

MAUNDY THURSDAY

April 14, 2022

7:15pm

St. John Lutheran Church

The Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod

Champaign, Illinois

Prelude – *Three Passiontide Hymn Preludes*
“The Wood of the Cross”

Piano
English Horn

Service of Corporate Confession and Absolution

Congregation stands as the pastor enters the sanctuary.

CORPORATE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

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SALUTATION and COLLECT OF THE DAY:

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P 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; who lives and reigns with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Service of the Word

OLD TESTAMENT READING: Exodus 12:1-14

¹The Lord said to Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt, ²“This month shall be for you the beginning of months. It shall be the first month of the year for you. ³Tell all the congregation of Israel that on the tenth day of this month every man shall take a lamb according to their fathers' houses, a lamb for a household. ⁴And if the household is too small for a lamb, then he and his nearest neighbor shall take according to the number of persons; according to what each can eat you shall make your count for the lamb. ⁵Your lamb shall be without

blemish, a male a year old. You may take it from the sheep or from the goats, ⁶ and you shall keep it until the fourteenth day of this month, when the whole assembly of the congregation of Israel shall kill their lambs at twilight. ⁷ “Then 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. ⁸ They shall eat the flesh that night, roasted on the fire; with unleavened bread and bitter herbs they shall eat it. ⁹ Do not eat any of it raw or boiled in water, but roasted, its head with its legs and its inner parts. ¹⁰ And you shall let none of it remain until the morning; anything that remains until the morning you shall burn. ¹¹ In this manner you shall eat it: with your belt fastened, your sandals on your feet, and your staff in your hand. And you shall eat it in haste. It is the Lord's Passover. ¹² For I will pass through the land of Egypt that night, and I will strike all the firstborn in the land of Egypt, both man and beast; and on all the gods of Egypt I will execute judgments: I am the Lord. ¹³ The blood shall be a sign for you, on the houses where you are. And when I see the blood, I will pass over you, and no plague will befall you to destroy you, when I strike the land of Egypt. ¹⁴ “This day shall be for you a memorial day, and you shall keep it as a feast to the Lord; throughout your generations, as a statute forever, you shall keep it as a feast.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

“When I Survey the Wondrous Cross”

Mixed Choir

EPISTLE READING: 1 Corinthians 11:23-32

²³ For I received from the Lord what I also delivered to you, that the Lord Jesus on the night when he was betrayed took bread, ²⁴ and when he had given thanks, he broke it, and said, “This is my body, which is for you. Do this in remembrance of me.” ²⁵ In the same way also he took the cup, after supper, saying, “This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.” ²⁶ For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

²⁷ Whoever, therefore, eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty concerning the body and blood of the Lord. ²⁸ Let a person examine himself, then, and so eat of the bread and drink of the cup. ²⁹ For anyone who eats and drinks without discerning the body eats and drinks judgment on himself. ³⁰ That is why many of you are weak and ill, and some have died. ³¹ But if we judged ourselves truly, we would not be

judged. ³² But when we are judged by the Lord, we are disciplined so that we may not be condemned along with the world.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

HOLY GOSPEL

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 22nd chapter. (7-20)

C Glory to You, O Lord.

⁷ Then came the day of Unleavened Bread, on which the Passover lamb had to be sacrificed. ⁸ So Jesus sent Peter and John, saying, “Go and prepare the Passover for us, that we may eat it.” ⁹ They said to him, “Where will you have us prepare it?” ¹⁰ He 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 ¹¹ and 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?’ ¹² And he will show you a large upper room furnished; prepare it there.” ¹³ And they went and found it just as he had told them, and they prepared the Passover. ¹⁴ And when the hour came, he reclined at table, and the apostles with him. ¹⁵ And he said to them, “I have earnestly 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.” ¹⁷ And he took a cup, and when he had given 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.” ¹⁹ And 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.” ²⁰ And 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.

HYMN 434 *Lamb of God, Pure and Holy*

SERMON “*Agnus Dei*” Luke 22:7-20

GATHERING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

“O Sacred Head, Now Wounded”

Alleluia Ringers

Service of the Sacrament

Our congregation is a member of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, a family of congregations who pledge themselves to teach and to believe the same doctrines. We invite those persons who are members in good standing of a congregation of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod or of a church in fellowship with the LCMS to receive the sacrament. We want to express our sincere welcome to guests and to assure them that it is in their spiritual interest that we practice closed communion. Guests desiring to learn more about our beliefs are asked to make an appointment to speak with our pastor.

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DISTRIBUTION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

"Aria" for Handbells

Alleluia Ringers

COMMUNION HYMNS:

HYMN 547 *The Lamb*

HYMN 617 *O Lord, We Praise Thee*

POST-COMMUNION HYMN 436 *Go to Dark Gethsemane*

(sts. 1–3)

The Post-Communion Collect is said.

Stripping of the Altar

As the altar is being stripped, the congregation remains standing as able and sings Psalm 22 on pg. 22. The Antiphon “*O Sacred Head, now wounded, with grief and shame weighted down*” is sung at the beginning, and again after v. 10, 23 & 31. The *Gloria Patri* at the conclusion is omitted.

All leave the church in silence.

Aria for Handbells

*A way to Calvary leadeth from dark Gethsemane,
May every one behold Him who weary walks that way.
The way doth lead to perfect bliss, but a way of pain it is.*

Serving Tonight:

Preaching: Rev. Jeff Caithamer

Organist & Director: Keith Williams

Elders: Rick Boerema, Joe, Matt, Dan

English Horn: Lou Ann

Schedule for Good Friday & Easter:

Good Friday 7:15pm Tenebrae Vespers

Easter Sunday 6:00am Sunrise Service

7:00am Easter Breakfast

8:00am Divine Service with Holy Communion

9:30am Adult Bible Class & Sunday School

10:45am Divine Service with Holy Communion