



Holy Thursday

THURSDAY, APRIL 6, 2023

Pilgrim Evangelical Lutheran Church (WELS)

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His Food, Our Fill

As the sun set on Holy Thursday, the day marked the end of something old and the start of something new. The Old Covenant, which God had established through Moses, was two-sided. God's people would follow God's commands; God would bless his people. However, rather than providing God's people the opportunity to live up to God's demands, the Old Covenant only exposed their flaws. When God established his New Covenant, it was not a two sided contract. It was more like a will, listing all the blessings God promised graciously to give his people. No matter who you are or what you have done, the blessing of the New Covenant are "for you." Eat the food Christ offers, and all your spiritual and eternal needs are satisfied.

Thank you for worshiping with us today! Whether you are a guest or a member we would love to know you are here! Please use this QR code to sign our digital friendship register. There are also tablets available in the back of Church for you to sign in.



Serving in Worship

Preacher

Pastor Aaron Winkelman

Presiding Minister

Pastor Collin Vanderhoof

Organist

David Porth

Cantors

Jared Justman, Dorian Medrow, Samantha O'Connell

Guitar

Pat Renner


A SERVICE OF WORD AND SACRAMENT

Please stand

Confession and Absolution

Cantors: *We have come into God's presence; maker of the heav'ns and earth. He created us to love him; to serve him as his precious child. We have disobeyed and erred, thus deserving wrath and anger.*

M: Therefore, let us confess our sins to him and plead for his mercy.



Lord to you I make con - fes - sion; I have sinned and
gone a - stray; I have mul-ti-plied trans - gres - sion,
cho - sen for my-self my way. Led by you to see my er -
rors, Lord, I trem-ble at your ter - rors.

M: "This is the one I esteem: he who is humble and contrite in spirit, and trembles at my word," declares the LORD. (Isaiah 66:2)

C: Merciful Father in heaven, I am altogether sinful from birth. In countless ways I have sinned against you and do not deserve to be called your child. But trusting in Jesus, my Savior, I pray: Have mercy on me according to your unfailing love. Cleanse me from my sin, and take away my guilt.

Lord, on you I cast my bur - den; sink it in the
 depths be-low! Let me know your gra-cious par - don;
 wash me, make me white as snow. Let your Spir-it leave me nev -
 er; make me on - ly yours for - ev - er.

M: God, our heavenly Father, has forgiven all your sins. By the perfect life and innocent death of our Lord Jesus Christ, he has removed your guilt forever. You are his own dear child. May God give you strength to live according to his will.

For your Son has suf-fered for me, giv'n him - self to
 res - cue me, died to save me and re - store me,
 re - con - ciled and set me free. Je - sus' cross a-lone can van -
 quish these dark fears and soothe this an - guish.

Please be seated

The Word

Reading

Exodus 24:1-11

Then the LORD said to Moses, “Come up to the LORD, you and Aaron, along with Nadab and Abihu and seventy of the elders of Israel, and worship me from a distance. ²Only Moses is allowed to come near the LORD, but the others are not to come near, and the people are not to go up with him.”

³Moses came and reported to the people all the words of the LORD and all the ordinances. Then all the people answered with one voice and said, “All the words which the LORD has spoken we will do.” ⁴Moses wrote down all the words of the LORD.

He got up early in the morning and built an altar at the foot of the mountain. He set up twelve memorial stones for the twelve tribes of Israel. ⁵He sent young Israelite men, who offered whole burnt offerings and sacrificed fellowship offerings of cattle to the LORD. ⁶Moses took half of the blood and put it in bowls, and he splashed half of the blood on the altar. ⁷He took the Book of the Covenant and read it out loud to the people and they said, “All that the LORD has spoken we will do. We will obey.”

⁸Moses took the blood and splashed it on the people. He said, “Look, here is the blood of the covenant, which the LORD made with you by means of all these words.”

⁹Then Moses, Aaron, Nadab, Abihu, and seventy of the elders of Israel went up. ¹⁰They saw the God of Israel. Under his feet they saw what looked like a pavement of sapphire as clear as the sky. ¹¹The LORD did not lay his hand on the dignitaries of the people of Israel. They gazed at God, and they ate and drank.

When You Woke That Thursday Morning

CW 416



1 When you woke that Thurs - day morn - ing, Sav - ior, teach - er,
2 Nev - er so a - lone and lone - ly, long - ing with tor -
3 What was there that you could give them that would nev - er
4 One in faith, in love u - nit - ed, all one bod - y,
5 One day all the Church will cap - ture that bright vi - sion



faith - ful friend, thoughts of self and safe - ty scorn - ing, know - ing
ment - ed heart to be with your dear ones on - ly for a
be out - spent, what great gift that would out - live them, what last
you the head, when we meet, by you in - vit - ed, you are
glo - ri - ous, and your saints will know the rap - ture that your



how the day would end; Lamb of God, fore - told for
qui - et hour a - part: sin - less Lamb and fall - en
will and tes - ta - ment? "Show me and the world you
with us, as you said. One with you and one an -
heart de - sired for us, when the longed - for peace and



a - ges, now at last the hour had come when but One could
crea - ture, one last pas - chal meal to eat, one last les - son
love me, know me as the Lamb of God: do this in re -
oth - er in a u - ni - ty sub - lime, see in us your
un - ion of the great - est and the least meet in joy - ous,



pay sin's wa - ges: you as - sumed their dread - ful sum.
as their teach - er, wash - ing your dis - ci - ples' feet.
mem - brance of me, eat this bod - y, drink this blood."
sis - ter, broth - er, one in ev - 'ry place and time.
blest com - mun - ion in your nev - er - end - ing feast.

Reading

1 Corinthians 11:23-28

²³For I received from the Lord what I also delivered to you: The Lord Jesus, on the night when he was betrayed, took bread, ²⁴and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, "This is my body, which is for you. Do this in remembrance of me." ²⁵In the same way, after the meal, he also took the cup, saying, "This cup is the new testament in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me." ²⁶For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

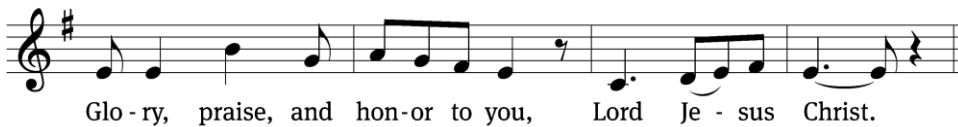
²⁷Therefore whoever eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty of sinning against the Lord's body and blood. ²⁸Instead, let a person examine himself and after doing so, let him eat of the bread and drink from the cup.

Gospel Acclamation

John 13:1

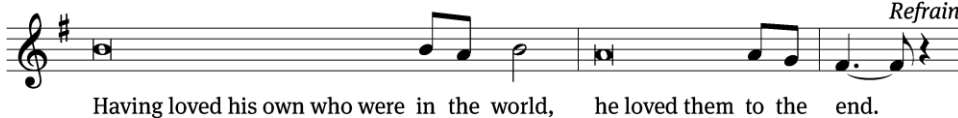
Sung in unison

Refrain



Glo - ry, praise, and hon - or to you, Lord Je - sus Christ.

Tone



Having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end.

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Reading

John 13:1-15,34

Before the Passover Festival, Jesus knew that the time had come for him to leave this world and go to the Father. Having loved those who were his own in the world, he loved them to the end.

² By the time the supper took place, the Devil had already put the idea into the heart of Judas, son of Simon Iscariot, to betray Jesus.

³ Jesus knew that the Father had given all things into his hands, and that he had come from God and was going back to God. ⁴ He got up from the supper and laid aside his outer garment. He took a towel and tied it around his waist. ⁵ Then he poured water into a basin and began to wash his disciples' feet, drying them with the towel that was wrapped around him.

⁶ He came to Simon Peter, who asked him, "Lord, are you going to wash my feet?"

⁷ Jesus answered him, "You do not understand what I am doing now, but later you will understand."

⁸ Peter told him, "You will never, ever, wash my feet!"

Jesus replied, "If I do not wash you, you have no part with me."

⁹ "Lord, not just my feet," Simon Peter replied, "but also my hands and my head!"

¹⁰ Jesus told him, "A person who has had a bath needs only to wash his feet, but his body is completely clean. And you are clean, but not all of you." ¹¹ Indeed, he knew who was going to betray him. That is why he said, "Not all of you are clean."

¹² After Jesus had washed their feet and put on his outer garment, he reclined at the table again. "Do you understand what I have done for you?" he asked them. ¹³ "You call me Teacher and Lord. You are right, because I am. ¹⁴ Now if I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another's feet. ¹⁵ Yes, I have given you an example so that you also would do just as I have done for you.

³⁴ "A new commandment I give you: Love one another. Just as I have loved you, so also you are to love one another.

Please be seated

Jesus Christ, Our Blessed Savior

CW 659 sts. 1-4



1 Je - sus Christ, our bless - ed Sav - ior, turned a - way God's
2 As his pledge of love un - dy - ing, he, this pre - cious
3 Je - sus here him - self is shar - ing; take heed how you
4 Use - less would be Je - sus' pas - sion if sal - va - tion



wrath for - ev - er; by his bit - ter grief and woe
food sup - ply - ing, gives his bod - y with the bread
are pre - par - ing, for if you do not be - lieve,
you could fash - ion. Do not come if you sup - pose



he saved us from the e - vil foe.
and with the wine the blood he shed.
judg - ment in - stead you shall re - ceive.
you need not him who died and rose.

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Sermon

Offering

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Please stand

Prayer for Holy Thursday

M: Lord God, heavenly Father, author of the everlasting covenant and giver of the cup of salvation,

C: **We gather in your courts to offer our sacrifice of thanksgiving.**

M: For fulfilling your promise to establish a new covenant through the blood of your Son, Jesus Christ,

C: **We give you humble and hearty thanks.**

M: As our Lord Jesus Christ gave thanks to you when he broke the bread, as he gave thanks to you when he took the cup,

C: **We also give thanks.**

M: Precious Savior, both Priest and offering, awe and wonder fill our hearts as we partake of your body, sacrificed for us, and your blood, shed for us.

C: **We praise you, bless you, and adore you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

M: In our poverty of righteousness, we have nothing to offer. Without your tremendous sacrifice, we would still be in our sins,

C: **But through your sacrament of the New Testament, we are assured that our iniquities are forgiven and our sins are no longer remembered.**

M: O Holy Spirit, dwell within us as we remember our Lord's death in this sacrament. Enter our hearts to strengthen our faith and fill us with gratitude for your great mercy.

C: **Move us to encourage one another to love and to do good works.**

Special prayers of intercession may follow.

M: As our Lord served his disciples by washing feet, so may we also humbly serve one another.

C: **Help us to live our lives as sacrifices of thanksgiving to him who first loved us. Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

Please be seated

THE SACRAMENT

Examination and Preparation for the Lord's Supper

M: Our Lord Jesus Christ has instituted the Sacrament of the Altar for the special comfort and strengthening of those who are properly prepared, as he instructs us through the Apostle Paul. "Everyone ought to examine themselves before they eat of the bread and drink from the cup. For those who eat and drink without discerning the body of Christ eat and drink judgment on themselves." (1 Corinthians 11:28-29).

M: What is the sacrament of Holy Communion?

C: It is the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ under the bread and wine, instituted by Christ for us Christians to eat and to drink.

M: What blessing do we receive through this eating and drinking?

C: That is shown us by these words: "Given" and "poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins." Through these words we receive forgiveness of sins, life, and salvation in this sacrament. For where there is forgiveness of sins, there is also life and salvation.

M: How can eating and drinking do such great things?

C: It is certainly not the eating and drinking that does such things, but the words "Given" and "poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins." These words are the main thing in this sacrament, along with the eating and drinking. And whoever believes these words has what they plainly say, the forgiveness of sins.

M: Who, then, is properly prepared to receive this sacrament?

C: **Fasting and other outward preparations may serve a good purpose, but he is properly prepared who believes these words: “Given” and “poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins.” But whoever does not believe these words or doubts them is not prepared, because the words “for you” require nothing but hearts that believe.**

M: Therefore, I ask you: Do you also believe the promises of God concerning this Sacrament — that in this Sacrament Christ truly gives you his body and blood with the bread and wine for the forgiveness of your sins?

C: **Yes, I believe it.**

M: Do you intend, with the help of the Holy Spirit, to amend your sinful life, to forsake sin and to serve God with all your heart, mind, and soul?

C: **I do intend to do this, with the help of God.**

M: May our Lord Jesus Christ, who has instituted this Sacrament for the strengthening of your faith, bless your communing and keep you in the true faith unto life everlasting.

C: **Amen.**

Lord Jesus Christ, You Have Prepared

CW 667 sts. 1, 7

1 Lord Je - sus Christ, you have pre - pared this feast for
7 Grant that we wor - thi - ly re - ceive your sup - per,
our sal - va - tion; it is your bod - y
Lord, our Sav - ior, and, tru - ly griev - ing
and your blood, and at your in - vi - ta - tion
for our sins, may prove by our be - hav - ior
as wea - ry souls, with sin op - pressed, we come to
that we are thank - ful for your grace and day by
you for need - ed rest, for com - fort, and for par - don.
day may run our race, in ho - li - ness in - creas - ing.

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Words of Institution

Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, “Take and eat; this is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.”

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, “Drink from it, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me.”

Lamb of God

Refrain

Lamb of God, Lamb of God, you take a-way the world's sin,

Lamb of God, Lamb of God, have mer-cy up-on us.

Verses

1 As high as the heav'ns are o - ver the earth, so great is your
2 A Fa - ther's_ heart you turn to__ us; you hear us__

love for us. As far as the east is from the west, so
when we call. Now, Lord, in com-pas - sion, lend your ear; you

far have you re - moved our sin.
know our needs, O hear our prayer.

Refrain
Final Refrain

Final Refrain

Lamb of God, Lamb of God, you take a-way the world's sin,

Lamb of God, Lamb of God, give to us your peace.

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Please be seated

Distribution

The Blood of the Lamb

CW418

Sung by the Adult Choir

- 1 The Father sees his children's chains.
From Pharaoh's land they cry in pain.
To rescue them, he makes a way:
the blood of the lamb.
- 2 The lamb is slain as sun is set—
a perfect lamb, without defect.
They stain their doors with innocence:
the blood of the lamb.
- 3 As midnight looms, the hour of death,
God seeks the firstborn, steals their breath,
but passes o'er doors drenched in red:
the blood of the lamb.
- 4 Children of God, we too were slaves:
our master—sin! Our end—the grave!
But freedom came in crimson shades:
the blood of the Lamb.
- 5 This perfect Lamb is Jesus Christ.
He gave himself as sacrifice.
His life poured out, the final price:
the blood of the Lamb.
- 6 The blood he spilled, the life he spent,
he gives us now in sacrament.
Eternal life on Christ depends:
the blood of the Lamb.

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The Infant Priest Was Holy Born

CW 674



- 1 The in - fant Priest was ho - ly born for us un -
2 This great High Priest in hu - man flesh was i - con
3 The ho - ly Lamb un - daunt - ed came to God's own
4 But death would not the vic - tor be of him who



ho - ly and for - lorn; from flesh - ly tem - ple
of God's right - eous - ness. His hal - lowed touch brought
al - tar lit with flame; while weep - ing an - gels
hung up - on the tree. He leads us to the



forth came he, a - noint - ed from e - ter - ni - ty.
sanc - ti - ty; his hand re - moved im - pu - ri - ty.
hid their eyes, this Priest be - came a sac - ri - fice.
Ho - ly Place with - in the veil, be - fore God's face.

- 5 The veil is torn, our Priest we see,
as at the rail on bended knee
our hungry mouths from him receive
the bread of immortality.
- 6 The body of God's Lamb we eat,
a priestly food and priestly meat;
on sin-parched lips the chalice pours
his quenching blood that life restores.
- 7 With cherubim and seraphim
our voices join the endless hymn,
and "Holy, holy, holy" sing
to Christ, God's Lamb, our Priest and King.

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Jesus Christ, Our Blessed Savior

CW 659 sts. 5–8



5 Christ says, "Come, all you that la - bor, and re - ceive my
6 Then hold fast with faith un - shak - en that this food is
7 Praise the Fa - ther, who from heav - en un - to us such
8 If your heart this truth pro - fess - es and your mouth your



grace and fa - vor; those who feel no pain or ill
to be tak - en by the souls who are dis - tressed,
food has giv - en and, to mend what we have done,
sin con - fess - es, sure - ly you will be his guest



need no phy - si - cian's help or skill."
by hearts that long for peace and rest.
gave in - to death his on - ly Son.
and at his ban - quet ev - er blest.

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STRIPPING OF THE ALTAR

Reading of Psalm 88

While the Psalm is read, the altar is solemnly stripped in token of the Lord's abandonment by his disciples and in preparation for Good Friday. The altar will remain stripped until the celebration of the resurrection on Easter Sunday.

The minister exits the chancel.

The congregation may remain for prayer and meditation before leaving quietly.

Acknowledgments

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Holy Week Schedule

Good Friday (4/7) – 1:00 and 6:30pm

Easter Sunday (4/9) – 7:00, 8:30 & 10:00am

Easter Breakfast served from 7:30 – 9:45am in the School Gym

No Worship Services on Wednesday 4/5 or 4/12



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Together, through faithful use of God's Word, we

- Kindle spiritual growth by cultivating a relationship with God in prayer, worship and Bible study,
- Enlighten and equip people to contribute their gifts in service to God and the community, and
- Reflect the light of Jesus to our community and the world.

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