



# THE TRIDUUM

MAUNDY THURSDAY

17 April 2025

*The Triduum—the Great Three Days—begins on this holy night. The three days of Maundy Thursday, Good Friday (evening), and the Easter Vigil while held across three successive days, are one holy liturgy. Over the course of the next three days we will experience with all our senses the outpouring of God’s love for us: outpoured like water on dirty feet with an invitation to servant-like love; outpoured like panting breaths that breathe abundant life into the world; outpoured like staple food and festive drink sharing in the Risen Body of Christ and sharing with the world.*

*The Three Days is the church’s annual experience of the heart of the Christian faith. Because there ought to be no immersion into suffering without the gift of the resurrection, and there ought to be no Easter without Maundy Thursday and Good Friday, the three-part service known as the Three Days holds them all together in the mystery of Christ. Some people know of the three-day worship under its Latin name, the Triduum. The service begins on the evening of Maundy Thursday.*

*The biblical gospels narrate two events on the Thursday before Jesus’ death: his last extraordinary meal with his followers and his symbolic gesture of washing their feet. During worship we are invited to participate in both expressions of faithfulness. We begin on Maundy Thursday by acknowledging our sin and receiving forgiveness. Being forgiven by God turns us toward reconciliation with and service to our neighbor; symbolized by the footwashing. Our baptism strengthens us to live out the command—the root of the word Maundy—to love one another.*

*This season of turning and returning to the font of grace ends as it began: in repentance. Our confession of sin is met by the flood of God’s forgiveness; even all our self-examination, fasting, and prayer; sacrificial giving and works of love is washed away. Grace alone carries us, reconciled with God and with one another, into the Three Days. Now begins “the hour” that holds the universe and widens to eternity: the suffering, death, burial, and resurrection of Jesus Christ.*

*Jesus washes the feet of his disciples. Setting aside our shoes, our reluctance to serve, and our objections to being served, we take up the towel and fill the basin. Washing and being washed, we enact the love we pray to embody every day. At his invitation and in obedience to his command, we eat the bread and drink the cup. This is Christ’s body given, Christ’s life poured out in love for the world. Darkness deepens. The room is stripped. The cry of the psalmist echoes into the night, “Will your lovingkindness be declared in the grave?”*

## GATHERING

*At the beginning of the Great Three Days,  
the Holy Spirit gathers us as the people of God,  
to witness to God’s acts of love.*

**PRELUDE** – Prelude, Fugue, and Variation "I. Prelude"

C. Franck

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

*Please stand as you are able.*

## **CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION**

Siblings 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 so enter the celebration of the Great Three Days reconciled with God and with one another.

*Silence for self-examination. Please kneel or sit as is comfortable.*

ONE: Almighty and merciful God,

ALL: I, a troubled and penitent sinner,

confess to you all my sins and iniquities

with which I have offended you

and for which I justly deserve your punishment.

I am sorry for them and repent of them

and pray for your boundless mercy.

For the sake of the suffering and death of your Son, Jesus Christ,

be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being;

forgive my sins,

give me your Holy Spirit for the amendment of my sinful life,

and bring me to life everlasting. Amen.

*Please be seated. Individuals are welcome to come forward for personal absolution.*

### SONG DURING ABSOLUTION

*The cantor introduces the refrain and the congregation then echoes. The congregation joins on the refrain following the verses; and then as needed the refrain is repeated.*

*Refrain*

Come, let us re - turn, re - turn to the LORD, for it is

God who has torn us, and God will heal the

tear; for it is God who has struck us, and

God will bind us up. Come, let us re - turn, re -

turn to the LORD; re - turn to the LORD.

Text: Mark Mummert, based on Hosea 6:1-3

Music: Mark Mummert

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After two days God revives us, on the third will raise us up,  
that we may stand before the Lord and live in God's sight. *Refrain*

Let us come to know the Lord, whose appearing is sure as the dawn;  
who will come to us like showers as the spring rains that water the earth. *Refrain.*

*When all who so desire such absolution have received it, please stand as you are able as the Presiding Minister pronounces the absolution:*

In the mercy of Almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

## THE PEACE

Having been reconciled to God, let us be reconciled to one another.

The peace of Christ be with you.

**And also with you.**

## GATHERING HYMN

ACS 930

### Three Holy Days Enfold Us Now

1 Three ho - ly days en - fold us now in wash - ing  
2 The mys - t'ry hid from a - ges past is here re -  
3 Christ, lift - ed high up - on the tree, be - fore you

feet and break - ing bread, in cross and font and  
vealed in word and sign, for Je - sus' sto - ry  
ev - 'ry knee shall bend and ev - 'ry tongue in

life re - newed: in Christ, God's first - born from the dead.  
is our own: new life through death is God's de - sign.  
praise pro - claim: "You are the Lord of all. A - men."

Text: Delores Dufner, OSB, b. 1939

Music: ROCKINGHAM OLD, Edward Miller, 1731–1807, adapt.

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## 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

*God speaks to us through scripture reading, preaching, acts of love, and song.*

### FIRST READING

**Exodus 12:1-14**

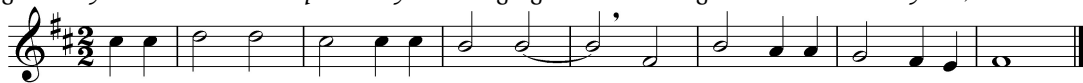
<sup>1</sup>The Lord said to Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt, <sup>2</sup>“This month shall mark for you the beginning of months; it shall be the first month of the year for you. <sup>3</sup>Tell the whole congregation of Israel that on the tenth of this month they are to take a lamb for each family, 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>5</sup>Your lamb shall be without blemish, a year-old male; you may take it from the sheep or from the goats. <sup>6</sup>You shall keep it until the fourteenth day of this month; then the whole assembled congregation of Israel shall slaughter it at twilight. <sup>7</sup>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. <sup>8</sup>They shall eat the lamb that same night; they shall eat it roasted over the fire with unleavened bread and bitter herbs. <sup>9</sup>Do not eat any of it raw or boiled in water but roasted over the fire, with its head, legs, and inner organs. <sup>10</sup>You shall let none of it remain until the morning; anything that remains until the morning you shall burn with fire. <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>I will pass through the land of Egypt that night, and I will strike down every firstborn in the land of Egypt, from human to animal, and on all the deities 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.”

Holy Wisdom, Holy Word.

**Thanks be to God.**

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

**Refrain:** (*Sung once by the choir, then repeated by the congregation and sung where indicated by R.*)



I will lift the cup of sal - va - tion\_\_\_\_\_ and call on the name of the Lord.

<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. **R**

<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. **R**

<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. **R**

## SECOND READING

**I Corinthians 11:23-26**

<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.

Holy Wisdom, Holy Word.

**Thanks be to God.**

*Please rise in body or spirit to greet the Gospel.*

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION** *sung twice before the Gospel and once after*

### A New Commandment

A new com-mand-ment I give un - to you, that you love one an - oth-er as

I have loved you, that you love one an - oth-er as I have loved you.

By this shall peo-ple know you are my dis - ci - ples, if

you have love one for an - oth - er; by this shall peo-ple know

The musical score is written for two voices (Soprano and Bass) and piano accompaniment. It is in the key of D major (two sharps) and 4/4 time. The melody is primarily in the soprano part, with the bass part providing harmonic support. The lyrics are: "A new com-mand-ment I give un - to you, that you love one an - oth-er as I have loved you, that you love one an - oth-er as I have loved you. By this shall peo-ple know you are my dis - ci - ples, if you have love one for an - oth - er; by this shall peo-ple know". There are triplets in the final line of the melody.



Text: John 13:34-35  
Music: NEW COMMANDMENT, anonymous

## GOSPEL

**John 13:1-17, 31b-35**

The Holy Gospel according to John.

**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 decided that Judas son of Simon Iscariot would betray Jesus. 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 supper, 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 Jesus 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 reclined again, 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, slaves 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 God's own self 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 Judeans 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."

This is the gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

*Please be seated.*

## HOMILY

Pastor Jay

## PEDILAVIUM—THE FOOTWASHING

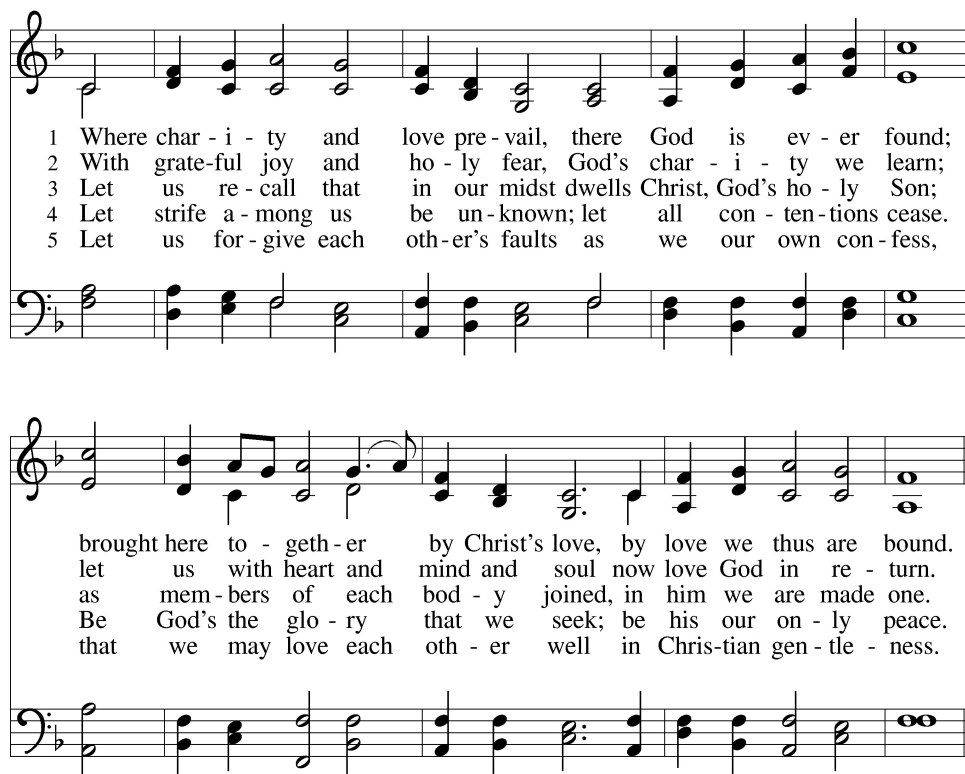
*The Presiding Minister invites the assembly to the washing of feet.*

*The Presiding Minister removes the cope and stole—signs of leadership in the Service of the Word—for during this act we are together following the example of Jesus in servanthood and love. During the singing of the hymns, you are invited to come forward if you so desire to the chairs at the front of the nave. Sit in the chair closest to the aisle to remove one or both of your socks and shoes. When available, move to the middle chair where Pastor Jay is kneeling and place your bare foot/feet over the basin. Pastor Jay will hold your heel and pour water over your foot and then dry it with a towel (one for each person). After your foot has been washed, please move to the third chair to put your socks and shoes back on before returning to your seat. Whether you come forward or not, you are invited to join in singing:*

### HYMNS OF THE DAY

ELW 359

#### Where Charity and Love Prevail



1 Where char - i - ty and love pre - vail, there God is ev - er found;  
2 With grate-ful joy and ho - ly fear, God's char - i - ty we learn;  
3 Let us re - call that in our midst dwells Christ, God's ho - ly Son;  
4 Let strife a - mong us be un - known; let all con - ten - tions cease.  
5 Let us for - give each oth - er's faults as we our own con - fess,

brought here to - geth - er by Christ's love, by love we thus are bound.  
let us with heart and mind and soul now love God in re - turn.  
as mem - bers of each bod - y joined, in him we are made one.  
Be God's the glo - ry that we seek; be his our on - ly peace.  
that we may love each oth - er well in Chris - tian gen - tle - ness.

Text: Latin hymn, 9th cent.; tr. Omer Westendorf, 1916–1997, alt.  
Music: TWENTY-FOURTH, attr. Lucius Chapin, 1760–1842

## Love Consecrates the Humblest Act

1 Love con - se - crates the hum - blest act and ha - loes mer - cy's deeds;  
 2 When in the shad - ow of the cross Christ knelt and washed the feet  
 3 Love serves and will - ing stoops to serve; what Christ in love so true

it sheds a ben - e - dic - tion sweet and hal - lows hu - man needs.  
 of his dis - ci - ples, he gave us a sign of love com - plete.  
 has free - ly done for one and all, let us now glad - ly do!

Text: Silas B. McManus, 1845–1917  
 Music: TWENTY-FOURTH, attr. Lucius Chapin, 1760–1842

## Ubi caritas et amor *Where True Charity and Love Abide*

U - bi ca - ri - tas et a - mor,  
 Where true char - i - ty and love a - bide,

u - bi ca - ri - tas, De - us i - bi est.  
 God is dwell - ing there; God is dwell - ing there.

Text: Latin antiphon, 9th cent.; Taizé Community; tr. *With One Voice*  
 Music: TAIZÉ UBI CARITAS, Jacques Berthier, 1923–1994  
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*Once all who so desire have had their feet washed, the Presiding Minister returns to the chancel, puts on the chasuble and stole—signs of leadership in the Service of the Table—as the table is set and the offering is received.*

*On this day as we celebrate the Institution of the Lord's Supper we also celebrate the Institution of the Office of Word and Sacrament—those called to administer the Sacraments of the Church. For this reason, our Pastors-in-Residence are joining Pastor Jay at the altar. We give thanks for their lives of service at the altars of Christ's Church and for all who minister among the people of God.*

## MEAL

*God feeds us with Jesus Christ and we feast on Jesus' love.*

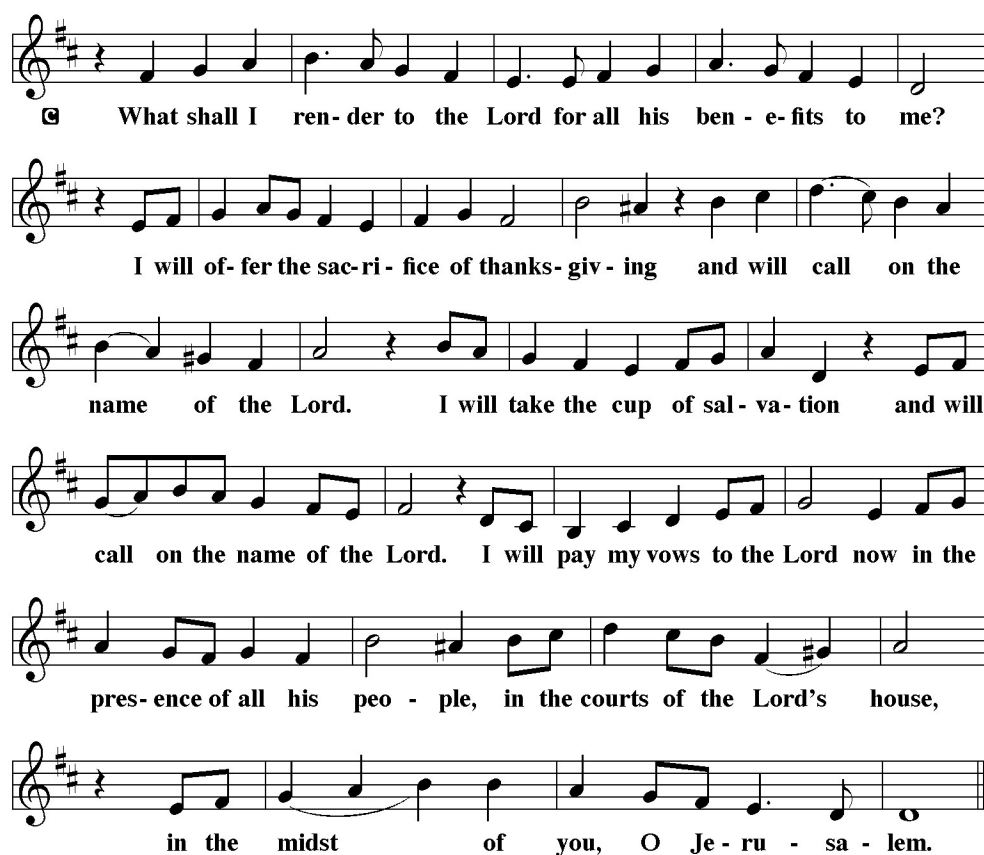
## OFFERING

### MUSICAL OFFERING – "Kyrle"

M. Armstrong

*Please stand as you are able.*

## OFFERTORY



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.

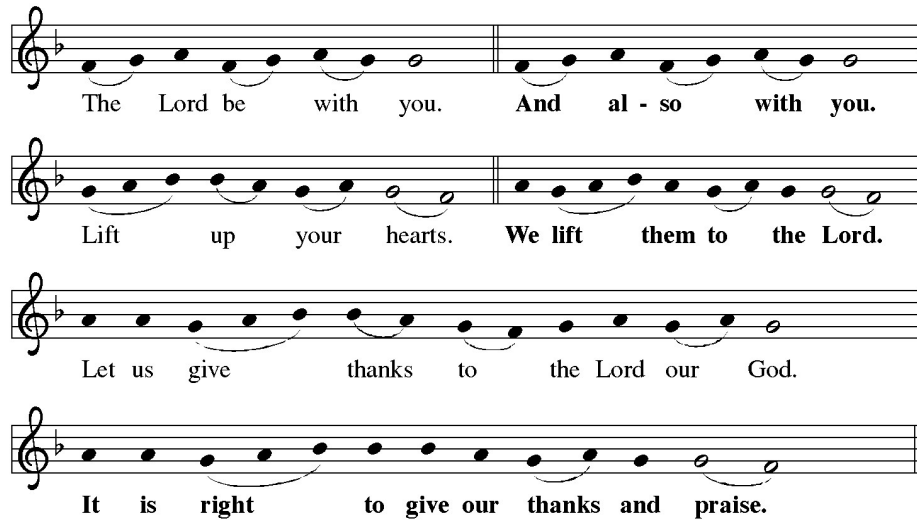
## OFFERTORY PRAYER

Let us pray. Gracious Provider, you set your immense treasures among us, opening your heart to the world. As we prepare to feast on your bountiful love, deepen our commitment to sharing those treasures with others, through our Savior, Jesus Christ.

**Amen.**

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

### SURSUM CORDA



The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

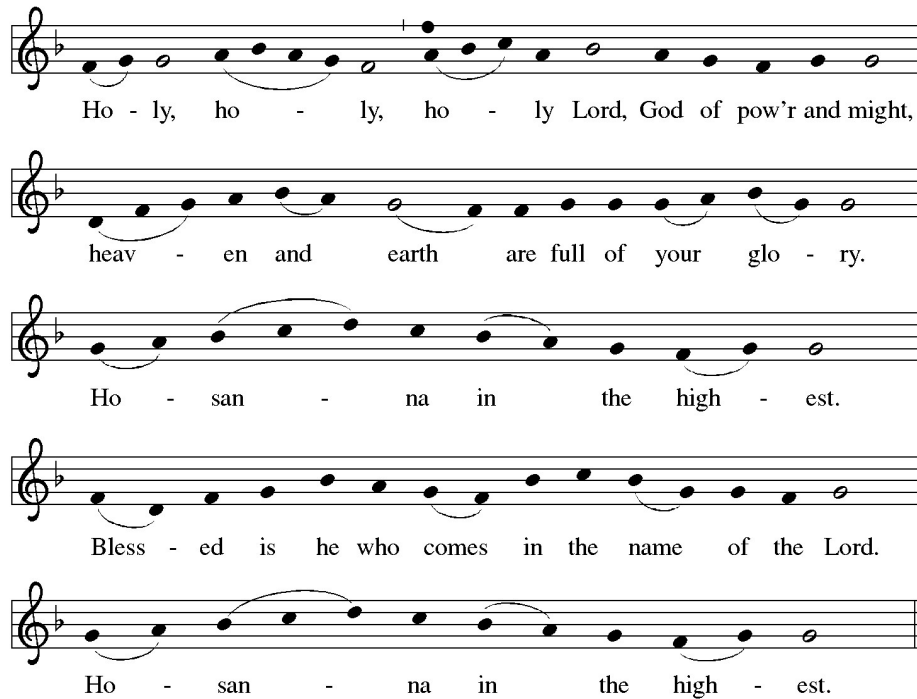
Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

### PREFACE

### SANCTUS



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,

heav - en 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.

### EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

Blessed are you, O living God, sovereign of time and space. You bring forth bread from the earth and fruit from the vine. Your word leads us across the waters to freedom, passing over with us from death to life.

**Blessed be God forever!**

Blessed are you, O living God, for your glory revealed in Jesus Christ. He is the Lamb, whose blood saves us from sin. He is your Servant, who washes our feet with mercy. He is himself our Food, the bread and cup of salvation.

**Blessed be God forever!**

*On the night in which he was betrayed, he 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.*

Blessed are you, O living God, for your Spirit of love. Feed us at this table with the body and blood of your Son. Make us servants of one another and of everyone in need. Bring us with all your people to the joy of the resurrection.

**Blessed be God forever! Amen.**

### THE LORD'S PRAYER

*Lord, remember us in your sovereignty and teach us to pray:*



Our Fa - ther in heav - en, hal - lowed be your name,  
your king - dom come, your will be done, on earth as in heav - en.  
Give us to - day our dai - ly bread. For - give us our sins as we  
for - give those who sin a - gainst us. Save us from the time of tri - al  
and de - liv - er us from e - vil. For the king - dom, the pow'r,  
and the glo - ry are yours, now and for - ev - er. A - men.

### INVITATION TO THE TABLE

...It is Christ who invites you to be known and fed here.

**Amen. We come.**

For those communing at home, take, eat, drink: the Body and Blood of Christ for you.

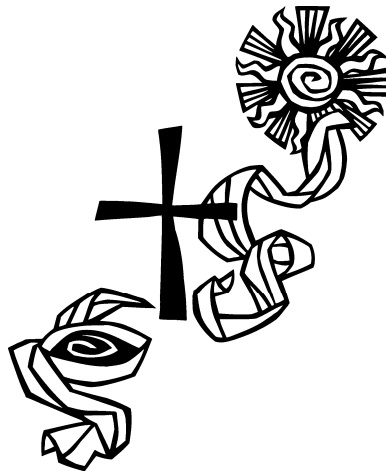
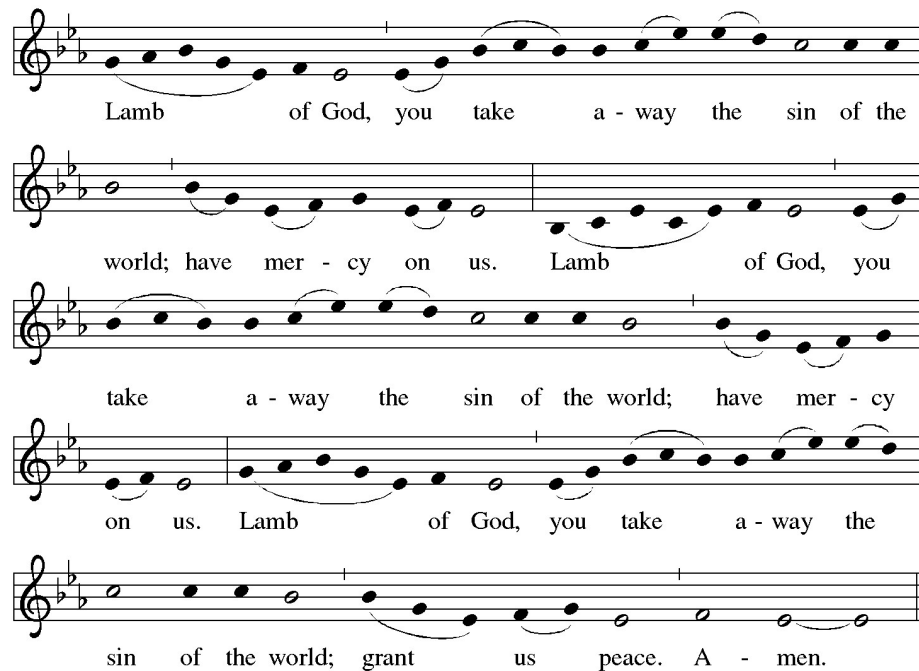
*Please be seated.*



## COMMUNION

*This is Christ's Table and Christ himself is present when we share this Meal. All Christians are welcomed to receive the Bread and Wine, Christ's Body and Blood given and shed for the sake of the world. Communion is by pouring chalice. As you come forward, take a small cup from the front of the aisle, and proceed to the Presiding Minister. Receive the bread in your open palm. Then, please hold your cup steadily for the assisting minister to pour into. You may then drink. When you return to your seat, please dispose of the cup in the trays at the side aisles. For those who cannot receive alcoholized wine, white grape juice is available in the pre-filled cups in the trays. For those who so desire, gluten-free bread is available. Please indicate such desire to the Presiding Minister. All are welcome to participate in the Lord's Supper this night; if you would like to participate, but not to receive the Bread and Wine, please come forward for a blessing. Please indicate this desire by crossing your arms in front of you. If you are unable to come forward and would like Communion brought to you in your seat, please let an usher know.*

## AGNUS DEI



## Great God, Your Love Has Called Us

1 Great God, your love has called us here, as we, by love, for  
 2 We come with self - in - flict - ed pains of bro - ken trust and  
 3 Great God, in Christ you call our name and then re - ceive us  
 4 Then take the towel, and break the bread, and hum - ble us, and  
 5 Great God, in Christ you set us free your life to live, your

love were made. Your liv - ing like - ness still we bear,  
 cho - sen wrong, half - free, half - bound by in - ner chains,  
 as your own, not through some mer - it, right, or claim,  
 call us friends. Suf - fer and serve till all are fed,  
 joy to share. Give us your Spir - it's lib - er - ty

though marred, dis - hon - ored, dis - o - beyed. We come, with all our  
 by so - cial forc - es swept a - long, by pow'rs and sys - tems  
 but by your gra - cious love a - lone. We strain to glimpse your  
 and show how grand - ly love in - tends to work till all cre -  
 to turn from guilt and dull de - spair, and of - fer all that

heart and mind your call to hear, your love to find.  
 close con - fined, yet seek - ing hope for hu - man - kind.  
 mer - cy seat and find you kneel - ing at our feet.  
 a - tion sings, to fill all worlds, to crown all things.  
 faith can do while love is mak - ing all things new.

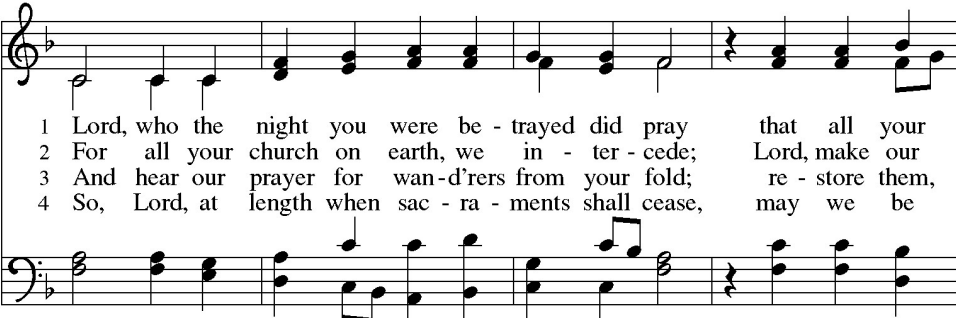
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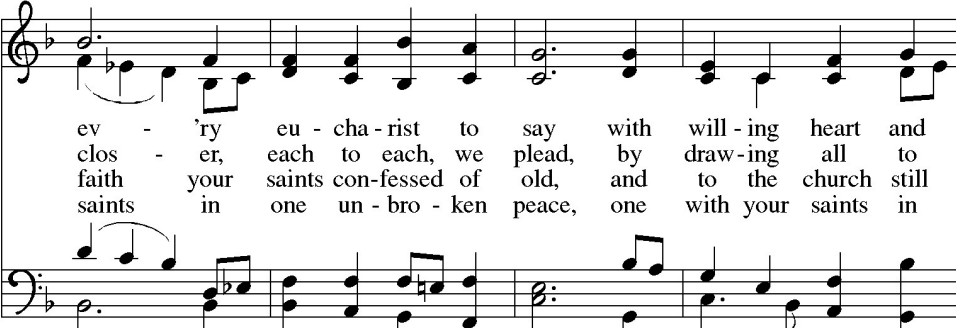
# Lord, Who the Night You Were Betrayed



1 Lord, who the night you were be - trayed did pray that all your  
 2 For all your church on earth, we in - ter - cede; Lord, make our  
 3 And hear our prayer for wan-d'ers from your fold; re - store them,  
 4 So, Lord, at length when sac - ra - ments shall cease, may we be



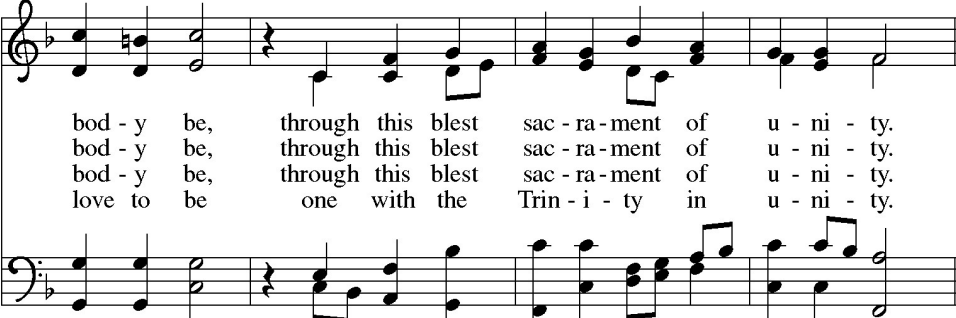
church might be for - ev - er one: help us at  
 sad di - vi - sions soon to cease; draw us all  
 too, Good Shep - herd of the sheep, back to the  
 one with all your church a - bove— one with your



ev - 'ry eu - cha - rist to say with will - ing heart and  
 clos - er, each to each, we plead, by draw - ing all to  
 faith your saints con - fessed of old, and to the church still  
 saints in one un - bro - ken peace, one with your saints in



soul, "Your will be done." Oh, may we all one bread, one  
 you, O Prince of peace; thus may we all one bread, one  
 pledged that faith to keep. Soon may we all one bread, one  
 one un - bound - ed love; more bless - ed still, in peace and



bod - y be, through this blest sac - ra - ment of u - ni - ty.  
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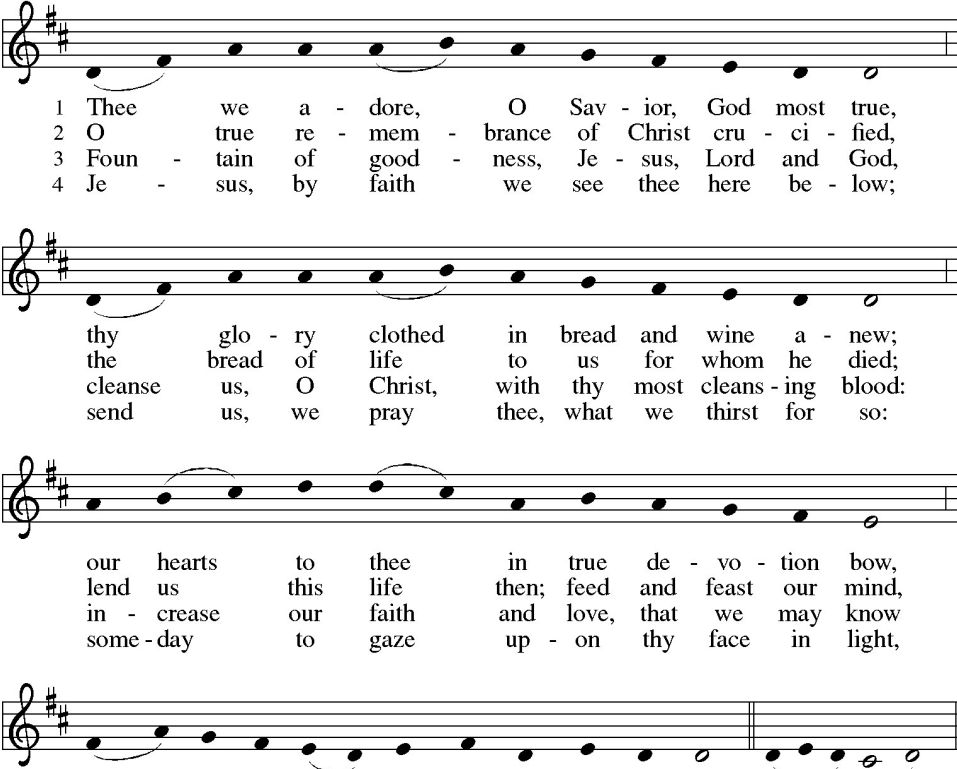
*Please stand as you are able at the invitation of the Presiding Minister.*

## MEDITATION

ELW 476

*During the hymn, the elements that remain after distribution are translated to the Altar of Repose. If you would like to “stay awhile with me and pray” after worship you are invited to stay with Jesus in the Sacrament and do so in Luther Chapel.*

### Thee We Adore, O Savior



1 Thee we a - dore, O Sav - ior, God most true,  
2 O true re - mem - brance of Christ cru - ci - fied,  
3 Foun - tain of good - ness, Je - sus, Lord and God,  
4 Je - sus, by faith we see thee here be - low;  
thy glo - ry clothed in bread and wine a - new;  
the bread of life to us for whom he died;  
cleanse us, O Christ, with thy most cleans - ing blood;  
send us, we pray thee, what we thirst for so:  
our hearts to thee in true de - vo - tion bow,  
lend us this life then; feed and feast our mind,  
in - crease our faith and love, that we may know  
some - day to gaze up - on thy face in light,  
in hum - ble awe, we hail thy pres - ence now.  
be thou the sweet - ness we were meant to find.  
the hope and peace which from thy pres - ence flow.  
blest ev - er - more with thy full glo - ry's sight. A - men.

Text: Thomas Aquinas, 1227–1274; tr. Gerard Manley Hopkins, 1844–1889, and James R. Woodford, 1820–1885, alt.  
Music: ADORE TE DEVOTE, plainsong mode V; Processionale, Paris, 1697

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray. Lord Jesus, 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.**

*Please kneel or be seated as is comfortable.*

## STRIPPING OF THE ALTAR

*The Altar and entire Chancel are stripped of all adornment and will stand bare until the celebration of Easter. The bareness of the Altar, the Chancel, and the entire worship space is a reminder of Jesus' emptying in death for us.*

## PSALM 88

<sup>1</sup>O LORD, my God, my Savior,  
by day and night I cry to you.

<sup>2</sup>Let my prayer enter into your presence;  
incline your ear to my lamentation.

<sup>3</sup>For I am full of trouble;  
my life is at the brink of the grave.

<sup>4</sup>I am counted among those who go down to the pit;  
I have become like one who has no strength;

<sup>5</sup>lost among the dead, like the slain who lie in the grave,  
whom you remember no more, for they are cut off from your hand.

<sup>6</sup>You have laid me in the depths of the pit,  
in dark places, and in the abyss.

<sup>7</sup>Your anger weighs upon me heavily,  
and all your great waves overwhelm me.

<sup>8</sup>You have put my friends far from me; you have made me to be abhorred by them;  
I am in prison and cannot get free.

<sup>9</sup>My sight has failed me because of trouble;  
LORD, I have called upon you daily; I have stretched out my hands to you.

<sup>10</sup>Do you work wonders for the dead?  
Will those who have died stand up and give you thanks?

<sup>11</sup>Will your lovingkindness be declared in the grave,  
your faithfulness in the land of destruction?

<sup>12</sup>Will your wonders be known in the dark  
or your righteousness in the country where all is forgotten?

<sup>13</sup>But as for me, O LORD, I cry to you for help;  
in the morning my prayer comes before you.

<sup>14</sup>LORD, why have you rejected me?  
Why have you hidden your face from me?

<sup>15</sup>Ever since my youth, I have been wretched and at the point of death;  
I have borne your terrors and am helpless.

<sup>16</sup>Your blazing anger has swept over me;  
your terrors have destroyed me;

<sup>17</sup>they surround me all day long like a flood;  
they encompass me on every side.

<sup>18</sup>My friend and my neighbor you have put away from me,  
and darkness is my only companion.

*Once the chancel is stripped and the singing concluded, you may depart in silence.  
You may also stay as long as you like for prayer and meditation.*

OUR OBSERVANCE OF THE GREAT THREE DAYS  
CONTINUES TOMORROW EVENING AT 7:00PM  
FOR THE SERVICES OF GOOD FRIDAY.  
WE WILL GATHER IN SILENCE.

## LEADING IN WORSHIP THIS EVENING

PRESIDING MINISTER AND PREACHER

CONCELEBRANTS AT THE TABLE

ASSISTING MINISTER

LECTOR

ALTAR GUILD

COMMUNION ASSISTANT

USHERS

COORDINATOR AT THE STRIPPING

VIDEO STREAMING

Pastor Jay Mitchell

The Rev. Dr. Karen Lundwall

The Rev. Fr. Richard Marchand

The Rev. Brian Moran

The Rev. Gail Zackrison

Kate Martin

Sarah Prylinski

Pastor Jay & Cathie Dugan

Linda Graffius

Jessica Copfer, Mary Daniels,

Jeanne Gaber, Carl Moore

Les Fobes

Gina Snider

## READING AND COMMEMORATIONS

**April 17 – Maundy Thursday** – Exodus 12:1-14; Psalm 116:1-2, 12-19; I Corinthians 11:23-26; John 13:1-17, 31b-35; Psalm 88

**April 18 – Good Friday** – Isaiah 52:13-53:12; Psalm 22; Hebrews 10:16-25; Hebrews 4:14-16, 5:7-9; John 18:1-19:42

**April 19 – Holy Saturday (before sundown)** – Job 14:1-14; Lamentations 3:1-9, 19-24; Psalm 31:1-4, 1516; 1 Peter 4:1-8; Matthew 27:57-66 **OR Olavus Petri, priest 1552, Laurentius Petri, Bishop of Uppsala, 1573, renewers of the church** – Jeremiah 1:4-10; Psalm 46; I Corinthians 3:11-23; Mark 10:35-45 -- *These two brothers studied with Luther at the University of Wittenberg and then returned to their native Sweden to introduce the Lutheran reforms. Olavus published a catechism and hymnal; Laurentius was a professor who defended the office of bishop and later became one.*

**April 20 – The Resurrection of Our Lord, Easter Day** – Acts 10:34-43; Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24; I Corinthians 15:19-26; John 20:1-18

(THE REMAINDER OF)  
HOLY WEEK AND EASTER @ LUTHER

GOOD FRIDAY

April 18: Stations of the Cross  
*with Organ Reflections*  
beginning at 12noon in the Sanctuary

April 18: Service of Our Lord's Passion  
*with Bidding Prayer and Adoration of the Cross*  
7:00pm in the Sanctuary

THE RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD, EASTER VIGIL

April 19: The First Eucharist of Resurrection  
*with Recitation of Salvation History*  
7:00pm in the Courtyard (to start)  
*use either door adjacent to the parking lot to enter*

THE RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD, EASTER DAY

April 20: Festival Eucharist  
*with Thanksgiving for Baptism*  
8:15am and 10:30am in the Sanctuary