

# **St. Andrew's Lutheran Church**

*"Maundy Thursday"*

Thursday, March 28, 2024

7:00pm Worship



**Our Mission:**

***REACHING OUT – SHARING GRACE***

**Our Purpose:**

**St. Andrew's Lutheran church is a family that loves to serve the Lord as we grow in faith, serving the neighborhood with glocal projects.**

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**GATHERING**

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**PRELUDE** *"Blest Be The Tie"/"Bind Us Together" Medley*

**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

**I** We begin our worship in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

**C Amen.**

**I** This is a day of remembrance for us.

**C We lift up the cup of salvation and call on the name of the Lord.**

**I** Throughout the generations, we have received and handed on to others what the Lord has given to us:

**C water for washing; the towel of service; the bread of his body; the cup of the new covenant; proclaiming the Lord's death until he comes again.**

**I** Even among Jesus' closest disciples, not all were clean. On this night of all nights, we confess the ways we disappoint, deny, and even betray Jesus, our Teacher and Lord. Our confession of sin is made in the sure knowledge that Jesus is able to wash us in forgiveness and love...Holy God,

**C you have called us to serve others as Christ has served us. We confess that we have not followed Christ's example as fully or as often as we should. We turn away from people in need. True humility eludes us, and we hide our own vulnerability before others. You have commanded us to love one another as you have loved us. We confess that we do not love so generously. Gathered on this Holy Thursday, we confess that we are capable of denying and betraying you and one another, no less than the first disciples.**

**Forgive us, merciful God, and cleanse us of all our sin; then guide our feet to walk with you always. In Christ's name we pray. Amen.**

**L** Disciples of Christ, having loved his own who were in the world, Jesus loved them to the end. Jesus knows us fully and offers love and forgiveness unconditionally. In gratitude for the grace given to us, and as a witness to our faith in Christ, we will love one another. The peace of Christ be with you.

**C Amen! And also with you!**

### **GATHERING HYMN**

*"Where Charity and Love Prevail"*

*#359*

*Where charity and love prevail,  
there God is ever found;  
brought here together by Christ's love,  
by love we thus are bound.*

*With grateful joy and holy fear,  
God's charity we learn;  
let us with heart and mind and soul  
now love God in return.*

*Let us recall that in our midst  
dwells Christ, God's holy Son;  
as members of each body joined,  
in him we are made one.*

*Let strife among us be unknown;  
let all contentions cease.  
Be God's the glory that we seek;  
be his our only peace.*

*Let us forgive each other's faults  
as we our own confess,  
that we may love each other well  
in Christian gentleness.*

## GREETING

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

**C** And also with you.

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

**L** Holy God,

**C** 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.

## SHARING OF THE PEACE

**L** The peace of Christ be with you always.

**C** And also with you.

*(All are encouraged to share a greeting of peace.)*

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## WORD

### READING

*Exodus 12:1-4 [5-10] 11-14*

<sup>1</sup>The Lord said to Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt: <sup>2</sup>This month shall mark for you the beginning of months; it shall be the first month of the year for you. <sup>3</sup>Tell 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. <sup>4</sup>If 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. <sup>5</sup>Your lamb shall be without blemish, a year-old male; you may take it from the sheep or from the goats. <sup>6</sup>You shall keep it until the fourteenth day of this month; then the whole assembled congregation of Israel shall slaughter it at twilight. <sup>7</sup>They shall take some of the blood and put it on the two doorposts and the lintel of the houses in which they eat it. <sup>8</sup>They shall eat the lamb that same night; they shall eat it roasted over the fire with unleavened bread and bitter herbs. <sup>9</sup>Do not eat any

of it raw or boiled in water, but roasted over the fire, with its head, legs, and inner organs. <sup>10</sup>You shall let none of it remain until the morning; anything that remains until the morning you shall burn. <sup>11</sup>This 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. <sup>12</sup>For 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. <sup>13</sup>The 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. <sup>14</sup>This 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.

**L** Word of God, word of life!

**C Thanks be to God!**

## **PSALM**

*Psalm 116:1-2, 12-19*

**L** I love the Lord, because he has heard my voice and my supplications.

**C Because he inclined his ear to me, therefore I will call on him as long as I live.**

**L** What shall I return to the Lord for all his bounty to me?

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

**L** I will pay 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 ones.**

**L** O Lord, I am your servant; I am your servant, the child of your serving maid. You have loosed my bonds.

**C I will offer to you a thanksgiving sacrifice and call on the name of the Lord.**

**L** I will pay 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, O Jerusalem. Praise the Lord!

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION** (*During Lent*)

**C** We are turning, Lord, to hear you; you are merciful and kind—slow to anger, rich in blessing, and with love to us inclined.

**\*GOSPEL**

*John 13:1-17, 31b-35*

Now 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.<sup>2</sup>The devil had already put it into the heart of Judas son of Simon Iscariot to betray him. And during supper, <sup>3</sup>Jesus, knowing that the Father had given all things into his hands, and that he had come from God and was going to God,<sup>4</sup>got up from the table, took off his outer robe, and tied a towel around himself. <sup>5</sup>Then 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.<sup>6</sup>He came to Simon Peter, who said to him, "Lord, are you going to wash my feet?" <sup>7</sup>Jesus answered, "You do not know now what I am doing, but later you will understand" <sup>8</sup>Peter said to him, "You will never wash my feet." Jesus answered, "Unless I wash you, you have no share with me." <sup>9</sup>Simon Peter said to him, "Lord, not my feet only but also my hands and my head!" <sup>10</sup>Jesus 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." <sup>11</sup>For he knew who was to betray him; for this reason he said, "Not all of you are clean." After 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? <sup>13</sup>You call me Teacher and Lord—and you are right, for that is what I am. <sup>14</sup>So if I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another's feet. <sup>15</sup>For I have set you

an example, that you also should do as I have done to you.  
<sup>16</sup>Very truly, I tell you, servants are not greater than their master, nor are messengers greater than the one who sent them.<sup>17</sup>If you know these things, you are blessed if you do them.” <sup>31b</sup>Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him.<sup>32</sup>If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. <sup>33</sup>Little 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.’ <sup>34</sup>I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another.<sup>35</sup>By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.”

**L** The Gospel of the Lord!

**C** Praise to you, O Christ!

## SERMON

### HYMN OF THE DAY

*"Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love" #708*

(Refrain) *Jesu, Jesu, fill us with your love,  
show us how to serve the neighbors we have from you.*

*Kneels at the feet of his friends, silently washes their feet,  
master who acts as a slave to them. (refrain)*

*Neighbors are wealthy and poor, varied in color and race,  
neighbors are near us and far away. (refrain)*

*These are the ones we will serve, these are the ones we will  
love; all these are neighbors to us and you. (refrain)*

*Kneel at the feet of our friends, silently washing their feet:  
this is the way we will live with you. (refrain)*

## **FOOT WASHING/HAND WASHING**

*If you would like to participate in the foot washing, please come to the front pew, remove your shoes and socks and wait for the station to be available.*

*If you would like to participate in the hand washing, please come forward to the station at the communion rails. We will be taking turns washing each other's hands.*

## **SONGS/HYMN**

*"The River"*

*Led by Carmen and Ryan*

*To the river I am going  
bringing sins I cannot bear;  
Come and cleanse me, come, forgive me;  
Lord, I need to meet You there.*

*In these waters, healing mercy  
flows with freedom from despair;  
I am going to that river;  
Lord, I need to meet You there.*

*Precious Jesus, I am ready  
to surrender every care;  
Take my hand now, lead me closer;  
Lord, I need to meet You there.*

*To the river I am going  
bringing sins I cannot bear;  
Come and cleanse me, come, forgive me;  
Lord, I need to meet You there.*

*In these waters, healing mercy  
flows with freedom from despair;  
I am going to that river;  
Lord, I need to meet You there.*

*Precious Jesus, I am ready  
to surrender every care;  
Take my hand now, lead me closer;  
Lord, I need to meet You there.*



*Come and join us in the river;  
Come find life beyond compare;  
He is calling, He is waiting;  
Jesus longs to meet you there;  
He is calling, He is waiting;  
Jesus longs to meet you there;*

*Precious Jesus, I am ready  
to surrender every care;  
Take my hand now, lead me closer;  
Lord, I need to meet You there.  
Take my hand now, lead me closer;  
Lord, I need to meet You there.*

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*"Wash, O God, Our Sons and Daughters" #445*

*Wash, O God, our sons and daughters,  
where your cleansing waters flow.  
Number them among your people;  
bless as Christ blessed long ago.  
Weave them garments bring and sparkling;  
compass them with love and light.  
Fill, anoint them; send your Spirit,  
holy dove and heart's delight.*

*We who bring them long for nurture;  
by your milk may we be fed.  
Let us join your feast, partaking cup of blessing,  
living bread.  
God, renew us, guide our footsteps;  
free from sin and all its snares,  
One with Christ in living dying,  
by your Spirit, children, heirs.*

*Oh, how deep your holy wisdom!  
Unimagined, all your ways!  
To your name be glory, honor!  
With our lives we worship, praise!*

*We your people stand before you,  
Water-washed and Spirit-born.  
By your grace, our lives we offer.  
Recreate us; God, transform!*

*"Wonderful Merciful Savior"*

*Wonderful merciful Savior  
Precious Redeemer and Friend  
Who would have thought that a Lamb  
Could rescue the souls of men  
Oh You rescue the souls of men*

*You are the One that we praise  
You are the One we adore  
You give the healing and grace  
Our hearts always hunger for  
Oh our hearts always hunger for*

*Counselor Comforter Keeper  
Spirit we long to embrace  
You offer hope when our hearts  
Have hopelessly lost the way  
Oh we hopelessly lost the way*

*Almighty infinite Father  
Faithfully loving Your own  
Here in our weakness You find us  
Falling before Your throne  
Oh we're falling before Your throne*

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## **APOSTLES' CREED**

**☐ I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended**

**into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.  
Amen.**

## **PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

*(Prayer response "Hear Our Prayer")*

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## **MEAL**

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### **CALL TO THE TABLE**

Adult Choir

*"Abide With Me; 'Tis Eventide" Arr. De'Nel Grove Stucki*

## **WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

### **LORD'S PRAYER**

### **INVITATION TO COMMUNION**

**I** This is God's table, and everyone is welcome here. So come, you who have great faith and you who wish you had more. Come, you who have been here often and you who have not been for a long time. Come, you who have tried to follow and you who have fallen short. Come, not because I invite you, but because God desires to meet you here.

For those celebrating at home, please know you are part of this table and this meal. This is the body of Christ, given for you. This is the blood of Christ, shed for you.

## COMMUNION

- *Everyone is welcome at the Lord's Table.*
- *The trays contain individual glasses with purple wine or white grape juice. Receptacles for empty glasses are found at the far end of the front pews.*
- *A blessing is offered for those not communing.*
- *Gluten-free wafers are available – please ask your server.*
- *After receiving the Sacrament, kneeling at the communion rail for personal prayer time is welcome.*

## LAMB OF GOD

**☩** ***O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world away; you suffered death our lives to save: have mercy now, we pray.***

***O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world away; you set us free from guilt and grave: have mercy now, we pray.***

***O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world away, eternal peace with God you made: give us your peace, we pray.***

## COMMUNION HYMN/SONG

*"Let Us Break Bread Together"*

*#471*

*Let us break bread together on our knees;  
let us break bread together on our knees.*

*(Refrain) When I fall on my knees,  
with my face to the rising sun,  
O Lord, have mercy on me.*

*Let us drink wine together on our knees;  
let us drink wine together on our knees. (refrain)*

*Let us praise God together on our knees;  
let us praise God together on our knees. (refrain)*

*"Lord, I Need You"*

*Lord I come I confess  
Bowing here I find my rest  
And without You I fall apart  
You're the one that guides my heart*

*Lord I need You oh I need You  
Ev'ry hour I need You  
My one defense my righteousness  
Oh God how I need You*

*Where sin runs deep Your grace is more  
Where grace is found is where You are  
And where You are Lord I am free  
Holiness is Christ in me  
Where You are Lord I am free  
Holiness is Christ in me*

*So teach my song to rise to You  
When temptation comes my way  
And when I cannot stand I'll fall on You  
Jesus You're my hope and stay  
And when I cannot stand I'll fall on You  
Jesus You're my hope and stay*

*Lord I need You oh I need You  
Ev'ry hour I need You  
My one defense my righteousness*

*Oh God how I need You  
My one defense my righteousness  
Oh God how I need You*

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## **WORDS AFTER COMMUNION**

**L** Jesus said, "I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another."

**C Amen.**

## **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

**L** Lord Jesus, in a wonderful sacrament you strengthen us with the saving power of your suffering, death, and resurrection. May this sacrament of your body and blood so work in us that the fruits of your redemption will show forth in the way we live, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C Amen.**

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## **SENDING**

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### **STRIPPING OF THE ALTAR**

*Psalm 22 is read as the elements of the altar are removed. The removal of these elements tonight symbolizes the emptiness Jesus felt when he was abandoned by his disciples and sentenced to die. He felt alone and forsaken, even by God.*

*As each item is slowly taken away, think about what was taken away from Jesus tonight: his dignity, his freedom, and eventually his life.*

*Our worship concludes as Pastor Kim exits the sanctuary. You are welcome to remain in the Sanctuary for as long as you like for a time of prayer and meditation.*

***Out of reverence for this holy night, please depart the Sanctuary and parking lot in silence.***

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

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**HOLY WEEK OFFERINGS** will be designated to World Central Kitchen.

### **GOOD FRIDAY, MARCH 29, 7PM WORSHIP**

We will read the Passion Story together. Please don't miss this important evening of worship as we walk with our Lord through the last night and last day of his life in preparation for the joy of Easter.

**FLOWER CROSS:** Please bring fresh flowers for the Flower Cross on Easter Sunday. It's a wonderful way to celebrate the triumph of the cross, and a great photo op, too!

### **EASTER SUNDAY, MARCH 31**

A light breakfast will be served at 8am in the Atrium. Members and Friends are invited to bring muffins, cinnamon rolls, and/or fruit to share. Worship will begin at 9am with the return of the elements to the altar. Holy Communion will be celebrated.

| <b>GOOD FRIDAY/EASTER SUNDAY SCHEDULE</b> |                 |
|---|-----------------|
| <b>Friday, March 29, 7:00pm</b>           | Good Friday     |
| <b>Sunday, March 31, 8:00am</b>           | Light Breakfast |
| <b>9:00am</b>                             | Easter Worship  |

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