



## TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

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**Maundy Thursday**  
April 2, 2026

# Welcome Visitors!

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We are both excited and honored that you've joined us for worship today! We hope you'll join us again next week at 9:30am for Sunday School and 10:30 for worship.



If you have a smartphone, use your phone's camera or code scanner to electronically submit your **church connection card**. Let us know how we might be able to serve and pray for you.

**Restrooms:** Located downstairs under the Sanctuary, the back hallway behind the Sanctuary or in the lobby connector with the Fellowship Hall.

**Families with Children:** If you wish, a staffed nursery for children aged 0-4 is located in the lower level of the building below the sanctuary. Children also have the option of worshipping in the sanctuary, or attending Children's Church, which begins after the Children's Chat.

**Food & Drinks:** To help keep our worship space clean and reverent, no food is permitted in the sanctuary. Water bottles or enclosed cups are welcome. Thank for your cooperation.

**Question:** If you have any questions, please feel free to ask an usher.

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✝ Please stand as you are able where denoted during the worship service.

## Welcome and Announcements

### Prelude

† **Opening Hymn** "Alas! And did my Savior Bleed" LBW Hymn 98

### † **Maundy Thursday Liturgy**

**P:** Let us make confession to God:

**C: Almighty God, Merciful Father; I, a troubled and penitent sinner, confess to You my sins and iniquities with which I have offended you and for which I justly deserve your punishment. But I am sorry for them, and repent of them and pray for your boundless mercy. For the sake of the suffering and death of your Son, Jesus Christ, be gracious and merciful to me, a poor sinful being; forgive my sins, give me your Holy Spirit, and bring me to life ever-lasting. Amen.**

**P:** In the mercy of Almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for you, and for his sake God forgives you all your sins. To those who believe in Jesus Christ, he gives you the power to become the children of God and bestows on them the Holy Spirit.

**P:** The Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

**P:** Let us pray,

**C: Holy God, source of all love, on the night of his betrayal, Jesus gave us a new commandment, to love one another as He loves us. Write this commandment in our hearts, and give us the will to serve others as He was the servant of all, your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

### FIRST READING

Exodus 24:3–11

<sup>3</sup> When Moses went and told the people all the Lord's words and laws, they responded with one voice, "Everything the Lord has said we will do."

<sup>4</sup> Moses then wrote down everything the Lord had said. He got up early the next morning and built an altar at the foot of the mountain and set up twelve stone pillars representing the twelve tribes of

Israel.  
5 Then he sent young Israelite men, and they offered burnt offerings and sacrificed young bulls as fellowship offerings to the Lord.  
6 Moses took half of the blood and put it in bowls, and the other half he splashed against the altar.  
7 Then he took the Book of the Covenant and read it to the people. They responded, “We will do everything the Lord has said; we will obey.”  
8 Moses then took the blood, sprinkled it on the people and said, “This is the blood of the covenant that the Lord has made with you in accordance with all these words.”  
9 Moses and Aaron, Nadab and Abihu, and the seventy elders of Israel went up  
10 and saw the God of Israel. Under his feet was something like a pavement made of lapis lazuli, as bright blue as the sky.  
11 But God did not raise his hand against these leaders of the Israelites; they saw God, and they ate and drank.

### Psalm 116:12-19

L: What shall I return to the Lord for all his goodness to me?

**C: I will lift up the cup of salvation and call on the name of the Lord.**

L: I will fulfill my vows to the Lord in the presence of all his people.

**C: Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of his faithful servants.**

L: Truly I am your servant, Lord; I serve you just as my mother did; you have freed me from my chains.

**C: I will sacrifice a thank offering to you and call on the name of the Lord.**

L: I will fulfill my vows to the Lord in the presence of all his people,

**C: in the courts of the house of the Lord—in your midst, Jerusalem. Praise the Lord.[a]**

### SECOND READING

Hebrews 9:11–22

11 But when Christ came as high priest of the good things that are now already here,[a] he went through the greater and more perfect tabernacle that is not made with human hands, that is to say, is not a part of this creation.  
12 He did not enter by means of the blood of goats and calves; but he entered the Most Holy Place once for all by his own blood, thus obtaining[b] eternal redemption.  
13 The blood of goats and bulls and the ashes of a heifer sprinkled on those who are ceremonially unclean sanctify them so that they are outwardly clean.  
14 How much more, then, will the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself unblemished to God, cleanse our

consciences from acts that lead to death,[c] so that we may serve the living God!

15 For this reason Christ is the mediator of a new covenant, that those who are called may receive the promised eternal inheritance—now that he has died as a ransom to set them free from the sins committed under the first covenant.  
16 In the case of a will,[d] it is necessary to prove the death of the one who made it,  
17 because a will is in force only when somebody has died; it never takes effect while the one who made it is living.  
18 This is why even the first covenant was not put into effect without blood.  
19 When Moses had proclaimed every command of the law to all the people, he took the blood of calves, together with water, scarlet wool and branches of hyssop, and sprinkled the scroll and all the people.  
20 He said, “This is the blood of the covenant, which God has commanded you to keep.”[e]  
21 In the same way, he sprinkled with the blood both the tabernacle and everything used in its ceremonies.  
22 In fact, the law requires that nearly everything be cleansed with blood, and without the shedding of blood there is no forgiveness.

### † Holy Gospel

Matthew 26:17–30

17 On the first day of the Festival of Unleavened Bread, the disciples came to Jesus and asked, “Where do you want us to make preparations for you to eat the Passover?”  
18 He replied, “Go into the city to a certain man and tell him, ‘The Teacher says: My appointed time is near. I am going to celebrate the Passover with my disciples at your house.’”  
19 So the disciples did as Jesus had directed them and prepared the Passover.  
20 When evening came, Jesus was reclining at the table with the Twelve.  
21 And while they were eating, he said, “Truly I tell you, one of you will betray me.”  
22 They were very sad and began to say to him one after the other, “Surely you don’t mean me, Lord?”  
23 Jesus replied, “The one who has dipped his hand into the bowl with me will betray me.  
24 The Son of Man will go just as it is written about him. But woe to that man who betrays the Son of Man! It would be better for him if he had not been born.”  
25 Then Judas, the one who would betray him, said, “Surely you don’t mean me, Rabbi?” Jesus answered, “You have said so.”  
26 While they were eating, Jesus 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.”  
27 Then he took a cup, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, “Drink from it, all of you. 28 This is my blood of the[a] covenant,

which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins.

29 I tell you, I will not drink from this fruit of the vine from now on until that day when I drink it new with you in my Father's kingdom."

30 When they had sung a hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives.

## Homily

### † Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from light, true God from true God, begotten not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven; by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshipped and glorified. He has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

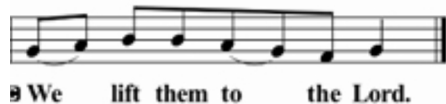
† **Prayers of the People** (respond: "Hear our prayer")

† **The Great Thanksgiving**

P: The Lord be with you.



P: Lift up your hearts.



P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



† It is indeed right and salutary...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



**Distribution of Holy Communion** (Alexandra Ong - Harp)

† **Blessing**

P: The body and blood our our Lord Jesus Christ bless you and keep you in His grace.

C: Amen.

† **Post-Communion Prayer**

† **Stripping of the Altar** "Go to Dark Gethesmane" LBW Hymn 109

**Please leave in Silence**  
(33 chimes to symbolize the 33 years of Jesus' life)

We invite all baptized Christians to share the Lord's Supper. This evening, we will celebrate the Lord's Supper in an "upper room" format.