

*Maundy Thursday*  
Thursday, March 28, 2024 at 7:00 PM



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# WELCOME TO ALL

Welcome to worship at Trinity Lutheran Church! We are glad you are here. We are delighted to gather as one people in the name of the risen Lord Jesus, in whose power over disease and death we take hope. Please use this bulletin to participate in the liturgy and take it with you when the service is ended.

*Based on revised CDC guidance, we are no longer encouraging the wearing of masks for those attending worship, regardless of vaccination status. However, if you have symptoms, have tested positive for Covid or been exposed to someone with Covid-19, we ask that you do wear a mask. Please feel free to continue wearing a mask in worship for your safety, if desired. This guidance may change if our risk level changes.*

Bathrooms are located down the hall from the side entrance to the sanctuary. Children are always welcome during worship, but if desired, there is a nursery in room 107 available for children ages birth to school age.

*Please be aware that we are streaming our services. If you do not wish to be on camera please contact the church office.*

*This evening our Lenten observance comes to an end, and we gather with Christians around the world to celebrate the Three Days of Jesus' death and resurrection.*

*Tonight we remember Christ's last meal with his disciples, but the central focus is his commandment that we live out the promise embodied in this meal.*

*As Jesus washed his disciples' feet, so we are called to give and receive love in humble service to one another.*

*Formed into a new body in Christ through this holy meal, we are transformed by the mercy we have received and carry it into the world. Departing worship in solemn silence, we anticipate the coming days.*

## WELCOME / ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Congregation responds in bold print.*

*Please use the Chapel beside the office if you desire silent prayer before worship.*

# GATHERING

**PRELUDE**

*"In Paradisium"*

Theodore Dubois

## **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

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. We have shared this discipline of Lent with new brothers and sisters in Christ who will be baptized at the Easter Vigil.

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 is kept for reflection and self-examination.*

**Most merciful God,  
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.**

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.**

*You are welcome to come forward and kneel or stand at the altar  
to hear the words of forgiveness especially for you.  
The pastor will lay hands on your head  
and say the following words:*

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

## **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Let us pray.  
**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.**

*Please be seated.*

# WORD

## FIRST READING

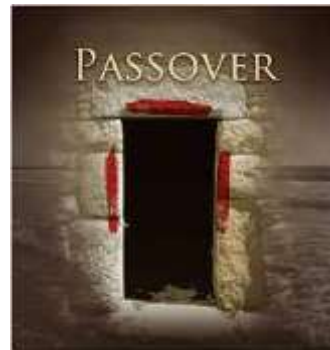
## Exodus 12:1-4, 11-14

*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.*

<sup>1</sup>The Lord said to Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt: <sup>2</sup>This month shall mark for you the beginning of months; it shall be the first month of the year for you. <sup>3</sup>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. <sup>4</sup>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. <sup>11</sup>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. <sup>12</sup>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. <sup>13</sup>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.

<sup>14</sup>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.

Word of God. Word of Life.  
**Thanks be to God.**



## PSALMODY

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

*We will speak the Psalm responsively.*

*I will lift the cup of salvation and call on the name of the Lord. (Ps. 116:13)*

- <sup>1</sup>I love the LORD, who has heard my voice,  
and listened to my supplication,  
<sup>2</sup>**for the LORD has given ear to me whenever I called.**
- <sup>12</sup>How shall I repay the LORD  
for all the good things God has done for me?
- <sup>13</sup>**I will lift the cup of salvation and  
call on the name of the LORD.**
- <sup>14</sup>I will fulfill my vows to the LORD  
in the presence of all God's people.
- <sup>15</sup>**Precious in your sight, O LORD,  
is the death of your servants.**
- <sup>16</sup>O LORD, truly I am your servant; I am your servant,  
the child of your handmaid; you have freed me from my bonds.
- <sup>17</sup>**I will offer you the sacrifice of thanksgiving  
and call upon the name of the LORD.**
- <sup>18</sup>I will fulfill my vows to the LORD in the presence of all God's people,  
<sup>19</sup>**in the courts of the LORD's house, in the midst of you, O Jerusalem.**

## 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.*

<sup>23</sup>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, <sup>24</sup>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." <sup>25</sup>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." <sup>26</sup>For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

Word of God. Word of Life.  
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*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.*

*The Holy Gospel according to John, the 13<sup>th</sup> chapter.  
Glory to you, O Lord.*

<sup>1</sup>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. <sup>2</sup>The devil had already put it into the heart of Judas son of Simon Iscariot to betray him. And during supper <sup>3</sup>Jesus, knowing that the Father had given all things into his hands, and that he had come from God and was going to God, <sup>4</sup>got up from the table, took off his outer robe, and tied a towel around himself. <sup>5</sup>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. <sup>6</sup>He came to Simon Peter, who said to him, "Lord, are you going to wash my feet?" <sup>7</sup>Jesus answered, "You do not know now what I am doing, but later you will understand." <sup>8</sup>Peter said to him, "You will never wash my feet." Jesus answered, "Unless I wash you, you have no share with me." <sup>9</sup>Simon Peter said to him, "Lord, not my feet only but also my hands and my head!" <sup>10</sup>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." <sup>11</sup>For he knew who was to betray him; for this reason he said, "Not all of you are clean."

<sup>12</sup>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?" <sup>13</sup>You call me Teacher and Lord—and you are right, for that is what I am. <sup>14</sup>So if I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another's feet. <sup>15</sup>For I have set you an example, that you also should do as I have done to you. <sup>16</sup>Very truly, I tell you, servants are not greater than their master, nor are messengers greater than the one who sent them. <sup>17</sup>If you know these things, you are blessed if you do them."

<sup>31b</sup>“Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. <sup>32</sup>If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. <sup>33</sup>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.’ <sup>34</sup>I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. <sup>35</sup>By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.”

The Gospel of Our Lord.  
**Praise to you, O Christ.**

## **SERMON**

Pastor Barb Barry

## **ANNOINTING OF HANDS**

*Jesus washed His disciples' feet providing a lesson in what service looks like. You are invited to come to the altar to have a cross of water traced on your hands as a sign of humility following the example of Jesus Christ.*

As the cross is traced, hear Jesus' words:

“Love others as I have loved you.”





*Please stand as you are able.*

## **APOSTLES' CREED**

With the whole church, let us confess our faith.

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried;  
he descended to the dead.  
On the third day he rose again;  
he ascended into heaven,  
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting.  
Amen.**

## **PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

*Response following each petition:*

**L:** Hear us, O God.

**R:** receive our prayer.

## **SHARING OF THE PEACE**

The peace of Christ be with you always.  
**And also with you!**

# MEAL

## OFFERING

*Thank you for your generous and faithful support. We are not currently passing the collection plates; instead you may place your offerings in the plates provided by the door as you enter or exit worship. If you prefer, Trinity offers five other ways to give as well: Text, Mail, Mobile, Automatic Transfer, and Online.*

*Contact the church office for details.*

### Create in Me a Clean Heart Offering Song

The musical score is written for voice and piano. It consists of five systems of music, each with a vocal line on a treble clef staff and a piano accompaniment on a bass clef staff. The key signature has two flats (B-flat and E-flat), and the time signature is 4/4. The lyrics are: "Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re-new a right spir-it with-in me. Cast me not a-way from your pres-ence, and take not your Ho-ly Spir-it from me. Re-store un-to me the joy of your sal-va-tion, and up-hold me with your free Spir-it."

# 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.**

## WORDS OF INSTITUTION


**Pastor sings:** ...and as you drink it, remember Me...

24




**All Sing:** So, we thank You for\_ the wine \_ and for the bread; \_ For we

27




see the life \_ You gave \_ and the blood You \_ shed And we re -

30




-mem - ber Your won- drous love, You gave Your bod - y, You shed Your

33



blood; And we re - mem - ber Your won - drous

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love, You gave Your bod - y, You shed Your \_ blood.

## INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Bread for the journey.

A feast for hungry hearts. Come!

**Thanks be to God.**



Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have  
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the  
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the  
sin of the world; grant us peace.

### COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION INFORMATION

*God loves you! All are welcome at the Lord's Table.*

*Communicants are ushered forward row-by-row.*

*Collect an empty cup as you near the front of the sanctuary and proceed forward.*

*Please open your hand and the pastor will place the bread in your hand.*

*Once you have eaten the bread, the communion assistant will offer you a cup of wine.*

*Please take the cup of wine from the tray.*

*After drinking the wine, you may return to your seat along the side aisle.*

*If you prefer, grape juice is available which you may request from the communion assistant.*

### COMMUNION BLESSING

### POST COMMUNION PRAYER

## STRIPPING OF THE ALTAR

## Psalm 22

*As the altar is stripped signifying Jesus leaving for Gethsemane,  
we will speak the Psalm responsively.*

<sup>1</sup>My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?

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

**<sup>2</sup>O my God, I cry by day, but you do not answer;  
and by night, but find no rest.**

<sup>3</sup>Yet you are holy,  
enthroned on the praises of Israel.

**<sup>4</sup>In you our ancestors trusted;  
they trusted, and you delivered them.**

<sup>5</sup>To you they cried, and were saved;  
in you they trusted, and were not put to shame.

**<sup>6</sup>But I am a worm, and not human;  
scorned by others, and despised by the people.**

<sup>7</sup>All who see me mock at me;  
they make mouths at me, they shake their heads;

**<sup>8</sup>"Commit your cause to the LORD; let him deliver —  
let him rescue the one in whom he delights!"**

<sup>9</sup>Yet it was you who took me from the womb;  
you kept me safe on my mother's breast.

**<sup>10</sup>On you I was cast from my birth,  
and since my mother bore me you have been my God.**

<sup>11</sup>Do not be far from me,  
for trouble is near  
and there is no one to help.

**<sup>12</sup>Many bulls encircle me,  
strong bulls of Bashan surround me;**

<sup>13</sup>they open wide their mouths at me,  
like a ravening and roaring lion.

**<sup>14</sup>I am poured out like water,  
and all my bones are out of joint;  
my heart is like wax;  
it is melted within my breast;**

<sup>15</sup>my mouth is dried up like a potsherd,  
and my tongue sticks to my jaws;  
you lay me in the dust of death.

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**<sup>16</sup>For dogs are all around me;  
a company of evildoers encircles me.  
My hands and feet have shriveled;**

<sup>17</sup>I can count all my bones.

They stare and gloat over me;

**<sup>18</sup>they divide my clothes among themselves,  
and for my clothing they cast lots.**

<sup>19</sup>But you, O LORD, do not be far away!

O my help, come quickly to my aid!

**<sup>20</sup>Deliver my soul from the sword,  
my life from the power of the dog!**

<sup>21</sup>Save me from the mouth of the lion!

From the horns of the wild oxen you have rescued me.

**<sup>22</sup>I will tell of your name to my brothers and sisters  
in the midst of the congregation I will praise you:**

<sup>23</sup>You who fear the LORD, praise him!

All you offspring of Jacob, glorify him;

stand in awe of him, all you offspring of Israel!

**<sup>24</sup>For he did not despise or abhor  
the affliction of the afflicted;  
he did not hide his face from me,  
but heard when I cried to him.**

<sup>25</sup>From you comes my praise in the great congregation;  
my vows I will pay before those who fear him.

**<sup>26</sup>The poor shall eat and be satisfied;  
those who seek him shall praise the LORD.  
May your hearts live forever!**

<sup>27</sup>All the ends of the earth shall remember  
and turn to the LORD;  
and all the families of the nations  
shall worship before him.

**<sup>28</sup>For dominion belongs to the LORD,  
and he rules over the nations.**

<sup>29</sup>To him, indeed, shall all who sleep in the earth bow down;  
before him shall bow all who go down to the dust,  
and I shall live for him.

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<sup>30</sup>Posterity will serve him;  
**future generations will be told about the LORD,**  
<sup>31</sup>and proclaim his deliverance to a people yet unborn,  
 saying that he has done it.

*We depart in silence.  
 There is no final blessing. The service isn't over.  
 It continues on Good Friday.*

*Please remain to pray as long as you wish.*

## *Good Friday Services*

*Community Service at Central Presbyterian: 12-3  
 Trinity: 7PM*

*The 7 PM will be streamed at [trinitylutheranchambersburg.org](http://trinitylutheranchambersburg.org)*

<b>WORSHIP ASSISTANTS</b>	
<b><i>Preacher/Presider</i></b>	<i>Pastor Barbara Barry</i>
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# *A Brief Overview of the Three Days*

## *Maundy Thursday*

Maundy Thursday is the beginning of the Three Days - the ancient observance of the mystery of our salvation, which plunges the faithful into the death of Jesus and brings them with him to resurrection life. The Three Days are really one liturgy extending from Thursday evening through Easter Sunday Evening.

The Maundy Thursday liturgy focuses on three significant actions. First, the confession of sins and announcement of forgiveness brings to a conclusion the Lenten discipline of repentance that began on Ash Wednesday. Second, the church obeys Jesus' command (in Latin, *mandatum*, from which this day receives its name) to follow his example and wash one another's feet. And third, we celebrate our meal of deliverance, taking our place at the supper Jesus shared with his disciples on this night.

## *Good Friday*

Good Friday is the second portion of the liturgy of the Three Days, which extends from Maundy Thursday to Easter Evening. As the church gathers to remember the death of Jesus, we focus not only upon the agony of the cross, but especially upon God's victory through the crucified. Even more, we "lift high the cross" as the sign of God's triumph over sin, death, and evil.

## *Holy Saturday*

Holy Saturday commemorates the burial of Christ; midnight vigil services inaugurate the Easter celebration of the resurrection. Since the time of the early church, the day has been dedicated to penance, fasting, and prayer.