



ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL

ORDER OF DIVINE SERVICE



MAUNDY THURSDAY

APRIL 2, 2026

"This cup that is poured out for you is the new covenant in my blood"

WELCOME! TONIGHT WE CELEBRATE THE LORD'S SUPPER!



For baptized Christians (Matthew 28:19) who have been instructed in the faith (Galatians 6:6), The Lord's Supper is our participation in the body and blood of Jesus Christ (1 Corinthians 10:16), as the one body of Christ (1 Corinthians 10:17), to receive forgiveness of sin (Matthew 26:28) and to proclaim the Lord's death until He comes (1 Corinthians 11:26).

So that those who partake of the Lord's Supper do so in a worthy manner (1 Corinthians 11:27) and not to their harm (1 Corinthians 11:29), let us each examine ourselves (1 Corinthians 11:28):

- *Do you believe that you are a sinner? That you have sinned in thought, word and deed?*
- *Are you sorry for your sin?*
- *Do you trust that Jesus Christ gives forgiveness of sin through His Supper?*
- *Do you believe that the body and blood of Jesus are present in, with and under the bread and wine?*
- *Do you seek to lead godly lives by the power of the Holy Spirit?*

Please speak to a pastor or usher if you have questions. Gluten-free wafers are provided upon request. Non-alcoholic grape juice is provided in the center of each communion tray. Those who are not communing may come forward for a blessing from the pastor.

AS WE GATHER



Sin gets heavy. Sin can be embarrassing. We try to ignore it, cover it up, or pretend it doesn't exist. None of those things get rid of our sin or its weight on us. God doesn't minimize, excuse, or relativize sin. He places our sin on Jesus and nails it to a cross. God forgives our sins and cleanses us from all unrighteousness. As we come to our Lord's Table tonight, God freely forgives us through the body and blood of Christ that comes to us in, with, and under the bread and wine.

PRELUDE

TOLLING OF THE BELL

WELCOME

Stand

CORPORATE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

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

C Amen.

P I will go to the altar of God,

C to God my exceeding joy.

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C who made heaven and earth.

P Beloved in the Lord, it is our intention to receive the Holy Supper of our Lord Jesus Christ, in which He strengthens our faith by giving us His body to eat and His blood to drink. Therefore, it is proper that we diligently examine ourselves, as St. Paul urges us to do, for this holy Sacrament has been instituted for the special comfort of those who are troubled because of their sin and who humbly confess their sins, fear God's wrath, and hunger and thirst for righteousness.

But when we examine our hearts and consciences, we find nothing in us but sin and death, from which we are incapable of delivering ourselves. Therefore, our Lord Jesus Christ has had mercy on us. For our benefit He became man so that He might fulfill for us the whole will and law of God and, to deliver us, took upon Himself our sin and the punishment we deserve.

So that we may more confidently believe this and be strengthened in the faith and in holy living, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread, broke it, and gave it to His disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My body, which is given for you." It is as if He said, "I became man, and all that I do and suffer is for your good. As a pledge of this, I give you My body to eat."

In the same way also He took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the New Testament in My blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins." Again, it is as if He said, "I have had mercy on you by taking into Myself all your iniquities. I give Myself into death, shedding My blood to obtain grace and forgiveness of sins, and to comfort and establish the New Testament, which gives forgiveness and everlasting salvation. As a pledge of this, I give you My blood to drink."

Therefore, whoever eats this bread and drinks this cup, confidently believing this Word and promise of Christ, dwells in Christ and Christ in him and has eternal life.

We should also do this in remembrance of Him, showing His death—that He was delivered for our offenses and raised for our justification. Giving Him our most heartfelt thanks, we take up our cross and follow Him and, according to His commandment, love one another as He has loved us. For we are all one bread and one body, even as we are all partakers of this one bread and drink from the one cup. For just as the one cup is filled with wine of many grapes and one bread made from countless grains, so also, we, being many, are one body in Christ. Because of Him, we love one another, not only in word, but in deed and in truth. May the Almighty and merciful God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, by His Holy Spirit, accomplish this in us.

C Amen.

P Having heard the Word of God, let us confess our sins to Him, imploring Him for the sake of His Son Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

Kneel/Sit

C O almighty God, merciful Father, I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto 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 God be merciful to you and strengthen your faith.

C Amen.

P Do you believe that the forgiveness I speak is not my forgiveness but God's?

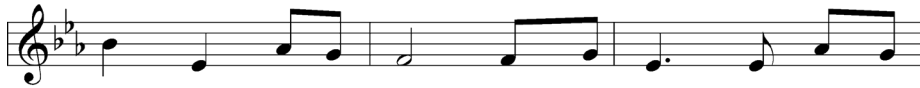
C Yes.

P Let it be done for you as you believe.

The assembly may be seated. If you wish, you may approach the altar for an individual absolution. If you choose to remain seated, or once you receive your absolution, please join in the singing of the following Hymn.



1 When You woke that Thurs - day morn - ing, Sav - ior,
 2 Nev - er so a - lone and lone - ly, Long - ing
 3 What was there that You could give them That would
 4 One in faith, in love u - nit - ed, All one
 5 One day all the Church will cap - ture That bright



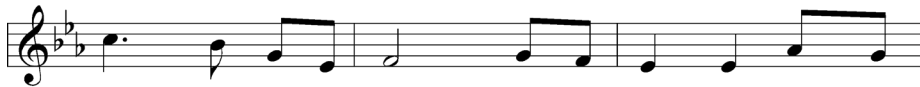
teach - er, faith - ful friend, Thoughts of self and safe - ty
 with tor - ment - ed heart To be with Your dear ones
 nev - er be out - spent, What great gift that would out -
 bod - y, You the head, When we meet, by You in -
 vi - sion glo - ri - ous, And Your saints will know the



scorn - ing, Know - ing how the day would end;
 on - ly For a qui - et hour a - part:
 live them, What last will and tes - ta - ment?
 vit - ed, You are with us, as You said.
 rap - ture That Your heart de - sired for us,



Lamb of God, fore - told for a - ges, Now at
 Sin - less Lamb and fall - en crea - ture, One last
 "Show Me and the world you love Me, Know Me
 One with You and one an - oth - er In a
 When the longed - for peace and u - nion Of the



last the hour had come When but One could pay sin's
 pas - chal meal to eat, One last les - son as their
 as the Lamb of God: Do this in re - mem - brance
 u - ni - ty sub - lime, See in us Your sis - ter,
 Great - est and the least Meet in joy - ous, blest com -



wa - ges: You as - sumed their dread - ful sum.
 teach - er, Wash - ing Your dis - ci - ples' feet.
 of Me, Eat this bod - y, drink this blood."
 broth - er, One in ev - 'ry place and time.
 mu - nion In Your nev - er - end - ing feast.

After all have returned to their seats, the pastor speaks this blessing.

CORPORATE ABSOLUTION

P For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is His steadfast love toward those who fear Him; as far as the east is from the west, so far does He remove our transgressions from us. As a father shows compassion to his children, so the Lord shows compassion to those who fear Him. 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.

C Amen.

Stand

SERVICE OF THE WORD

COLLECT OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us pray.

O Lord, in this wondrous Sacrament You have left us a remembrance of Your passion. Grant that we may so receive the sacred mystery of Your body and blood that the fruits of Your redemption may continually be manifest in us; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Sit

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Exodus 24:3–11

A The Old Testament Reading is from Exodus, chapter 24.

³Moses came and told the people all the words of the LORD and all the just decrees. And all the people answered with one voice and said, "All the words that the LORD has spoken we will do." ⁴And Moses wrote down all the words of the LORD. He rose early in the morning and built an altar at the foot of the mountain, and twelve pillars, according to the twelve tribes of Israel. ⁵And he sent young men of the people of Israel, who offered burnt offerings and sacrificed peace offerings of oxen to the LORD. ⁶And Moses took half of the blood and put it in basins, and half of the blood he threw against

the altar. ⁷Then he took the Book of the Covenant and read it in the hearing of the people. And they said, "All that the LORD has spoken we will do, and we will be obedient." ⁸And Moses took the blood and threw it on the people and said, "Behold the blood of the covenant that the LORD has made with you in accordance with all these words."

⁹Then Moses and Aaron, Nadab, and Abihu, and seventy of the elders of Israel went up, ¹⁰and they saw the God of Israel. There was under his feet as it were a pavement of sapphire stone, like the very heaven for clearness. ¹¹And he did not lay his hand on the chief men of the people of Israel; they beheld God, and ate and drank.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

PSALM

Psalm 116:12–19; antiphon: v. 17

Sung alternatively.



Cong What shall I render | to the LORD*
for all his bene- | fits to me?

Choir I will lift up the cup of sal- | vation*
and call on the name | of the LORD,

Cong I will pay my vows | to the LORD*
in the presence of all his | people.

Choir Precious in the sight | of the LORD*
is the death | of his saints.

Cong O LORD, I am your | servant;*
I am your servant, the son of your maidservant.
You have | loosed my bonds.

Choir I will offer to you the sacrifice of thanks- | giving*
and call on the name | of the LORD.

Cong I will pay my vows | to the LORD*
in the presence of all his | people,

Choir in the courts of the house | of the LORD,*
in your midst, O Jerusalem. | Praise the LORD!

A The Epistle is from Hebrews, chapter 9.

¹¹When Christ appeared as a high priest of the good things that have come, then through the greater and more perfect tent (not made with hands, that is, not of this creation) ¹²he entered once for all into the holy places, not by means of the blood of goats and calves but by means of his own blood, thus securing an eternal redemption. ¹³For if the sprinkling of defiled persons with the blood of goats and bulls and with the ashes of a heifer sanctifies for the purification of the flesh, ¹⁴how much more will the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself without blemish to God, purify our conscience from dead works to serve the living God.

¹⁵Therefore he is the mediator of a new covenant, so that those who are called may receive the promised eternal inheritance, since a death has occurred that redeems them from the transgressions committed under the first covenant. ¹⁶For where a will is involved, the death of the one who made it must be established. ¹⁷For a will takes effect only at death, since it is not in force as long as the one who made it is alive. ¹⁸Therefore not even the first covenant was inaugurated without blood. ¹⁹For when every commandment of the law had been declared by Moses to all the people, he took the blood of calves and goats, with water and scarlet wool and hyssop, and sprinkled both the book itself and all the people, ²⁰saying, “This is the blood of the covenant that God commanded for you.” ²¹And in the same way he sprinkled with the blood both the tent and all the vessels used in worship. ²²Indeed, under the law almost everything is purified with blood, and without the shedding of blood there is no forgiveness of sins.

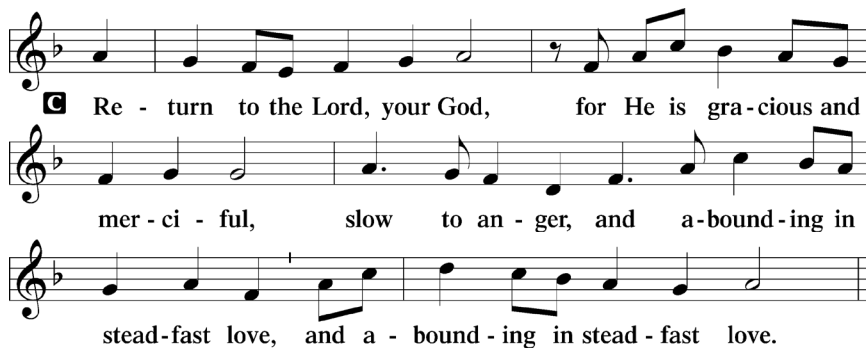
A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.



Stand

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



C Re - turn to the Lord, your God, for He is gra - cious and
mer - ci - ful, slow to an - ger, and a - bound - ing in
stead - fast love, and a - bound - ing in stead - fast love.

HOLY GOSPEL

Luke 22:7–20

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

C Glory to You, O Lord.

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 Praise to You, O Christ.

Sit

SERMON HYMN

618 I Come, O Savior, to Thy Table



1 I come, O Sav - ior, to Thy ta - ble, For weak and
2 Thy heart is filled with fer - vent yearn - ing That sin - ners
3 Un - wor - thy though I am, O Sav - ior, Be - cause I
4 Wea - ry am I and heav - y lad - en; With sin my



wea - ry is my soul; Thou, Bread of Life, a -
may sal - va - tion see Who, Lord, to Thee in
have a sin - ful heart, Yet Thou Thy lamb wilt
soul is sore op - pressed; Re - ceive me gra - cious -



lone art a - ble To sat - is - fy and make me whole:
faith are turn - ing; So I, a sin - ner, come to Thee.
ban - ish nev - er, For Thou my faith - ful shep - herd art:
ly and glad - den My heart, for I am now Thy guest.

Refrain



Lord, may Thy bod - y and Thy blood Be for my soul the high - est good!

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SERMON

BROKENNESS
Pastor Mark Stapleton

Stand

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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 sits at the right hand of the Father.
And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead,
whose kingdom will 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 in 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 \dagger of the world to come. Amen.

Kneel

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

P Gathered by the love and remembrance of Jesus; we offer our prayers to God.




For the Church, that the celebration of the Lord's Supper renew and strengthen us; that by our love for one another, the world may know that we are disciples of Jesus Christ, that pastors and teachers follow the example of Jesus, gentle and humble of heart, let us pray to the Lord,

C Lord, have mercy.

- P** For the poor, the hungry, and the homeless, that God use us to reach out to them and lift them up, let us pray to the Lord,
- C** **Lord, have mercy.**
- P** For those who have lost their faith and for those who struggle to believe, that during these holy days they be filled with Christ's light and peace, let us pray to the Lord,
- C** **Lord, have mercy.**
- P** For the sick, the dying, and the mourning, help them to trust in the promise that nothing—not even sickness or death—can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus, let us pray to the Lord,
- C** **Lord, have mercy.**
- P** For all of us, gathered on this holy night, that, nourished by the body and blood of Christ for the forgiveness of our sins, we forgive those who have wronged us and love one another from our hearts, let us pray to the Lord,
- C** **Lord, have mercy.**
- P** Hear the prayers of Your people, merciful God, for the sake of the One who stretched out His arms on the cross to redeem Your people and to reconcile the whole creation, through Christ, our Lord.
- C** **Amen.**

Sit

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ANTHEM

UBI CARITAS
Ola Gjeilo (b.1978)

*Where charity and love are. God is there. The love of Christ has gathered us together.
Let us rejoice and be glad in it. Let us revere and love the living God.
And from a sincere heart let us love one another. Amen.*

SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

Stand

PREFACE

- P** The Lord be with you.
- C** **And also with you.**
- P** Lift up your hearts.
- C** **We lift them to the Lord.**
- P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- C** **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

- 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, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who accomplished the salvation of mankind by the tree of the cross that, where death arose, there life also might rise again and that the serpent who overcame by the tree of the garden might likewise by the tree of the cross be overcome. Therefore, with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

SANCTUS

Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9

C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:
Heav-en and earth are full of Your glo-ry. Ho - san-na. Ho -
san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high - est.

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

- P** Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: “Take, eat; this is My ✝ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me.”

In the same way also, He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: “Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the New Testament in My ✝ blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me.”

PROCLAMATION OF CHRIST

- P** As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord’s death until He comes.
- C** **Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**
- P** O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension into heaven, and Your coming for the final judgment. So remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

LORD’S PRAYER

- 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.**

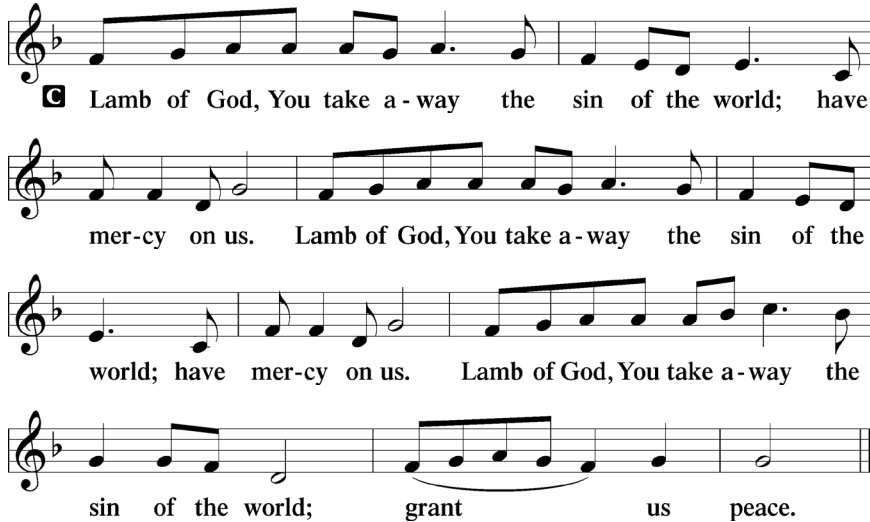
PAX DOMINI

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C Amen.

The people may greet one another in the name of the Lord, saying, "Peace be with you," as a sign of reconciliation and of the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace (Matt. 5:22–24; Eph. 4:1–3).

AGNUS DEI



C Lamb of God, You take a - way the sin of the world; have
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a - way the sin of the
world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a - way the
sin of the world; grant us peace.





1 Draw near and take the bod - y of the Lord,
 2 He who His saints in this world rules and shields,
 3 Come for - ward then with faith - ful hearts sin - cere,



And drink the ho - ly blood for you out - poured;
 To all be - liev - ers life e - ter - nal yields;
 And take the pledg - es of sal - va - tion here.



Of - fered was He for great - est and for least,
 With heav'n - ly bread He makes the hun - gry whole,
 O Lord, our hearts with grate - ful thanks en - dow



Him - self the vic - tim and Him - self the priest.
 Gives liv - ing wa - ters to the thirst - ing soul.
 As in this feast of love You bless us now.

563 Jesus, Thy Blood and Righteousness



1 Je - sus, Thy blood and righ - teous - ness My beau - ty
 2 Bold shall I stand in that great day, Cleansed and re -
 3 Lord, I be - lieve Thy pre - cious blood, Which at the
 4 Lord, I be - lieve, were sin - ners more Than sands up -



are, my glo - rious dress; Midst flam - ing worlds, in
 deemed, no debt to pay; Ful - ly ab - solved through
 mer - cy seat of God Pleads for the cap - tives'
 on the o - cean shore, Thou hast for all a



these ar - rayed, With joy shall I lift up my head.
 these I am From sin and fear, from guilt and shame.
 lib - er - ty, Was al - so shed in love for me.
 ran - som paid, For all a full a - tone - ment made.

MOTET

AVE VERUM CORPUS

Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart (1756-1791)

*Jesus, Savior, we behold thee, Mary's Son in bread and wine revealed.
Born and suffered, for us offered, they cross all our wounds hath healed.
From thy body, pierced and broken, came forth water and precious blood.
Be to us by thy example in Death's hour of trial our food.*

THE DISMISSAL

- P** The Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart † in peace.
- C** Amen.

Stand

POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

- P** Let us pray.
Gracious God, our heavenly Father, we thank You for forgiving our transgressions, covering our sins, and no longer counting our iniquities against us. Nourish us with the body and blood of Your Son, Jesus, and lead us to stir up one another to love and good works, not neglecting to meet together as we see the Day drawing near; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C** Amen.

Sit

STRIPPING OF THE ALTAR

Psalm 22



Choir *My God, my God, why have you for- | saken me?**
Why are you so far from saving me, from the words of my | groaning?
*O my God, I cry by day, but you do not | answer,**
and by night, but I | find no rest.



Cong. Yet you are | holy,*
enthroned on the praises of | Israel.
In you our fathers | trusted;*
they trusted, and you de- | livered them.

Choir To you they cried and were | rescued;*
in you they trusted and were not | put to shame.
But I am a worm and | not a man,*
scorned by mankind and despised by the | people.

Cong. All who see me | mock me;*
they make mouths at me; they | wag their heads;
He trusts in the LORD; let him de- | liver him;*
let him rescue him, for he de- | lights in him!"

Choir Yet you are he who took me | from the womb;*
you made me trust you at my | mother's breasts.
On you was I cast | from my birth,*
and from my mother's womb you have | been my God.



Cong. Be not far from me, for trouble | is near,*
and there is | none to help.
Many bulls en- | compass me;*
strong bulls of Bashan sur- | round me;

Choir they open wide their | mouths at me,*
like a ravening and roaring | lion.
I am poured out like water, and all my bones are | out of joint;*
my heart is like wax; it is melted with- | in my breast;



Cong. my strength is dried up like a potsherd,
and my tongue sticks | to my jaws; *
you lay me in the | dust of death.
For dogs en- | compass me; *
a company of evildoers encircles me;
they have pierced my | hands and feet

Choir I can count | all my bones — *
they stare and gloat | over me;
they divide my garments a- | mong them, *
and for my clothing they | cast lots.

Cong. But you, O LORD, do not be | far off! *
O you my help, come quickly | to my aid!
Deliver my soul | from the sword, *
my precious life from the power | of the dog!

Choir Save me from the mouth of the | lion! *
You have rescued me from the horns of the wild | oxen!
I will tell of your name to my | brothers; *
in the midst of the congregation I will | praise you:



Cong. You who fear the LORD, praise him!
All you offspring of Jacob, glo- | rify him, *
and stand in awe of him, all you offspring of | Israel!
For he has not despised or abhorred the affliction of the afflicted,
and he has not hidden his | face from him, *
but has heard, when he | cried to him.



Choir From you comes my praise in the great congre- | gation;*
my vows I will perform before those who | fear him.
The afflicted shall eat and be satisfied;
those who seek him shall | praise the LORD!*
May your hearts live for- | ever!

Cong. All the ends of the earth shall remember
and turn | to the LORD,*
and all the families of the nations
shall worship be- | fore you.
For kingship belongs | to the LORD,*
and he rules over the | nations.

Choir All the prosperous of the earth eat and | worship;*
before him shall bow all who go down to the dust,
even the one who could not keep him- | self alive.
Posterity shall | serve him;*
it shall be told of the Lord to the coming generation;



Cong. they shall come and proclaim his
righteousness to a people | yet unborn,*
that he has | done it.
Yet you are | holy,*
enthroned on the praises of | Israel.

Choir In you our fathers | trusted;*
they trusted, and you de- | livered them.
To you they cried and were | rescued;*
in you they trusted and were not | put to shame.



Choir Many bulls en- | compass me;*
strong bulls of Bashan sur- | round me;
they open wide their | mouths at me,*
like a ravening and roaring | lion.

Cong. I am poured out like water,
and all my bones are | out of joint;*
my heart is like wax; it is melted with- | in my breast;
my strength is dried up like a potsherd,
and my tongue sticks | to my jaws;*
you lay me in the | dust of death.

Choir For dogs en- | compass me;*
a company of evildoers encircles me;
they have pierced my | hands and feet—
I can count | all my bones—*
they stare and gloat | over me;



Cong. they divide my garments a- | mong them,*
and for my clothing they | cast lots.
But you, O LORD, do not be | far off!*
O you my help, come quickly | to my aid!

Choir Deliver my soul | from the sword,*
my precious life from the power | of the dog!
Save me from the mouth of the | lion!*
You have rescued me from the horns of the wild | oxen!



Cong. I will tell of your name to my | brothers;*
in the midst of the congregation I will | praise you:
You who fear the LORD, praise him!
All you offspring of Jacob, glo- | rify him,*
and stand in awe of him, all you offspring of | Israel!

Choir For he has not despised or abhorred the affliction of the afflicted,
and he has not hidden his | face from him,*
but has heard, when he | cried to him.
From you comes my praise in the great congre- | gation;*
my vows I will perform before those who | fear him.

Cong. The afflicted shall eat and be satisfied;
those who seek him shall | praise the LORD!*

May your hearts live for- | ever!
All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn | to the LORD,*
and all the families of the nations shall worship be- | fore you.



Choir For kingship belongs | to the LORD,*
and he rules over the | nations.
All the prosperous of the earth eat and | worship;*
before him shall bow all who go down to the dust,
even the one who could not keep him- | self alive.

Choir Posterity shall | serve him;*
it shall be told of the Lord to the coming gener- | ation;
they shall come and proclaim his righteousness to a people | yet unborn,*
that he has | done it.

All may exit the nave silently.

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HOLY WEEK AND EASTER SUNDAY

AT ST. JOHN'S

GOOD FRIDAY SUNG PASSION ACCORDING TO JOHN

April 3 @ 3:00pm

GOOD FRIDAY TENEBRAE SERVICE

WITH THE SUNG PASSION ACCORDING TO JOHN

April 3 @ 7:00pm

EASTER SUNDAY

EASTER SUNDAY WITH CHOIR, JUBILATION RINGERS,

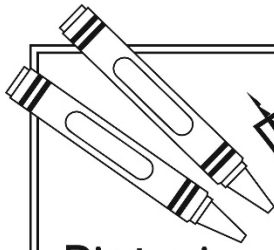
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8:00am & 10:45am

EASTER SUNDAY BREAKFAST

9:00am to 10:30am





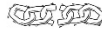
PUZZLE

Picturing the Lord's Supper

Jesus ate the Passover meal with his disciples as a symbol of the new covenant.



Directions: Use the picture clues to fill in key words from Luke 22:19-20, NIV.



And he took _____, gave _____ and _____ it, and gave



it to them, saying, "This is my _____ given for you; do this in



_____ of me." In the same way, after the supper he



took the cup, saying, "This _____ is the new _____ in my



blood, which is _____ out for you."

LUKE 22:19-20, NIV

Answer: bread, thanks, broke, body, remembrance, cup, covenant, poured

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