



Maundy Thursday

April 1, 2021

7:30 PM

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Everyone is welcome. As people of God, St. John's welcomes all regardless of age, economic status, ethnic background, gender, physical or mental ability, race or sexual orientation. We affirm that in Christ "there is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is neither male nor female." (Galatians 3:28) This is Christ's church, and Christ has bid you come.

Holy Week & Easter Schedule

Please Note: In-person services will be outside. Please bring your own chair and wear a mask. If it is raining, we will meet in Hinman Hall (please still bring your chairs), wearing masks, with the windows open, and the exhaust fan running. **Online services** will be prerecorded and broadcast on Facebook and YouTube.

Good Friday:
 Noon—Online
 Liturgy of Good Friday
 3:00 PM—In-person [RSVP](#)
 Reflection on the Cross
 7:30 PM—Online
 Seven Last Words, Service of the Central Cluster ELCA Congregations

Easter Vigil:
 7:30 PM—Online
 This is the night! In word, image, and song we renew our baptism and proclaim Christ raised from the dead conquering death.

Easter Sunday:
 8:30 AM—In person [RSVP](#)
 Resurrection Morning with Holy Communion
 10:30 AM—Online
 Festival Celebration of the Resurrection of Our Lord

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PRELUDE “When Twilight Comes” (ELW 566)

Text: Moises B. Andrade (b. 1948),
tr. James Minchin (b. 1942);

Music: Francisco Feliciano (b. 1941)

Linda & Craig Clark, vocals & guitar

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

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. 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 against God and our neighbor, and enter the celebration of the great Three Days reconciled with God and with one another.

Most merciful God, 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.

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. **Amen**

GATHERING HYMN ACS 930 Three Holy Days Enfold Us Now



1 Three ho - ly days en - fold us now in wash - ing
2 The mys - t'ry hid from a - ges past is here re -
3 Christ, lift - ed high up - on the tree, be - fore you



feet and break - ing bread, in cross and font and
vealed in word and sign, for Je - sus' sto - ry
ev - 'ry knee shall bend and ev - 'ry tongue in



life re - newed: in Christ, God's first - born from the dead.
is our own: new life through death is God's de - sign.
praise pro - claim: "You are the Lord of all. A - men."

Text: Delores Dufner, OSB, b. 1939

Music: ROCKINGHAM OLD, Edward Miller, 1731-1807, adapt.

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APOSTOLIC GREETING

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

PRAYER OF THE DAY

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.**

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.

The reader concludes: The word of the Lord. *The assembly responds:* **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 116: 1–2, 12–17

Spoken responsively

¹I love the Lord, who has heard my voice,
and listened to my supplication,

²**for the Lord has given ear to me
whenever I called.**

¹²How shall I repay the Lord
for all the good things God has done for me?

¹³**I will lift the cup of salvation
and call on the name of the Lord.**

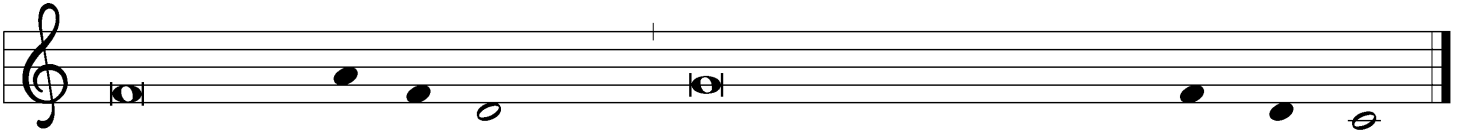
¹⁴I will fulfill my vows to the Lord
in the presence of all God's people.

¹⁵**Precious in your sight, O Lord,
is the death of your servants.**

¹⁶O Lord, truly I am your servant;
I am your servant, the child of your handmaid;
you have freed me from my bonds.

¹⁷**I will offer you the sacrifice of thanksgiving
and call upon the name of the Lord.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



I give you a new com - mandment, that you love one another as I have loved you.

GOSPEL John 13:1–17, 31b–35

The Holy Gospel according to John. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

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."

^{31b}"Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. ³²If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. ³³Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, 'Where I am going, you cannot come.' ³⁴I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. ³⁵By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

The gospel is proclaimed, concluding: The gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

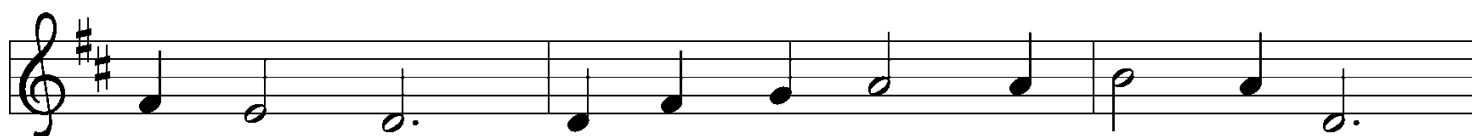
SERMON

The Rev. Blake A. Scalet

HYMN OF THE DAY ELW 358 Great God, Your Love Has Called Us Here



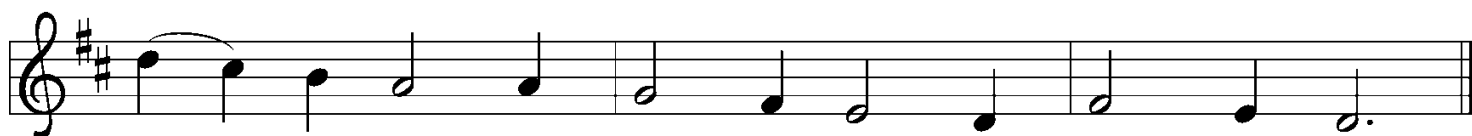
1 Great God, your love has called us here, as we, by love, for
2 We come with self - in - flict - ed pains of bro - ken trust and
3 Great God, in Christ you call our name and then re - ceive us
4 Then take the towel, and break the bread, and hum - ble us, and
5 Great God, in Christ you set us free your life to live, your



love were made. Your liv - ing like - ness still we bear,
cho - sen wrong, half - free, half - bound by in - ner chains,
as your own, not through some mer - it, right, or claim,
call us friends. Suf - fer and serve till all are fed,
joy to share. Give us your Spir - it's lib - er - ty



though marred, dis - hon - ored, dis - o - beyed. We come, with all our
by so - cial forc - es swept a - long, by pow'rs and sys - tems
but by your gra - cious love a - lone. We strain to glimpse your
and show how grand - ly love in - tends to work till all cre -
to turn from guilt and dull de - spair, and of - fer all that



heart and mind your call to hear, your love to find.
close con - fined, yet seek - ing hope for hu - man - kind.
mer - cy seat and find you kneel - ing at our feet.
a - tion sings, to fill all worlds, to crown all things.
faith can do while love is mak - ing all things new.

Text: Brian A. Wren, b. 1936

Music: RYBURN, Norman Cocker, 1889-1953

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FOOTWASHING RITE OF REMEMBRANCE AND COMMITMENT



On this night we have heard our Lord's commandment to love one another as he has loved us. We who receive God's love in Jesus Christ are called to love one another, to be servants to each other as Jesus became our servant. Our commitment to this loving service is signified in the washing of feet, following the example our Lord gave us on the night before his death. While this night we cannot practice the ritual of footwashing, we do recommit our lives, our bodies, and our wills to service of others in Christ's name.

HYMN ELW 642 Ubi Caritas

U - bi ca - ri - tas et a - mor,
Where true char - i - ty and love a - bide,

u - bi ca - ri - tas, De - us i - bi est.
God is dwell - ing there; God is dwell - ing there.

Text: Latin antiphon, 9th cent.; Taizé Community; tr. *With One Voice*

Music: TAIZÉ UBI CARITAS, Jacques Berthier, 1923-1994

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PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

In the power of the Spirit let us pray to the Father through Christ the savior of the world.

On this, the night he was betrayed, your Son Jesus Christ washed his disciples' feet. We commit ourselves to follow his example of love and service. O God, hear us and humble us. Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

On this night, Jesus prayed for the disciples to be one. We pray for the unity of your Church. O God, hear us and unite us. Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

On this night, Jesus prayed for those who were to believe through his disciples' message. We pray for the mission of your Church. O God, hear us and renew our zeal. Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

On this night, Jesus commanded the disciples to love, but suffered rejection himself. We pray for the rejected and unloved. O God, hear us and fill us with your love. Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

On this night, Jesus reminded his disciples that if the world hated them it hated him first. We pray for those who are persecuted for their faith. O God, hear us and give us your peace. Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

On this night, Jesus accepted the cup of death and looked forward to the new wine of the kingdom. We remember those who have died in the peace of Christ. O God, hear us and welcome all your children into paradise. Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

LORD'S PRAYER

And now let us pray as our Savior taught us:

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. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.**

GATHERING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

We present monetary, food, and other offerings for God's mission through this congregation. If you would like to make a one-time or recurring electronic contribution, you may visit www.stjohnssummit.org.

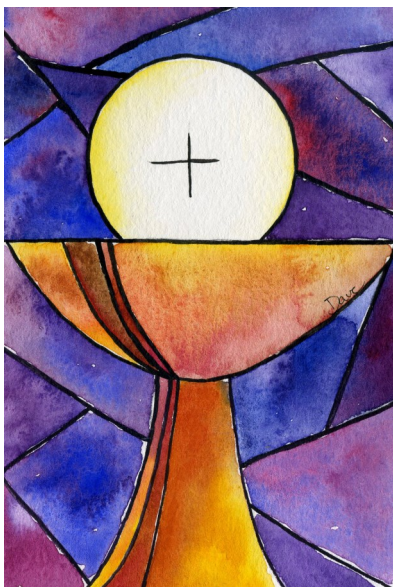
OFFERING MUSIC Setting of "Ubi caritas"

By Sally Drennan Mossing (b. 20th C.)

READING 1 Corinthians 11:23–26

²³For I received from the Lord what I also handed on to you, that the Lord Jesus on the night when he was betrayed took a loaf of bread, ²⁴and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, “This is my body that is for you. Do this in remembrance of me.” ²⁵In the same way he took the cup also, after supper, saying, “This cup is the new covenant 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.

The reader concludes: The word of the Lord. *The assembly responds:* **Thanks be to God.**



HOLY COMMUNION RITE OF REMEMBERANCE AND BLESSING

On this night we have heard our Lord’s sacrifice of his very body and blood for us and his command to remember him. We are called to be in union one with Christ and one with another. The church shares in the body of Christ each time we celebrate the sacrament of Holy Communion. This year we cannot come together to the table of our Lord, but we believe he is with us always and that we are the very body of Christ. Let us all bless our bread, our cups, and all our meals in thanks to God and in remembrance that Christ is present always in our lives.

Blessed are you, O Lord our God, Ruler of the universe. You bring forth bread from the earth; and you feed us on our way with the bread of life in the Body of your Son Jesus Christ. Let us be fed again soon with that bread of life. And as grain scattered upon the earth is gathered into one loaf, so gather your Church in every place into the kingdom of your Son. To you be glory and power for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Blessed are you, O Lord our God, Ruler of the universe. You create the fruit of the vine; and you refresh us with the cup of salvation in the Blood of your Son Jesus Christ. May the time come quickly when we can share that cup again, even as you are with us now in our very thirst for you. Glory to you for ever and ever. **Amen.**

HYMN ELW 348 Stay with Me

Stay with me, re - main here with me, watch and
pray. Watch and pray.

The image shows a musical score for the hymn 'Stay with Me'. It consists of four staves. The first two staves are the vocal line, with the lyrics 'Stay with me, re - main here with me, watch and' written below. The third and fourth staves are the piano accompaniment, with the lyrics 'pray. Watch and pray.' written below. The music is in a simple, hymn-like style with a key signature of one flat (B-flat) and a common time signature.

Text: Taizé Community

Music: STAY WITH ME, Jacques Berthier, 1923-1994

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*They knew him in the breaking
of the bread*

STRIPPING OF THE ALTAR

PSALM 22

*The service continues tomorrow with the Good Friday liturgy at Noon , 3:00 PM,
and Seven Last Words 7:30 PM.*

