

Thursday, April 1, 2021 — Maundy Thursday

University Lutheran Church & Campus Ministry

6:30 PM Worship Service



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MAUNDY THURSDAY

On this night we begin the Three Days during which we participate once again in the saving power of Jesus' new commandment (man datum, from which Maundy comes) to love one another. On this night in which Jesus was handed over to death we also gather around the Lord's supper. At the service's conclusion, the altar area will be stripped of furnishings as a sign of Jesus' abandonment.

PRELUDE

OPENING HYMN

GO TO DARK GETHSEMANE



Go to dark Geth - sem - a - ne, all who feel the
Fol - low to the judg - ment hall, view the Lord of
Cal - v'ry's mourn - ful moun - tain climb; there a - dor - ing
Ear - ly has - ten to the tomb where they laid his



tempt - er's pow'r; your Re - deem - er's conf - flict see.
life ar - rained; oh, the worm-wood and the gall!
at his feet, mark that mir - a - cle of time,
breath - less clay; all is sol - i - tude and gloom.



Watch with him one bit - ter hour; turn not from his
Oh, the pangs his soul sus-tained! Shun not suf - f'ring,
God's own sac - ri - fice com-plete. "It is fin - ished!"
Who has tak - en him a - way? Christ is ris'n! He



griefs a - way; learn from Je - sus Christ to pray.
shame or loss; learn from him to bear the cross.
hear him cry; learn from Je - sus Christ to die.
meets our eyes. Sav - ior, teach us so to rise.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

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. Let us make confession to God.

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.

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

A 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.

C **Amen.**

PSALM

Psalm 116: 1-2, 12-19

The Psalm will be spoken in unison.

I love the LORD, because he has heard my voice and my supplications.

² Because he inclined his ear to me, therefore I will call on him as long as I live.

¹² What shall I return to the LORD for all his bounty to me?

¹³ I will lift up the cup of salvation and call on the name of the LORD,

¹⁴ I will pay my vows to the LORD in the presence of all his people.

¹⁵ Precious in the sight of the LORD is the death of his faithful ones.

¹⁶ O LORD, I am your servant; I am your servant, the child of your serving girl. You have loosed my bonds.

¹⁷ I will offer to you a thanksgiving sacrifice and call on the name of the LORD.

¹⁸ I will pay my vows to the LORD in the presence of all his people,

¹⁹ in the courts of the house of the LORD, in your midst, O Jerusalem.

Praise the LORD!

SECOND READING

1 Corinthians 11:23-26

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

GOSPEL

John 13:1-17, 31b-35

¹Now 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. ²The devil had already put it into the heart of Judas son of Simon Iscariot to betray him. And during supper ³Jesus, knowing that the Father had given all things into his hands, and that he had come from God and was going to God, ⁴got up from the table, took off his outer robe, and tied a towel around himself.

⁵Then 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. ⁶He came to Simon Peter, who said to him, "Lord, are you going to wash my feet?" ⁷Jesus answered, "You do not know now what I am doing, but later you will understand." ⁸Peter said to him, "You will never wash my feet." Jesus

answered, "Unless I 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, "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." ¹¹For he knew who was to betray him; for this reason he said, "Not all of you are clean."

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

^{31b}"Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. ³²If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. ³³Little 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.' ³⁴I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. ³⁵By 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.

HOMILY

Gary N. McCluskey, Pastor

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

A United by the servant love of God in Christ, we pray this holy night for the needs of the world.

A brief silence. After each portion of the prayers the Assistant will say:

A Hear us, O God.

The congregation will respond with:

C **Your mercy is great.**

The prayers conclude:

A Hear these and all our prayers, O God, in the name of the one who loves us to the end, Jesus Christ our Redeemer.

C **Amen.**

THE PEACE IS SHARED

P The peace of Christ be with you all.

C **And also with you.**

OFFERING

Thank you to all who continue to support our ministry through your prayers, your calls, emails, and texts. Thank you to all who continue to support our ministry with your financial gifts. We know some in our community have lost their jobs and others have had theirs significantly scaled back. We continue to have the same needs of financial support along with a few additional costs as we operate much differently during this time. You may contribute financially online through our web site (www.ulctempe.org) by clicking on the Give + icon

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Thank you!

THE LORD'S PRAYER

C Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

Psalm 22

During the reading of this Psalm the altar will be stripped reminiscent of the treatment of Jesus at the hands of the soldiers.

My God, my God, why have you forsaken 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 praises of Israel.

Our ancestors put their trust in you, they trusted, and you rescued them. They cried you 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 delights 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 trouble is near, and there is no one to help. Many young bulls encircle me; strong bulls of Bashan 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 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 garments 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 of Jacob's line, give glory. Stand in awe of the Lord, all you offspring of Israel. For 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.

From you comes my praise in the great assembly; I will perform my vows in the sight of those who 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 over 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 before the Lord. Their descendants shall serve the Lord, whom they shall proclaim to generations to come. They shall proclaim God's deliverance to a people yet unborn, saying to them, "The Lord has acted!"

We close in silence. There is no benediction as our worship continues with Good Friday worship and concludes with Easter morning worship.

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