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MAUNDY THURSDAY
2 APRIL 2026
CHRIST THE KING LUTHERAN CHURCH



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Our Mission:
As God's forgiven family,
we grow in faith through
Word and Sacrament to
share the Gospel of
Jesus Christ.

WELCOME!

WE ARE HAPPY YOU WERE LED TO WORSHIP WITH US! IF THIS IS YOUR FIRST TIME IN A LUTHERAN CHURCH, WE WANT YOU TO FEEL COMFORTABLE AND "AT HOME" IN OUR WORSHIP SETTING.

The Lord speaks to us through His Word and Sacrament and we respond with joy in song and prayer. This rhythm reflects our rich worship heritage built on the teachings of the Bible placing Jesus Christ at the center of all we do.

Check out the back of this bulletin for information on Bible Classes, upcoming events, how to get involved and more!

Holy Communion: CTK practices "close" communion. This expression means that all who receive the Sacrament believe in the Real Presence of Jesus Christ in, with and under the bread and wine, and embrace the teachings of the Lutheran faith according to the Scriptures. If you are not a member of an LCMS congregation, we ask that you please contact one of the pastors prior to receiving the Sacrament. You are welcome to approach the altar with folded arms to receive a blessing.

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THE LUTHERAN CHURCH MISSOURI SYNOD

PRESERVICE MUSIC

PRELUDE + Violin Bach, Concerto in A Minor, BWV 1041, Adante

HYMN OF INVOCATION “Jesus, I Will Ponder Now” *LSB* 440 vv.1-4,6

**Jesus, I will ponder now On Your holy passion;
With Your Spirit me endow For such meditation.
Grant that I in love and faith May the image cherish
Of Your suff’ring, pain, and death That I may not perish.**

**Make me see Your great distress, Anguish, and affliction,
Bonds and stripes and wretchedness And Your crucifixion;
Make me see how scourge and rod, Spear and nails did wound You,
How for them You died, O God, Who with thorns had crowned You.**

**Yet, O Lord, not thus alone Make me see Your passion,
But its cause to me make known And its termination.
Ah! I also and my sin Wrought Your deep affliction;
This indeed the cause has been Of Your crucifixion.**

**Grant that I Your passion view With repentant grieving.
Let me not bring shame to You By unholy living.
How could I refuse to shun Ev’ry sinful pleasure
Since for me God’s only Son Suffered without measure?**

**Graciously my faith renew; Help me bear my crosses,
Learning humbleness from You, Peace mid pain and losses.
May I give You love for love! Hear me, O my Savior,
That I may in heav’n above Sing Your praise forever.**

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✠ PREPARATION ✠

INVOCATION

P: In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

CALL TO WORSHIP

P: Lest we forget, Jesus commanded, “Do this in remembrance of Me.” For, He explained,

C: “This cup that is poured out for you is the new covenant in My blood.”

P: We come because Christ has invited us sinners. We come in gratitude and wonder to offer our very selves to You in worship and adoration.

C: Father, accept our praise, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

CONFESSION and ABSOLUTION

P: Almighty God, to Whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from Whom no secrets are hid, cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of Your Holy Spirit, that we may both love You and bring honor to Your holy name, through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord.

C: Amen.

(Silence for reflection)

P: People of God, in preparation for coming to the Holy Supper of our Lord Jesus Christ, let us faithfully examine ourselves and make confession of our sins to our gracious God as part of our preparation.

C: O almighty God, merciful Father, I recognize that I am a sinner in many ways. I therefore confess to You all my sins, both those that are known and those unknown to me as well. I deserve Your present and eternal punishment. But I am sorry for these sins and I do sincerely repent of them. Gracious Lord, for the sake of the sufferings and death of Your Son Jesus Christ, be merciful and gracious to me. Forgive me all my sins and grant me the power of Your Holy Spirit so that I may change my sinful life from this day forward and forever.

P: In the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

✠ ✠ SERVICE OF THE WORD ✠ ✠

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Exodus 12:2-14

² "This month is to be for you the first month, the first month of your year. ³ Tell the whole community of Israel that on the tenth day of this month each man is to take a lamb for his family, one for each household. ⁴ If any household is too small for a whole lamb, they must share one with their nearest neighbor, having taken into account the number of people there are. You are to determine the amount of lamb needed in accordance with what each person will eat. ⁵ The animals you choose must be year-old males without defect, and you may take them from the sheep or the goats. ⁶ Take care of them until the fourteenth day of the month, when all the people of the community of Israel must slaughter them at twilight. ⁷ Then they are to take some of the blood and put it on the sides and tops of the doorframes of the houses where they

eat the lambs. ⁸ That same night they are to eat the meat roasted over the fire, along with bitter herbs, and bread made without yeast. ⁹ Do not eat the meat raw or cooked in water, but roast it over the fire—head, legs and inner parts. ¹⁰ Do not leave any of it till morning; if some is left till morning, you must burn it. ¹¹ This is how you are to eat it: with your cloak tucked into your belt, your sandals on your feet and your staff in your hand. Eat it in haste; it is the LORD's Passover. ¹² "On that same night I will pass through Egypt and strike down every firstborn—both men and animals—and I will bring judgment on all the gods of Egypt. I am the LORD. ¹³ The blood will be a sign for you on the houses where you are; and when I see the blood, I will pass over you. No destructive plague will touch you when I strike Egypt. ¹⁴ "This is a day you are to commemorate; for the generations to come you shall celebrate it as a festival to the LORD - a lasting ordinance.

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

HOLY GOSPEL Luke 22:7-20

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the twenty-second chapter.

C: Glory to You, O Lord. (spoken)

⁷Then came the day of Unleavened Bread, on which the Passover lamb had to be sacrificed. ⁸So Jesus sent Peter and John, saying, "Go and prepare the Passover for us, that we may eat it." ⁹They said to him, "Where will you have us prepare it?" ¹⁰He said to them, "Behold, when you have entered the city, a man carrying a jar of water will meet you. Follow him into the house that he enters ¹¹and tell the master of the house, 'The Teacher says to you, Where is the guest room, where I may eat the Passover with my disciples?' ¹²And he will show you a large upper room furnished; prepare it there." ¹³And they went and found it just as he had told them, and they prepared the Passover. ¹⁴And when the hour came, he reclined at table, and the apostles with him. ¹⁵And he said to them, "I have earnestly desired to eat this Passover with you before I suffer. ¹⁶For I tell you I will not eat it until it is fulfilled in the kingdom of God." ¹⁷And he took a cup, and when he had given thanks he said, "Take this, and divide it among yourselves. ¹⁸For I tell you that from now on I will not drink of the fruit of the vine until the kingdom of God comes." ¹⁹And he took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to them, saying, "This is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me." ²⁰And likewise the cup after they had eaten, saying, "This cup that is poured out for you is the new covenant in my blood.

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C:(spoken) Praise to You, O Christ.

SERMON HYMN

“O Dearest Jesus, What Law Hast Thou Broken” *LSB* 439 vv.1-5,12

**O dearest Jesus, what law hast Thou broken
That such sharp sentence should on Thee be spoken?
Of what great crime hast Thou to make confession, What dark transgression?**

**They crown Thy head with thorns, they smite, they scourge Thee;
With cruel mockings to the cross they urge Thee;
They give Thee gall to drink, they still decry Thee; They crucify Thee.**

**Whence come these sorrows, whence this mortal anguish?
It is my sins for which Thou, Lord, must languish;
Yea, all the wrath, the woe, Thou dost inherit, This I do merit.**

**What punishment so strange is suffered yonder!
The Shepherd dies for sheep that loved to wander;
The Master pays the debt His servants owe Him, Who would not know Him.**

**The sinless Son of God must die in sadness;
The sinful child of man may live in gladness;
Man forfeited his life and is acquitted; God is committed.**

**I'll think upon Thy mercy without ceasing,
That earth's vain joys to me no more be pleasing;
To do Thy will shall be my sole endeavor Henceforth forever.**

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SERMON

OFFERING + Solo "In the Garden He Prayed" (*L. Larson, based on Mark 14:32-50*)

*Jesus, alone in the garden, fell to the ground where He prayed.
"Father, O holy Father, my soul is dark and dismayed.
Please take this bitter cup from me. My spirit longs to be free.
Yet not my will," cried the Savior as there in the garden He prayed.*

*Soldiers with clubs came to seize Him as there in the garden He prayed;
Led by a fallen disciple, by a kiss Jesus was betrayed.
Abandoned by those who most loved Him, deserted and all alone.
Taken to face His accusers from the garden where He had prayed.*

*Jesus, the chosen One of God, Son of the great I AM!
Sent to redeem the world in love, Jesus, God's holy Lamb!
It was there in the garden He prayed.*

OFFERTORY LSB 618

**I come, O Savior, to Thy table, For weak and weary is my soul;
Thou, Bread of Life, alone art able To satisfy and make me whole:
Lord, may Thy body and Thy blood Be for my soul the highest good!**

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

P: Lord, in Your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

✠ ✠ SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT ✠ ✠

PREFACE

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them up to the Lord.

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

C: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

LORD'S PRAYER Matthew 6:9–13

P: Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

**C: Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be 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. For Thine is the kingdom
and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.**

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

Matthew 26:26–28; Mark 14:22–24; Luke 22:19–20; 1 Corinthians 11:23–25

PEACE OF THE LORD

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

C: And also with you.

AGNUS DEI LSB 198

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the world, have mer-cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the world, have mer-cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace. A - men.

DISTRIBUTION OF THE HOLY COMMUNION

+ Trio "In Remembrance" (Courtney; Red)

*In remembrance of Me, eat this bread, In remembrance of Me, drink this wine,
In remembrance of Me, pray for the time When God's own will is done.*

*In remembrance of Me, heal the sick, In remembrance of Me, feed the poor.
In remembrance of Me, open the door and let your brother in, let him in.*

*Take, eat, and be comforted. Drink, and remember, too, that this is My body
And precious blood, shed for you, shed for you.*

*In remembrance of Me, search for truth, In remembrance of Me, always love,
In remembrance of Me, don't look above, But in your heart, in your heart,
Look in your heart for God. Do this in remembrance of Me.*

"Draw Near and Take the Body of the Lord" LSB 637

**Draw near and take the body of the Lord,
And drink the holy blood for you outpoured;
Offered was He for greatest and for least,
Himself the victim and Himself the priest.**

**He who His saints in this world rules and shields,
To all believers life eternal yields;
With heav'nly bread He makes the hungry whole,
Gives living waters to the thirsting soul.**

**Come forward then with faithful hearts sincere,
And take the pledges of salvation here.
O Lord, our hearts with grateful thanks endow
As in this feast of love You bless us now.**

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**“O Living Bread from Heaven” LSB 642
O living Bread from heaven, How well You feed your guest!
The gifts that You have given Have filled my heart with rest.
Oh, wondrous food of blessing, Oh, cup that heals our woes!
My heart, this gift possessing, With praises overflows.**

**My Lord, You here have led me To this most holy place
And with Yourself have fed me The treasures of Your grace;
For You have freely given What earth could never buy,
The bread of life from heaven, That now I shall not die.**

**You gave me all I wanted; This food can death destroy.
And You have freely granted The cup of endless joy.
My Lord, I do not merit The favor You have shown,
And all my soul and spirit Bow down before Your throne.**

**Lord, grant me then, thus strengthened With heav'nly food, while here
My course on earth is lengthened, To serve with holy fear.
And when You call my spirit To leave this world below,
I enter, through Your merit, Where joys unmingled flow.**

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**“Savior, When in Dust to Thee” LSB 419
Savior, when in dust to Thee Low we bow the_adoring knee;
When, repentant, to the skies Scarce we lift our weeping eyes;
O, by all Thy pains and woe Suffered once for us below,
Bending from Thy throne on high, Hear our penitential cry!**

**By Thy helpless infant years, By Thy life of want and tears,
By Thy days of deep distress In the savage wilderness,
By the dread, mysterious hour Of the_insulting tempter's pow'r,
Turn, O turn a fav'ring eye; Hear our penitential cry!**

**By Thine hour of dire despair, By Thine agony of prayer,
By the cross, the nail, the thorn, Piercing spear, and torturing scorn,
By the gloom that veiled the skies O'er the dreadful sacrifice,
Listen to our humble sigh; Hear our penitential cry!**

**By Thy deep expiring groan, By the sad sepulchral stone,
By the vault whose dark abode Held in vain the rising God,
O, from earth to heav'n restored, Mighty, reascended Lord,
Bending from Thy throne on high, Hear our penitential cry!**

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POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

P: O God the Father, the fountain and source of all goodness, who in loving-kindness sent Your only-begotten Son into the flesh, we thank You that for His sake You have given us pardon and peace in this Sacrament, and we ask You not to forsake Your children but always to rule our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that we may be enabled constantly to serve You; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

✠ ✠ STRIPPING OF THE ALTAR ✠ ✠

+ Violin -- Vitale, Chaconne in G minor

BENEDICTION Numbers 6:24–26

P: The LORD bless you and keep you.

The LORD make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.

The LORD lift up His countenance upon you and ✠ give you peace.

C: Amen.

CLOSING HYMN “Jesus, Priceless Treasure” LSB 743

**Jesus, priceless treasure, Fount of purest pleasure, Truest friend to me,
Ah, how long in anguish Shall my spirit languish, Yearning, Lord, for Thee?
Thou art mine, O Lamb divine! I will suffer naught to hide Thee;
Naught I ask beside Thee.**

**In Thine arms I rest me; Foes who would molest me Cannot reach me here.
Though the earth be shaking, Ev'ry heart be quaking, Jesus calms my fear.
Lightnings flash And thunders crash; Yet, though sin and hell assail me,
Jesus will not fail me.**

**Satan, I defy thee; Death, I now decry thee; Fear, I bid thee cease.
World, thou shalt not harm me Nor thy threats alarm me While I sing of peace.
God's great pow'r Guards ev'ry hour; Earth and all its depths adore Him,
Silent bow before Him.**

**Hence, all earthly treasure! Jesus is my pleasure, Jesus is my choice.
Hence, all empty glory! Naught to me thy story Told with tempting voice.
Pain or loss, Or shame or cross, Shall not from my Savior move me
Since He deigns to love me.**

**Evil world, I leave thee; Thou canst not deceive me, Thine appeal is vain.
Sin that once did blind me, Get thee far behind me, Come not forth again.
Past thy hour, O pride and pow'r; Sinful life, thy bonds I sever,
Leave thee now forever.**

**Hence, all fear and sadness! For the Lord of gladness, Jesus, enters in.
Those who love the Father, Though the storms may gather, Still have peace within.
Yea, whate'er I here must bear, Thou art still my purest pleasure,
Jesus, priceless treasure!**

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SILENT PRAYER

POSTLUDE

Those Who Serve

Proclaimer Rev. Matthew Lynch

Liturgist Rev. Mark Goble

Organist Michella Novy

Violinist Esther Humphries

Offering: Soloist: Chuck Hodges Accompanist: Chris Cardona

Distribution Trio: Chris Cardona, Chuck Hodges, Caroline Johnson

Guitarist: Mike Salzgeber

Elders Matt Adler, Vicar Steven Andrews, Kyle Brown, Jim Devan

Ushers Jonathan Frey, Stephen Owens, Wes Boston, Salar Rafieetary, Nick
Tieman, Randy Lusk

Acolyte John Britt

Crucifer Seymour Shepard

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Sound Walt Kosman, Murph Ellard, Kim Goble, Jim Hofer, Peter Cothron, Aaron
Winter

Streaming Kevin Madden

APRIL 3 ~ GOOD FRIDAY TENEBRAE SERVICE 7:00PM

***APRIL 5 ~ EASTER SUNDAY
7:00AM 8:30AM 11:00AM***

***EASTER BREAKFAST
9:45 - 11:00***

***JOIN US IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL FOR A LIGHT BREAKFAST
AND FELLOWSHIP ~ HOSTED BY OUR AMAZING YOUTH
GROUP.***

MAUNDY THURSDAY

Good Evening. Thank you for being here for a most holy evening and a most holy event in the life of our Lord Jesus and His disciples, past and present – Maundy Thursday. This is the night the Lord instituted the Lord’s Supper as a last will and testament for His followers. With a love beyond our ability to comprehend, the Lord comes to us in His very body and blood, in with and under the bread and wine to forgive our sins, strengthen our faith, and assurance of our everlasting life with God after this life has ended. We approach the altar in humility, knowing that it is only by the Lord’s grace that we are able to be in His presence and partake of this holy meal. We pray that tonight’s service will be a blessing to you in your faith and walk with God.

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