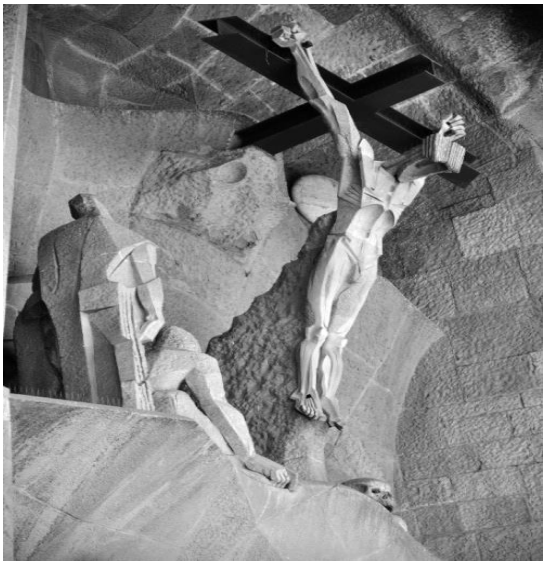
Holy Week

April 5 - 12, 2020

This booklet serves as the bulletin for all of the Holy Week services from Palm Sunday through Easter Sunday, and it also includes devotions for the intervening days of Holy Week.



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Holy Week and Easter Schedule

Palm Sunday Worship	8:30am	Sanctuary
Palm Sunday Worship	11:00am	Sanctuary
Maundy Thursday Worship	7:00pm	Sanctuary
Good Friday Worship	7:00pm	Sanctuary
Festival Easter Worship	8:30am	Sanctuary
Festival Easter Worship	11:00am	Sanctuary

We hope this booklet enables you to experience the Passion story (Jesus' suffering, death, and resurrection) in a new way. In these pages, you will be able to read the story as told by Mark, interspersed with liturgy, songs, teaching, and moments of meditation.

Much of the music chosen for this week is from the Taizé community in France. These bible verses or liturgical refrains set to music are meant to be simple enough to be sung by memory. They are to be repeated several times as a meditation aid, and they can be sung with one voice or with many in harmony.

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Palm Sunday Worship
April 5, 2020
8:30am & 11am

INTRODUCTION TO THE DAY

Today the church celebrates the beginning of the climax of Jesus' story: his "triumphal entry" into Jerusalem, which is also known as Palm Sunday. This day points us toward the coming "Triduum," or Three Days, from the evening of Maundy Thursday, through the evening of Easter Sunday.

"Celebrate" may seem a bit odd for these days of Jesus' Passion. Suffering isn't something that we necessarily look forward to, but we celebrate because we recognize the sacrifice that Jesus made for each and every one of us, we recognize the pain that he endured and honor him for it, we recognize that only through this excruciating week in the life of our Lord are we saved.

So we remember….and we hope….because we know that Sunday's comin'. Next Sunday, Easter Sunday, the day that Christ rose from the dead, is the day that gives this day, Palm Sunday, and this week, Holy Week, their meaning.

Without Easter, this week would just be morbid, but in the hope of the resurrection, we see these passion events for the awesome gift that they are: Life from Jesus…for you.

P—Presider **C—Congregation** L– Leader

GOD GATHERS US FOR WORSHIP

PRELUDE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS Pastor Paul Stumme-Diers

CELEBRATION WITH PALMS

P: Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.
C: Hosanna in the highest.

PROCESSIONAL GOSPEL *Mark 11:1-10*

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the eleventh chapter.

When they were approaching Jerusalem, at Bethphage and Bethany, near the Mount of Olives, he sent two of his disciples and said to them, “Go into the village ahead of you, and immediately as you enter it, you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden; untie it and bring it. If anyone says to you, ‘Why are you doing this?’ just say this, ‘The Lord needs it and will send it back here immediately.’” They went away and found a colt tied near a door, outside in the street. As they were untying it, some of the bystanders said to them, “What are you doing, untying the colt?” They told them what Jesus had said; and they allowed them to take it. Then they brought the colt to Jesus and threw their cloaks on it; and he sat on it. Many people spread their cloaks on the road, and others spread leafy branches that they had cut in the fields. Then those who went ahead and those who followed were shouting,

“Hosanna!
Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!
Blessed is the coming kingdom of our ancestor David!
Hosanna in the highest heaven!”

P: The Gospel of the Lord.
C: Thanks be to God.

ENTRANCE HYMN *Prepare the Royal Highway* #264

Frans Franzen/Swedish Folk Tune

1. Pre - pare the roy - al high - way; the King of kings is near! Let ev - 'ry hill and val - ley a lev - el road ap - pear! Then greet the King of glo - ry, fore - told in sa - cred sto - ry;
2. God's peo - ple, see him com - ing: your own e - ter - nal king! Palm branch - es strew be - fore him! Spread gar - ments! Shout and sing! God's prom - ise will not fail you! No more shall doubt as - sail you!
3. Then fling the gates wide o - pen to greet your prom - ised king! Your king, yet ev - 'ry na - tion its trib - ute too may bring. All lands will bow be - fore him; their voic - es join your sing - ing: Ho - san - na to the Lord, for he ful - fills God's word!
4. His is no earth - ly king - dom; it comes from heav'n a - bove. His rule is peace and free - dom and jus - tice, truth, and love. So let your praise be sound - ing for kind - ness so a - bound - ing:

PRAYER OF THE DAY

L: Let us pray.

… In your name, we pray.

C: Amen

GOD SPEAKS TO US IN HIS WORD

CHILDREN'S SERMON Paul Davis

BIBLE READING *Mark 11:11-14*

Then [Jesus] entered Jerusalem and went into the temple; and when he had looked around at everything, as it was already late, he went out to Bethany with the twelve.

On the following day, when they came from Bethany, he was hungry. Seeing in the distance a fig tree in leaf, he went to see whether perhaps he would find anything on it. When he came to it, he found nothing but leaves, for it was not the season for figs. He said to it, "May no one ever eat fruit from you again." And his disciples heard it.

SERMON

SILENCE FOR REFLECTION

This time of silence is an opportunity to meditate on the Word of God as spoken in Scripture and sermon.

PRAYERS

After each portion of the prayers:

L: Lord, in your mercy,

C: Hear our prayer.

The prayers conclude:

L: Accept our prayers and hear our cries when we call to you. We ask these things in the mercy of our savior Jesus Christ.

C: Amen

P: Jesus disrupted everything with his life lived in lifting up the downtrodden. We give, not because God needs our gifts as a sacrifice, but because God has entrusted us with the well-being of those around us. We give generously, unselfishly, so that our neighbor, who is beloved of God, may live.

Our faith practice of giving during worship will be online these days! To make your weekly offering, please open a browser tab and head over to your faith home's online giving portal. Please also consider a donation to the outreach ministries of Seekers, a ministry of the ELCA. Seekers is producing this webcast for the remotely gathered people of God.

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OFFERING *Deep Within*
David Haas

GOD FEEDS THE COMMUNITY IN THE MEAL

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

P: The Lord be with you
C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.
C: We lift them to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

P: 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.

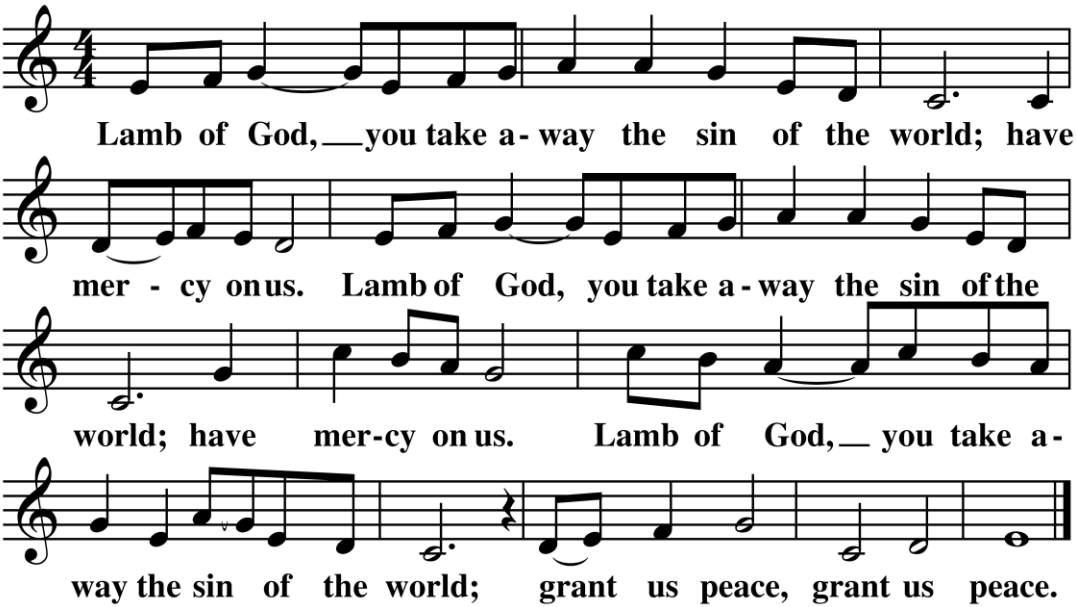
Again, after supper he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

LORD'S PRAYER

C: 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

THE DISTRIBUTION

We are gathered virtually today as the Body of Christ. As we sing the "Lamb of God," please gather your bread and wine, and then we will commune together.



THE VIRTUAL ASSEMBLY COMMUNES TOGETHER

P: The body of Christ, given for you.
The blood of Christ, shed for you.
C: Amen

When the congregation has been united in the meal, the pastor will say the table blessing:

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

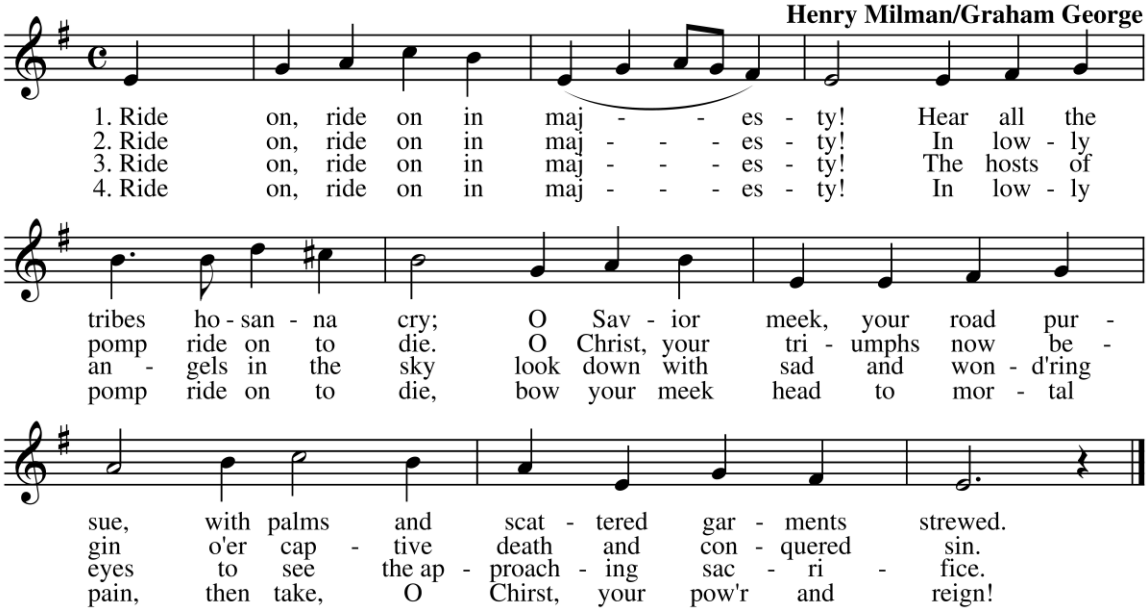
POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

P: Compassionate God, you have fed us with the bread of heaven. Sustain us in our Lenten fast: may our fasting be hunger for justice; our alms, a making of peace; and our prayer, the song of grateful hearts, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
C: Amen

GOD SENDS US OUT TO SERVE

SENDING HYMN *Ride On, Ride On in Majesty!* #346

Henry Milman/Graham George



BIBLE READING *Mark 11:15-19*

Then they came to Jerusalem. And he entered the temple and began to drive out those who were selling and those who were buying in the temple, and he overturned the tables of the money changers and the seats of those who sold doves; and he would not allow anyone to carry anything through the temple. He was teaching and saying, “Is it not written,

‘My house shall be called a house of prayer for all the nations’?

But you have made it a den of robbers.”

And when the chief priests and the scribes heard it, they kept looking for a way to kill him; for they were afraid of him, because the whole crowd was spellbound by his teaching. And when evening came, Jesus and his disciples went out of the city.

This story will be continued on Maundy Thursday.

There is no benediction on Palm Sunday; this celebration begins the weeklong observance including Maundy Thursday and Good Friday. We’ll hear the benediction announced on Easter as the great celebration concludes.

Devotions for Monday of Holy Week
April 6, 2020

TEXTS:

Isaiah 53:3-8

He was despised and rejected by others; a man of suffering and acquainted with infirmity; and as one from whom others hide their faces he was despised, and we held him of no account.

4Surely he has borne our infirmities and carried our diseases; yet we accounted him stricken, struck down by God, and afflicted. 5But he was wounded for our transgressions, crushed for our iniquities; upon him was the punishment that made us whole, and by his bruises we are healed. 6All we like sheep have gone astray; we have all turned to our own way, and the LORD has laid on him the iniquity of us all. 7He was oppressed, and he was afflicted, yet he did not open his mouth; like a lamb that is led to the slaughter, and like a sheep that before its shearers is silent, so he did not open his mouth. 8By a perversion of justice he was taken away. Who could have imagined his future? For he was cut off from the land of the living, stricken for the transgression of my people.

Psalm 36:5-11

Your steadfast love, O Lord, extends to the heavens, your faithfulness to the clouds. 6Your righteousness is like the mighty mountains, your judgments are like the great deep; you save humans and animals alike, O Lord. 7How precious is your steadfast love, O God! All people may take refuge in the shadow of your wings. 8They feast on the abundance of your house, and you give them drink from the river of your delights. 9For with you is the fountain of life; in your light we see light. 10O continue your steadfast love to those who know you, and your salvation to the upright of heart! 11Do not let the foot of the arrogant tread on me, or the hand of the wicked drive me away.

Mark 11:20-33

20In the morning as they passed by, they saw the fig tree withered away to its roots. 21Then Peter remembered and said to him, “Rabbi, look! The fig tree that you cursed has withered.” 22Jesus answered them, “Have faith in God. 23Truly I tell you, if you say to this mountain, ‘Be taken up and thrown into the sea,’ and if you do not doubt in your heart, but believe that what you say will come to pass, it will be done for you. 24So I tell you, whatever you ask for in prayer, believe that you have received it, and it will be yours.

25“Whenever you stand praying, forgive, if you have anything against anyone; so that your Father in heaven may also forgive you your trespasses.” 27Again they came to

Jerusalem. As he was walking in the temple, the chief priests, the scribes, and the elders
came to him [28]and said, “By what authority are you doing these things? Who gave you
this authority to do them?” [29]Jesus said to them, “I will ask you one question; answer me,
and I will tell you by what authority I do these things. [30]Did the baptism of John come
from heaven, or was it of human origin? Answer me.” [31]They argued with one another, “If
we say, ‘From heaven,’ he will say, ‘Why then did you not believe him?’ [32]But shall we
say, ‘Of human origin’?” —they were afraid of the crowd, for all regarded John as truly a
prophet. [33]So they answered Jesus, “We do not know.” And Jesus said to them, “Neither
will I tell you by what authority I am doing these things.”

PRAYER:

O God, your Son chose the path which led to pain before joy and the cross before glory. Plant his cross in our hearts, so that in its power and love we may come at last to joy and glory; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

QUESTIONS TO PONDER:

What do these passages speak to you today?

What is God doing?

How do these passages illuminate Jesus’ story of Holy Week?

Devotions for Tuesday of Holy Week
April 7, 2020

TEXTS:

Psalm 71:1-14

In you, O Lord, I take refuge; let me never be put to shame. [2]In your righteousness
deliver me and rescue me; incline your ear to me and save me. [3]Be to me a rock of
refuge, a strong fortress, to save me, for you are my rock and my fortress. [4]Rescue me,
O my God, from the hand of the wicked, from the grasp of the unjust and cruel. [5]For you,
O Lord, are my hope, my trust, O Lord, from my youth. [6]Upon you I have leaned from my
birth; it was you who took me from my mother’s womb. My praise is continually of you. [7]I
have been like a portent to many, but you are my strong refuge. [8]My mouth is filled with
your praise, and with your glory all day long. [9]Do not cast me off in the time of old age;
do not forsake me when my strength is spent. [10]For my enemies speak concerning me,

and those who watch for my life consult together. [11]They say, “Pursue and seize that person whom God has forsaken, for there is no one to deliver.” [12]O God, do not be far from me; O my God, make haste to help me! [13]Let my accusers be put to shame and consumed; let those who seek to hurt me be covered with scorn and disgrace. [14]But I will hope continually, and will praise you yet more and more.

1 Corinthians 1:18-31

For the message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. [19]For it is written, “I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart.” [20]Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? [21]For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, God decided, through the foolishness of our proclamation, to save those who believe. [22]For Jews demand signs and Greeks desire wisdom, [23]but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, [24]but to those who are the called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. [25]For God’s foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and God’s weakness is stronger than human strength. [26]Consider your own call, brothers and sisters: not many of you were wise by human standards, not many were powerful, not many were of noble birth. [27]But God chose what is foolish in the world to shame the wise; God chose what is weak in the world to shame the strong; [28]God chose what is low and despised in the world, things that are not, to reduce to nothing things that are, [29]so that no one might boast in the presence of God. [30]He is the source of your life in Christ Jesus, who became for us wisdom from God, and righteousness and sanctification and redemption, [31]in order that, as it is written, “Let the one who boasts, boast in the Lord.”

Mark 12

Then he began to speak to them in parables. “A man planted a vineyard, put a fence around it, dug a pit for the wine press, and built a watchtower; then he leased it to tenants and went to another country. [2]When the season came, he sent a slave to the tenants to collect from them his share of the produce of the vineyard. [3]But they seized him, and beat him, and sent him away empty-handed. [4]And again he sent another slave to them; this one they beat over the head and insulted.[5]Then he sent another, and that one they killed. And so it was with many others; some they beat, and others they killed. [6]He had still one other, a beloved son. Finally he sent him to them, saying, ‘They will respect my son.’ [7]But those tenants said to one another, ‘This is the heir; come, let us kill him, and the inheritance will be ours.’ [8]So they seized him, killed him, and threw him out of the vineyard. [9]What then will the owner of the vineyard do? He will come and destroy the tenants and give the vineyard to others. [10]Have you not read this scripture:

> ‘The stone that the builders rejected
> has become the cornerstone;

[11]this was the Lord's doing,
and it is amazing in our eyes'?"
[12]When they realized that he had told this parable against them, they wanted to arrest him, but they feared the crowd. So they left him and went away.
[13]Then they sent to him some Pharisees and some Herodians to trap him in what he said. [14]And they came and said to him, "Teacher, we know that you are sincere, and show deference to no one; for you do not regard people with partiality, but teach the way of God in accordance with truth. Is it lawful to pay taxes to the emperor, or not? [15]Should we pay them, or should we not?" But knowing their hypocrisy, he said to them, "Why are you putting me to the test? Bring me a denarius and let me see it." [16]And they brought one. Then he said to them, "Whose head is this, and whose title?" They answered, "The emperor's." [17]Jesus said to them, "Give to the emperor the things that are the emperor's, and to God the things that are God's." And they were utterly amazed at him.
[18]Some Sadducees, who say there is no resurrection, came to him and asked him a question, saying, [19]"Teacher, Moses wrote for us that 'if a man's brother dies, leaving a wife but no child, the man shall marry the widow and raise up children for his brother.' [20]There were seven brothers; the first married and, when he died, left no children; [21]and the second married her and died, leaving no children; and the third likewise; [22]none of the seven left children. Last of all the woman herself died. [23]In the resurrection whose wife will she be? For the seven had married her."
[24]Jesus said to them, "Is not this the reason you are wrong, that you know neither the scriptures nor the power of God? [25]For when they rise from the dead, they neither marry nor are given in marriage, but are like angels in heaven. [26]And as for the dead being raised, have you not read in the book of Moses, in the story about the bush, how God said to him, 'I am the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob'? [27]He is God not of the dead, but of the living; you are quite wrong."
[28]One of the scribes came near and heard them disputing with one another, and seeing that he answered them well, he asked him, "Which commandment is the first of all?" [29]Jesus answered, "The first is, 'Hear, O Israel: the Lord our God, the Lord is one; [30]you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind, and with all your strength.' [31]The second is this, 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.' There is no other commandment greater than these." [32]Then the scribe said to him, "You are right, Teacher; you have truly said that 'he is one, and besides him there is no other'; [33]and 'to love him with all the heart, and with all the understanding, and with all the strength,' and 'to love one's neighbor as oneself,' —this is much more important than all whole burnt offerings and sacrifices." [34]When Jesus saw that he answered wisely, he said to him, "You are not far from the kingdom of God." After that no one dared to ask him any question.
[35]While Jesus was teaching in the temple, he said, "How can the scribes say that the Messiah is the son of David? [36]David himself, by the Holy Spirit, declared,

‘The Lord said to my Lord,
“Sit at my right hand,
until I put your enemies under your feet.”’
[37]David himself calls him Lord; so how can he be his son?” And the large crowd was listening to him with delight.
[38]As he taught, he said, “Beware of the scribes, who like to walk around in long robes, and to be greeted with respect in the marketplaces, [39]and to have the best seats in the synagogues and places of honor at banquets! [40]They devour widows’ houses and for the sake of appearance say long prayers. They will receive the greater condemnation.”
[41]He sat down opposite the treasury, and watched the crowd putting money into the treasury. Many rich people put in large sums. [42]A poor widow came and put in two small copper coins, which are worth a penny.[43]Then he called his disciples and said to them, “Truly I tell you, this poor widow has put in more than all those who are contributing to the treasury. [44]For all of them have contributed out of their abundance; but she out of her poverty has put in everything she had, all she had to live on.”

PRAYER:
Lord Jesus, you have called us to follow you. Grant that our love may not grow cold in your service, and that we may not fail or deny you in the hour of trial. Amen

QUESTIONS TO PONDER:

What do these passages speak to you today?

What is God doing?

How do these passages illuminate Jesus’ story of Holy Week?

Devotions for Wednesday of Holy Week
April 8, 2020

TEXTS:
Isaiah 50:4-9a
The Lord God has given me the tongue of a teacher, that I may know how to sustain the weary with a word. Morning by morning he wakens— wakens my ear to listen as those who are taught. [5]The Lord God has opened my ear, and I was not rebellious, I did not turn backward. [6]I gave my back to those who struck me, and my cheeks to those who pulled out the beard; I did not hide my face from insult and spitting. [7]The Lord God helps

me; therefore I have not been disgraced; therefore I have set my face like flint, and I
know that I shall not be put to shame; [8]he who vindicates me is near. Who will contend
with me? Let us stand up together. Who are my adversaries? Let them confront me. [9]It is
the Lord God who helps me; who will declare me guilty?

Hebrews 12:1-3

Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay
aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance
the race that is set before us, [2]looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of our faith,
who for the sake of the joy that was set before him endured the cross, disregarding its
shame, and has taken his seat at the right hand of the throne of God. [3]Consider him who
endured such hostility against himself from sinners, so that you may not grow weary or
lose heart.

Mark 13

As he came out of the temple, one of his disciples said to him, “Look, Teacher, what
large stones and what large buildings!” [2]Then Jesus asked him, “Do you see these great
buildings? Not one stone will be left here upon another; all will be thrown down.”

[3]When he was sitting on the Mount of Olives opposite the temple, Peter, James,
John, and Andrew asked him privately, [4]“Tell us, when will this be, and what will be the
sign that all these things are about to be accomplished?” [5]Then Jesus began to say to
them, “Beware that no one leads you astray. [6]Many will come in my name and say, ‘I am
he!’ and they will lead many astray. [7]When you hear of wars and rumors of wars, do not
be alarmed; this must take place, but the end is still to come. [8]For nation will rise against
nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be earthquakes in various places; there
will be famines. This is but the beginning of the birthpangs.

[9]“As for yourselves, beware; for they will hand you over to councils; and you will be
beaten in synagogues; and you will stand before governors and kings because of me, as
a testimony to them. [10]And the good news must first be proclaimed to all nations. [11]When
they bring you to trial and hand you over, do not worry beforehand about what you are to
say; but say whatever is given you at that time, for it is not you who speak, but the Holy
Spirit. [12]Brother will betray brother to death, and a father his child, and children will rise
against parents and have them put to death;[13]and you will be hated by all because of my
name. But the one who endures to the end will be saved.

[14]“But when you see the desolating sacrilege set up where it ought not to be (let the
reader understand), then those in Judea must flee to the mountains; [15]the one on the
housetop must not go down or enter the house to take anything away; [16]the one in the
field must not turn back to get a coat. [17]Woe to those who are pregnant and to those who
are nursing infants in those days! [18]Pray that it may not be in winter. [19]For in those days
there will be suffering, such as has not been from the beginning of the creation that God
created until now, no, and never will be. [20]And if the Lord had not cut short those days,

no one would be saved; but for the sake of the elect, whom he chose, he has cut short those days. [21]And if anyone says to you at that time, ‘Look! Here is the Messiah!’ or ‘Look! There he is!’ —do not believe it. [22]False messiahs and false prophets will appear and produce signs and omens, to lead astray, if possible, the elect. [23]But be alert; I have already told you everything.

[24]“But in those days, after that suffering,
the sun will be darkened,
and the moon will not give its light,
[25]and the stars will be falling from heaven,
and the powers in the heavens will be shaken.
[26]Then they will see ‘the Son of Man coming in clouds’ with great power and glory. [27]Then he will send out the angels, and gather his elect from the four winds, from the ends of the earth to the ends of heaven.

[28]“From the fig tree learn its lesson: as soon as its branch becomes tender and puts forth its leaves, you know that summer is near. [29]So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that he is near, at the very gates. [30]Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all these things have taken place. [31]Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

[32]“But about that day or hour no one knows, neither the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. [33]Beware, keep alert; for you do not know when the time will come. [34]It is like a man going on a journey, when he leaves home and puts his slaves in charge, each with his work, and commands the doorkeeper to be on the watch. [35]Therefore, keep awake—for you do not know when the master of the house will come, in the evening, or at midnight, or at cockcrow, or at dawn, [36]or else he may find you asleep when he comes suddenly. [37]And what I say to you I say to all: Keep awake.”

PRAYER:

Almighty God, your Son our Savior suffered at human hands and endured the shame of the cross. Grant that we may walk in the way of his cross and find it the way of life and peace; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

QUESTIONS TO PONDER:

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Maundy Thursday Worship
April 9, 2020
7pm

INTRODUCTION TO THE DAY

Maundy Thursday begins the Triduum (see #1 below). Today we hear Jesus' parting words to his disciples. They are words of command, but they are also words of blessing. "Love one another" and "Do this in remembrance of me" are Jesus' deepest desires for his people on earth. Here are some answers to some frequently asked questions:

1. Final 3 days of Lent?
    - ✠ The final 3 days of Lent are referred to as the 'Triduum,' which is Latin, meaning 'three.' But Maundy Thursday, Good Friday and Easter are seen as a continuous celebration commemorating the central acts of Christianity. Each day needs the others in order to make sense.
2. What does "Maundy" mean?
    - ✠ 'Maundy' is an English form of the Latin word for 'commandment.'
    - ✠ The overarching theme of the day is Jesus' new commandment to his disciples, "Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another." John 13:34
    - ✠ Jesus' love is demonstrated both in his example of servanthood and by his gift of himself in Holy Communion.
3. Why do we strip the altar and chancel area?
    - ✠ The altar represents Christ and his being stripped of his power and glory.
4. Washing feet/hands?
    - ✠ Some Maundy Thursday celebrations include a time of washing of feet just as Jesus did for the disciples. Today we will wash our hands, serving our neighbor by inhibiting the transmission of illness.
    - ✠ Jesus models for us what a life of service looks like – and in communion we become what we eat and drink: the body of Christ, offering ourselves in love for the life of the world.
5. Why no benediction?
    - ✠ There is no benediction at the end of Maundy Thursday or at the end of Good Friday to show their continuity and to show that the story isn't over yet. On Easter we will finally be given the benediction/blessing when the story has its proper ending...or we could say, its new beginning.

PRELUDE

INVITATION TO CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P: 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; God's forgiveness and the power of his Spirit to change our lives continue with us because of his love for us in Jesus, our Savior.

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

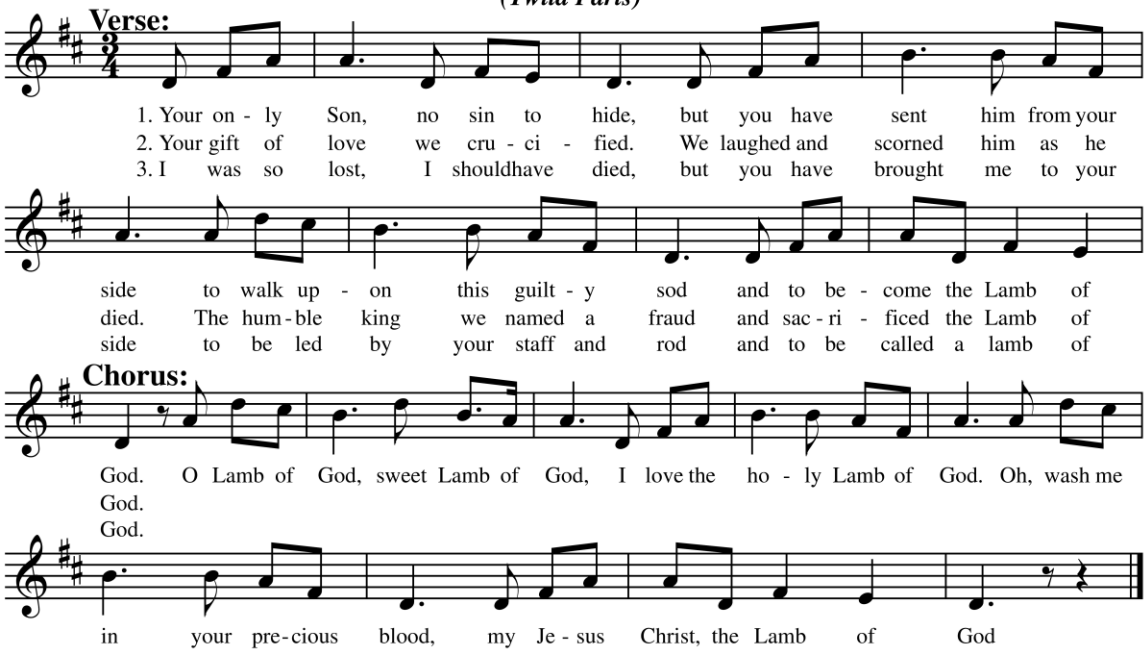
[Silence for reflection and self-examination]

P: God of love and mercy,
C: 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

P: Almighty 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.
C: Amen

OPENING HYMN *Lamb of God* #336

(Twila Paris)



PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: 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 Jesus 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, refresh our bodies and empower us to serve others, through 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

BIBLE READING *John 13:1-11*

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. [2]The devil had already put it into the heart of Judas son of Simon Iscariot to betray him. And during supper [3]Jesus, knowing that the Father had given all things into his hands, and that he had come from God and was going to God, [4]got up from the table, took off his outer robe, and tied a towel around himself. [5]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. [6]He came to Simon Peter, who said to him, "Lord, are you going to wash my feet?" [7]Jesus answered, "You do not know now what I am

doing, but later you will understand." [8]Peter said to him, "You will never wash my feet."
Jesus answered, "Unless I wash you, you have no share with me." [9]Simon Peter said to
him, "Lord, not my feet only but also my hands and my head!" [10]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." [11]For he knew who was to betray him; for this
reason he said, "Not all of you are clean."

HAND WASHING

P: In the time of Jesus, it was common practice for a host to have the feet of his guests washed upon entering his home. Today, we cannot even wash each other's hands, reflecting this ancient custom in its modern equivalent, serving one another and being served by one another. But as we try to contain a vicious virus, we can serve each other by washing our own hands. Please take this moment to go wash your hands in an act of love for your neighbor, in particular those most at risk for illness. We also encourage you to continue this handwashing act by choosing someone to serve through a phone call, a social media post, sewing a medial mask, or however you see a need to be met.

BIBLE READING *John 13:12-17, 31-35*

[12]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? [13]You call me Teacher and
Lord—and you are right, for that is what I am. [14]So if I, your Lord and Teacher, have
washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another's feet. [15]For I have set you an
example, that you also should do as I have done to you. [16]Very truly, I tell you, servants
are not greater than their master, nor are messengers greater than the one who sent
them. [17]If you know these things, you are blessed if you do them.

[31]When he had gone out, Jesus said, "Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and
God has been glorified in him. [32]If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him
in himself and will glorify him at once. [33]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.' [34]I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as
I have loved you, you also should love one another. [35]By this everyone will know that
you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

SERMON Pastor Alison Shane

BIBLE READING *Mark 14:1-11*

It was two days before the Passover and the festival of Unleavened Bread. The chief priests and the scribes were looking for a way to arrest Jesus by stealth and kill him; for they said, "Not during the festival, or there may be a riot among the people."

While he was at Bethany in the house of Simon the leper, as he sat at the table, a woman came with an alabaster jar of very costly ointment of nard, and she broke open

the jar and poured the ointment on his head. But some were there who said to one another in anger, “Why was the ointment wasted in this way? For this ointment could have been sold for more than three hundred denarii, and the money given to the poor.” And they scolded her. But Jesus said, “Let her alone; why do you trouble her? She has performed a good service for me. For you always have the poor with you, and you can show kindness to them whenever you wish; but you will not always have me. She has done what she could; she has anointed my body beforehand for its burial. Truly I tell you, wherever the good news is proclaimed in the whole world, what she has done will be told in remembrance of her.”

Then Judas Iscariot, who was one of the twelve, went to the chief priests in order to betray him to them. When they heard it, they were greatly pleased, and promised to give him money. So he began to look for an opportunity to betray him.

OFFERING

P: Keeping Jesus’ commandments means loving our neighbor enough to give up what we have for the sake of that neighbor and the world. It is not wasteful to give so that others might experience the gospel through beauty, proclamation, or food. The Spirit of Christ abides in you, enabling you to sacrifice for others as Jesus sacrificed for you.

Our faith practice of giving during worship will be online these days! To make your weekly offering, please open a browser tab and head over to your faith home’s online giving portal. Please also consider a donation to the outreach ministries of Seekers, a ministry of the ELCA. Seekers is producing this webcast for the remotely gathered people of God.

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OFFERING MUSIC *Return to God*
Marty Haugen

BIBLE READING *Mark 14:12-21*

On the first day of Unleavened Bread, when the Passover lamb is sacrificed, his disciples said to him, “Where do you want us to go and make the preparations for you to eat the Passover?” So he sent two of his disciples, saying to them, “Go into the city, and a man carrying a jar of water will meet you; follow him, and wherever he enters, say to the owner of the house, ‘The Teacher asks, Where is my guest room where I may eat the Passover with my disciples?’ He will show you a large room upstairs, furnished and ready. Make preparations for us there.” So the disciples set out and went to the city, and found everything as he had told them; and they prepared the Passover meal.

When it was evening, he came with the twelve. And when they had taken their places and were eating, Jesus said, “Truly I tell you, one of you will betray me, one who

is eating with me." They began to be distressed and to say to him one after another, "Surely, not I?" He said to them, "It is one of the twelve, one who is dipping bread into the bowl with me. For the Son of Man goes as it is written of him, but woe to that one by whom the Son of Man is betrayed! It would have been better for that one not to have been born."

WORDS OF INSTITUTION *Mark 12:22-25*

P: While they were eating, he took a loaf of bread, and after blessing it he broke it, gave it to them, and said, "Take; this is my body." Then he took a cup, and after giving thanks he gave it to them, and all of them drank from it. He said to them, "This is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many. Truly I tell you, I will never again drink of the fruit of the vine until that day when I drink it new in the kingdom of God."

LORD'S PRAYER

C: 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

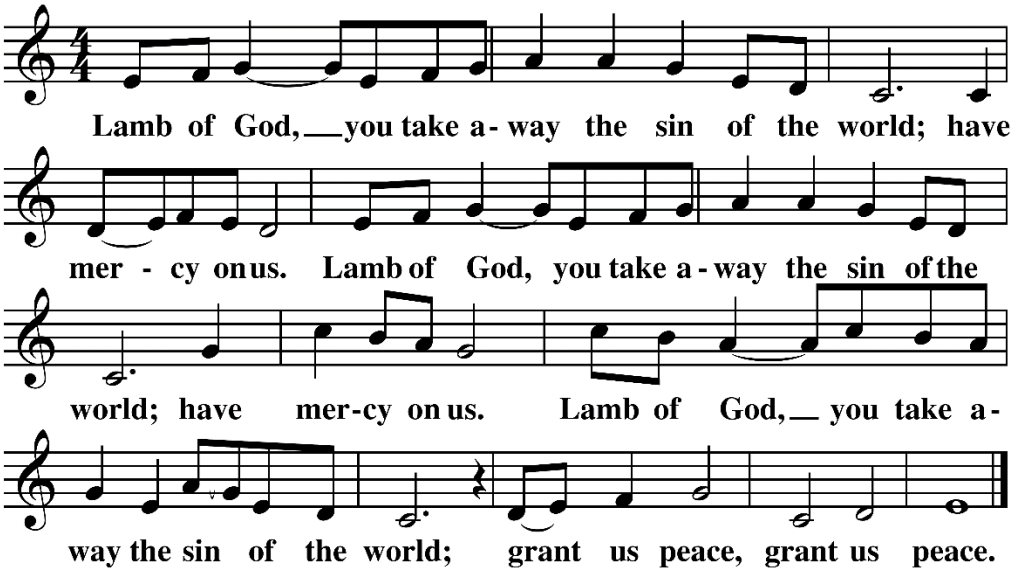
INVITATION TO COMMUNION

P: We are gathered at the table of our Lord; he is both host and servant. Share in the bread and cup of salvation.

C: Thanks be to God.

THE DISTRIBUTION

We are gathered virtually today as the Body of Christ. As we sing the "Lamb of God," please gather your bread and wine, and then we will commune together.



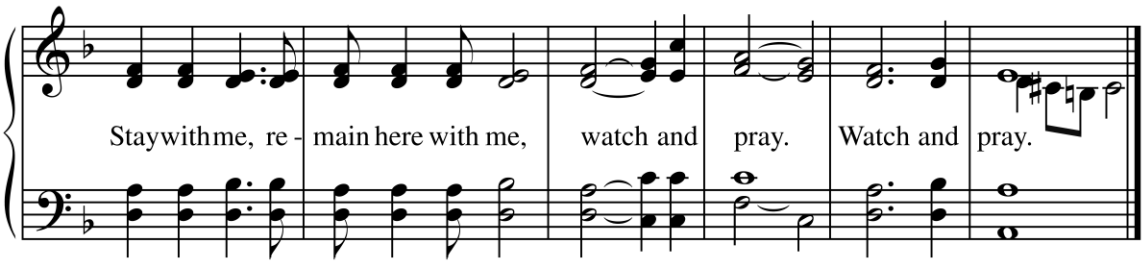
THE VIRTUAL ASSEMBLY COMMUNES TOGETHER

P: The body of Christ, given for you.
The blood of Christ, shed for you.
C: Amen

SERMON Pastor Paul Stumme-Diers

STRIPPING OF THE ALTAR Altar Guild

Stay With Me
(Taize Community/Jacques Berthie)



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BIBLE READING *Mark 12:25-31*

When they had sung the hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives. And Jesus said to them, “You will all become deserters; for it is written,

‘I will strike the shepherd,
and the sheep will be scattered.’

But after I am raised up, I will go before you to Galilee.” Peter said to him, “Even though all become deserters, I will not.” Jesus said to him, “Truly I tell you, this day, this very night, before the cock crows twice, you will deny me three times.” But he said vehemently, “Even though I must die with you, I will not deny you.” And all of them said the same.

SERMON Pastor Kent Shane

[On Maundy Thursday, there is no benediction, dismissal, or postlude since we celebrate these three days as one celebration.]

Good Friday Worship
April 10, 2020
7pm

INTRODUCTION TO THE DAY

Good Friday is considered the holiest day of the church year; it is also the darkest. This is the day our sin takes its toll, but instead of coming to bear on us, the Son of God suffers and dies. There are many differing scriptural explanations for what happens and why on this dark night, and we will never fully understand. But the common element is that God acts for our good. Today we listen to the story, following the action from the garden to the trial to Golgotha to the tomb.

Today we meditate on our own complicity in the death of Jesus. It is for our sin he died. It was to give us life that he died and was raised. Had we been present there, we would have denied him like everyone else. Today we are present here, pondering all Jesus endured for us as recorded in the gospel according to Mark, punctuated by our refrain of "Kyrie eleison. Christe eleison. Kyrie eleison."

Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

As you prepare for worship…

Two songs in this service are from the Taizé community in France. The first time we sing each, Miriam will play it through once, and then the congregation will sing it twice. The repetition is helpful for meditating on the words and the Passion of Christ that has inspired them. Subsequent times, the congregation will sing it with no introduction.

ENTER IN SILENCE

INTRODUCTION

HYMN

Ah, Holy Jesus

(Johann Heermann/Johann Cruger)

1. Ah, ho - ly Je - sus, how hast thou of - fen - ded,
2. Who was the guilt - y? Who brought this up - on thee?
3. Lo, the Good Shep - herd for the sheep is of - fered;
4. For me, kind Je - sus, was thine in - car - na - tion,
5. There - fore, kind Je - sus, since I can - not pay thee,

that we to judge thee have in hate pre - ten - ded? By foes de -
A - las, my trea - son, Je - sus, hath un - done thee! 'Twas I, Lord
the slave hath sin - ned, and the Son hath suf - fered. For our a -
thy mor - tal sor - row, and thy life's ob - la - tion; thy death of
I do a - dore thee, and will ev - er pray thee, think on thy

rid - ed, by thine own re - ject - ed, O most af - flict - ed!
Je - sus, I it was de - nied thee; I cru - ci - fied thee.
tone - ment, while we noth - ing heed - ed, God in - ter - ced - ed.
an - guish and thy bit - ter pas - sion, for my sal - va - tion.
pit - y and thy love un - swerv - ing, not my de - serv - ing.

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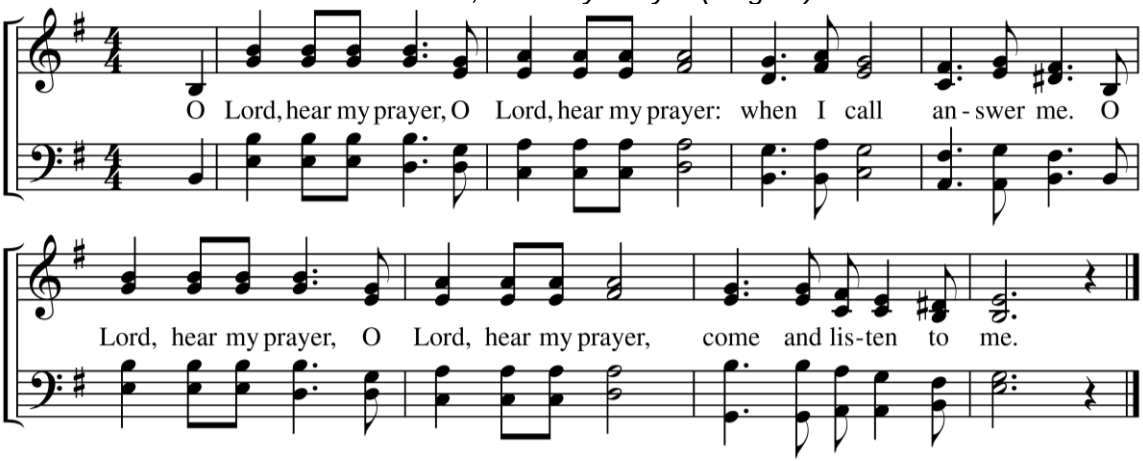
READING Mark 14:26

ANTIPHON *O Lord, Hear My Prayer (sing 1x)*



PETITION 1

ANTIPHON *O Lord, Hear My Prayer (1x)*

PETITION 2

ANTIPHON *O Lord, Hear My Prayer*

PETITION 3

ANTIPHON *O Lord, Hear My Prayer*

PETITION 4

ANTIPHON *O Lord, Hear My Prayer*

PETITION 5

ANTIPHON *O Lord, Hear My Prayer*

PETITION 6

ANTIPHON *O Lord, Hear My Prayer*

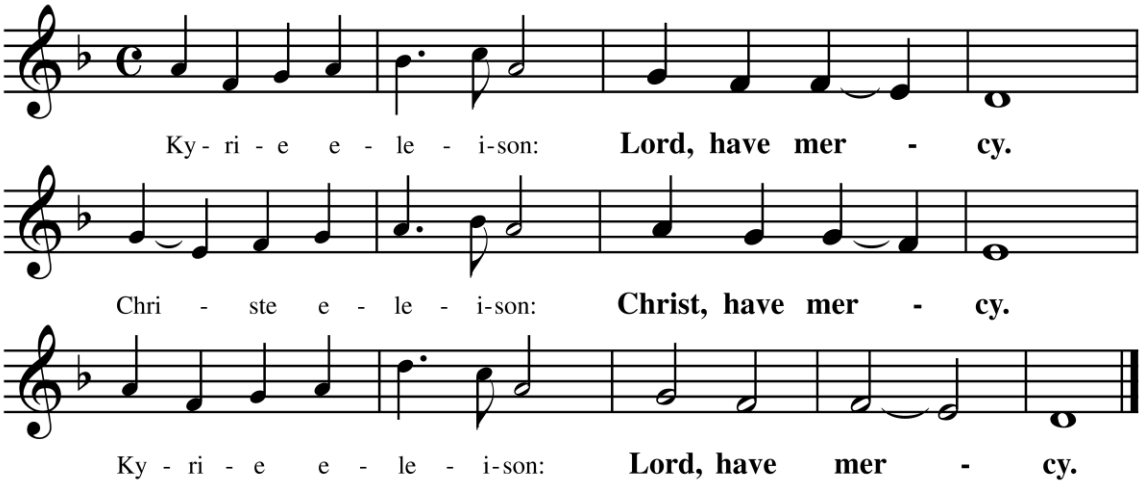
PETITION 7

ANTIPHON *O Lord, Hear My Prayer*

GRIEF AND VIOLENCE

READING Mark 14:27-42

REFLECTION *Kyrie Eleison*



READING Mark 14:43-52

REFLECTION *Kyrie Eleison*

VIOLENCE AND DENIAL

READING Mark 14:53-65

REFLECTION *Kyrie Eleison*

READING Mark 14:66-72

REFLECTION *Kyrie Eleison*

DENIAL AND DEATH

READING Mark 15:1-21

REFLECTION *Kyrie Eleison*

READING Mark 15:22-32

DEAD

READING Mark 15:33-39

REFLECTION *Kyrie Eleison*

READING Mark 15:40-47

SILENCE

Devotions for
Saturday of Holy Week/Easter Vigil
April 11, 2020

Yesterday we heard this reading, today we meditate on it:

Mark 14:26—15:47

[26]When they had sung the hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives.
[27]And Jesus said to them, "You will all become deserters; for it is written,
'I will strike the shepherd,
and the sheep will be scattered.'
[28]But after I am raised up, I will go before you to Galilee." [29]Peter said to him, "Even though all become deserters, I will not." [30]Jesus said to him, "Truly I tell you, this day, this very night, before the cock crows twice, you will deny me three times." [31]But he said vehemently, "Even though I must die with you, I will not deny you." And all of them said the same.
[32]They went to a place called Gethsemane; and he said to his disciples, "Sit here while I pray." [33]He took with him Peter and James and John, and began to be distressed and agitated. [34]And he said to them, "I am deeply grieved, even to death; remain here, and keep awake." [35]And going a little farther, he threw himself on the ground and prayed that, if it were possible, the hour might pass from him. [36]He said, "Abba, Father, for you all things are possible; remove this cup from me; yet, not what I want, but what you want." [37]He came and found them sleeping; and he said to Peter, "Simon, are you asleep? Could you not keep awake one hour? [38]Keep awake and pray that you may not come into the time of trial; the spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak." [39]And again he went away and prayed, saying the same words. [40]And once more he came and found them sleeping, for their eyes were very heavy; and they did not know what to say to him. [41]He came a third time and said to them, "Are you still sleeping and taking your rest? Enough! The hour has come; the Son of Man is betrayed into the hands of sinners. [42]Get up, let us be going. See, my betrayer is at hand."
[43]Immediately, while he was still speaking, Judas, one of the twelve, arrived; and with him there was a crowd with swords and clubs, from the chief priests, the scribes, and the elders. [44]Now the betrayer had given them a sign, saying, "The one I will kiss is the man; arrest him and lead him away under guard." [45]So when he came, he went up to him at once and said, "Rabbi!" and kissed him. [46]Then they laid hands on him and arrested him. [47]But one of those who stood near drew his sword and struck the slave of the high priest, cutting off his ear. [48]Then Jesus said to them, "Have you come out with swords and clubs to arrest me as though I were a bandit? [49]Day after day I was with you in the

temple teaching, and you did not arrest me. But let the scriptures be fulfilled." [50]All of them deserted him and fled.

[51]A certain young man was following him, wearing nothing but a linen cloth. They caught hold of him, [52]but he left the linen cloth and ran off naked.

[53]They took Jesus to the high priest; and all the chief priests, the elders, and the scribes were assembled. [54]Peter had followed him at a distance, right into the courtyard of the high priest; and he was sitting with the guards, warming himself at the fire. [55]Now the chief priests and the whole council were looking for testimony against Jesus to put him to death; but they found none. [56]For many gave false testimony against him, and their testimony did not agree. [57]Some stood up and gave false testimony against him, saying, [58]"We heard him say, 'I will destroy this temple that is made with hands, and in three days I will build another, not made with hands.'" [59]But even on this point their testimony did not agree. [60]Then the high priest stood up before them and asked Jesus, "Have you no answer? What is it that they testify against you?" [61]But he was silent and did not answer. Again the high priest asked him, "Are you the Messiah, the Son of the Blessed One?" [62]Jesus said, "I am; and

'you will see the Son of Man
seated at the right hand of the Power,'
and 'coming with the clouds of heaven.'"

[63]Then the high priest tore his clothes and said, "Why do we still need witnesses? [64]You have heard his blasphemy! What is your decision?" All of them condemned him as deserving death. [65]Some began to spit on him, to blindfold him, and to strike him, saying to him, "Prophesy!" The guards also took him over and beat him.

[66]While Peter was below in the courtyard, one of the servant-girls of the high priest came by. [67]When she saw Peter warming himself, she stared at him and said, "You also were with Jesus, the man from Nazareth." [68]But he denied it, saying, "I do not know or understand what you are talking about." And he went out into the forecourt. Then the cock crowed. [69]And the servant-girl, on seeing him, began again to say to the bystanders, "This man is one of them." [70]But again he denied it. Then after a little while the bystanders again said to Peter, "Certainly you are one of them; for you are a Galilean." [71]But he began to curse, and he swore an oath, "I do not know this man you are talking about." [72]At that moment the cock crowed for the second time. Then Peter remembered that Jesus had said to him, "Before the cock crows twice, you will deny me three times." And he broke down and wept.

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As soon as it was morning, the chief priests held a consultation with the elders and scribes and the whole council. They bound Jesus, led him away, and handed him over to Pilate. [2]Pilate asked him, "Are you the King of the Jews?" He answered him, "You say so." [3]Then the chief priests accused him of many things. [4]Pilate asked him again, "Have

you no answer? See how many charges they bring against you." [5]But Jesus made no further reply, so that Pilate was amazed.

[6]Now at the festival he used to release a prisoner for them, anyone for whom they asked. [7]Now a man called Barabbas was in prison with the rebels who had committed murder during the insurrection. [8]So the crowd came and began to ask Pilate to do for them according to his custom. [9]Then he answered them, "Do you want me to release for you the King of the Jews?" [10]For he realized that it was out of jealousy that the chief priests had handed him over. [11]But the chief priests stirred up the crowd to have him release Barabbas for them instead. [12]Pilate spoke to them again, "Then what do you wish me to do with the man you call the King of the Jews?" [13]They shouted back, "Crucify him!" [14]Pilate asked them, "Why, what evil has he done?" But they shouted all the more, "Crucify him!" [15]So Pilate, wishing to satisfy the crowd, released Barabbas for them; and after flogging Jesus, he handed him over to be crucified.

[16]Then the soldiers led him into the courtyard of the palace (that is, the governor's headquarters); and they called together the whole cohort. [17]And they clothed him in a purple cloak; and after twisting some thorns into a crown, they put it on him. [18]And they began saluting him, "Hail, King of the Jews!" [19]They struck his head with a reed, spat upon him, and knelt down in homage to him. [20]After mocking him, they stripped him of the purple cloak and put his own clothes on him. Then they led him out to crucify him.

[21]They compelled a passer-by, who was coming in from the country, to carry his cross; it was Simon of Cyrene, the father of Alexander and Rufus. [22]Then they brought Jesus to the place called Golgotha (which means the place of a skull). [23]And they offered him wine mixed with myrrh; but he did not take it. [24]And they crucified him, and divided his clothes among them, casting lots to decide what each should take.

[25]It was nine o'clock in the morning when they crucified him. [26]The inscription of the charge against him read, "The King of the Jews." [27]And with him they crucified two bandits, one on his right and one on his left. [29]Those who passed by derided him, shaking their heads and saying, "Aha! You who would destroy the temple and build it in three days, [30]save yourself, and come down from the cross!" [31]In the same way the chief priests, along with the scribes, were also mocking him among themselves and saying, "He saved others; he cannot save himself. [32]Let the Messiah, the King of Israel, come down from the cross now, so that we may see and believe." Those who were crucified with him also taunted him.

[33]When it was noon, darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon. [34]At three o'clock Jesus cried out with a loud voice, "Eloi, Eloi, lema sabachthani?" which means, "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?" [35]When some of the bystanders heard it, they said, "Listen, he is calling for Elijah." [36]And someone ran, filled a sponge with sour wine, put it on a stick, and gave it to him to drink, saying, "Wait, let us see whether Elijah will come to take him down." [37]Then Jesus gave a loud cry and breathed his last. [38]And the curtain of the temple was torn in two, from top to bottom. [39]Now when

the centurion, who stood facing him, saw that in this way he breathed his last, he said, “Truly this man was God’s Son!”

[40]There were also women looking on from a distance; among them were Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James the younger and of Joses, and Salome. [41]These used to follow him and provided for him when he was in Galilee; and there were many other women who had come up with him to Jerusalem.

[42]When evening had come, and since it was the day of Preparation, that is, the day before the sabbath, [43]Joseph of Arimathea, a respected member of the council, who was also himself waiting expectantly for the kingdom of God, went boldly to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus. [44]Then Pilate wondered if he were already dead; and summoning the centurion, he asked him whether he had been dead for some time. [45]When he learned from the centurion that he was dead, he granted the body to Joseph. [46]Then Joseph bought a linen cloth, and taking down the body, wrapped it in the linen cloth, and laid it in a tomb that had been hewn out of the rock. He then rolled a stone against the door of the tomb. [47]Mary Magdalene and Mary the mother of Joses saw where the body was laid.

Easter Festival Worship
April 12, 2020
8:30am & 11am

INTRODUCTION TO THIS SUNDAY OF THE CHURCH YEAR

The Resurrection of our Lord, also known as Easter Sunday, is the day that God uses to reveal God's-self most clearly. The suffering of the previous week can only find meaning in God's saving action through raising Jesus the Christ from the dead.

We celebrate today not only because Jesus was given more days on earth, but also because he was raised, never to die again. He beat death, which is the consequence of sin as God had told Adam and Eve in chapter 3 of Genesis – the first book of the Bible. So the ultimate foe, death, which had been so powerful throughout the history of God's people, was finally conquered by God. And this victory restored the world to its rightful place with God as John stated in the 3rd chapter of his gospel, "For God so loved the world that he gave his only son, so that whoever believes in him may not perish but have eternal life."

We are connected to Jesus' death and resurrection through our baptisms. We have died to sin in those waters and have been raised to live with Christ in his kingdom now and in the world to come. In Christ, God has changed all the rules. We live because Jesus lives, and we rejoice in that good news.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

GOD GATHERS US FOR WORSHIP

PRELUDE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

EASTER GREETING

P: Christ is risen!
C: Christ is risen indeed!
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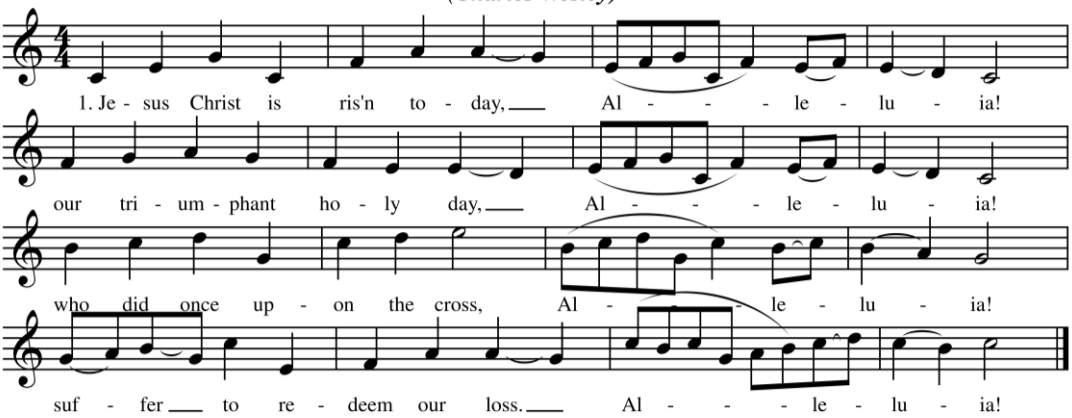
C: Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

OPENING HYMN *Jesus Christ Is Risen Today* #365

(Charles Wesley)



Verse 2:

Hymns of praise then let us sing, Alleluia! unto Christ, our heavenly king, Alleluia!
who endured the cross and the grave, Alleluia! sinners to redeem and save. Alleluia!

Verse 3:

But the pains which he endured, Alleluia! our salvation have procured; Alleluia!
now above the sky he's king, Alleluia! where the angels ever sing. Alleluia!

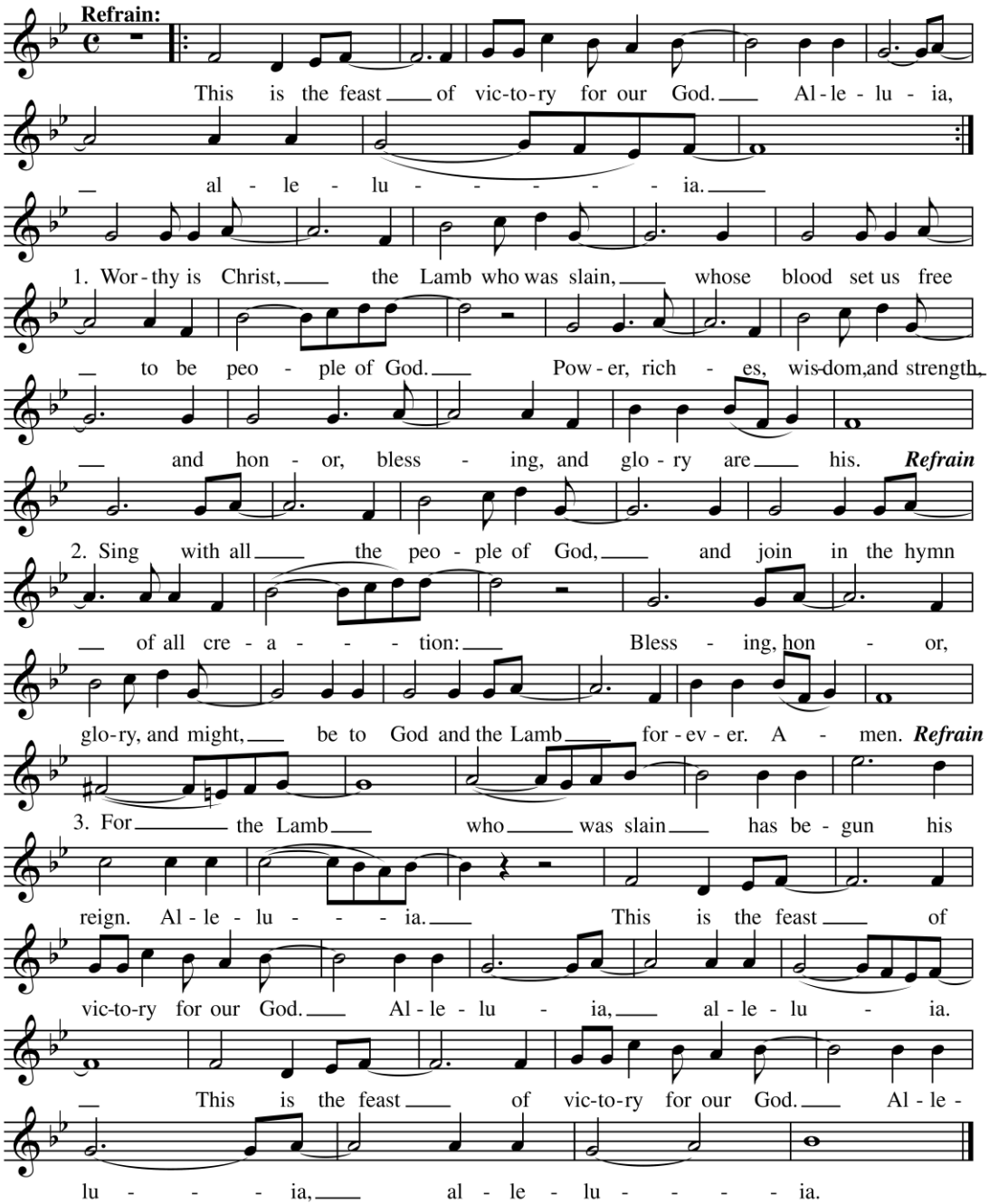
Verse 4:

Sing we to our God above, Alleluia! praise eternal as his love; Alleluia!
praise him, all you heav'nly host, Alleluia! Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia!

APOSTOLIC GREETING

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

C: And also with you.


Refrain:
This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le-lu-ia,
al-le-lu-ia.
1. Wor-thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free
to be peo-ple of God. Pow-er, rich-es, wis-dom, and strength,
and hon-or, bless-ing, and glo-ry are his. Refrain
2. Sing with all the peo-ple of God, and join in the hymn
of all cre-a-tion: Bless-ing, hon-or,
glo-ry, and might, be to God and the Lamb for-ev-er. A-men. Refrain
3. For the Lamb who was slain has be-gun his
reign. Al-le-lu-ia. This is the feast of
vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia.
This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le-
lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

L: Let us pray… **C: Amen**

GOD SPEAKS TO US IN HIS WORD

BIBLE READING Mark 16:1-8

When the sabbath was over, Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices, so that they might go and anoint him. [2]And very early on the first day of the week, when the sun had risen, they went to the tomb. [3]They had been saying to one another, "Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance to the tomb?"[4]When they looked up, they saw that the stone, which was very large, had already been rolled back. [5]As they entered the tomb, they saw a young man, dressed in a white robe, sitting on the right side; and they were alarmed. [6]But he said to them, "Do not be alarmed; you are looking for Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has been raised; he is not here. Look, there is the place they laid him. [7]But go, tell his disciples and Peter that he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him, just as he told you." [8]So they went out and fled from the tomb, for terror and amazement had seized them; and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.

L: The Word of the Lord. **C: Thanks be to God.**

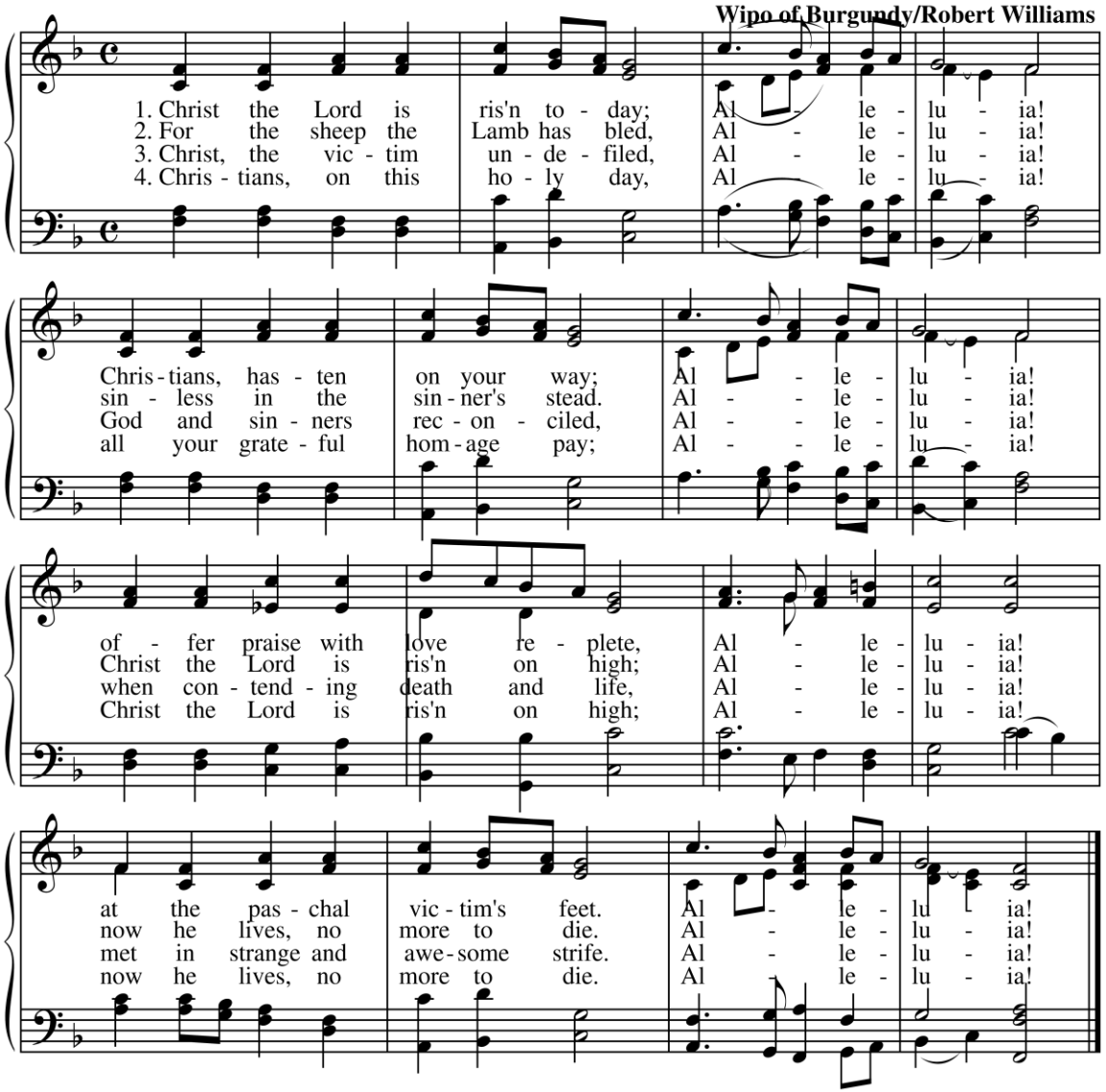
CHILDREN'S SERMON Paul Davis

SERMON

SILENCE FOR REFLECTION

This time of silence is an opportunity to meditate on the Word of God as spoken in Scripture and sermon.

HYMN OF THE DAY *Christ the Lord Is Risen Today; Alleluia!* #369



CONFESSION OF FAITH – APOSTLES' CREED

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

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He 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, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again 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

After each portion of the prayers:

L: Lord, in your mercy,
C: hear our prayer.

The prayers conclude:

L: In sadness and in joy, you hear our prayers, O God. Hold in your hands all these things for which we ask, as we trust in the mercy of the one who defeated death, Jesus Christ. Amen.
C: Amen

OFFERING INTRODUCTION

L: "[Mary] ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, 'They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him.'" We give because God has entrusted us with the good news of Jesus, and God calls us to share that good news. We give generously, unselfishly, so that our neighbor, who is beloved of God, may hear the gospel through the ministries here at PFLC, through the ministries of the ELCA, and through the ministries of our community partners here in Kitsap County.

Our faith practice of giving during worship will be online these days! To make your weekly offering, please open a browser tab and head over to your faith home's online giving portal. Please also consider a donation to the outreach ministries of Seekers, a ministry of the ELCA. Seekers is producing this webcast for the remotely gathered people of God.
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OFFERING/SPECIAL MUSIC *Alleluia*
Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart

GOD HEALS THE COMMUNITY IN THE MEAL

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

P: The Lord be with you
C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.
C: We lift them to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

P: 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.

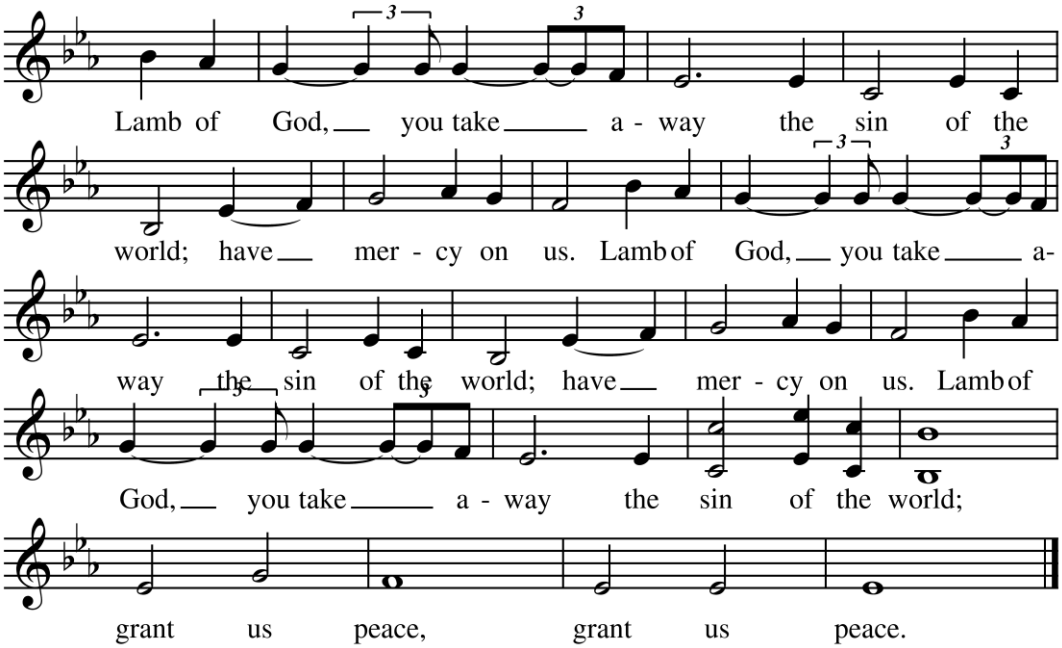
Again, after supper he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

LORD'S PRAYER

C: 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

THE DISTRIBUTION

We are gathered virtually today as the Body of Christ. As we sing the "Lamb of God," please gather your bread and wine, and then we will commune together.



THE VIRTUAL ASSEMBLY COMMUNES TOGETHER

P: The body of Christ, given for you.
The blood of Christ, shed for you.
C: Amen

When the congregation has been united in the meal, the pastor will say the table blessing:

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

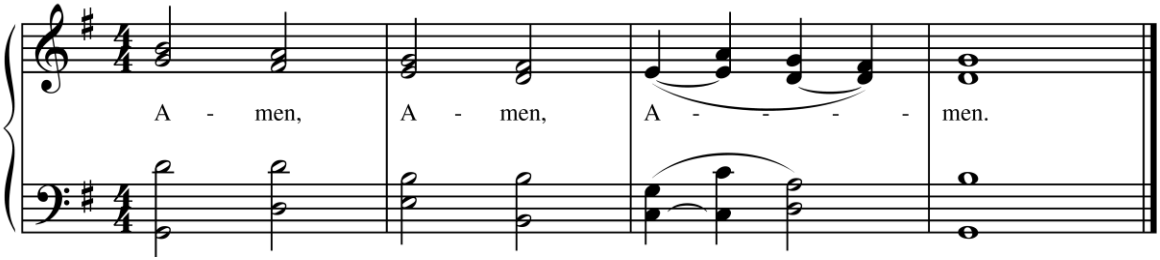
POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

P: Life-giving God, in the mystery of Christ's resurrection you send light to conquer darkness, water to give new life, and the bread of life to nourish your people. Send us forth as witnesses to your Son's resurrection, that we may show your glory to all the world, through Jesus Christ, our risen Lord.
C: Amen

God Sends Us Out to Serve

Benediction

P: The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.
In the name of the Father, and of the ✠ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.



SENDING HYMN *Thine Is the Glory* #376

Edmond Budry/George Handel

1. Thine is the glo - ry, ris - en, con - qu'ring Son; end - less is the
2. Lo, Je - sus meets thee, ris - en from the tomb! Lov - ing - ly he
3. No more we doubt thee, glo - rious Prince of life; life is naught with -

vic - t'ry thou o'er death hast won! An - gels in bright rai - ment
greets thee, scat - ters fear and gloom; let his church with glad - ness
out thee; aid us in our strife; make us more than con-qu'rors,

rolled the stone a - way, kept the fold - ed grave - cloths
hymns of tri - umph sing, for the Lord now liv - eth;
through thy death - less love; bring us safe through Jor - dan

where thy bod - y lay.
death hath lost its sting!
to thy home a - bove.

Thine is the glo - ry, ris - en, con-qu'ring

Son; end - less is the vic - t'ry thou o'er death hast won!

SHARING GOD'S PEACE

L: You are a people gathered
C: and sent in the love of Christ.
L: Go in peace. Serve your neighbor.
C: Okay! We will!

POSTLUDE

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People gathered and sent in the love of Christ.

GUIDING PRINCIPLE

How can we best demonstrate the love of Christ?

CORE VALUES

Jesus is Lord – Worship – Compassion – Service