TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH March 28, 2024

MAUNDY THURSDAY

12:00 pm / 6:30pm

Maundy is an English form of the Latin word for commandment mandatum, the new commandment to "Love one another as I have loved you."

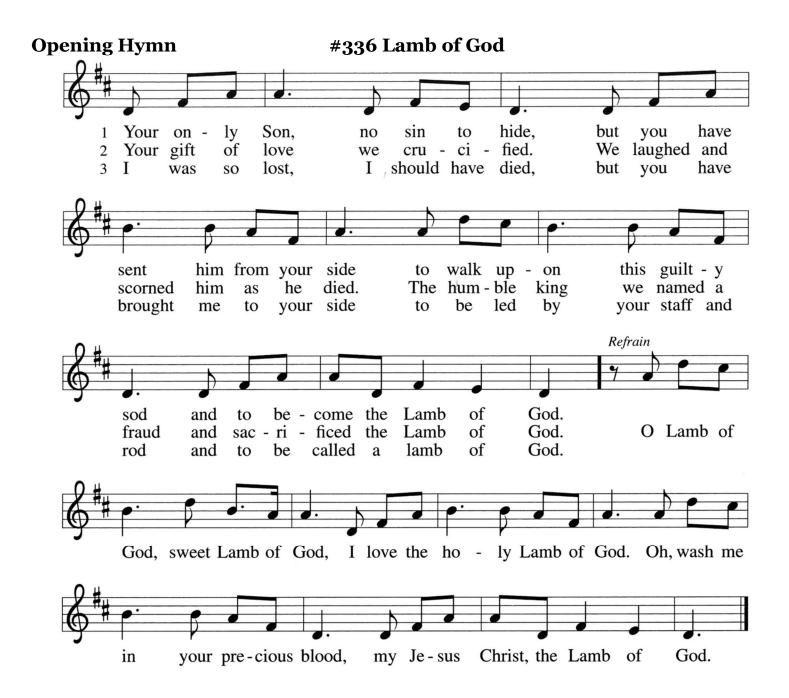
In this Lenten season we have heard our Lord's call to intensify our struggle against sin, death, and the devil – all that keeps us from loving God and each other. This is the struggle to which we were committed at Baptism; God's forgiveness and the power of the Spirit to amend our lives continues with us because of God's love for us in Jesus, our Savior.

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.

It is, however, in the Holy Communion that the members of Christ's body participate most intimately in his love. Remembering our Lord's last supper with his disciples, we eat the bread and share the cup of this meal. Together we receive the Lord's gift of himself and participate in that new covenant which makes us one in him. The Eucharist is the promise of the great banquet we will share with all the faithful when our Lord returns, the culmination of our reconciliation with God and each other.

Prelude "There is a Green Hill", "Wonderous Love"

Welcome and Announcements



The Gospel

Jesus Washes His Disciples' Feet

It was just before the Passover Festival. Jesus knew that the hour had come for him to leave this world and go to the Father. Having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end.

² The evening meal was in progress, and the devil had already prompted Judas, the son of Simon Iscariot, to betray Jesus. ³ Jesus knew that the Father had put all things under his power, and that he had come from God and was returning to God; ⁴ so he got up from the meal, took off his outer clothing, and wrapped a towel around his waist. ⁵ After that, he poured water into a basin and began to wash his disciples' feet, drying them with the towel that was wrapped around him.

⁶ He came to Simon Peter, who said to him, "Lord, are you going to wash my feet?"

⁷Jesus replied, "You do not realize now what I am doing, but later you will understand."

⁸ "No," said Peter, "you shall never wash my feet."

Jesus answered, "Unless I wash you, you have no part with me."

9 "Then, Lord," Simon Peter replied, "not just my feet but my hands and my head as well!"

¹⁰ Jesus answered, "Those who have had a bath need only to wash their feet; their whole body is clean. And you are clean, though not every one of you." ¹¹ For he knew who was going to betray him, and that was why he said not everyone was clean.

¹² When he had finished washing their feet, he put on his clothes and returned to his place. "Do you understand what I have done for you?" he asked them. ¹³ "You call me 'Teacher' and 'Lord,' and rightly so, for that is what I am. ¹⁴ Now that I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also should wash one another's feet. ¹⁵ I have set you an example that you should do as I have done for you. ¹⁶ Very truly I tell you, no servant is greater than his master, nor is a messenger greater than the one who sent him. ¹⁷ Now that you know these things, you will be blessed if you do them.

Jesus Predicts His Betrayal

¹⁸ "I am not referring to all of you; I know those I have chosen. But this is to fulfill this passage of Scripture: 'He who shared my bread has turned^[a] against me.'^[b]

¹⁹ "I am telling you now before it happens, so that when it does happen you will believe that I am who I am. ²⁰ Very truly I tell you, whoever accepts anyone I send accepts me; and whoever accepts me accepts the one who sent me."

Maundy Thursday Meditation

I Would Rather Serve in Heaven, In Fact, That Is Heaven **Pastor David Schoob**

Hymn

#360 Love Consecrates the Humblest Act

Love consecrates the humblest act and haloes mercy's deeds; it sheds a benediction sweet and hallows human needs.

When in the shadow of the cross Christ knelt and washed the feet of his disciples, he gave us a sign of love complete.

Love serves and willing stoops to serve; what Christ in love so true has freely done for one and all, let us now gladly do!

The Maundy Thursday Instruction

Confession and Forgiveness

P: Let us pray:

Father of all mercies and God of all consolation, come to the aid of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may attend to your Word, confess our sins, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of your Son Jesus Christ, our Lord and our Redeemer.

C: Amen.

- P: As Jesus washed the feet of the disciples at the Last Supper, Peter said, "Lord, not my feet only but also my hands and my head." So too we ask for this cleansing.
- C: We have come here soiled muddied by the society which surrounds us, dirty from the roads we have traveled, made ugly by the impulses we have yielded to, and wearied by our struggle against evil. Pour over us the water of your Spirit, cleanse us with your grace, and apply to us the benefits of your sacrifice. Amen.
- P: Hear the words of the prophet Isaiah, "He was wounded for our transgressions, crushed for our iniquities; upon him was the punishment that made us whole, and by his bruises we are healed." Let these words be your assurance of forgiveness in Christ Jesus. Amen.

Passing of the Peace

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

C: And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

- P: Holy God, source of all love, on the night of his betrayal, Jesus gave his disciples a new commandment: To love one another as he had loved them. By your Holy Spirit write this commandment in our hearts; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C: Amen.

Hymn #338 Beneath the Cross of Jesus



The Prayers of the Church

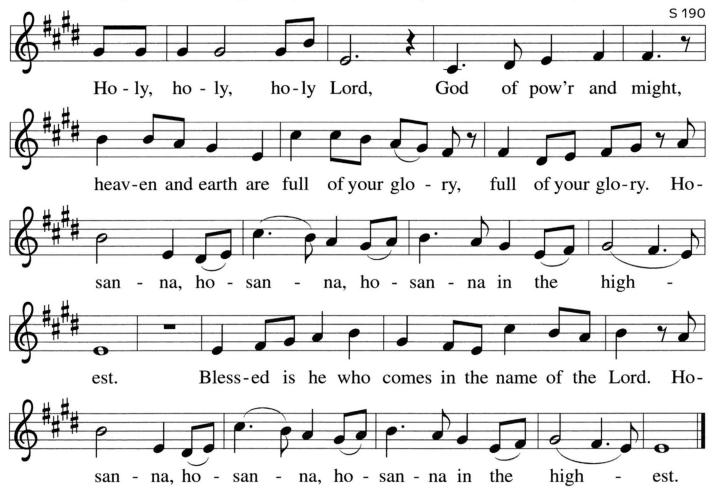
The Great Thanksgiving

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 our thanks and praise.

P: It is indeed right, our duty, and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise......we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Words of Institution

P: In the night in which He was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to His disciples, saying: "Take and eat; this is my body given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

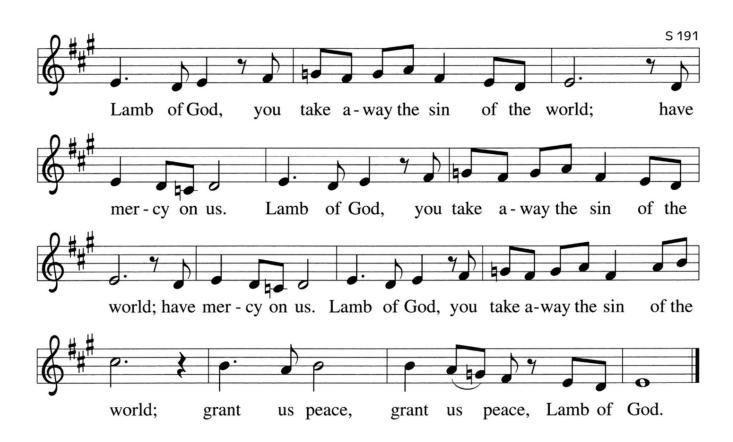
Again, after supper, He took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: "This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me."

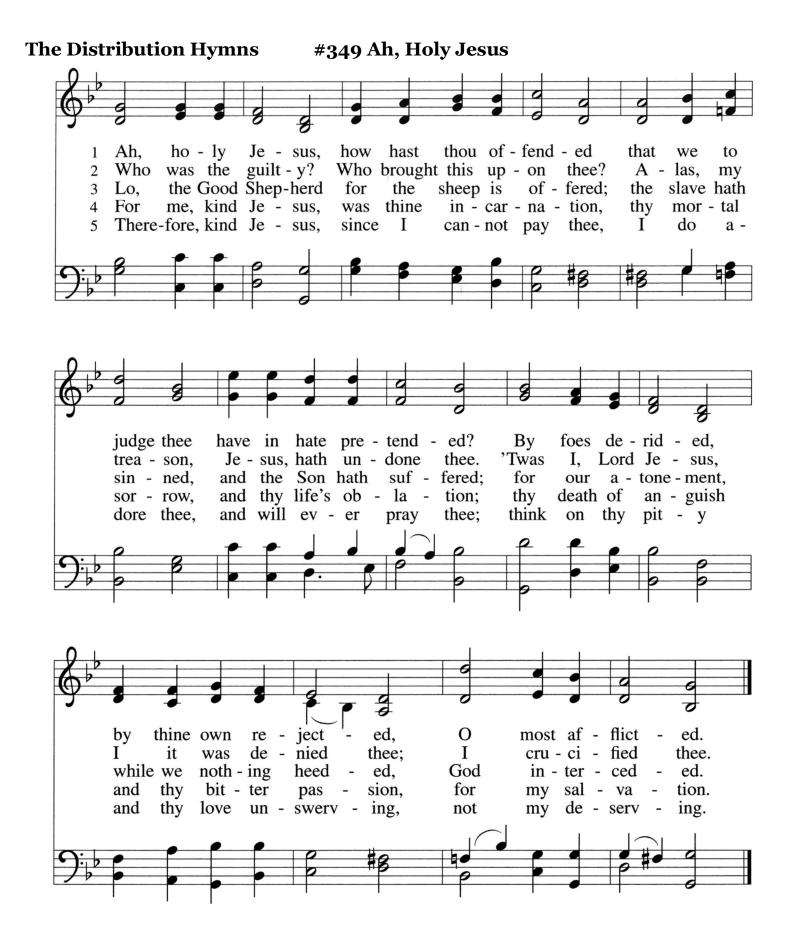
The Lord's Prayer

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.

The Distribution of the Family Meal. (Sit)

All who celebrate Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior are invited to commune today. All children who are not receiving communion yet are invited to come for a blessing>





The Blessing

The Post-Communion Prayer

P: We give you thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life; and we pray that in your mercy you would strengthen us, through this gift, in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

The Reading of Psalm 22

Stripping of the Altar (6:30 p.m. only)

After the Psalm, no further words are said. There is no benediction, no postlude, because we continue the service through Good Friday and up to Easter morning. The church is left in semi-darkness and all leave the church in silence.

Maundy Thursday offerings can be placed in the plates in the Narthex.

WE THANK OUR WORSHIPS ASSISTANTS

ORGANIST 12:00 p.m. Helene Schrankler 6:30 p.m. Helene Schrankler 12:00 p.m. Diane Ferstadt, Tom Bulin, Daniel Schmidt 6:30 p.m. Tom & Ardi Bergerud, John & Denise Kenworthy

COMMUNION ASSISTANTS 12:00 p.m.

6:30 p.m. Nate Shubat

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GOOD FRIDAY WORSHIP

Noon 7:30 Tenebrae

EASTER SUNDAY WORSHIP

6:30 Sunrise Traditional Worship Service 8:00 Traditional Worship Service 9:30 Created to Praise Service Continental Easter Breakfast served Easter Morning by Trinity's High School Youth (Free will offering for breakfast)

OUR Nelcome IS WIDE OPEN

Skeptic. Cynic. Certain. Believer. Confident. Fearful. Doubter. Seeker. Questioner. Latino. Black. Asian. White. Indigenous. Immigrant. Any combination of ethnic or racial identities. Female. Male. Straight. Gay. Bisexual. Transgender. Questioning. Rich. Poor. Middle-class. Barely making it. Able bodied. Specially abled. Disabled. Young. Old. In-between. Married. Single. Divorced. Awaiting trial. Served time. On probation. Tired. Worn. Hopeful. Employed. Unemployed. Workaholic. Slacker. Anxious. Depressed. Confused. Centered. Inked. Pierced. Both. Life long follower of Jesus. Regular attender. Occasional attender. Curious onlooker. Don't quite fit the box. Need a prayer right now. Trinity is a faith community where we believe in God's love, grace and mercy-illustrated most clearly through Jesus Christ. We believe we are all children of God, created in God's image and equal in God's sight. We believe God loves us just as we are and way too much to let us stay this way. We are called to live in God's light and be transformed, not through judgment but through unconditional love. We believe God's love is all-inclusive and is stronger than the pressure to be perfect regardless of whatever labels we carry. Saint. Sinner. Democrat. Republican. Independent. Libertarian. Green. Socialist. Apolitical. Addicted. Recovering. We don't care what religion or denomination you are. We are all Human. We are all Flawed. We are all Beloved. -You are welcome here.



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Weekly Worship Services

Saturday 4:00 pm Liturgical Worship Service Sunday 9:30 am Created to Praise Service Sunday 9:30 am Children's Ministry