



# Maundy Thursday

Concordia Lutheran Church  
April 13, 2017

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## CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

Let us make confession to God. Almighty God, merciful Father:

**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. But 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.**

Almighty God in his mercy has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. Through his Holy Spirit he cleanses us and gives us power to proclaim the mighty deeds of God who called us out of darkness into the splendor of his light. 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.**

**GATHERING HYMN - LBW # 109      "Go To Dark Gethsemane"**

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the unity of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**And also with you.**

Let us pray. Holy God, source of all love, on the night of his betrayal, Jesus gave his disciples a new commandment: To love one another as he had loved them. By your Holy Spirit write this commandment on our hearts; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Amen.**

*(we sit)*

**GOSPEL      John 13:1-17, 31b-35**

It was just before the Passover Festival. Jesus knew that the hour had come for him to leave 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 evening meal was in progress, and the devil had already prompted Judas, the son of Simon Iscariot, to betray Jesus. <sup>3</sup> Jesus knew that the Father had put all things under his power, and that he had come from God and was returning to God; <sup>4</sup> so he got up from the meal, took off his outer clothing, and wrapped a towel around his waist. <sup>5</sup> After that, he poured water into a basin and began to wash his disciples' feet, drying them with the towel that was wrapped 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 replied, **"You do not realize now what I am doing, but later you will understand."**

<sup>8</sup> **"No,"** said Peter, **"you shall never wash my feet."**

Jesus answered, **"Unless I wash you, you have no part with me."**

<sup>9</sup> **"Then, Lord,"** Simon Peter replied, **"not just my feet but my hands and my head as well!"**

<sup>10</sup> Jesus answered, **"Those who have had a bath need only to wash their feet; their whole body is clean. And you are clean, though not every one of you."**

<sup>11</sup> For he knew who was going to betray him, and that was why he said not everyone was clean. <sup>12</sup> When he had finished washing their feet, he put on his clothes and returned to his place.

**"Do you understand what I have done for you?"** Jesus asked them. <sup>13</sup> **"You call me 'Teacher' and 'Lord,' and rightly so, for that is what I am. <sup>14</sup> Now that I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also should wash one another's feet. <sup>15</sup> I have set you an example that you should do as I have done for you. <sup>16</sup> Very truly I tell you, no servant is greater than his master, nor is a messenger greater than the one who sent him. <sup>17</sup> Now that you know these things, you will be blessed if you do them.**

<sup>31</sup> When he was gone, Jesus said, **"Now the Son of Man is glorified and God is glorified in him.**

<sup>32</sup> **If God is glorified in him, God will glorify the Son in himself, and will glorify him at once. <sup>33</sup> "My children, I will be with you only a little longer. You will look for me, and just as I told the Jews, so I tell you now: Where I am going, you cannot come. <sup>34</sup> "A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another. <sup>35</sup> By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another."**

**HOMILY**

**HYMN - LBW # 106**

**"In The Hour of Trial"**

**OFFERING**

**ANTHEM**

**"Celtic Communion"**

**Chancel Choir**

*(we stand)*

**OFFERTORY PRAYER** *(based on Psalm 116)*

Let us pray.

**What shall we return to you, O LORD, for all your goodness to us?  
We will lift up the cup of salvation and call upon your holy name.  
We will fulfill our vows to you in the presence of all your people.  
Truly we are your servants, O LORD; you have freed us from our chains.  
Receive our thank offerings and as we call upon your holy name.  
In the blessed name of Jesus Christ, Amen.**

**THE GREAT THANKSGIVING & WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

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 God thanks and praise.**

You are indeed holy, almighty and merciful. You are most holy, and great is the majesty of your glory. You so loved the world that you gave your only Son, that whoever believes in him may not perish but have eternal life. Having come into the world, he fulfilled for us your holy will and accomplished our salvation.

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.

All honor and glory are yours, O God, Father, Son, & Holy Spirit, in your holy Church, now & forever.  
**Amen.**

**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.**

*(we sit)*

**COMMUNION HYMN - LBW # 214**

**“Come, Let Us Eat”**

*(we stand)*

**POST-COMMUNION BLESSING & PRAYER**

May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

**Amen.**

Radiant God, with our eyes we have seen your salvation, and in this meal we have feasted on your grace. May your Word take flesh in us, that we may be your holy people, revealing your glory made known to us in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Amen.**

*(we sit)*

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

*(please pass your prayers to the center of the aisle)*

**HYMN - LBW # 197**

**“O Living Bread From Heaven”**

**STRIPPING OF THE ALTAR**

† *The “Stripping of the Altar” is symbolic of Christ being stripped of His power and glory, being placed in the hands of His captors.*

† *It is also a somber reminder of Jesus’ death on the cross. Note however, that the Bible, the Word of God, is not removed.*

**A READING FROM THE PSALMS**

† *Pounding of the three nails upon the cross and our Savior Jesus.*

*WE DEPART IN SILENCE AND THOUGHTFUL PREPARATION  
FOR GOOD FRIDAY.  
WORSHIP BEGINS **TOMORROW** AT 7:00 PM.*

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Easter Sunday - April 16

**Join us as we celebrate the resurrection of Jesus Christ our Savior!**

Good Friday ..... 7:30 p.m.  
Easter Sunrise Eucharist.....7:30 a.m.  
Breakfast.....8:30 a.m.  
Sunday School (*regular schedule*)..... 10:00 a.m.  
Easter Festival Worship.....11:00 a.m.