

GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH  
MAUNDY THURSDAY  
APRIL 17, 2025  
7:00pm



*I give you a new commandment: love one another as I loved you*

# MESSAGE

## HYMN

## *Great God, Your Love Has Called Us*

ELW 358



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.

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

- P 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.
- C Amen.

## FIRST LESSON: 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.

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. ] <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>For 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. <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.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks Be to God.**

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

*(read responsively)*

<sup>1</sup>I love the LORD, because he has heard  
my voice and my supplications.

**<sup>2</sup>Because he inclined his ear to me,  
therefore I will call on him as long as I live.**

<sup>12</sup>What shall I return to the LORD  
for all his bounty to me?

**<sup>13</sup>I will lift up the cup of salvation  
and call on the name of the LORD,**

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

**<sup>15</sup>Precious in the sight of the LORD  
is the death of his faithful ones.**

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

**<sup>17</sup>I will offer to you a thanksgiving sacrifice  
and call on the name of the LORD.**

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

<sup>19</sup>in the courts of the house of the LORD,  
in your midst, O Jerusalem.

## SECOND LESSON: 1 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.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks Be to God.**

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



## GOSPEL: John 13:1-17, 31b-35

The gospel according to St. John the thirteenth chapter.

**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 put it into the heart of Judas son of Simon Iscariot to betray him. 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 the table, 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 he 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 returned to the table, 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, servants 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 himself 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 Jews 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."

The Gospel of the Lord.

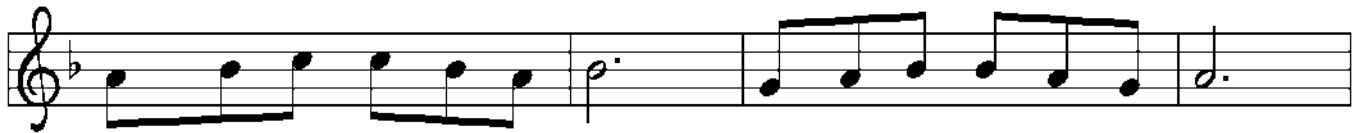
**Thanks be to God.**

*Refrain*

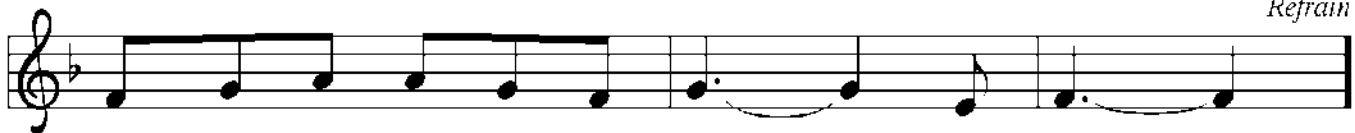
Je - su, Je - su, fill us with your love, show



us how to serve the neigh-bors we have from you.



- 1 Kneels at the feet of his friends, si - lent - ly wash - es their feet,
- 2 Neigh-bors are wealth-y and poor, var - ied in col - or and race,
- 3 These are the ones we will serve, these are the ones we will love;
- 4 Kneel at the feet of our friends, si - lent - ly wash-ing their feet:



mas - ter who acts as a slave to them.  
neigh-bors are near - by and far a - way.  
all these are neigh - bors to us and you.  
this is the way we will live with you.

*Refrain*

## NICENE CREED

A Let us profess our faith with the words of the Nicene Creed.

**We believe in one God,**

**the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,**

**the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made,  
of one Being with the Father;  
through him all things were made.**

**For us and for our salvation**

**he came down from heaven,  
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary  
and became truly human.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried.**

**On the third day he rose again  
in accordance with the scriptures;**

**he ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,**

**who proceeds from the Father and the Son,\*  
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,  
who has spoken through the prophets.**

**We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.**

**We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.**

**We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen**

## FOOT WASHING



At this time, as you feel moved, you are invited forward to have your feet washed.

Please remove shoes and socks and take a seat in the chair in front of the altar.

If you are unable to come to the altar, please indicate to an usher and we will come to your seat.

## PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Holy God, we come to you in prayer for the church, your good creation, and all who are in need.

*A brief silence.*

Heal the wounds of your church, O God. As we remember your commandment to love one another, guide us toward reconciliation within the body of Christ. Bless all who gather around the world and in this community for these holy three days. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Renew the life of your creation. Restore lands suffering from chronic drought or flood, and protect fragile habitats from destruction. Encourage all who strive to build more sustainable systems for life and thriving. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Bring peace and justice among your people. Where there is oppression or fear, bring liberation and hope. Instill wisdom and humility in local and national leaders, and guide them to serve their communities in the way of Jesus. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Console all who suffer. We pray especially for all who are lonely and yearning for community. Assure them of your loving presence. Come alongside all who cry out to you in any need. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

In the bread and cup we share, you show us the way of love poured out for the whole world. Nourish all who hunger in body or in spirit, that they experience the life abundant that flows from you. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

*Here other intercessions may be offered.*

We remember the saints who rest in you. We give thanks for all our beloved dead. Confident of your steadfast love, we commend them to your eternal care. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Receive the prayers of your people and draw all things together in your love, in the name of Jesus, who leads us from death to life.

**Amen.**

## PEACE

P The Peace of the Lord be with you always.

C **And also with you.**

*All share a sign of peace and reconciliation.*



*Please be seated.*

**ANTHEM**

*Bread of Life*

**Farrell**

**OFFERTORY**



Let the vine - yards be fruit - ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of  
bless - ing. Gath - er a har - vest from the seeds that were sown, that we may be  
fed with the bread of life. Gath - er the hopes and the dreams of all; u -  
nite them with the prayers we of - fer now. Grace our ta - ble with your  
pres - ence, and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

**OFFERING PRAYER**

- A 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.
- C **Amen.**

## DIALOGUE

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.

P 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 Church on earth the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

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.

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.

## **LORD'S PRAYER**

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

C      **Our Father in heaven,  
          hallowed be your name,  
          your kingdom come,  
          your will be done,  
          on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins  
          as we forgive those who sin against us.  
Save us from the time of trial  
          and deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power,  
          and the glory are yours,  
          now and forever.  
Amen.**

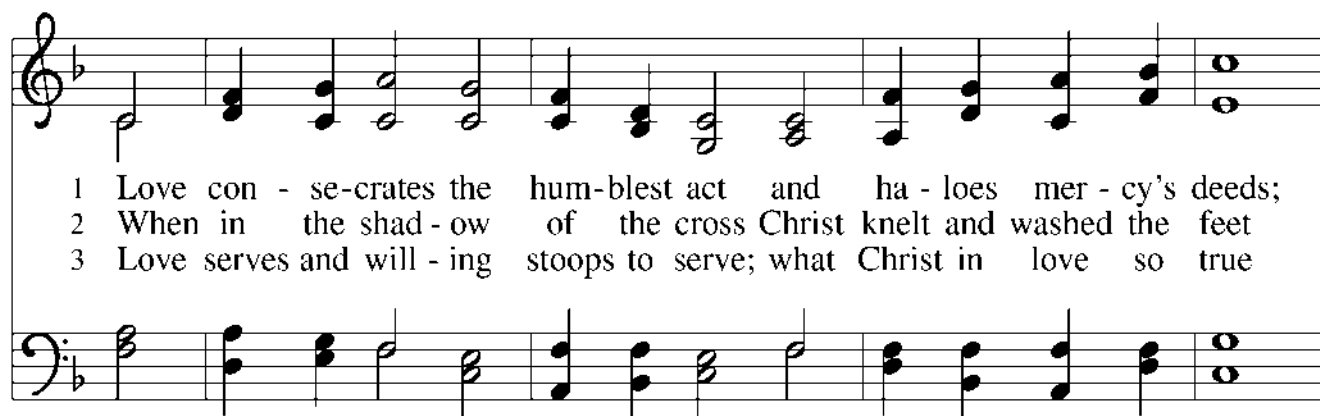
## **INVITATION TO COMMUNION**

P      All who are hungry, come!  
          The feast of grace is spread.  
          All are welcome at the Lord's table.

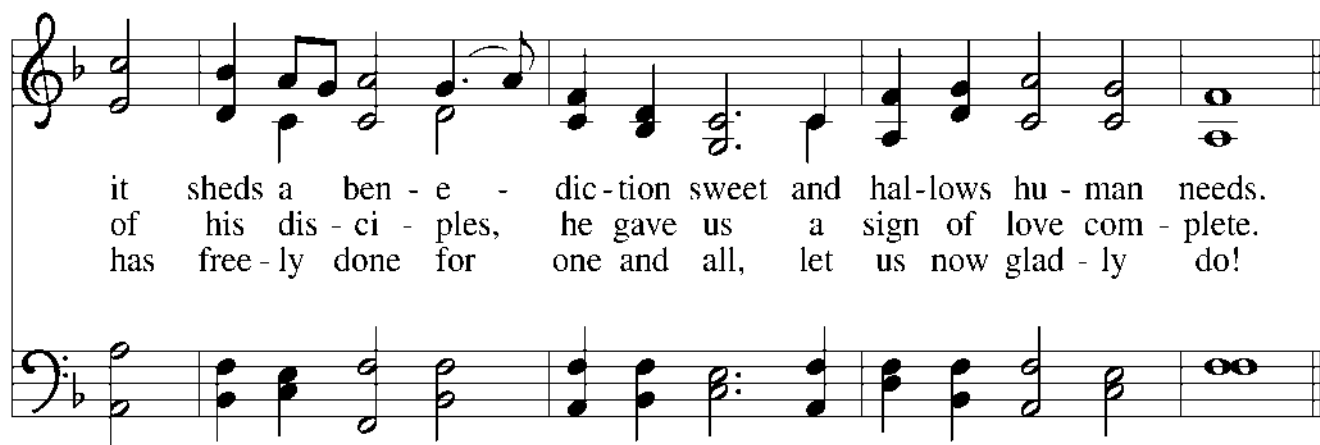
## HYMNS DURING COMMUNION

*Love Consecrates the Humblest Act*

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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!

# HYMNS DURING COMMUNION

## *Here is Bread* ELW 483

C G/B Am E<sup>7</sup> F/A C/G G

1 Here is bread, here is wine, Christ is with us,  
 2 Here is grace, here is peace, Christ is with us,  
 3 Here we are, joined in one, Christ is with us,

F/A Am G/B C G/B Am E<sup>7</sup>

he is with us. Break the bread, taste the wine,  
 he is with us. Know his grace, find his peace,  
 he is with us. We'll pro-claim till he comes

F/A C/G G <sup>1</sup> C Fm/C <sup>2, 3</sup> C Gm<sup>7</sup> Bb/C

Christ is with us here. here.  
 feast on Je - sus here.  
 Je - sus cru - ci - fied.

*Refrain*  
 FM<sup>7</sup> F<sup>6</sup> Em<sup>7</sup> Am<sup>7</sup> Dm<sup>7</sup> Gm<sup>7</sup>

In this bread there is heal - ing, in this cup is ,

Bb/C C Bb/D C/E FM<sup>7</sup> F#dim<sup>7</sup>

life for - ev - er. In this mo - ment,

Em<sup>7</sup> A<sup>7</sup>aug Dm<sup>7</sup> G<sup>7</sup> C

by the Spir - it, Christ is with us here.

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

A 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.

C **Amen.**

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*As the altar is stripped in preparation for the Good Friday worship,  
Psalm 22 is read in unison.*

<sup>1</sup>My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?  
Why are you so far from helping me, from the words of my groaning?  
<sup>2</sup>O my God, I cry by day, but you do not answer;  
and by night, but find no rest.  
<sup>3</sup>Yet you are holy, enthroned on the praises of Israel.  
<sup>4</sup>In you our ancestors trusted; they trusted, and you delivered them.  
<sup>5</sup>To you they cried, and were saved; in you they trusted,  
and were not put to shame.  
<sup>6</sup>But I am a worm, and not human; scorned by others,  
and despised by the people.  
<sup>7</sup>All who see me mock at me; they make mouths at me,  
they shake their heads;  
<sup>8</sup>"Commit your cause to the LORD; let him deliver —  
let him rescue the one in whom he delights!"  
<sup>9</sup>Yet it was you who took me from the womb;  
you kept me safe on my mother's breast.  
<sup>10</sup>On you I was cast from my birth,  
and since my mother bore me you have been my God.  
<sup>11</sup>Do not be far from me, for trouble is near and there is no one to help.  
<sup>12</sup>Many bulls encircle me, strong bulls of Bashan surround me;  
<sup>13</sup>they open wide their mouths at me, like a ravening and roaring lion.  
<sup>14</sup>I am poured out like water, and all my bones are out of joint; my heart is like wax;  
it is melted within my breast; <sup>15</sup>my mouth is dried up like a potsherd,  
and my tongue sticks to my jaws; you lay me in the dust of death.  
<sup>16</sup>For dogs are all around me; a company of evildoers encircles me.  
My hands and feet have shriveled; <sup>17</sup>I can count all my bones.

They stare and gloat over me; <sup>18</sup>they divide my clothes among themselves,  
and for my clothing they cast lots.  
<sup>19</sup>But you, O LORD, do not be far away!  
O my help, come quickly to my aid!  
<sup>20</sup>Deliver my soul from the sword, my life from the power of the dog!  
<sup>21</sup>Save me from the mouth of the lion!  
From the horns of the wild oxen you have rescued me.  
<sup>22</sup>I will tell of your name to my brothers and sisters  
in the midst of the congregation I will praise you:  
<sup>23</sup>You who fear the LORD, praise him!  
All you offspring of Jacob, glorify him; stand in awe of him,  
all you offspring of Israel!  
<sup>24</sup>For he did not despise or abhor the affliction of the afflicted;  
he did not hide his face from me, but heard when I cried to him.  
<sup>25</sup>From you comes my praise in the great congregation;  
my vows I will pay before those who fear him.  
<sup>26</sup>The poor shall eat and be satisfied; those who seek him shall praise the LORD.  
May your hearts live forever!  
<sup>27</sup>All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the LORD;  
and all the families of the nations shall worship before him.  
<sup>28</sup>For dominion belongs to the LORD, and he rules over the nations.  
<sup>29</sup>To him, indeed, shall all who sleep in the earth bow down;  
before him shall bow all who go down to the dust, and I shall live for him.  
<sup>30</sup>Posterity will serve him; future generations will be told about the LORD,  
<sup>31</sup>and proclaim his deliverance to a people yet unborn, saying that he has done it.

*Please exit the sanctuary in silence.*

# *Maundy Thursday*



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