

Maundy Thursday

March 28, 2024 at 7pm

The First Day of the Ancient Triduum



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WELCOME TO ALL THIS HOLY NIGHT

As God's people, we begin together the three most important days – and the oldest holy days – in the Christian Church. Yes, this is one service covering three days! Each day's service leads us into the next, until there comes the Easter announcement, Christ is risen!

Today is "Maundy" Thursday. The name comes from "Mandatum," the Latin word for "commandment." This was the night when our Lord, sharing the Passover Meal with his disciples said, "A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another as I have loved you."

Three themes and traditions come from this evening. First, there is the Last Supper and the Holy Communion. Central, too, is the teaching our Lord did on this evening, including the new commandment. And finally, there is the image of servanthood preserved so meaningfully in the washing of the disciples' feet by Jesus himself. All throughout we can hear our Lord looking us in the eye with outstretched arm saying, "here, take a towel, and follow me."

An important part also, comes at the close of the service. While we sing Psalm 22, the altar and chancel are readied for Good Friday. The paraments, the candles, all the décor, leaves. The Ancient Three Days have begun! When the service is ended, behold the dim light surrounding the shrouded cross. Our Lord has begun his journey, for each of us. We are held, we are treasured, we are loved.

A blessed three days
through the cross
to the hope-filled sight of the empty tomb.

Como pueblo de Dios, comenzamos juntos los tres días más importantes. El servicio de cada día nos lleva al siguiente, hasta que llega el anuncio de la Pascua, ¡Cristo ha resucitado!

Hoy es Jueves "Santo". Esta fue la noche en que nuestro Señor, compartiendo la Cena de Pascua con sus discípulos, dijo: "Un mandamiento nuevo les doy: que se amen los unos a los otros como yo los he amado".

De esta velada surgen tres temas y tradiciones. Primero, está la Última Cena y la Sagrada Comunión. También es central la enseñanza que hizo nuestro Señor esta noche, incluido el mandamiento nuevo. Y finalmente, está la imagen de la servidumbre preservada de manera tan significativa en el lavatorio de los pies de los discípulos por Jesús mismo.

This evening our Lenten observance comes to an end, and we gather with Christians around the world to celebrate the Three Days of Jesus' death and resurrection. Tonight we remember Christ's last meal with his disciples, but the central focus is his commandment that we live out the promise embodied in this meal. As Jesus washed his disciples' feet, so we are called to give and receive love in humble service to one another. Formed into a new body in Christ through this holy meal, we are transformed by the mercy we have received and carry it into the world. Departing worship in solemn silence, we anticipate the coming days.

THE GATHERING

PRELUDE • *O Mensch, beweine deine Sünde groß*, BWV 622

Johann Sebastian Bach (1685–1750)

WELCOME

CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

Friends in Christ, in this Lenten season we have heard our Lord's call to struggle against sin, death, and the devil—all that keeps us from loving God and each other. This is the struggle to which we were called at baptism.

Within the community of the church, God never wearies of forgiving sin and giving the peace of reconciliation. On this night let us confess our sin against God and our neighbor, and enter the celebration of the great Three Days reconciled with God and with one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Most merciful God,
we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of ✠ Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith. **Amen.**

All turn, following the way of the cross.

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.

GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

KYRIE

Adam Scott Graham



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.

THE WORD

READING OF SCRIPTURE • 1 Corinthians 11:23-26

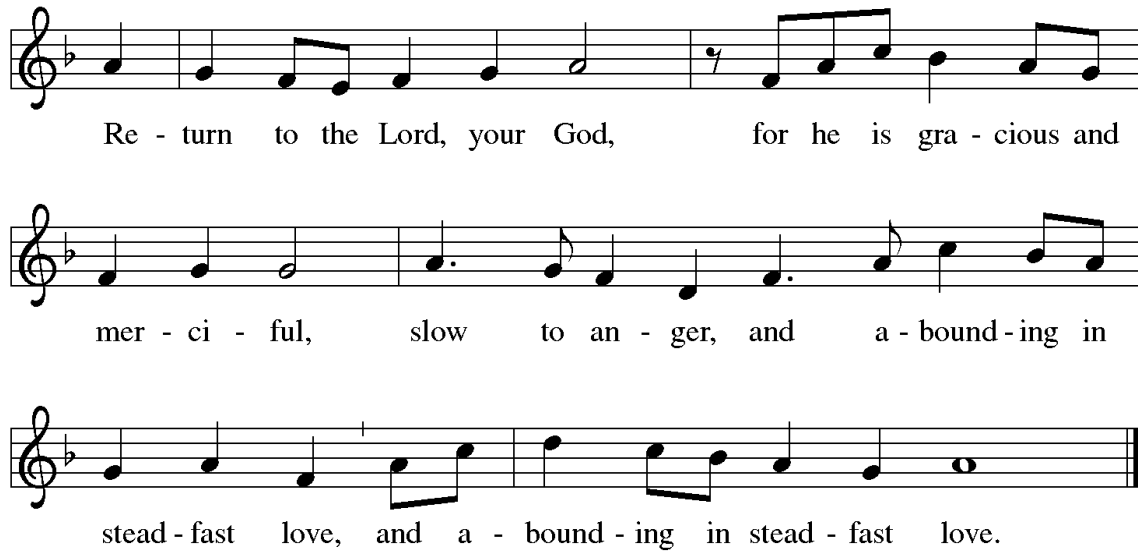
In the bread and cup of the Lord's supper, we experience intimate fellowship with Christ and with one another because it involves his body given for us and the new covenant in his blood. Faithful participation in this meal is a living proclamation of Christ's death until he comes in the future.

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

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION • ELW Setting Three



GOSPEL READING • John 13:1-17, 31b-35

*The story of the last supper in John's gospel recalls a remarkable event not mentioned elsewhere:
Jesus performs the duty of a slave, washing the feet of his disciples and
urging them to do the same for one another.*

The holy gospel according to St. John, the thirteenth chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

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. The devil had already put it into the heart of Judas son of Simon Iscariot to betray him. And during supper Jesus, knowing that the Father had given all things into his hands, and that he had come from God and was going to God, got up from the table, took off his outer robe, and tied a towel around himself. 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. He 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." Peter said to him, "You will never wash my feet." Jesus answered, "Unless I wash you, you have no share with me." Simon Peter said to him, "Lord, not my feet only but also my hands and my head!" 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." For he knew who was to betray him; for this reason he said, "Not all of you are clean."

After he had washed their feet, had put on his robe, and had returned to the table, he said to them, “Do you know what I have done to you? You call me Teacher and Lord—and you are right, for that is what I am. So if I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another’s feet. For I have set you an example, that you also should do as I have done to you. Very truly, I tell you, servants are not greater than their master, nor are messengers greater than the one who sent them. If you know these things, you are blessed if you do them.” “Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, ‘Where I am going, you cannot come.’ I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.”

The gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ.

REFLECTION

Pastor Zawistoski

Please stand as you are able.

HYMN OF THE DAY • There in God’s garden

SHADES MOUNTAIN

1 There in God's gar - den stands the Tree of Wis - dom,
 2 Its name is Je - sus, name that says, "Our Sav - ior!"
 3 Thorns not its own are tan - gled in its fo - liage;
 4 See how its branch - es reach to us in wel - come;

whose leaves hold forth the heal - ing of the na - tions:
 There on its branch - es see the scars of suf - f'ring;
 our greed has starved it, our de - spite has choked it.
 hear what the Voice says, "Come to me, ye wea - ry!"

Tree of all knowl - edge, Tree of all com -
 see there the ten - drils of our hu - man
 Yet, look! it lives! its grief has not de -
 Give me your sick - ness, give me all your

pas - sion, Tree of all beau - ty.
 self - hood feed on its life - blood.
 stroyed it nor fire con - sumed it.
 sor - row, I will give bless - ing."

5 This is my ending,
 this my resurrection;
 into your hands, Lord,
 I commit my spirit.
 This have I searched for;
 now I can possess it.
 This ground is holy.

6 All heav'n is singing,
 "Thanks to Christ whose passion
 offers in mercy
 healing, strength, and pardon.
 Peoples and nations,
 take it, take it freely!"
 Amen! My Master!

APOSTLES' CREED

With the whole church, let us confess our faith.

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

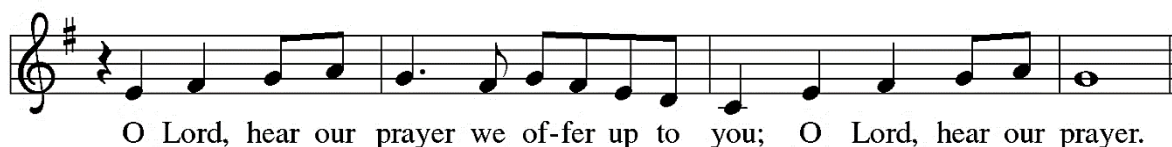
**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
 who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
 born of the virgin Mary,
 suffered under Pontius Pilate,
 was crucified, died, and was buried;
 he descended to the dead.
 On the third day he rose again;
 he ascended into heaven,
 he is seated at the right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

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

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Trusting in God's promise to reconcile all things, let us pray for the church, the well-being of creation, and a world in need.

After each portion of the prayers:



The prayers conclude:

Accompany us on our journey, God of grace, and receive the prayers of our hearts, through Jesus Christ, our Savior. **Amen.**

PEACE

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

Please be seated.

THE MEAL

OFFERING

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OFFERTORY ANTHEM • *Wash Me Thoroughly*
Schola Cantorum

Samuel Wesley (1810–1876)

*Wash me thoroughly from my wickedness, and forgive me all my sin.
For I acknowledge my faults, and my sin is ever before me.*

Please stand as you are able.

OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray.

Extravagant God, you have blessed us with the fullness of creation. Now we gather at your feast where you offer us the food that satisfies. Take and use what we offer here, come among us, and feed us with the body and blood of Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give him thanks and praise.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; whose suffering and death gave salvation to all. You gather your people around the tree of the cross, transforming death into life. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the whole church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

SANCTUS • ELW S190 *Holy, Holy, Holy Lord*

DEUTSCHE MESSE

The musical score is written for two systems, each with a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment line (bass clef). The key signature is one flat (F major or D minor). The tempo and style are indicated by the title 'SANCTUS • ELW S190 Holy, Holy, Holy Lord' and 'DEUTSCHE MESSE'. The lyrics are 'Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,'. The music features a simple, hymn-like melody with a steady piano accompaniment. The first system ends with a repeat sign, and the second system continues the melody and accompaniment.

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

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

heav-en and earth are full, full of your glo - ry.

Ho - san - na in the high - est, 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, ho - san - na in the high - est.

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

Please pray in your own preferred language.

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.

Padre Nuestro, que estas en los cielos,
santificado sea tu nombre,
venga a nosotros tu reino,
hagase tu voluntad,
así en la tierra como en el cielo.
Danos hoy nuestro pan de cada día;
perdona nuestras ofensas,
como nosotros perdonamos
a los que nos ofenden;
y no nos dejes caer en la tentación,
mas libranos del mal.
Porque tuyo es el reino,
el poder, y la gloria,
por los siglos de los siglos. Amen.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Bread for the journey. A feast for hungry hearts. Come!
Thanks be to God.

Please be seated.

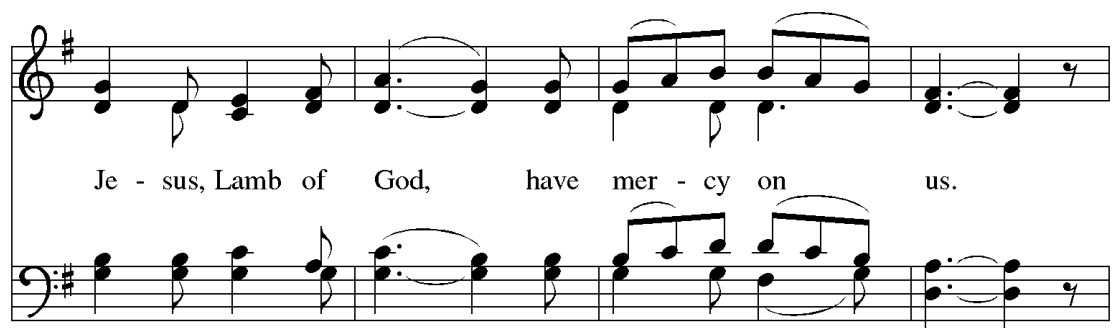
COMMUNION

*All are invited to the Lord's table, a table of grace and mercy. There are stations at the foot of the chancel steps.
Please stretch out your hand, palm up, to receive the host, the body of Christ.
(Gluten-free wafers are available; please ask your server)*

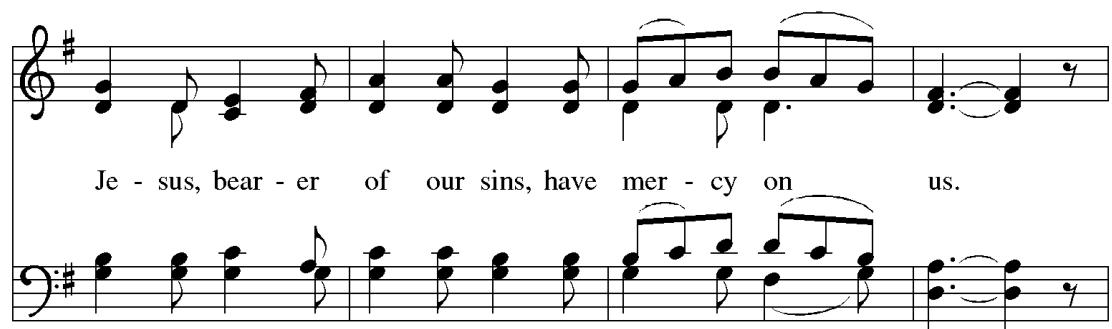
Then receive in the individual cup the blood of Christ. You may deposit your cup in the basket near the side wall. Those who wish to receive a blessing instead of the Lord's supper are also encouraged to come forward. Those who wish to receive the sacrament in the pew, please inform an usher. All are welcome to the Lord's table.

When giving the bread and cup, the communion ministers say:
The body of Christ, given for you.
The blood of Christ, shed for you.

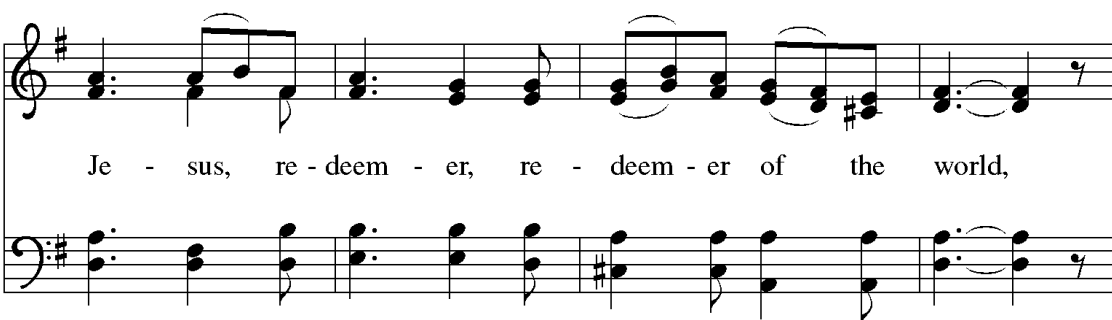
The communicant may say:
Amen.



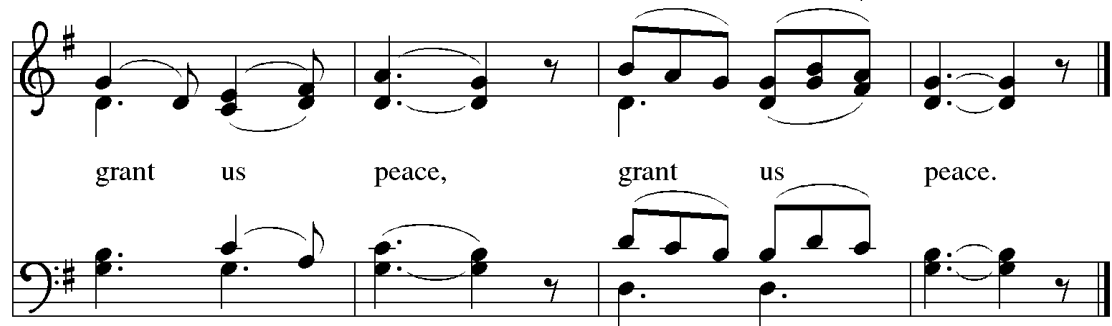
Je - sus, Lamb of God, have mer - cy on us.



Je - sus, bear - er of our sins, have mer - cy on us.



Je - sus, re - deem - er, re - deem - er of the world,



grant us peace, grant us peace.



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.

Please stand as you are able.

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.
Amen.

1 O liv - ing Bread from heav - en, how well you feed your guest!

The gifts that you have giv - en have filled my heart with rest.

O won-drous food of bless - ing! O cup that heals our woes!

My heart, this gift pos - sess - ing, in thank-ful song o'er - flows!

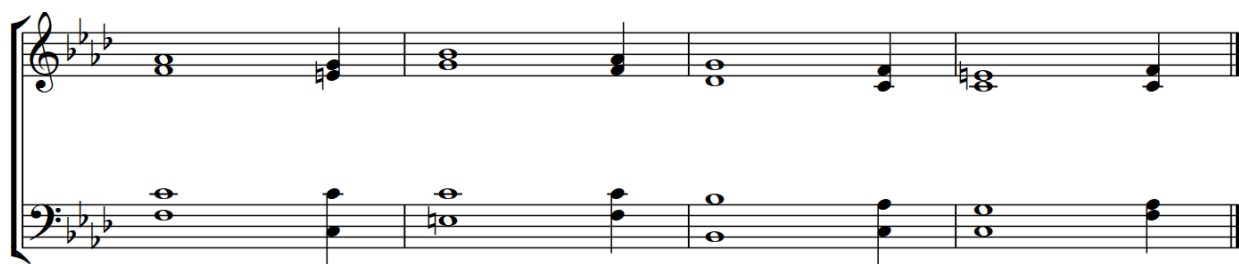
PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

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.**

STRIPPING OF THE ALTAR

Please be seated.



- All* 1 My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?
Why so far from saving me,
so far from the words of my groaning?
- 2 My God, ' I cry out by day, but you do not answer;
by night, but I find no rest.
- 3 Yet you are the Holy One,
enthroned on the praises of Israel.
- 4 Our ancestors put their trust in you,
they trusted, and you rescued them.
- Choir* 5 They cried out to you and were delivered;
they trusted in you and were not put to shame.
- 6 But as for me, ' I am a worm and not human,
scorned by all and despised by the people.
- 7 All who see me laugh me to scorn;
they curl their lips; ' they shake their heads.
- 8 "Trust in the LORD; ' let the LORD deliver;
let God rescue him if God so delights in him."
- All* 9 Yet you are the one who drew me forth from the womb,
and kept me safe on my mother's breast.
- 10 I have been entrusted to you ever since I was born;
you were my God when I was still in my mother's womb.
- 11 Be not far from me, ' for trouble is near,
and there is no one to help.
- 12 Many young bulls encircle me;
strong bulls of Bashan surround me.
- Choir* 13 They open wide their jaws at me,
like a slashing and roaring lion.
- 14 I am poured out like water; all my bones are out of joint;
my heart within my breast is melting wax.



- All* 15 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.
- 16 Packs of dogs close me in, a band of evildoers circles round me;
they pierce my hands and my feet.
- 17 I can count all my bones
while they stare at me and gloat.
- 18 They divide my garments among them;
for my clothing, they cast lots.
- Choir* 19 But you, O LORD, ' be not far away;
O my help, ' hasten to my aid.
- *20 Deliver me from the sword,
my life from the power of the dog.
- 21 Save me from the lion's mouth!
From the horns of wild bulls you have rescued me.
- All* 22 I will declare your name to my people;
in the midst of the assembly ' I will praise you.
- 23 You who fear the LORD, give praise!
All you of Jacob's line, give glory.
Stand in awe of the LORD, all you offspring of Israel.
- 24 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.
- 25 From you comes my praise in the great assembly;
I will perform my vows in the sight of those who fear the LORD.
- Choir* 26 The poor shall eat and be satisfied,
Let those who seek the LORD give praise!
May your hearts live forever!
- 27 All the ends of the earth shall remember ' and turn to the LORD;
all the families of nations shall bow before God.



- Choir* 28 For dominion belongs to the LORD,
who rules over the nations.
- 29 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.
- All* 30 Their descendants shall serve the LORD,
whom they shall proclaim to generations to come.
- 31 They shall proclaim God's deliverance to a people yet unborn,
saying to them, ' "The LORD has acted!"

SILENT PROCESSION

All are invited to a time of silent reflection and prayer. Please depart in silence.

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GOOD FRIDAY

12:00 – 3:00 p.m. SEVEN LAST WORDS FROM THE CROSS
(Seven different meditations)

7:00 p.m. CHORAL SERVICE
The Seven Last Words of Christ

HOLY SATURDAY

10:00 a.m. Easter Egg Hunt

EASTER SUNDAY

8:45 a.m. FESTIVAL WORSHIP

10:00 a.m. **EASTER FELLOWSHIP AND REFRESHMENTS**

11:15 a.m. FESTIVAL WORSHIP

5:00 p.m. MISA ESPAÑOL