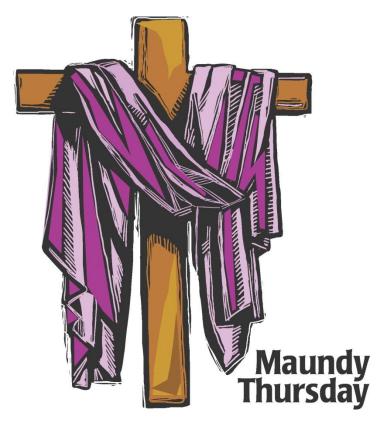
The American Lutheran Church of Windom Bethany Lutheran Church



Maundy Thursday Worship
Thursday, April 1st, 2021, 6:00 pm
Pastors Sarah Tadé & Adam Roberts

ORDER FOR WORSHIP

ACCOMPANIST

Carol Vought, Organist

RINGING OF THE BELL

GATHERING IN SILENCE FOR QUIETING OF OUR HEARTS

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

LBW p. 193

P: Father of 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: Let us make confession to God.

C: Almighty God, merciful Father: I, a troubled and penitent sinner, confess to you all my sins and iniquities with which I have offended you and for which I justly deserve your punishment. But I am sorry for them, and repent of them, and pray for your boundless mercy. For the sake of the suffering and death of your Son, Jesus Christ, be gracious and merciful to me, a poor sinful being; forgive my sins, give me your Holy Spirit for the amendment of my sinful life and bring me to life everlasting. Amen.

P: In Almighty God's mercy, God has given Jesus to die for us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. Through the Holy Spirit God cleanses us and gives us power to proclaim the mighty deeds of God who called us out of darkness into the splendor of God's light. 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. C: Amen.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

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. Amen.

HYMN "Great God, Your Love Has Called Us" ELW #358

- 1 Great God, your love has called us here as we, by love, for love were made. Your living likeness still we bear, though marred, dishonored, disobeyed. We come, with all our heart and mind your call to hear, your love to find.
- We come with self-inflicted pains of broken trust and chosen wrong, half-free, half-bound by inner chains, by social forces swept along, by powers and systems close confined yet seeking hope for humankind.
- 3 Great God, in Christ you call our name and then receive us as your own not through some merit, right, or claim, but by your gracious love alone. We strain to glimpse your mercy seat and find you kneeling at our feet.
- 4 Then take the towel, and break the bread, and humble us, and call us friends. Suffer and serve till all are fed, and show how grandly love intends to work till all creation sings, to fill all worlds, to crown all things.

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GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

L: Jesus said, "I give you a new commandment,

C: that you love one another just as I have loved you."

SCRIPTURE READING The Plot to Kill Jesus: Luke 22:1-27

Reader: Riley Borer Pew Bible p. 857

When Jesus celebrated the Passover with his disciples, he prepared them the best he could for what was coming next. For now, they would feast and celebrate.

Response: Glory to you, O Lord.

Now the festival of Unleavened Bread, which is called the Passover, was near. ²The chief priests and the scribes were looking for a way to put Jesus to death, for they were afraid of the people. ³Then Satan

entered into Judas called Iscariot, who was one of the twelve; ⁴he went away and conferred with the chief priests and officers of the temple police about how he might betray him to them. ⁵They were greatly pleased and agreed to give him money. ⁶So he consented and began to look for an opportunity to betray him to them when no crowd was present.

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 meal for us that we may eat it." ⁹They asked him, "Where do you want us to make preparations for it?" ¹⁰"Listen," he said to them, "when you have entered the city, a man carrying a jar of water will meet you; follow him into the house he enters ¹¹ and say to the owner of the house, 'The teacher asks you, "Where is the guest room, where I may eat the Passover with my disciples?" ¹²He will show you a large room upstairs, already furnished. Make preparations for us there." ¹³So they went and found everything as he had told them; and they prepared the Passover meal. ¹⁴When the hour came, he took his place at the table, and the apostles with him. ¹⁵He said to them, "I have eagerly desired to eat this Passover with you before I suffer; ¹⁶ for I tell you, I will not eat it until it is fulfilled in the kingdom of God." ¹⁷Then he took a cup. and after giving thanks he said, "Take this and divide it among yourselves; ¹⁸ for I tell you that from now on I will not drink of the fruit of the vine until the kingdom of God comes." ¹⁹Then he took a loaf of 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 he did the same with the cup after supper, saying, "This cup that is poured out for you is the new covenant in my blood.

²¹But see, the one who betrays me is with me, and his hand is on the table. ²²For the Son of Man is going as it has been determined, but woe to that one by whom he is betrayed!" ²³Then they began to ask one another, which one of them it could be who would do this. ²⁴A dispute also arose among them as to which one of them was to be regarded as the greatest. ²⁵But he said to them, "The kings of the Gentiles lord it over them; and those in authority over them are called benefactors. ²⁶But not so with you; rather the greatest among you must become like the youngest, and the leader like one who

serves. ²⁷For who is greater, the one who is at the table or the one who serves? Is it not the one at the table? But I am among you as one who serves."

Reader: The Gospel of the Lord Response: Praise to you O Christ

SERMON

Pastor Adam Roberts

HYMN OF THE DAY "Where Charity and Love Prevail" ELW #359

- 1 Where charity and love prevail, there God is ever found; brought here together by Christ's love, by love we thus are bound.
- 2 With grateful joy and holy fear, God's charity we learn; let us with heart and mind and soul now love God in return.
- 3 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.
- 4 Let strife among us be unknown; let all contentions cease. Be God's the glory that we seek; be his our only peace.
- 5 Let us forgive each other's faults as we our own confess, that we may love each other well in Christian gentleness.

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PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Offerings of gratitude; tributes of love. Accept them, bless them, and use them for your loving purpose in the world, in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

HOLY COMMUNION

WORDS OF INSTITUTION LORD'S PRAYER

"First Communicants will commune first at the altar.

Congregation joins in singing "Eat this Bread" ELW #472 while students take communion. This year, students had the opportunity to

make their own bread." After they return to their pews, the congregation will then commune in the pews.

CONGREGATION DISTRIBUTION

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

STRIPPING OF THE ALTAR

The Altar, which is the symbol of Christ in our midst, will now be stripped bare. All ornaments are removed or covered: Jesus will be abandoned by his disciples: the powers of darkness will be upon him.

THE READING OF PSALM 22

Reader: Nick Trotter

- 1 My God, my God, why have you forsaken me? Why are you so far from helping me, from the words of my groaning?
- 2 O my God, I cry by day, but you do not answer; and by night, but find no rest.
- 3 Yet you are holy, enthroned on the praises of Israel.
- 4 In you our ancestors trusted; they trusted, and you delivered them.
- 5 To you they cried, and were saved; in you they trusted, and were not put to shame.
- 6 But I am a worm, and not human; scorned by others, and despised by the people.
- 7 All who see me mock at me; they make mouths at me, they shake their heads;
- 8 "Commit your cause to the Lord; let him deliver— let him rescue the one in whom he delights!"
- 9 Yet it was you who took me from the womb; you kept me safe on my mother's breast.
- 10 On you I was cast from my birth, and since my mother bore me you have been my God.
- 11 Do not be far from me, for trouble is near and there is no one to help.
- 12 Many bulls encircle me, strong bulls of Bashan surround me;
- 13 they open wide their mouths at me, like a ravening and roaring lion.

- 14 I am poured out like water, and all my bones are out of joint; my heart is like wax; it is melted within my breast;
- 15 my mouth is dried up like a potsherd, and my tongue sticks to my jaws; you lay me in the dust of death.
- 16 For dogs are all around me; a company of evildoers encircles me. My hands and feet have shriveled;
- 17 I can count all my bones. They stare and gloat over me;
- 18 they divide my clothes among themselves, and for my clothing they cast lots.
- 19 But you, O Lord, do not be far away! O my help, come quickly to my aid!
- 20 Deliver my soul from the sword, my life from the power of the dog!
- 21 Save me from the mouth of the lion! From the horns of the wild oxen you have rescued me.
- 22 I will tell of your name to my brothers and sisters; in the midst of the congregation I will praise you:
- 23 You who fear the Lord, praise him! All you offspring of Jacob, glorify him; stand in awe of him, all you offspring of Israel!
- 24 For he did not despise or abhor the affliction of the afflicted; he did not hide his face from me, but heard when I cried to him.
- 25 From you comes my praise in the great congregation; my vows I will pay before those who fear him.
- 26 The poor shall eat and be satisfied; those who seek him shall praise the Lord. May your hearts live forever!
- 27 All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the Lord; and all the families of the nations shall worship before him.
- 28 For dominion belongs to the Lord, and he rules over the nations.
- 29 To him, indeed, shall all who sleep in the earth bow down; before him shall bow all who go down to the dust, and I shall live for him.
- 30 Posterity will serve him; future generations will be told about the Lord,
- 31 and proclaim his deliverance to a people yet unborn, saying that he has done it.

PLEASE LEAVE IN SILENCE

We leave in silence as we make our way to the Cross of Good Friday.

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YOUTH PARTICIPANTS

Acolytes: Jackson Anderson, Raelyn Marcy

Ushers: Tia Obondo, Tucker Renquist

Bell Ringer: Spencer Kleven

Welcome to worship on this Maundy Thursday. "Maundy" comes from the Latin word for *mandate*, referring us to the command that Jesus gave on this night that we love one another. There is no benediction to close this evening's worship, as our worship continues throughout this night, and into tomorrow as our Lord is buried and all is silent until the early hours of the morning on the first day of the week! Good News awaits!! May these days bring new awareness to the wonder of what God has done for us in Jesus!

God's Blessings on our students who are partaking in Holy Communion for the first time this evening: Corbin Anderson, Ruby Baloun, Bella Borer, Bryson Marsh, Mason Chester, Madison Holtz,



Ruby Heggeseth, Abigail Freiwald, Olivia Joyce, Elianna Kleven, Wyatt Knutson, Mya Larson, Soren Nielsen, Gretta Smith, Mackenzie Meyeraan, and Makayla Whiting.

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

- Good Friday 6:00 PM Worship Service
- Easter Sunday: The Resurrection of Our Lord
 - 8:00 AM Festival Easter Worship with Holy Communion
 - 9:30 AM Bethany Lutheran Worship
 - o 11:00 AM Festival Easter Worship with Holy Communion

The wealth we have has its source in God.. "But remember the Lord your God, for it is he who gives you power to get wealth" (Deut. 8:18).