

SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION

Maundy Thursday

APRIL 18, 2019 † 12:00 P.M. & 6:30 P.M.

St. John's Lutheran Church † Northfield, Minnesota

Welcome to worship at St. John's!

We especially welcome all who are visiting this Holy Week.

All are invited to **sign the welcome sheets** in the black folders at the end of the pews.

Please pass them to the center and then back
so you can greet those worshipping around you.

Ushers will gather these following worship.

In the red pew hymnal (Evangelical Lutheran Worship), page numbers are at the bottom of the page in the front section, and hymn numbers are at the top of the page in the hymn section.

An asterisk (*) invites you to stand as you are able.

P Pastor, L Leader (Assisting Minister), C Congregation

Children are welcome to participate throughout our worship service, including at Holy Communion.

Parents, please assist children when they come forward for communion to extend their hands if they are to receive the bread and wine.

Children's Bibles and activity bags

are available at both entrances to the Sanctuary and scribble cards are available in the pews.

Hearing assistance devices are available outside the Sanctuary or from an usher.

Large print bulletins are available for worship services.

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St. John's Lutheran Church is a community grounded in the promise of God's grace and called to extend Christ's welcome to all people. Every day, Christ meets us all just as we are, extending love to people of every age, race or ethnicity, physical appearance, sexual orientation, gender identity, physical or mental ability, marital or relationship status, economic circumstance, educational achievement, political affiliation, or religious background.

While we do not always agree, we choose to walk and grow in faith together, believing that God creates diversity, and loves and welcomes us.

We warmly welcome you here.

OUR WORSHIP TODAY

Today our Lenten observance comes to an end, and we gather with Christians around the world to celebrate the Three Days of Jesus' death and resurrection. The heart of the Maundy Thursday liturgy is Jesus' commandment to love one another. At the Lord's table we remember Jesus' sacrifice of his life, even as we are called to offer ourselves in love for the life of the world.

GATHERING IN GOD'S PRESENCE

The assembly gathers in silence.

*Confession and Forgiveness

- P I confess to God Almighty, before the whole company of heaven, and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have sinned by my own fault in thought, word, and deed. I pray God Almighty to have mercy on me, forgive me all my sins, and bring me to everlasting life.
- Almighty and merciful God grant you healing, pardon, and forgiveness of all your sins. Amen.
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Individual absolution is offered. You are invited to come forward down the center aisle and kneel at an open spot at the communion rail for the laying on of hands. Please return by the side aisles.

If you would like an absolution in your pew, let an usher know.

*Gathering Hymn — No. 666

"What Wondrous Love Is This"

*Greeting

- P The grace of our Lord, Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- **a** And also with you.

*Prayer of the Day

- P Eternal God, in the sharing of a meal your Son established a new covenant for all people, and in the washing of feet he 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, and refresh our bodies, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.

HEARING GOD'S WORD

First Reading — Exodus 12:1-4, 11-14

Pew Bible, page 513

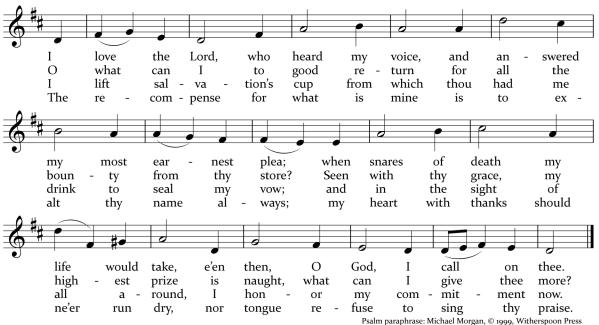
After the reading:

- **L** The word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

Psalmody — Psalm 116

ROCKINGHAM

Sung by all using the paraphrase below.



Second Reading — 1 Corinthians 11:23-26

Pew Bible, page 933

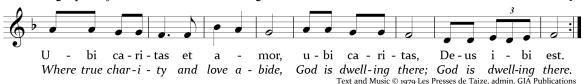
After the reading:

- **L** The word of the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

*Gospel Acclamation

Sung by all, first in Latin, then in English.

Taizé Community



*Gospel — John 13:1-17, 31b-35

Spark Story Bible, page 462; Pew Bible, page 876

Before the reading:

- P The Holy Gospel according to John, the 13th chapter.
- Glory to you, O Lord.

After the reading:

- **P** The Gospel of the Lord.
- **©** Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

Pastor Pam Fickenscher

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

Hymn — No. 359

"Where Charity and Love Prevail"

*Prayers of Intercession

After each petition:

- L Lord, in your mercy,
- hear our prayer.

*Peace

- P The peace of Christ be with you always.
- And also with you.

You are invited to share God's peace with those around you.

Offering of Our Gifts

Music at the Offering

(12:00) "My Song Is Love Unknown"

Michael Costello

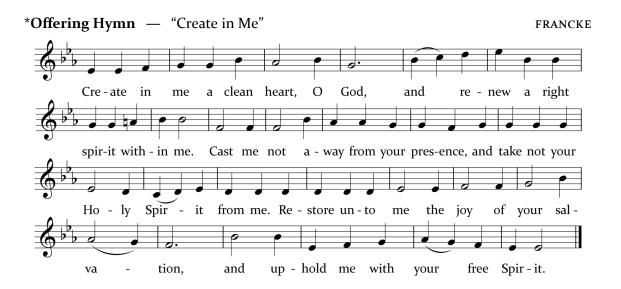
(6:30) "A Lenten Love Song"

Helen Kemp

Now Jesus went into the garden, the garden of Gethsemane. He went there sad and very weary to be alone to pray. "Dear God, I am so sorrowful, is there no other way? Dear God, if it is possible, let this cup pass away." Now Jesus went into the garden, the garden of Gethsemane. The olive tree bent over him, and heard him sadly pray: "Dear God, your Son is sorrowful, but knows your way is best. Let love take hold of me! Help me to be bold and free to do your will, to do your will and rest." Ubi caritas et amor, ubi caritas Deus ibi est.

-Helen Kemp

Laudate Choir



*Offering Prayer

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

SHARING THE LORD'S SUPPER

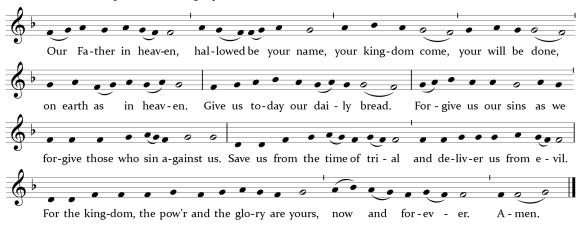
*Great Thanksgiving

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

*Eucharistic Prayer

- P O God most mighty, O God most merciful, O God our rock and our salvation, hear us as we praise...
- P Remembering his death, we cry out Amen.
- Amen.
- P Celebrating his resurrection, we shout Amen.
- **G** Amen.
- P Trusting his presence in every time and place, we plead Amen.
- Amen.



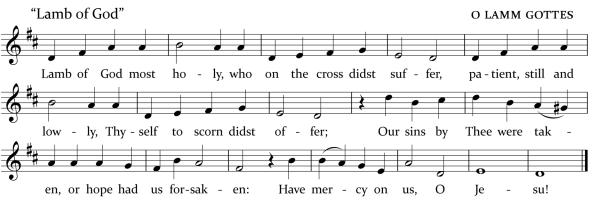


Today you are invited to commune at the railing as you are able.

Please follow the ushers instructions forward, moving in one continuous direction around the altar and kneeling at the last available spot to receive the bread and wine.

Please indicate to the server if you need a gluten-free wafer; white grape juice is offered. When you have finished communing, continue back to your seat, moving in the same direction. If you are unable to come forward, let an usher know, and communion will be brought to you.

Music during Communion



(12:00) **Solo** — "Our Father, Who Art in Heaven"

J. S. Bach

(6:30) **Hymn** — No. 358

"Great God, Your Love Has Called Us"

Hymn — No. 480

"O Bread of Life from Heaven"

*Post-Communion Blessing

*Prayer after Communion

- Let us pray.
- Description Lord Jesus, in a wonderful sacrament you strengthen us with the saving power of your suffering, death, and resurrection. May this sacrament of your body and blood so work in us that the fruits of your redemption will show forth in the way we live, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

(12:00) **Psalmody** — Psalm 22:1-11

Sung in alternation between cantor and assembly using the tone below. Cantor begins. All singing the last verse.



My God, my God, why have you for- | saken me?

Why so far from saving me, so far from the words | of my groaning?

My God, I cry out by day, but you do not answer;

by night, but I $^{\mid}$ find no rest.

Yet you are the | Holy One, enthroned on the prais- | es of Israel.

Our ancestors put their | trust in you, they trusted, and you | rescued them.

They cried out to you and | were delivered; they trusted in you and were not | put to shame.

But as for me, I am a worm | and not human, scorned by all and despised | by the people.

All who see me laugh me to scorn;

they curl their lips; they | shake their heads.

"Trust in the LORD; let the LORD deliver;

let God rescue him if God so de- | lights in him."

Yet you are the one who drew me forth | from the womb, and kept me safe on my | mother's breast.

I have been entrusted to you ever since | I was born; you were my God when I was still in my | mother's womb.

Be not far from me, for trou- ble is near, and there is no one to help.

(6:30) Stripping of the Altar

At the evening service, as Psalm 22 is sung by the choir, the table and pulpit are stripped of their paraments and the chancel is made bare. The altar and chancel furnishings are removed, preparing the sanctuary for Good Friday. Through this stark and ancient ritual we recall that Jesus was abandoned by his followers, stripped of his dignity, and left to face the cross alone.

The psalm setting is by Rev. Joseph Crippen.

All depart in silence.

SERVING AT ST. JOHN'S TODAY:

Presiding Pastor Jonathan Davis

Preaching Pastor Pam Fickenscher

Assisting Ministers (12:00) Rev. Mark Rydberg

(6:30) Karen Fossum

Organist Nathan Proctor

Cantor (12:00) Nathan Proctor

Choir (6:30) Laudate Choir, Nathan Proctor, director

Communion Preparer (12:00) Joe and Judy Smith

(6:30) Craig Schultz

Communion Cleanup (12:00) Joe and Judy Smith

(6:30) TBD

Greeters / Welcome Desk (12:00) Norma Gilbertson

(6:30) Phil and Barb Eaves

Ushers (12:00) Mark Anderson, Jim Bierman, Jerry Bothun, Dave Hagen,

Sue Hagen, Nicholas Gonnerman, Patsy Ophaug, John Ophaug (6:30) Brian Boyum, Dale Gehring, Reed Hagberg, John Hanson,

Peggy Hanson, Marion Williams, Sheri Williams

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Holy Week and Easter Worship

Good Friday, April 19 Liturgy of Good Friday 12 noon and 6:30 p.m.

Holy Saturday, April 20
The Great Vigil of Easter
8:00 p.m.
Boe Chapel, St. Olaf College
6:30-7:30 p.m. Community Choir Rehearsal – Everyone is welcome!

Celebration of the Resurrection Easter Sunday, April 21

8:00 a.m., 9:30 a.m., and 11:00 a.m. Holy Communion at all Services Easter Breakfast served from 8:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m. service broadcast on KYMN 1080 AM / 95.1 FM

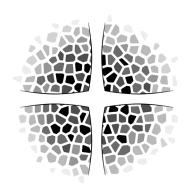
St. John's Annual Easter Egg Hunt

Saturday, April 20, 9:30 a.m.

Kids 5th grade and younger are invited to St. John's Annual Easter Egg Hunt.

Make sure to bring a basket or bag to collect all the eggs!

Can you help?
We need individually wrapped candy and small items to fill the eggs
and help hiding eggs the morning of the hunt.
Please put donations in the basket in the Commons.
Email Julie Brehmer if you can help Saturday morning.
Thank you!





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