ly wash - es their feet,
2 Neigh-bors are wealth-y and poor, var - ied in col - or and race,
3 These are the ones we will serve, these are the ones we will love;
4 Kneel at the feet of our friends, si - lent - ly wash - ing their feet:



Refrain

mas - ter who acts as a slave to them.
neigh-bors are near - by and far a - way.
all these are neigh - bors to us and you.
this is the way we will live with you.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

☐ The Lord be with you.

☑ **And also with you.**

☐ Lift up your hearts.

☑ **We lift them to the Lord.**

☐ Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

☑ **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

☐ 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.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

☐ In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, ...
Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, ...
Do this for the remembrance of me.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

☑ **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.**

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

COMMUNION HYMN: *Ah! Holy Jesus*

ELW Hymn 349

PASTORAL BLESSING

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

A Let us pray. 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 THE ALTAR

The service concludes with the stripping of the altar. The sacramental elements and vessels, linens, paraments, banners, and books are removed from the worship space. We read Psalm 22 responsively.

PSALM 22 [HYMNAL VERSION]

- I** ¹My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?
Why so far from saving me, so far from the words of my groaning?
- II** ²My God, I cry out by day, but you do not answer; by night, but I find no rest.
³Yet you are the Holy One, enthroned on the praises of Israel.
- C** **Our ancestors put their trust in you, they trusted, and you rescued them.**
⁵**They cried out to you and were delivered; they trusted in you and were not put to shame.**
- I** ⁶But as for me, I am a worm and not human, scorned by all and despised by the people.
⁷All who see me laugh me to scorn; they curl their lips; they shake their heads.
⁸“Trust in the LORD; let the LORD deliver; let God rescue him if God so delights in him.”
- II** ⁹Yet you are the one who drew me forth from the womb, and kept me safe on my mother’s breast.
¹⁰I have been entrusted to you ever since I was born; you were my God when I was still in my mother’s womb.
- C** ¹¹**Be not far from me, for trouble is near, and there is no one to help.**
¹²**Many young bulls encircle me; strong bulls of Bashan surround me.**
¹³**They open wide their jaws at me, like a slashing and roaring lion.**
- I** ¹⁴I am poured out like water; all my bones are out of joint; my heart within my breast is melting wax.
¹⁵My strength is dried up like a potsherd; my tongue sticks to the roof of my mouth; and you have laid me in the dust of death.
- II** ¹⁶Packs of dogs close me in, a band of evildoers circles round me; they pierce my hands and my feet.
¹⁷I can count all my bones while they stare at me and gloat. ¹⁸They divide my garments among them; for my clothing, they cast lots.
- C** ¹⁹**But you, O LORD, be not far away; O my help, hasten to my aid.**
²⁰**Deliver me from the sword, my life from the power of the dog. ²¹Save me from the lion’s mouth!**
- I** From the horns of wild bulls you have rescued me.
²²I will declare your name to my people; in the midst of the assembly I will praise you.
²³You who fear the LORD, give praise! All you of Jacob’s line, give glory.
Stand in awe of the LORD, all you offspring of Israel.
- II** ²⁴For the LORD does not despise nor abhor the poor in their poverty;
neither is the LORD’s face hidden from them; but when they cry out, the LORD hears them.
- C** ²⁵**From you comes my praise in the great assembly;**
I will perform my vows in the sight of those who fear the LORD.
²⁶**The poor shall eat and be satisfied. Let those who seek the LORD give praise! May your hearts live forever!**
- I** ²⁸For dominion belongs to the LORD, who rules over the nations.
²⁹Indeed, all who sleep in the earth shall bow down in worship;
all who go down to the dust, though they be dead, shall kneel before the LORD.
- II** ³⁰Their descendants shall serve the LORD, whom they shall proclaim to generations to come.
³¹They shall proclaim God’s deliverance to a people yet unborn, saying to them, “The LORD has acted!”
- C** ²⁷**All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the LORD;**
all the families of nations shall bow before God.

We depart in peace and in silence.

