

Maundy Thursday

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*Bethany's Mission Statement: Reaching out in Worship, Fellowship,
Learning and Love - we are God's people.*

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ELW indicates that hymns or liturgy are taken from Evangelical Lutheran Worship—red hymnal

PRELUDE

We Gather to Acknowledge God's Presence

SERMON

Pastor Pete Hagglund

(Please stand)

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.
- P: Within the community of the church, God never wearies of forgiving sin and giving the peace of reconciliation. On this night let us confess our sin again God and our neighbor, and enter the celebration of the great Three Days reconciled with God and with one another.
- P: Most Merciful God,
- 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: In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for His sake God forgives us all our sins. 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.
- C: Amen.**

SHARING OF THE PEACE

- P: The peace of the Lord be with you.
- C: And also with you.**

We Listen to God's Word

FIRST READING

Exodus 12:1-4, 11-14

¹The LORD said to Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt: ²This month shall mark for you the beginning of months; it shall be the first month of the year for you. ³Tell the whole congregation of Israel that on the tenth of this month they are to take a lamb for each family, a lamb for each household. ⁴If a household is too small for a whole lamb, it shall join its closest neighbor in obtaining one; the lamb shall be divided in proportion to the number of people who eat of it. ¹¹This is how you shall eat it: your loins girded, your sandals on your feet, and your staff in your hand; and you shall eat it hurriedly. It is the passover of the LORD. ¹²For I will pass through the land of Egypt that night, and I will strike down every firstborn in the land of Egypt, both human beings and animals; on all the gods of Egypt I will execute judgments: I am the LORD. ¹³The blood shall be a sign for you on the houses where you live: when I see the blood, I will pass over you, and no plague shall destroy you when I strike the land of Egypt.

¹⁴This day shall be a day of remembrance for you. You shall celebrate it as a festival to the LORD; throughout your generations you shall observe it as a perpetual ordinance.

PSALM *(read responsively)*

Psalm 116:1-2, 12-19

L: I love the LORD, who has heard my voice,
and listened to my supplication,
for the LORD has given ear to me
whenever I called.

**C: How shall I repay the LORD
for all the good things God has done for me?**

L: I will lift the cup of salvation
and call on the name of the LORD.

**C: I will fulfill my vows to the LORD
in the presence of all God's people.**

L: Precious in your sight, O LORD,
is the death of your servants.

**C: O LORD, truly I am your servant;
I am your servant, the child of your handmaid; you have freed me from
my bonds.**

L: I will offer you the sacrifice of thanksgiving
and call upon the name of the LORD.

**C: I will fulfill my vows to the LORD
in the presence of all God's people,
in the courts of the LORD's house,
in the midst of you, O Jerusalem.**

(Please stand)

P: The Gospel according to John, the 13th chapter.

C: **Glory to you, O Lord**

HOLY GOSPEL

John 13:1-17; 31b-35

¹Now 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. ²The devil had already put it into the heart of Judas son of Simon Iscariot to betray him. And during supper ³Jesus, knowing that the Father had given all things into his hands, and that he had come from God and was going to God, ⁴got up from the table, took off his outer robe, and tied a towel around himself. ⁵Then 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. ⁶He came to Simon Peter, who said to him, "Lord, are you going to wash my feet?" ⁷Jesus answered, "You do not know now what I am doing, but later you will understand." ⁸Peter said to him, "You will never wash my feet." Jesus answered, "Unless I wash you, you have no share with me." ⁹Simon Peter said to him, "Lord, not my feet only but also my hands and my head!" ¹⁰Jesus 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." ¹¹For he knew who was to betray him; for this reason he said, "Not all of you are clean."

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

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

HYMN OF THE DAY *"Love Consecrates the Humblest Act"* **ELW Hymn 360**

(Please be seated)

THE PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

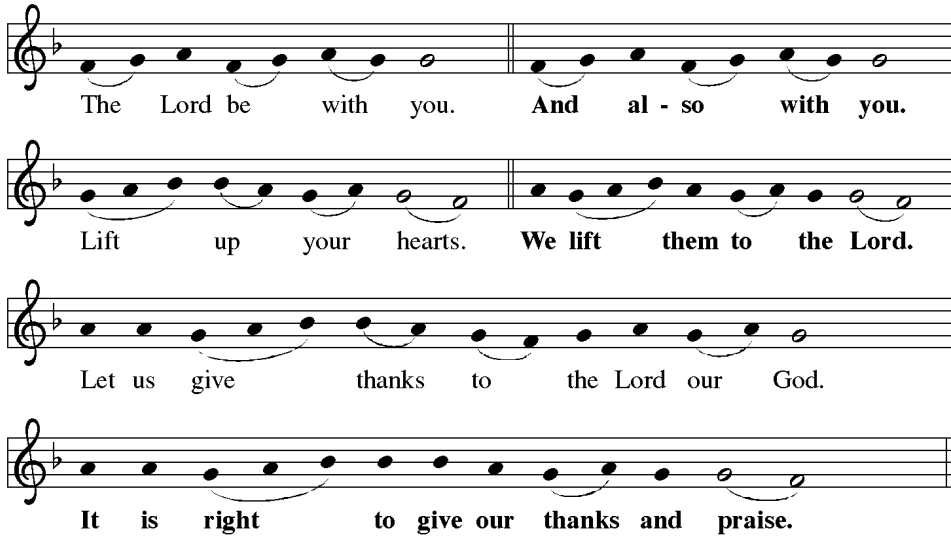
Each petition concludes:

P: Merciful God,

C: **receive our prayer.**

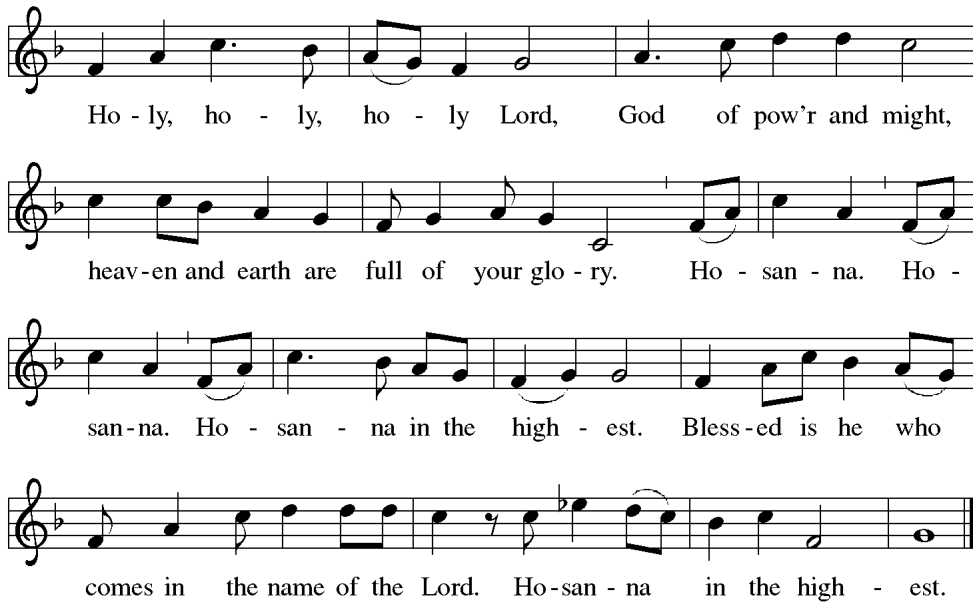
We Share in the Holy Meal

(Please stand)



The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.
Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy...
...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,
heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na. Ho -
san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless-ed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san - na in the high - est.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE LORD'S PRAYER *(unison)*

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: Come with hearts ready to receive, for God's gifts are now before us.

(Please be seated)

LAMB OF GOD

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sin of the world; grant us peace.

DISTRIBUTION BY INTINCTION

(Gluten-free wafers are available upon request.)

All who believe in the real presence of Christ in the sacrament are invited to commune. Children who do not commune are welcome to come for a blessing. You will be given a wafer. The glasses of dark liquid are wine; the middle ring is juice. There is a bowl of water if you would like to remember your baptism. You may contribute to our World Hunger offering in the plate provided.

DISTRIBUTION HYMN *“Let Us Break Bread Together”* **ELW Hymn 471**

(Please stand)

POST COMMUNION BLESSING

STRIPPING OF THE ALTAR

HYMN *“Go to Dark Gethsemane”* **ELW Hymn 347, vv. 1-2**

PSALM 22 *(The voice of Christ)*

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