



**LUTHERAN
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“... as I have loved you”

John 13:34

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GUESTS! Welcome! We're grateful for your presence and sincerely hope that you will find our *liturgical service* to be a blessing as it ties us to the church of past, the church in heaven, and to the church of the present—to whom it bears the blessings of God's Word and Sacraments today.

HOLY COMMUNION and GUESTS (both returning and first-time)...



All communicants are to have been instructed in and confess the articles of faith to which we adhere as a member congregation of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod (LCMS). Therefore, **guests** (*both returning and first-time*) who—prior to the service—inform a pastor that they are communicant members-in-good-standing of a congregation in communion fellowship with those of The LCMS will be invited to commune. **We thank guests who are not communicants**

of sister congregations for honoring our convictions and remaining in the pew during communion distribution. We sincerely desire that you commune with us. To that end, we urge you to ask a pastor about the class which would prepare you to receive communion in congregations of The LCMS. *All communicants are encouraged to review Christian Questions with Their Answers in the hymnal, pp. 329-330.*

COMMUNION in the PEW... If, due to health issues, you're unable to commune at the altar, be sure to indicate to an usher before the service your desire to be communed in the pew.

Let Us Love One Another, as Christ Jesus Has Loved Us

Summary of Scripture Lessons for the Day

By Holy Baptism, "*with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water*" (Heb. 10:22), we enter the holy place with Jesus. For Jesus is our Passover Lamb who has been sacrificed for us. He reclines at table with us and feeds us with His own flesh and blood: "*the new and living way that he opened for us through the curtain*" (Heb. 10:20). In Christ, the Lord remembers us in mercy and remembers our sin no more; He forgives us all our iniquity (Jer. 31:34; Heb. 10:17). With such love, He "*loved his own who were in the world,*" and He even loves us "*to the end*" (John 13:1). As He washes us and feeds us in love, let us love one another, just as He has loved us (John 13:34).

✠ DIVINE SERVICE ✠

Setting Two

OPENING HYMN # 627
Select stanzas



1 Je - sus Christ, our bless - ed Sav - ior, Turned a - way God's
 2 As His pledge of love un - dy - ing, He, this pre - cious
 3 Je - sus here Him - self is shar - ing; Heed then how you
 4 Praise the Fa - ther, who from heav - en To His own this



wrath for - ev - er; By His bit - ter grief and woe
 food sup - ply - ing, Gives His bod - y with the bread,
 are pre - par - ing, For if you do not be - lieve,
 food has giv - en, Who, to mend what we have done,



He saved us from the e - vil foe.
 And with the wine the blood He shed.
 His judg - ment then you shall re - ceive.
 Gave in - to death His on - ly Son.

5 Firmly hold with faith unshaken
 That this food is to be taken
 By the sick who are distressed,
 By hearts that long for peace and rest.

10 Let this food your faith so nourish
 That its fruit of love may flourish
 And your neighbor learn from you
 How much God's wondrous love can do.

The sign of the cross (✠) may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

INVOCATION

Matthew 28:19b; 18:20

P *In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.*

C **Amen.**

EXHORTATION

1 John 1:8–9

P *If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.*

C **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

Holy (Maundy) Thursday Corporate Confession and Absolution. *The rite of Corporate Confession and Absolution used in this service is offered by the Lutheran Service Book Altar Book as an alternate rite of Confession and Absolution for Holy (Maundy) Thursday.*

CONFESSIOAL ADDRESS

P *During this Lenten season we have heard our Lord's call to intensify our struggle against sin, death, and the devil – all that prevents us from trusting in God and loving each other. Since it is our intention to receive the Holy Supper of our Lord Jesus Christ on this night when He instituted this blessed meal for our salvation, it is proper that we complete our Lenten discipline by diligently examining ourselves, as St. Paul urges us to do. This holy Sacrament has been instituted for the special comfort of those who are troubled because of their sin and who humbly confess their sins, fear God's wrath, and hunger and thirst for righteousness.*

But when we examine our hearts and consciences, we find nothing in us but sin and death, from which we are incapable of delivering ourselves. Therefore, our Lord Jesus Christ has had mercy on us. For our benefit He became man so that He might fulfill for us the whole will and law of God and, to deliver us, took upon Himself our sin and the punishment we deserve.

So that we may more confidently believe this and be strengthened in the faith and in holy living, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread, broke it, and gave it to His disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My body, which is given for you." It is as if He said, "I became man, and all that I do and suffer is for your good. As a pledge of this, I give you My body to eat."

In the same way also He took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins." Again, it is as if He said, "I have had mercy on you by taking into Myself all your iniquities. I give Myself into death, shedding My blood to obtain grace and forgiveness of sins, and to comfort and establish the new testament, which gives forgiveness and everlasting salvation. As a pledge of this, I give you My blood to drink."

Therefore, whoever eats this bread and drinks this cup, confidently believing this Word and promise of Christ, dwells in Christ and Christ in him and has eternal life.

We should also do this in remembrance of Him, showing His death – that He was delivered for our offenses and raised for our justification. Giving Him our most heartfelt thanks, we take up our cross and follow Him and, according to His commandment, love one another as He has loved us. As our Lord on this night exemplified this love by washing His disciples' feet, so we by our words and actions serve one another in love. For we are all one bread and one body, even as we are all partakers of this one bread and drink from the one cup. For just as the one cup is filled with the wine of many grapes and one bread made from countless grains, so also we, being many, are one body in Christ. Because of Him, we love one another, not only in word, but in deed and in truth.

May the almighty and merciful God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, by His Holy Spirit, accomplish this in us.

C Amen.

P *Having heard the Word of God, let us confess our sins, imploring God our Father for the sake of His Son, Jesus Christ, to grant us forgiveness.*

(Silence for reflection on God's Word, our sins, and His promise of Absolution)

CONFESSION OF SINS

P *O almighty God, merciful Father,*

C **I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.**

P *God be merciful to you and strengthen your faith.*

C Amen.

P *Do you believe that the forgiveness I speak is not my forgiveness but God's?*

C Yes.

P *Let it be done for you as you believe.*

ABSOLUTION

P *In the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.*

C Amen.

BLESSING

1 Thessalonians 5:23–24

P *Now may the God of peace Himself sanctify you completely, and may your whole spirit, soul, and body be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. He who calls you is faithful; He will surely do it. Go in ✠ peace.*

C Amen.

The Service of the Word

SALUTATION



P The Lord be with you.



C And al - so with you.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

P *O Lord, in this wondrous Sacrament You have left us a remembrance of Your passion. Grant that we may so receive the sacred mystery of Your body and blood that the fruits of Your redemption may continually be manifest in us; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.*

C Amen.



READINGS OF HOLY SCRIPTURE (printed on back cover of service folder)

After first & second readings: **P** This is the Word of the Lord. **C** Thanks be to God.

Old Testament: Exodus 12:1-14

Gradual:

Hebrews 9:12a, c, 15a; Psalm 111:9a



[P] *[Christ] entered once for all into the holy places,
by means of | his own blood,*
thus securing an eternal re- | demption.
Therefore he is the mediator of a new | covenant,*
so that those who are called may receive the promised
eternal in- | heritance.
He sent redemption to his | people;*
he has commanded his covenant for- | ever.*

Epistle: 1 Corinthians 11:23–32

Lenten Verse:

Joel 2:13



Holy Gospel: John 13:1–17, 31b–35

[P] *The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the thirteenth chapter.*

Before the reading:

After the reading:



SERMON


"To Live a Life of Love" – John 13:34-35

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

After each petition: **P** "LORD, in your mercy," or **P** "Let us pray to the LORD"
 C "Hear our prayer!" **C** "LORD, have mercy."

OFFERTORY

Psalm 116:12-13, 17-19



C What shall I ren - der to the Lord for all His ben - e-fits to
me? I will of-fer the sac-ri - fice of thanks - giv - ing and will
call on the name of the Lord. I will take the cup of sal-
va-tion and will call on the name of the Lord. I will pay my
vows to the Lord now in the pres-ence of all His peo - ple, in the
courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Je-ru - sa - lem.

The Service of Holy Communion

- ✠ **Guests** (both returning and first-time), please refer to “Holy Communion and Guests” on page two.
- ✠ **Communicants**, to receive the Body of Christ in your hand, **extend your hand**. To receive our Lord’s Blood from either the individual glass or the Common Cup, **extend your open hand** when the cup you prefer is offered.

PREFACE

2 Timothy 4:22; [Colossians 3:1]; [Psalm 136]



P The Lord be with you.



C And al-so 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 Him thanks and praise.

PROPER PREFACE

- P** *It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who accomplished the salvation of mankind by the tree of the cross that, where death arose, there life also might rise again and that the serpent who overcame by the tree of the garden might likewise by the tree of the cross be overcome. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:*

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of
pow'r and might: Heav'n and earth are full of Your
glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Bless - ed is He who comes in the name
of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

P *Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.*

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Matthew 6:9-13

(*notes brief pause as bell tone rings, after which the Prayer continues)

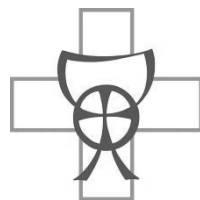
C *Our Father who art in heaven,
hallowed be Thy name,
Thy kingdom come,
Thy will be done
on earth as it is in heaven;
*give us this day our daily bread;

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.*

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

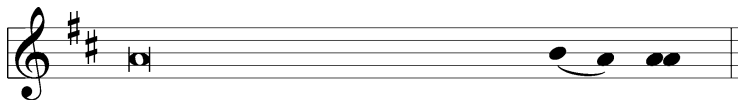
P *Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My ✠ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."*

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My ✠ blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."



PAX DOMINI ~ The Peace of the Lord

John 20:19



P The peace of the Lord be with you al - ways.



C A - men.

AGNUS DEI ~ Lamb of God

John 1:29



C 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, grant us peace.

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NUNC DIMITTIS

Luke 2:29-32



C Lord, now You let Your ser-vant go in peace; Your word has been fulfilled. My own eyes have seen the sal - va-tion which You have prepared in the sight of ev - 'ry peo - ple: A light to reveal You to the na-tions and the glo-ry of Your peo-ple Is - ra - el. Glo-ry be to the Fa - ther and to the Son and to the Ho-ly Spir-it; as it was in the be-gin-ning, is now, and will be for-ev-er. A - men.

POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

P Gracious God, our heavenly Father, You have given us a foretaste of the feast to come in the Holy Supper of Your Son's body and blood. Keep us firm in the true faith throughout our days of pilgrimage that, on the day of His coming, we may, together with all Your saints, celebrate the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom which has no end; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

The Benediction is omitted on Maundy Thursday and Good Friday

THE STRIPPING OF THE ALTAR

*As vessels and paraments are removed from the altar,
Cantor/Assistant and Congregation responsively sing:*

Psalm:

Psalm 22:1-31



- A** ¹*My God, my God, why have you for- | saken me?**
*Why are you so far from saving me,
from the words of my | groaning?*
- C** ²**O my God, I cry by day, but you do not | answer,***
and by night, but I | find no rest.
- A** ³*Yet you are | holy,**
enthroned on the praises of | Israel.
- C** ⁴**In you our fathers | trusted;***
they trusted, and you de- | livered them.
- A** ⁵*To you they cried and were | rescued;**
in you they trusted and were not | put to shame.
- C** ⁶**But I am a worm and | not a man,***
scorned by mankind and despised by the | people.
- A** ⁷*All who see me | mock me;**
they make mouths at me; they | wag their heads;
- C** ⁸**“He trusts in the LORD; let him de- | liver him;***
let him rescue him, for he de- | lights in him!”
- A** ⁹*Yet you are he who took me | from the womb;**
you made me trust you at my | mother’s breasts.
- C** ¹⁰**On you was I cast | from my birth,***
and from my mother’s womb you have | been my God.
- A** ¹¹*Be not far from me,*
*for trouble | is near,**
and there is | none to help.
- C** ¹²**Many bulls en- | compass me;***
strong bulls of Bashan sur- | round me;

A ¹³*they open wide their | mouths at me,*
like a ravening and roaring | lion.*

C ¹⁴**I am poured out like water,
and all my bones are | out of joint;***
**my heart is like wax;
it is melted with- | in my breast;**

A ¹⁵*my strength is dried up like a potsherd,
and my tongue sticks | to my jaws;**
you lay me in the | dust of death.

C ¹⁶**For dogs en- | compass me;***
**a company of evildoers encircles me;
they have pierced my | hands and feet —**

A ¹⁷*I can count | all my bones — **
they stare and gloat | over me;

C ¹⁸**they divide my garments a- | mong them,*
and for my clothing they | cast lots.**

A ¹⁹*But you, O LORD, do not be | far off!**
O you my help, come quickly | to my aid!

C ²⁰**Deliver my soul | from the sword,*
my precious life from the power | of the dog!**

A ²¹*Save me from the mouth of the | lion!**
You have rescued me from the horns of the wild | oxen!

C ²²**I will tell of your name to my | brothers;***
in the midst of the congregation I will | praise you:

A ²³*You who fear the LORD, praise him!*
*All you offspring of Jacob, glo- | rify him,**
and stand in awe of him, all you offspring of | Israel!

C ²⁴**For he has not despised or abhorred
the affliction of the afflicted,
and he has not hidden his | face from him,*
but has heard, when he | cried to him.**

A ²⁵*From you comes my praise in the great congre- | gation;**
my vows I will perform before those who | fear him.

C ²⁶**The afflicted shall eat and be satisfied;**
those who seek him shall | praise the LORD!*
May your hearts live for- | ever!

A ²⁷*All the ends of the earth shall remember*
*and turn | to the LORD,**
and all the families of the nations
shall worship be- | fore you.

C ²⁸**For kingship belongs | to the LORD,***
and he rules over the | nations.

A ²⁹*All the prosperous of the earth eat and | worship;**
before him shall bow all who go down to the dust,
even the one who could not keep him- | self alive.

C ³⁰**Posterity shall | serve him;***
it shall be told of the Lord to the coming gener- | ation;

A ³¹*they shall come and proclaim his righteousness to a*
*people | yet unborn,**
that he has | done it.

Holy Week:	Friday — Good Friday Tenebrae.....	7:30 pm
	Saturday — Vigil of Easter.....	7:30 pm
	Sunday — Easter Breakfast	8:30 am
	Children's Activities	9:30 am
	Easter Festival Divine Service.....	10:00 am

HOLY (MAUNDY) THURSDAY

Old Testament: Exodus 12:1-14

¹The LORD said to Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt, ²"This month shall be for you the beginning of months. It shall be the first month of the year for you. ³Tell all the congregation of Israel that on the tenth day of this month every man shall take a lamb according to their fathers' houses, a lamb for a household. ⁴And if the household is too small for a lamb, then he and his nearest neighbor shall take according to the number of persons; according to what each can eat you shall make your count for the lamb. ⁵Your lamb shall be without blemish, a male a year old. You may take it from the sheep or from the goats, ⁶and you shall keep it until the fourteenth day of this month, when the whole assembly of the congregation of Israel shall kill their lambs at twilight.

⁷"Then 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. ⁸They shall eat the flesh that night, roasted on the fire; with unleavened bread and bitter herbs they shall eat it. ⁹Do not eat any of it raw or boiled in water, but roasted, its head with its legs and its inner parts. ¹⁰And you shall let none of it remain until the morning; anything that remains until the morning you shall burn. ¹¹In this manner you shall eat it: with your belt fastened, your sandals on your feet, and your staff in your hand. And you shall eat it in haste. It is the LORD's Passover. ¹²For I will pass through the land of Egypt that night, and I will strike all the firstborn in the land of Egypt, both man and beast; and on all the gods of Egypt I will execute judgments: I am the LORD. ¹³The blood shall be a sign for you, on the houses where you are. And when I see the blood, I will pass over you, and no plague will befall you to destroy you, when I strike the land of Egypt.

¹⁴"This day shall be for you a memorial day, and you shall keep it as a feast to the LORD; throughout your generations, as a statute forever, you shall keep it as a feast."

Epistle: 1 Corinthians 11:23-32

²³For I received from the Lord what I also delivered to you, that the Lord Jesus on the night when he was betrayed took bread, ²⁴and when he had given thanks, he broke it, and said, "This is my body which is for you. Do this in remembrance of me." ²⁵In the same way also he took the cup, 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.

²⁷Whoever, therefore, eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty of profaning the body and blood of the Lord. ²⁸Let a person examine himself, then, and so eat of the bread and drink

of the cup. ²⁹For anyone who eats and drinks without discerning the body eats and drinks judgment on himself. ³⁰That is why many of you are weak and ill, and some have died. ³¹But if we judged ourselves truly, we would not be judged. ³²But when we are judged by the Lord, we are disciplined so that we may not be condemned along with the world.

Holy Gospel: John 13:1-17, 31b-35

¹Now before the Feast of the Passover, when Jesus knew that his hour had come to depart out of this world to the Father, having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end. ²During supper, when the devil had already put it into the heart of Judas Iscariot, Simon's son, to betray him, ³Jesus, knowing that the Father had given all things into his hands, and that he had come from God and was going back to God, ⁴rose from supper. He laid aside his outer garments, and taking a towel, tied it around his waist. ⁵Then he poured water into a basin and began to wash the disciples' feet and to wipe them with the towel that was wrapped around him. ⁶He came to Simon Peter, who said to him, "Lord, do you wash my feet?" ⁷Jesus answered him, "What I am doing you do not understand now, but afterward you will understand." ⁸Peter said to him, "You shall never wash my feet." Jesus answered him, "If I do not 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, "The one who has bathed does not need to wash, except for his feet, but is completely clean. And you are clean, but not every one of you." ¹¹For he knew who was to betray him; that was why he said, "Not all of you are clean."

¹²When he had washed their feet and put on his outer garments and resumed his place, he said to them, "Do you understand what I have done to you?" ¹³You call me Teacher and Lord, and you are right, for so I am. ¹⁴If I then, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another's feet. ¹⁵For I have given you an example, that you also should do just as I have done to you. ¹⁶Truly, truly, I say to you, a servant is not greater than his master, nor is a messenger greater than the one who sent him. ¹⁷If you know these things, blessed are you if you do them. . . .

"Now is the Son of Man glorified, and God is glorified in him. ³²If God is glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself, and glorify him at once. ³³Little children, yet a little while I am with you. You will seek me, and just as I said to the Jews, so now I also say to you, 'Where I am going you cannot come.' ³⁴A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another: just as I have loved you, you also are to love one another. ³⁵By this all people will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."