

ST. PHILIP'S LUTHERAN CHURCH
Maundy Thursday, April 18, 2019

Gathering

With nightfall 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. At the heart of Maundy Thursday liturgy is Jesus' commandment to love one another. As Jesus washed the feet of his disciples, we are called to follow his example as we humbly care for one another, especially the poor and the unloved. At the Lord's Table we remember Jesus' sacrifice of his life, even as we are called to offer ourselves in love for the life of the world.

GATHERING HYMN

ELW 358

“Great God, Your Love Has Called Us”

SERMON

Pastor Tuula Van Gaasbeek

CONFESSION AND 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.

**We have explored becoming the story we tell.
Dwelling in the word,
we have sought to model our lives on the life of Jesus Christ;
with rites of transformation and new birth,
we have practiced inviting others into the life of Christ.**

Within the community of church,
God never wearies of forgiving sin and offering new life.
On this night let us confess our sin against God and our neighbor,
and enter the celebration of these 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 neighbours 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 far off, and dead in sin.
God rejoices whenever God's children
turn their face toward home,
welcomes us saying, "My child who was once dead is now alive!"
counting 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.**

PEACE

In Jesus, God has made peace with us.

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

People may come forward and kneel for the laying on of hands.

Pastor, laying both hands on each person's head, addresses each in turn:

In obedience to the command of our Lord Jesus Christ,

I forgive you all your sins.

*The person may respond: **Amen.***

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.**

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 Saviour and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

PSALM 116: 1 - 2, 12 - 19



I will lift the cup of sal- va- tion and call on the name of the LORD.



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

²**for the LORD has given | ear to me
whenev- | er I called.**

¹²How shall I re- | pay 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. R**

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. R**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

The Holy Gospel according to St. John.

Glory to you, O Lord.

NARRATOR: 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,

PETER: "Lord, are you going to wash my feet?"

NARRATOR: Jesus answered,

JESUS: "You do not know now what I am doing, but later you will understand."

NARRATOR: Peter said to him,

PETER: "You will never wash my feet."

NARRATOR: Jesus answered,

JESUS: "Unless I wash you, you have no share with me."

NARRATOR: Simon Peter said to him,

PETER: "Lord, not my feet only but also my hands and my head!"

NARRATOR: Jesus said to him,

JESUS: "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

HAND WASHING

People come forward and wash each other's hands.

HYMNS DURING HAND WASHING

"Will You Let Me Be Your Servant"

ELW 659

"Ubi caritas et amor"

ELW 642

NARRATOR: After he had washed their feet, had put on his robe, and had returned to the table, he said to them,

JESUS: “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 be to God.

OFFERING

OFFERTORY

ELW 359

“Where Charity and Love Prevail”

OFFERING PRAYER

God of glory, receive these gifts and the offering of our lives. As Jesus was lifted up from the earth, draw us to your heart in the midst of this world, that all creation may be brought from bondage to freedom, from darkness to light, and from death to life; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
Amen.

DIALOGUE

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.

It is indeed right.....we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

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

The first system of musical notation consists of a treble and bass staff. The treble staff begins with a treble clef, a key signature of two flats (B-flat and E-flat), and a common time signature. The melody is primarily composed of quarter notes and half notes, with some rests. The bass staff provides a harmonic accompaniment with chords and single notes. The lyrics are placed below the treble staff.

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

The second system of musical notation continues the melody and accompaniment from the first system. The treble staff shows the continuation of the vocal line, and the bass staff shows the accompaniment. The lyrics are placed below the treble staff.

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

The third system of musical notation continues the melody and accompaniment. The treble staff shows the continuation of the vocal line, and the bass staff shows the accompaniment. The lyrics are placed below the treble staff.

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

The fourth system of musical notation concludes the hymn on this page. The treble staff shows the continuation of the vocal line, and the bass staff shows the accompaniment. The lyrics are placed below the treble staff.

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

The musical score consists of two staves. The top staff is in treble clef with a key signature of two flats (B-flat and E-flat). The bottom staff is in bass clef with the same key signature. The melody is written in a simple, hymn-like style with quarter and eighth notes. The lyrics are placed below the top staff.

NARRATOR:

A reading from Paul’s letter to the church in Corinth: 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,

PASTOR: “This is my body that is for you. Do this in remembrance of me.”

NARRATOR: In the same way he took the cup also, after supper, saying,

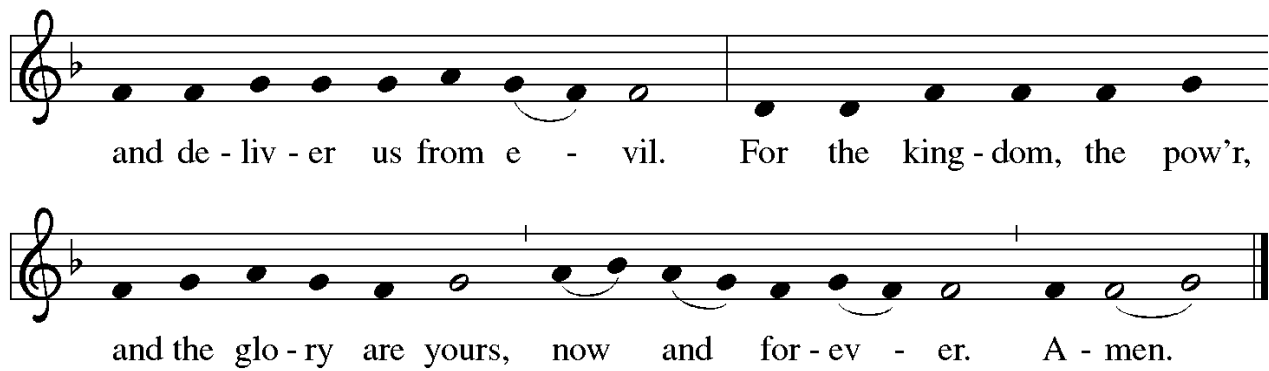
PASTOR: “This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.”

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

LORD’S PRAYER

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

The musical score for the Lord's Prayer is written on four staves in treble clef with a key signature of two flats. The melody is simple and uses a mix of quarter, eighth, and half notes. The lyrics are placed below each staff.



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.

COMMUNION

COMMUNION HYMN

ELW 348

“Stay with Me”

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

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

The service concludes with the stripping of the altar.

The sacramental elements and vessels, linens, candles, paraments, banners, and books are removed from the worship space.

SILENCE

The assembly may remain in silent prayer.

People depart in silence, to reassemble on Good Friday.

SERVING US TODAY	
Assisting Minister Lector Usher	Marcia Powers-Dunlop Karen Adolph Les Piller