# HOLY THURSDAY (MAUNDY THURSDAY)

Thursday, March 28, 2024 - 6:30 p.m.



#### As We Gather

Maundy Thursday (Latin, mandatum, meaning a new 'command') begins a single service that spans three days. What is begun tonight is not concluded until Easter. This is one story told in three parts. Part one starts with the traditional Jewish Passover meal. Things, however, are changing. Jesus transforms this experience into the new covenant meal of the Lord's Supper, a meal that does not simply recall the past. This meal connects us with Jesus in the present.

#### **Red Connection Pads**

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A Note on Holy Communion Guests are encouraged to see details about Communion on p. 6.



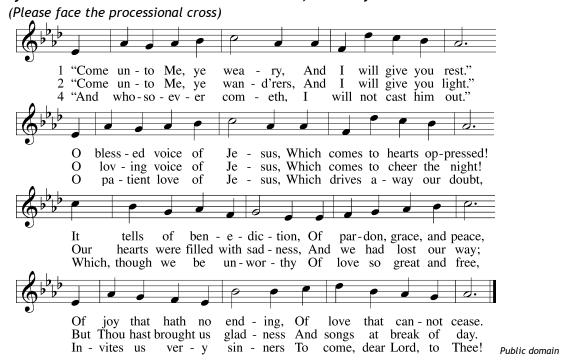
A Note on Offerings As an act of worship and thanksgiving, we offer to God what He has first given to us: the first and best of our time, talents, and financial gifts. Donation boxes are located by each entry door or if you would like to contribute online, with either a onetime or ongoing gift, please use clcs.org/give or the QR code to the left.

## Welcome & Pastoral Greeting

P = Pastor; L = Worship Leader; C = Congregation

### **Call to Worship** (Please stand)

- P: During supper... Jesus, knowing that the Father had given all things into his hands, and that he had come from God and was going back to God, rose from supper. He laid aside his outer garments, and taking a towel, tied it around his waist. Then he poured water into a basin and began to wash the disciples' feet and to wipe them with the towel that was wrapped around him. ... When he had washed their feet ... he said to them, 'Do you understand what I have done to you? ... If I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another's feet. ... Truly, truly, I say to you, a servant is not greater than his master, nor is a messenger greater than the one who sent him.' ... Jesus said, 'A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you
  - must love one another." (John 13:2-5, 12, 14, 16, 34)
- C: By this all people will know that you are My disciples, if you love one another. (John 13:35)
- P: God demonstrates His own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us. (Romans 5:8)
- C: "This is how we know what love is: Jesus Christ laid down His life for us. And we ought to lay down our lives for others." (1 John 3:16)



# Prayer

# ↑ The Word of the Lord ↑

**Epistle** (*Please be seated*) "We who are many are one" 1 Corinthians 10:15-17, 23-24 <sup>15</sup> I speak as to sensible people; judge for yourselves what I say. <sup>16</sup> The cup of blessing that we bless, is it not a participation in the blood of Christ? The bread that we break, is it not a participation in the body of Christ? <sup>17</sup> Because there is one bread, we who are many are one body, for we all partake of the one bread... <sup>23</sup> "All things are lawful," but not all things are helpful. "All things are lawful," but not all things build up. <sup>24</sup> Let no one seek his own good, but the good of his neighbor.

Choir Anthem

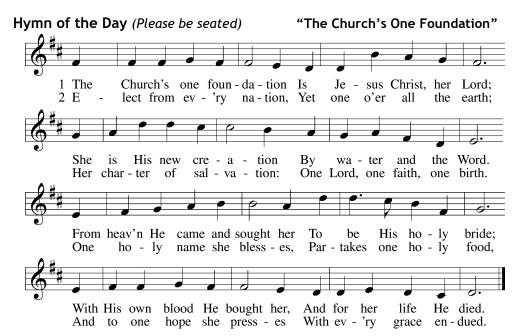
"Now, My Tongue, the Mystery Telling"

Calvary Chorale Calvary Handbells Holy Gospel (Please stand) "I am among you as the one who serves"

Mark 14:16-26

LSB 644

<sup>16</sup> And the disciples set out and went to the city and found it just as he had told them, and they prepared the Passover. <sup>17</sup> And when it was evening, he came with the twelve. <sup>18</sup> And as they were reclining at table and eating, Jesus said, "Truly, I say to you, one of you will betray me, one who is eating with me." <sup>19</sup> They began to be sorrowful and to say to him one after another, "Is it I?" <sup>20</sup> He said to them, "It is one of the twelve, one who is dipping bread into the dish with me. <sup>21</sup> For the Son of Man goes as it is written of him, but woe to that man by whom the Son of Man is betrayed! It would have been better for that man if he had not been born." <sup>22</sup> And as they were eating, he took bread, and after blessing it broke it and gave it to them, and said, "Take; this is my body." <sup>23</sup> And he took a cup, and when he had given thanks he gave it to them, and they all drank of it. <sup>24</sup> And he said to them, "This is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many. <sup>25</sup> Truly, I say to you, I will not drink again of the fruit of the vine until that day when I drink it new in the kingdom of God." <sup>26</sup> And when they had sung a hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives.

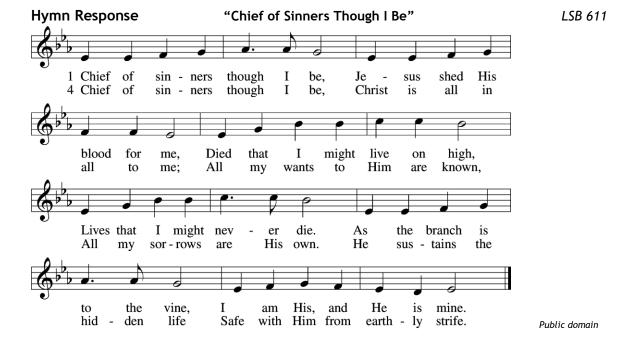


5 Yet she on earth has union, With God, the Three in One, And mystic sweet communion, With those whose rest is won. O blessèd heav'nly chorus! Lord, save us by Your grace That we, like saints before us, May see You face to face.

Listen to past sermons or share them with a friend at <u>clcs.org/sermons</u>.

### **Confession and Absolution** (Please stand)

- L: We gather this evening to commemorate a most holy night, a night when God established a new promise with His people through His Son, Jesus Christ. Therefore, gathered in His holy name, we confess our deepest need before Him and before one another.
- C: Holy and gracious God, I confess that I have sinned against You. Some of my sin I know—the thoughts and words and deeds of which I am ashamed—but some is known only to You. In the name of Jesus Christ I ask for Your forgiveness.
- L: Do you believe that the forgiveness I speak is not my forgiveness but God's?
- C: Yes.
- L: Let it be done for you as you believe. As a called and ordained servant of our Lord Jesus Christ I now forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C: Amen.





# ⊕ Holy Communion ⊕

Jesus Christ, the Bread of Life, welcomes us today to the table to receive of the blessings won for us upon the cross. As we draw near confessing our wayward ways and desiring to live a new life in Christ, we examine ourselves as the Bible encourages us to do in 1 Corinthians 11:28. We therefore pause to consider why Jesus gave us this sacred meal and what He now gives us in it, for this is a meal of...

- 1. Forgiveness Am I sorry for my sin and desire God's forgiveness? (Matthew 26:28)
- 2. Faith Do I believe that Jesus is my Savior and that he is truly present in this meal for my benefit? (1 Corinthians 11:26-28)
- 3. **Fellowship** Do I come to this table desiring reconciliation with others (Matthew 5:23-24), and am I in agreement with the beliefs of this faith community in which I now seek to receive communion? (1 Corinthians 10:16-21)

<u>New to Calvary or have questions</u>? Feel free to speak to a pastor before or after service. Those not receiving communion may remain seated or come forward for a blessing from the pastor. Please cross your arms over your chest to indicate you are not receiving communion.

### When invited forward, please line up in front of the communion rail.

Gluten-free wafers are available on stands at the end of the first row for those with a gluten allergy to pick up on their way to the communion rail.

Non-alcoholic (white) wine is available at the center of the communion tray.

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After being dismissed with a blessing, please return to your seat using the center aisle.

### Rite of First Communion (Please be seated)

# Lord's Prayer

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 Words of Institution & the Proclamation of Christ

- L: As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes. 1 Corinthians 11:26
- C: Amen. Come, Lord Jesus. Revelation 22:20





### **Communion Distribution**

**Special Music** "When I Survey the Wonderous Cross" Calvary Handbells (For meditation and reflection, the text may be followed in the hymnal - LSB 425.)

Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread, and your labor for that which does not satisfy?

Listen diligently to me, and eat what is good, and delight yourselves in rich food. ...

Seek the Lord while he may be found; call upon him while he is near...

Isaiah 55:2, 6



## **Distribution Hymn**

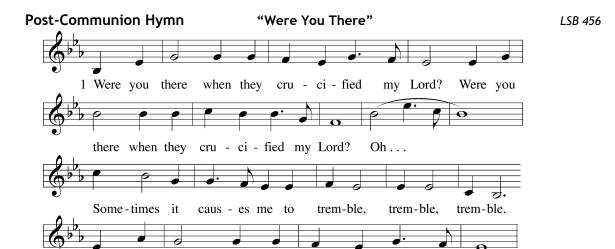
"Jesus, Thy Blood and Righteousness"

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- 1 Jesus, Thy blood and righteousness My beauty are, my glorious dress; Midst flaming worlds, in these arrayed, With joy shall I lift up my head.
- 2 Bold shall I stand in that great day, Cleansed and redeemed, no debt to pay; Fully absolved through these I am From sin and fear, from guilt and shame.
- 3 Lord, I believe Thy precious blood, Which at the mercy seat of God Pleads for the captives' liberty, Was also shed in love for me.
- 4 Lord, I believe, were sinners more Than sands upon the ocean shore, Thou hast for all a ransom paid, For all a full atonement made.

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# **†** Stripping of the Altar **†**

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(This ancient custom points to the humiliation of Jesus at the hands of the soldiers.)

L: After the Last Supper, events in our Lord's life changed dramatically, moving from the Garden of Gethsemane to the cross of Golgotha.

Jesus said, "I am the Light of the world. Whoever follows me will have the light of life and will never walk in darkness." The events of Golgotha snuffed out the life of Jesus.

C: As creation fell into darkness at His suffering, so we remove our candles. (Candles extinguished and removed, except the Christ Candle)

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L: Plants remind us of the new life that springs forth at this time of year.

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- C: As the young life of Jesus draws to a close, so we remove the plants from our altar.

  (Plants and flowers are removed)
- L: The missal stand holds the books that guide our worship, our prayer, and our praise to God. As Jesus suffers, joy turns to mourning.
- C: As the sounds of praise are removed from our lips, so we remove the missal stand.

  (Missal stands and service books are removed)
- L: Jesus offered His body and blood in the holy mystery of the Lord's Supper.
- C: As He was removed from us in death, so we remove the elements of this Sacrament. (Communion vessels removed)
- L: It is here at our altar that the Lord Jesus serves us as both host and meal at His banquet feast. The altar coverings are made of materials appropriate for feasting with our King.
- C: As our King's body was stripped in crucifixion, so our altar is stripped of its coverings.

  (Altar cloths and paraments are removed)

The lights are now dimmed as the darkness of this night sets in around us.

Jesus will soon be betrayed, arrested, and taken away to the first of several trials before his final path to suffering and death upon the cross.

Psalm 22 Calvary Chorale

My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me? why art thou so far from helping me, and from the words of my roaring? O my God, I cry in the day time, but thou hearest not; and in the night season, and am not silent. But thou art holv. O thou that inhabitest the praises of Israel. Our fathers trusted in thee: they trusted, and thou didst deliver them. They cried unto thee, and were delivered: they trusted in thee, and were not confounded. All they that see me laugh me to scorn: they shoot out the lip, they shake the head, saying, He trusted on the Lord that he would deliver him: let him deliver him, seeing he delighted in him. They part my garments among them, and cast lots upon my vesture. But be not thou far from me, O Lord: O my strength, haste thee to help me. They shall come, and shall declare his righteousness unto a people that shall be born, that he hath done this.

The Christ Candle is removed as Jesus, the Light of the World, goes into the darkness of the night, where he will be betrayed and arrested.

The cross is veiled for Good Friday.

### **Dismissal**

There is no benediction on Maundy Thursday.

We depart the church in silence as we await the continuation of our worship on Good Friday.

May the Lord deepen your faith in Jesus and bless your journey through Holy Week.

# First Communion Service

# Maundy Thursday—March 28, 2024

Calvary Lutheran Church & School

## Turner Jaxsen Bauer

Parents: Steve & Roz Bauer

## Jane Lauren Bolden

Parents: Jay & Laura Bolden

# Laney Sue-Eileen Deckard

Parents: Jason Deckard & Ruth Deckard

# **Maddox Grady Engelking**

Parents: Josh & Cari Engelking

# Ethan Lee Folkening

Parents: Michelle Folkening

# **Alyssa Marie Gaskins**

Parents: Angel Gaskins & Michael Gaskins

# Samuel Louis Huene

Parents: Neil & Melanie Huene

# **⇔** Serving Our Lord and His People **⊕**

**Preacher:** Pastor Kurt Ebert **Worship Leader:** Sam Troemel

Communion Assistants: Dave Honebrink, Phil Hendershott

Organist: Tony Spelde
Projectionist: Rebekah Ebert
Press Creator: Rachel Daeger



## Good Friday, March 29th at 2:15 & 6:30 p.m.

Both services trace the final words of Jesus interspersed with songs and prayer
The 2:15 p.m. service is our Calvary School chapel, but all are welcome to attend.
The 6:30 p.m. service includes our Calvary Chorale.

## Easter Vigil, Saturday, March 30th at 6:30 p.m.

Bridges the gap between the darkness of Good Friday and the joy of Christ's resurrection.



## Easter Sunday, March 31st at 8:00 and 10:45 a.m.

Both services provide an opportunity to celebrate the joy of the resurrection of Jesus with special music from our choir, handbells, and other musicians.

#### Easter Breakfast from 9:00 - 10:30 a.m.

Food service takes place in the cafeteria with seating in the gym. A freewill offering will take place to support our youth attending the mission trip to St. Louis this summer.

