



Lutheran Church of Our Redeemer

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Maundy Thursday

Thursday March 28, 2024, 6:30 p.m.

Prelude

“Chief of Sinners Though I Be” (arr. Cherwien & Krapf)

(See hymn #609 for text)

“Ah, Holy Jesus” (arr. Young)

Welcome & Announcements

Confession and Absolution

Let us confess our sins, asking God to forgive us for the sake of Jesus, his Son and our Savior.

Almighty God and Father, we do not follow your commands. We sin daily against you in our thoughts, words and actions. We give in to the temptations of the devil, the world and our own sinful desires. Have mercy on us and forgive us for the sake of Jesus our Savior.

For us Jesus was betrayed into the hands of his enemies. For us he died on the cross, enduring the penalty we deserve for our sins. For Jesus’ sake and by his command I announce to you that your sins are forgiven in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel, from everlasting to everlasting! Amen.

Opening Hymn

“Go To Dark Gethsemane”

#347 vs. 1-3

Psalm

Psalm 116:1-2, 12-19

¹I love the LORD, who has heard my voice, and listened to my supplication,

²**for the LORD has given ear to me whenever I called.**

¹²How shall I repay the LORD for all the good things God has done for me?

¹³**I will lift the cup of salvation and call on the name of the LORD.**

¹⁴I will fulfill my vows to the LORD in the presence of all God’s people.

¹⁵**Precious in your sight, O LORD, is the death of your servants.**

¹⁶O LORD, truly I am your servant; I am your servant, the child of your handmaid; you have freed me from my bonds.

¹⁷**I will offer you the sacrifice of thanksgiving and call upon the name of the LORD.**

¹⁸I will fulfill my vows to the LORD in the presence of all God’s people,

¹⁹**in the courts of the LORD’s house, in the midst of you, O Jerusalem.**

Prayer of the Day

Holy God, 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.

Communion

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.**

Thanksgiving at the Table

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.

Lord's Prayer

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

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.

Prayer after Communion

Let us pray. **O God, we give you thanks that you have set before us this feast, the body and blood of your Son. By your Spirit strengthen us to serve all in need and to give ourselves away as bread for the hungry, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Old Testament Reading

Exodus 12:1-4, 11-14

A reading from Exodus

¹The LORD said to Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt: ²This month shall mark for you the beginning of months; it shall be the first month of the year for you. ³Tell 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. ⁴If 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. [⁵Your lamb shall be without blemish, a year-old male; you may take it from the sheep or from the goats. ⁶You shall keep it until the fourteenth day of this month; then the whole assembled congregation of Israel shall slaughter it at twilight. ⁷They 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 lamb that same night; they shall eat it roasted over the fire with unleavened bread and bitter herbs. ⁹Do not eat any of it raw or boiled in water, but roasted over the fire, with its head, legs, and inner organs. ¹⁰You shall let none of it remain until the morning; anything that remains until the morning you shall burn.] ¹¹This 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. ¹²For 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. ¹³The 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. ¹⁴This 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.**

New Testament Reading

1 Corinthians 11:23-26

A reading from 1 Corinthians

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

Gospel Reading

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."

Sermon

Pastor Dan Overbo

Hymn of the Day

"Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love"

#708

Offering

Text to Give: 605-250-6765 or Scan the QR code located in the pew
Noisy Can Offering (for all ages) Mission of the Month:
ELCA World Hunger
Lenten Offering: LCOOR Preschool



Offertory Prayer

Holy God, gracious and merciful, you bring forth food from the earth and nourish your whole creation. Turn our hearts toward those who hunger in any way, that all may know your care; and prepare us now to feast on the bread of life, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Prayers of the Church

Lamb of God, sacrificed for us,

In you we have forgiveness and life.

Lamb of God, sacrificed for us, for our sake you allowed yourself to be betrayed into the hands of sinners. You allowed yourself to be condemned to death on the cross.

In you we have forgiveness and life.

Lamb of God, sacrificed for us, on this night when you were betrayed, you gave us your body and blood to eat and drink for the forgiveness of our sins.

In you we have forgiveness and life.

Lamb of God, sacrificed for us, whenever we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim your death until you come.

In you we have forgiveness and life.

Amen.

Hospitalized/Ill: *Tori Simon, Nicole Rislov, Teagan Benda, Cathy Stavig, Terry Kallenberger, Sharon Bevers, Gretchen Morrow Bray- Daughter of Darline Morrow & Sister of Ann (Greg) DeSpiegler, De Ann Fylling- Niece of Deanna & Dan Hickel*

Deaths: *Claire Konold, Marilyn Arneson, Eleanor Wiesner*

Blessing

For this purpose Christ came and for this purpose he died: to bring salvation to all. May the Lord who brought salvation to all through the cross bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious unto you. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you his peace. **Amen.**

Stripping of the Altar

Gospel- Mark 14:27-50 (adapted)

Narrator: Jesus said to them,

Jesus: “You will all become deserters; for it is written, ‘I will strike the shepherd, and the sheep will be scattered.’ But after I am raised up, I will go before you to Galilee.”

Narrator: Peter said to him,

People: “Even though all become deserters, I will not.”

Narrator: Jesus said to him,

Jesus: “Truly I tell you, this day, this very night, before the cock crows twice, you will deny me three times.”

Narrator: But Peter said vehemently,

People: “Even though I must die with you, I will not deny you.”

Narrator: And all of them said the same. They went to a place called Gethsemane; and Jesus said to his disciples,

Jesus: “Sit here while I pray.”

Narrator: Jesus took with him Peter and James and John, and began to be distressed and agitated. And said to them,

Jesus: “I am deeply grieved, even to death; remain here, and keep awake.”

Narrator: And going a little farther, Jesus threw himself on the ground and prayed that, if it were possible, the hour might pass from him. He said,

Jesus: “Abba, Father, for you all things are possible; remove this cup from me; yet, not what I want, but what you want.”

Narrator: Jesus came and found them sleeping; and he said to Peter,

Jesus: “Simon, are you asleep? Could you not keep awake one hour? Keep awake and pray that you may not come into the time of trial; the spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak.”

Narrator: And again Jesus went away and prayed, saying the same words. And once more he came and found them sleeping, for their eyes were very heavy; and they did not know what to say to him. He came a third time and said to them,

Jesus: “Are you still sleeping and taking your rest? Enough! The hour has come; the Son of Man is betrayed into the hands of sinners. Get up, let us be going. See, my betrayer is at hand.”

Narrator: Immediately, while Jesus was still speaking, Judas, one of the twelve, arrived; and with him there was a crowd with swords and clubs, from the chief priests, the scribes, and the elders. Now the betrayer had given them a sign, saying,

People: “The one I will kiss is the man; arrest him and lead him away under guard.”

Narrator: So when he came, he went up to Jesus at once and said,

People: “Rabbi!”

Narrator: and kissed him. Then they laid hands on him and arrested him. But one of those who stood near drew his sword and struck the slave of the high priest, cutting off his ear. Then Jesus said to them,

Jesus: “Have you come out with swords and clubs to arrest me as though I were a bandit? Day after day I was with you in the temple teaching, and you did not arrest me. But let the scriptures be fulfilled.”

Narrator: All of them deserted him and fled.

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Dismissal (Leave in Silence)

Our worship continues tomorrow, Good Friday at 6:30 p.m. Tenebrae: Service of Darkness

Postlude

Chorale (Colvin)

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Serving

Preaching: Pastor Dan Overbo; **Organist:** AJ Sherrill; **Sound & Projection:** Zach Stanton; **Lector:** Kylie Herr; **Acolyte:** Korri Herr; **Greeters:** Dan & Pam Kohls; **Ushers:** Matt Olson;

*This worship service may be livestreamed on YouTube and the LCOOR Facebook page.

MARCH 28-29, 2024

HYMN FOR HOLY WEEK

Great God, Your Love Has Called Us

HOLY WEEK MILESTONES

Take a moment to tell or think about a recent mountain high and/or valley low in your life.

CARING CONVERSATIONS



Discuss in your home, small group, or use for personal reflections:

- When you hear the word “service,” who or what comes to mind?
- How is washing dirty feet an example of Jesus’ service and power?

DEVOTIONS



Read: John 13:1-17, 31b-35.

Maundy (meaning *commandment*) Thursday identifies the day Jesus gives a new commandment and is the beginning of Jesus’ glorification. Since John 2:4 when Jesus told his mother, Mary, “*My hour has not yet come,*” he made it clear that there would be for him a defining moment in his future. That moment, that hour, has now come. It is the night of Jesus’ betrayal by Judas when Jesus gives a new commandment to love one another as Jesus has loved them. The example of that love is seen in washing the disciples’ feet. Peter thought it was too humiliating for a teacher to stoop so low. Jesus said that later Peter would understand. That delayed understanding would come with Jesus’ glorification through his death, resurrection, and ascension. Later, Peter—and the other disciples—would discover that Jesus would stoop even lower and yet rise even higher. Jesus’ humiliation from the cross sets the stage for his followers to understand loving service as the height of glory in Jesus’ realm.

Discuss: How does Jesus’ example of loving service encourage you to serve?

Pray: Almighty God, it is your will to save us through your steadfast love; help us to live Jesus’ commandment to love that others may know of your glory and saving work. Amen.

SERVICE



Jesus calls us to serve our neighbor in love. Based on the Holy Week Readings and theme for this week, how can you serve others with a loving heart?

RITUALS AND TRADITIONS



Light six candles of the seven votive candles shaped like a cross being used for Lent. Read John 18:1–19:42 or for children, read about the betrayal and death of Jesus in a storybook Bible. At the point in the reading when the death of Jesus is described, snuff out the candles and sit in silence for a moment while looking at the cross.

Then pray: Lord Jesus, you stretched out your arms in love for us. Through your suffering we are healed. Open our hearts to receive your love and serve others. Amen.

In addition to *Taking Faith Home*, celebrate milestones in your daily life as an effective faith formation tool. Go to: www.milestonesministry.org



THE WEEKLY WORD - ANNOUNCEMENTS

SAVE THE DATE

First Communion
For 2nd Grade & Older

During the April 7 class, students will receive instruction, make bread & paint their own pottery. Parents attend this class.

Class:
Sunday, April 7 10:30-12:00

Recognition:
Sunday, April 21 9:30 or
Wednesday, April 24 6:30

Luther League 7-12 Grade

2.0

Sunday Nights at 6pm

We will not meet on Sunday, March 17 or Sunday, March 31.

BIKER BLESSING

SUNDAY, APRIL 14 AT 10:45 AM
LCOOR SOUTH PARKING LOT

Bring your motorcycles and bicycles to Lutheran Church of Our Redeemer on Sunday, April 14 at 10:45 a.m. (following 9:30 a.m. worship) for a biker blessing as we head into the summer!

1ST - 4TH GRADE JUNCTION

Join us from 6-7:30 p.m. for games, crafts, snacks and fellowship.

Friends are always welcome!

MONDAY, APRIL 8

1st-4th Grade

We need Communion Bread!

Sign up at the Welcome Center. Recipe & instructions are provided.

NO SANDWICH MINISTRY

March 24, 25, 29, 31 & April 1, 2024.

thank you

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

March 24-31

Palm Sunday (March 24): Kids Sing for Worship with Procession of Palms at 9:30 a.m.

Maundy Thursday (March 28): Worship with Holy Communion at 6:30 p.m.

Good Friday (March 29): Tenebrae Worship at 6:30 p.m.

Easter Sunday (March 31): with Holy Communion at all services: 7:00 a.m. Worship with Handbells 8:30 a.m. Worship with Choir 10:00 a.m. Worship with Choir

COOKIES NEEDED

Sandwich Ministry is in need of cookies. We have cookie kits available for pick up at the Welcome Center or church office. You can also bake your own & drop them off at the church. Thank you!

LUTHERAN CHURCH OF OUR REDEEMER PRESCHOOL FUNDRAISER

Support the LCOOR Preschool during the month of April. Their "Giving Wall" will be set up at the Welcome Center and Rada Cutlery catalogs and order forms are also available. Thank you!

Global Health Ministries

We are collecting hospice kits in March.

Instructions can be found at the Welcome Center or in the church office.

March 28-April 3

Print too small? Large print bulletins are available at all worship services.

Thursday March 28 (Maundy Thursday)

10:00 a.m. Book Club
10:45 a.m. Preschool Chapel
1:15 p.m. Chair Yoga
5:15 p.m. Al-Anon
6:30 p.m. Maundy Thursday Worship with Holy Communion

Friday March 29 (Good Friday)

Church Office Closes at Noon
No Sandwich Ministry
6:30 p.m. Good Friday Worship

Saturday March 30

No Saturday Worship (Holy Week)

Sunday March 31 (Easter Sunday)

No Church School - No Sandwich Ministry
7:00 a.m. Worship (Holy Communion)
8:30 a.m. Worship (Holy Communion)
10:00 a.m. Worship (Holy Communion)
No Luther League 2.0

Monday April 1

No Preschool- Easter Monday
No Sandwich Ministry
Office Closed
6:45 p.m. Al-Anon

Tuesday April 2

10:00 a.m. Prayer Shawl Group
11:00 a.m. Text Study
1:00 p.m. Staff Meeting

Wednesday April 3

8:00 a.m. Watertown Sandwich Ministry
12:15 p.m. Men's Lunch
4:45 p.m. Community Meal- Tacos
5:30 p.m. Church School
6:30 p.m. Worship
7:15 p.m. 7th/8th Grade Confirmation
7:30 p.m. Handbell Rehearsal
7:30 p.m. Praise & Rejoice Choir Rehearsal



Attendance & Offering

March 17 Live Stream- 154
Saturday, March 23- 52
Sunday, March 24- 281
Wednesday, March 20 - 347

Offering (3/24):

General Fund: \$6,978;
Debt Reduction: \$20; Lent: \$90;
Mission of the Month: \$70.55;
Other: \$70; Church School: \$54.10

Simply Giving Offering (3/18-3/22):

General Fund: \$4,334.31;
Debt Reduction: \$123.48; Other: \$165;
Mission of the Month: \$140;

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**MARCH 28-29, 2024
MAUNDY THURSDAY
GOOD FRIDAY**

Jesus gives a new commandment.

HOLY WEEK BIBLE READINGS

Take time to read and reflect on these Bible passages as part of your Holy Week observances.

Thursday	John 13:1-17, 31b-35	Jesus washes disciples' feet
Friday	John 18:1-19:42	The crucifixion of Jesus
Saturday	Psalms 31:1-4, 15-16	Prayer for deliverance

SCRIPTURE VERSE FOR HOLY WEEK

*He [Jesus] 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." **John 13:6-7 (NRSV)***

PRAYERS AND BLESSING

A Prayer for Holy Week:

Holy God, in the betrayal, abandonment, suffering and death of Jesus we see the depth of your love and mercy; give us faith to trust in your saving work through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Mealtime Prayer:

Dear God, as you give us this food, also give us hearts and minds to receive your saving work with gladness and your call to love and serve others with boldness. Amen.

A Blessing to Give:

May the power of Christ's love be your strength.

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