



MAUNDY THURSDAY SERVICE OF THE INSTITUTION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

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† In the Name of Jesus †

Prayer before Worship: O Lord Jesus Christ, we thank You, that of Your infinite mercy You have instituted this Your Sacrament, in which we eat Your Body and drink Your Blood: Grant us, we beseech You, by Your Holy Spirit, that

we may not receive this gift unworthily, but that we may confess our sins, remember Your agony and death, believe the forgiveness of sin, and day by day grow in faith and love, until we obtain eternal salvation; through You, Who live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one true God, now and forever. Amen.

The Divine Service: Rite Two
Evangelical Lutheran Hymnary: p. 60

The Office of Preparation
(Confession & Holy Absolution)

Hymn of Invocation: 321, *Zion, to Thy Savior Singing*

C: **Zion, to thy Savior singing, To thy prince and shepherd bringing
Sweetest hymns of love and praise, Thou wilt never reach the measure
Of His worth, by all the treasure Of thy most ecstatic lays**

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**Of all wonders that can thrill Thee, and with adoration fill thee,
What than this can greater be, That Himself to thee He giveth?
He that eateth ever liveth, For the Bread of life is He.**

**Fill thy lips to overflowing With sweet praise, His mercy showing
Who this heav'nly table spread: On this day so glad and holy,
To each longing spirit lowly Giveth He the living bread.**

**Here the King hath spread His table Whereon eyes of faith are able
Christ our Passover to trace: Shadows of the law are going,
Light and life and truth inflowing, Night to day is giving place.**

**Lo, this blessed food descending Heav'nly love is hither sending,
Hungry lips on earth to feed: so the paschal lamb was given,
So the manna came from heaven, Isaac was His type indeed.**

**O good Shepherd, Bread life-giving, Us, Thy grace and life receiving,
Feed and shelter evermore; Thou on earth our footsteps guiding,
We in heav'n with Thee abiding, With all saints will Thee adore.**

*At the Invocation and Absolution all **may** make the sign of the †
in remembrance of their Baptism.*

The Invocation: p. 60-61

P: In the Name of the Father and of the Son † and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

The Confession of Sin (form I): pp. 60-62

P: Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God, our Father, beseech Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

P: Our help is in the name of the Lord.

C: Who made heaven and earth.

P: I said, I will confess my transgressions to the Lord;

C: And You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

P: Let us bow before the Lord and confess our sins.

C: **O almighty God, merciful Father, I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess to You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them, and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.**

P: I ask each of you, in the presence of God who searches the heart: Do you confess that you have sinned, and do you repent of your sins?

C: I do.

P: Do you believe that Jesus Christ has redeemed you from all your sins, and do you desire forgiveness in His name?

C: I do.

P: Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God to all of you, and in the stead and by the command of our Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins, in the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

May He comfort your heart by His holy Absolution,
and strengthen you by His Sacraments,
that your joy may be full.

Peace be with you!

C: Amen.

The Liturgy of the Word

Introit

Tone 2



Antiphon (**Pastor**) God forbid `that I should boast:/ except in the Cross of our `Lord Jesus Christ.

In Him is salvation, life, and resurrec`tion from the dead:/ by Him we are redeemed and set `at liberty.

Psalm (**All**) **God be merciful to `us and bless us:/ and cause His face to `shine upon us.**

**That Your way may be known on earth:/ your salvation among all nations.
Let the peoples praise You, O God:/ let all the peoples praise You.
God, our own God, shall bless us:/ God shall bless us, and all the ends of the earth shall
fear Him.**

**Antiphon (All) God forbid that I should boast:/ except in the Cross of our Lord Jesus
Christ.**

**In Him is salvation, life, and resurrection from the dead:/ by Him we are redeemed and
set at liberty.**

The Kyrie Eleison (form II): p. 63-64

**C: Kyrie eleison. Kyrie eleison. Kyrie eleison.
Christe eleison. Christe eleison. Christe eleison.
Kyrie eleison. Kyrie eleison. Kyrie eleison.**

The Salutation: p. 66

P: The Lord be with you.

C: **And with your spirit.**

Collect for the Day: p. 66

P: O God, You have left to us in this wonderful Sacrament a memorial of Your Passion:
Grant, we beseech You, that we may so use this Sacrament of Your body and blood, that the
fruits of Your redemption may continually be manifest in us; You, who live and reign with the
Father and the Holy Spirit, one true God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

Old Testament: *Exodus 12:1-14*

P: In those days the LORD spoke to Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt, saying, "This
month shall be your beginning of months; it shall be the first month of the year to you. Speak
to all the congregation of Israel, saying: 'On the tenth of this month every man shall take for
himself a lamb, according to the house of his father, a lamb for a household. And if the
household is too small for a lamb, let him and his neighbor next to his house take it according
to the number of the persons; according to each man's need you shall make your count for the
lamb. Your lamb shall be without blemish, a male of the first year. You may take it from the
sheep or from the goats. Now you shall keep it until the fourteenth day of the same month.
Then the whole assembly of the congregation of Israel shall kill it at twilight. And they shall
take some of the blood and put it on the two doorposts and on the lintel of the houses where
they eat it. Then they shall eat the flesh on that night; roasted in fire, with unleavened bread

and with bitter herbs they shall eat it. Do not eat it raw, nor boiled at all with water, but roasted in fire – its head with its legs and entrails. You shall let none of it remain until morning, and what remains of it until morning you shall burn with fire. And thus you shall eat it: with a belt on your waist, your sandals on your feet, and your staff in your hand. So you shall eat it in haste. It is the LORD’S Passover. For I will pass through the land of Egypt on that night, and will strike all the firstborn in the land of Egypt, both man and beast; and against all the gods of Egypt I will execute judgment; I am the LORD. Now the blood shall be a sign for you on the houses where you are. And when I see the blood, I will pass over you; and the plague shall not be on you to destroy you when I strike the land of Egypt. So this day shall be to you a memorial; and you shall keep it as a feast to the LORD throughout your generations. You shall keep it as a feast by an everlasting ordinance.

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

Gradual (All)

Tone 2



Christ has humbled Himself and become obedi`ent unto death:/ even the `death of the cross.

Therefore God also has highly `exalted Him:/ and given Him the name which is above `every *name*.

Epistle: *1 Corinthians 11:23-32*

P: *Brethren:* I received from the LORD that which I also delivered to you: that the LORD Jesus on the same night in which He was betrayed took bread; and when He had given thanks, He broke it and said, “Take, eat; this is My body which is broken for you; do this in remembrance of Me.” In the same manner He also took the cup after supper, saying, “This cup is the new covenant in My blood. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me.” For as often as you eat of this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the LORD’S death till He comes. Therefore whoever eats this bread or drinks this cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty of the body and blood of the LORD. But let a man examine himself, and so let him eat of the bread and drink of the cup. For he who eats and drinks in an unworthy manner eats and drinks judgment to himself, not discerning the LORD’S body. For this reason many are weak and sick among you, and many sleep. For if we would judge

ourselves, we would not be judged. But when we are judged, we are chastened by the LORD, that we may not be condemned with the world.

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

Chief Hymn: 316 & 317, *Jesus Christ, Our Blessed Savior*

C: **Jesus Christ, our blessed Savior, Turned away God's wrath forever;
By His bitter grief and woe He saved us from the evil foe.**

**As His pledge of love undying, He, this precious food supplying,
Gives His body with the bread And with the wine the blood He shed.**

**Whoso to this Board repaireth May take heed how he prepareth;
For if he does not believe, Then death for life he shall receive.**

**Praise the Father, who from heaven Unto us such food hath given
And, to mend what we have done, Gave into death His only Son.**

**Thou shalt hold with faith unshaken That this food is to be taken
By the sick who are distressed By hearts that long for peace and rest.**

**Christ says: "Come, all ye that labor, And receive My grace and favor;
They who feel no want nor ill Need no physician's help nor skill.**

**"Useless were for thee My Passion If thy works thy weal could fashion.
This feat is not spread for thee If thine own savior thou wilt be."**

**If thy hearts this truth professes And thy mouth thy sin confesses.
His dear guest thou here shalt be, And Christ Himself shall banquet thee.**

Holy Gospel: *St. John 13:1-15*

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

C: **Glory be to You, O Lord.**

P: *At that time* before the feast of the Passover, when Jesus knew that His hour had come that He should depart from this world to the Father, having loved His own who were in the world,

He loved them to the end. And supper being ended, the devil having already put it into the heart of Judas Iscariot, Simon's son, to betray Him, Jesus, knowing that the Father had given all things into His hands, and that He had come from God and was going to God, rose from supper and laid aside His garments, took a towel and girded Himself. After that, He poured water into a basin and began to wash the disciples' feet, and to wipe them with the towel with which He was girded. Then He came to Simon Peter. And Peter said to Him, "LORD, are You washing my feet?" Jesus answered and said to him, "What I am doing you do not understand now, but you will know after this." Peter said to Him, "You shall never wash my feet!" Jesus answered him, "If I do not wash you, you have no part with Me." Simon Peter said to Him, "LORD, not my feet only, but also my hands and my head!" Jesus said to him, "He who is bathed needs only to wash his feet, but is completely clean; and you are clean, but not all of you." For He knew who would betray Him; therefore He said, "You are not all clean." So when He had washed their feet, taken His garments, and sat down again, He said to them, "Do you know what I have done to you? You call Me Teacher and LORD, and you say well, for so I am. If I then, your LORD and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another's feet. For I have given you an example, that you should do as I have done to you. ... A new commandment I give to you so that you love one another; as I have loved you, so that you also love one another. By this all will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.

P: This is the † Holy Gospel.

C: Praise be to You, O Christ.

*At the words "And was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the Virgin Mary
And was made man" all **may** bow out of reverence for Christ's Incarnation.*

Nicene Creed: p. 69

**C: I believe in one God, the Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth
and of all things visible and invisible.
And in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten Son of God,
Begotten of His Father before all worlds,
God of God, Light of Light,
Very God of Very God,
Begotten, not made,
Being of one substance with the Father,
By Whom all things were made;**

**Who for us men and for our salvation
came down from heaven
*and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the Virgin Mary
and was made man;*
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.
He suffered and was buried;
and the third day He rose again, according to the Scriptures
and ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father;
And He shall come again with glory
to judge both the living and the dead;
Whose kingdom shall have no end.
And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and Giver of Life,
Who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
Who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped
and glorified,
Who spoke by the Prophets.
And I believe one holy Christian and Apostolic Church.
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,
And I look for the Resurrection of the dead
and the Life † of the world to come. Amen.**

Sermon

The Intercessions: *each petition concludes:* Lord, in Your mercy: **Hear our prayer.**

Preparation Hymn: *Sing, My Tongue, the Savior's Glory – St. Thomas Aquinas*

**C: Sing, my tongue, the Savior's glory, Of His Flesh, the mystery sing;
Of the Blood, all price exceeding, Shed by our Immortal King,
Destined, for the world's redemption, From a noble Womb to spring.**

**Of a pure and spotless Virgin Born for us on earth below,
He, as Man, with man conversing, Stayed, the seeds of truth to sow;
Then He closed in solemn order Wond'rously His Life of woe.**

**On the night of that Last Supper, Seated with His chosen band,
He, the Paschal Victim eating, First fulfils the Law's command;
Then as Food to His Apostles Gives Himself with His own Hand.**

**Word-made-Flesh, the bread of nature By His Word to Flesh He turns;
Wine into His Blood He changes; What though sense no change discerns?
Only be the heart in earnest, Faith her lesson quickly learns.**

**Down in adoration falling, This great Sacrament we hail,
O'er the ancient forms of worship Newer rites of grace prevail;
Faith will tell us Christ is present, When our human senses fail.**

**To the Everlasting Father, And the Son who made us free
And the Spirit, God proceeding From them Each eternally,
Be salvation, honor, blessing, Might and endless majesty.**

The Liturgy of the Holy Communion

The Preface, Proper Preface & Sanctus: p. 72-76

P: The Lord be with you.

C: **And with your spirit.**

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: **We lift them up unto the Lord.**

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

C: **It is good and right so to do.**

P: It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God; on the tree of the cross You gave salvation to all mankind that, whence death arose, by the fault of one man, thence also life might arise by the obedience of one Man; and that even as Satan once overcame by a tree, likewise by a tree he was overcome, through the death of Jesus Christ, our Lord; through whom with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

**C: Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Sabaoth;
Heav'n and earth are full of Your glory.
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is He, blessed is He, blessed is He
who come in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.**

The Lord's Prayer: pp. 77-78

**P: Our Father who art in heaven,
Hallowed by 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;**

C: For Thine is the kingdom and the pow'r and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

The Words of Institution

*When the Pastor turns and elevates the Host and Cup, the congregation **may** bow as an act of reverent worship toward the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ.*

The Pax Domini (The Peace of the Lord): p. 79

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: Amen.

The Agnus Dei: pp. 79-80

**C: O Christ, the Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world,
have mercy upon us.
O Christ, the Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world,
have mercy upon us.
O Christ, the Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world,
grant us Your peace. Amen.**

The Distribution of the Body & Blood of Christ to the Faithful

The Post Communion Collect for Maundy Thursday

P: O Lord God, You have refreshed us with this Life-giving sustenance: We beseech You, that we, who observe the institution of Your sacrament during our mortal life, may receive from it Your gift of immortality; Through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one true God, now and forever. **Amen.**

The Salutation: p. 84

P: The Lord be with you.

C: **And with your spirit.**

The Benedicamus: p. 84

P: Let us bless the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

The Benediction is not given on Maundy Thursday.

Dismissal Hymn: 327, *O Lord, We Praise Thee*

C: **O Lord, we praise Thee, bless Thee, and adore Thee,
In thanksgiving bow before Thee.
Thou with Thy body and Thy blood didst nourish
Our weak souls that they may flourish: O Lord, have mercy!
May Thy body, Lord, born of Mary,
That our sins and sorrows did carry,
And Thy blood for us plead In all trial, fear, and need:
O Lord, have mercy!**

**Thy holy body into death was given,
Life to win for us in heaven.
No greater love than this to Thee could bind us;
May this feast thereof remind us! O Lord, have mercy!
Lord, Thy kindness did so constrain Thee
That Thy blood should bless and sustain me.
All our debt Thou hast paid; Peace with God once more is made:
O Lord, have mercy.**

**May God bestow on us His grace and favor
To please Him with our behavior
And live as brethren here in love and union
Nor repent this blest Communion! O Lord, have mercy!
Let not Thy good Spirit forsake us;
Grant that heavenly-minded He make us;
Give Thy Church, Lord, to see Days of peace and unity: O Lord, have mercy!**

Good Friday Passion Vespers: 4:00 PM