Gloria Dei Lutheran Church

The Triduum

Three Days consisting of Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, and Holy Saturday is one continuous liturgy. On Maundy Thursday, the Christian community gathers to share in the holy supper Christ gave the church to reveal his unfailing love for the human family. In the actions of this liturgy, Christ demonstrates this love by speaking his faithful word, washing our feet, and giving us his body and blood. From this gathering, we are sent to continue these actions in daily life: to serve those in need, to offer mercy, to feed the hungry. This beginning of the Three Days liturgy does not end tonight; it continues with the worship of Good Friday and concludes with the Resurrection of Our Lord. Together the Three Days proclaim the mystery of our faith: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

"May the God of hope fill us with all joy and peace in believing, that we may abound in hope, in the power of the Holy Spirit."

Please join us for our service of Tenebrae on Good Friday at 7:00 p.m. and for our service celebrating the Resurrection of our Lord on Sunday at 9:30 a.m.

Maundy Thursday April 17, 2025

PRELUDE Mary Knew Joshua Metzger
Shannon Schubert, soloist

GATHERING

GREETING

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

KYRIE



CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS (Kneel or sit)

Friends in Christ, in this Lenten season we have heard our Lord's call to 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 called at baptism.

Within the community of the church, God never wearies of forgiving sin and giving the peace of reconciliation. On this night, let us confess our sin against God and our neighbor and enter the celebration of the great Three Days reconciled with God and with one another.

Most merciful God,

we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves.

We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us.

Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. 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. **Amen.**

WASHING AND BLESSING OF HANDS

Pastor will give instructions.

**For those unable to come up front, please notify the usher, and Pastor will come to you where you are seated.



THE WORD

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray together:

Holy God, 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.

READINGS

A reading from Exodus (12:1-14).

¹The LORD said to Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt: ²This month shall mark for you the beginning of months; it shall be the first month of the year for you. ³Tell 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. 4If 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. ⁵Your lamb shall be without blemish, a year-old male; you may take it from the sheep or from the goats. ⁶You shall keep it until the fourteenth day of this month; then the whole assembled congregation of Israel shall slaughter it at twilight. ⁷They shall take some of the blood and put it on the two doorposts and the lintel of the houses in which they eat it. 8They shall eat the lamb that same night; they shall eat it roasted over the fire with unleavened bread and bitter herbs. 9Do not eat any of it raw or boiled in water, but roasted over the fire, with its head, legs, and inner organs. ¹⁰You shall let none of it remain until the morning; anything that remains until the morning you shall burn. ¹¹This 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. ¹²For 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. ¹³The 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.

¹⁴This 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.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The Psalm (116:1-2, 12-19) is read responsively.

- ¹I love the LORD, who has heard my voice, and listened to my supplication,
- ²for the LORD has given ear to me whenever I called.
- ¹²How shall I repay the LORD for all the good things God has done for me?
- ¹³I will lift the cup of salvation and call on the name of the LORD.
- ¹⁴I will fulfill my vows to the LORD in the presence of all God's people.
- ¹⁵Precious in your sight, O LORD, is the death of your servants.

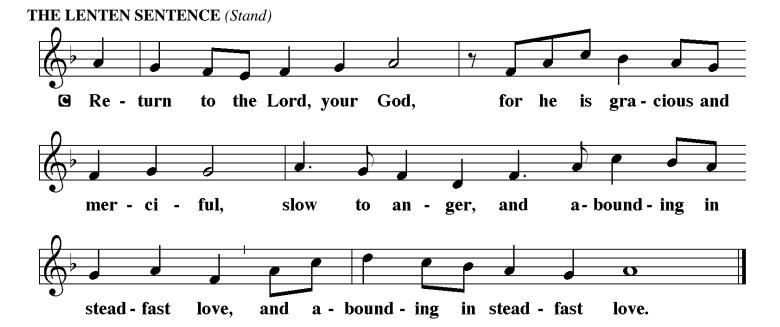
- ¹⁶O LORD, truly I am your servant; I am your servant, the child of your handmaid; you have freed me from my bonds.
- ¹⁷I will offer you the sacrifice of thanksgiving and call upon the name of the LORD.
- ¹⁸I will fulfill my vows to the LORD in the presence of all God's people,
- ¹⁹in the courts of the LORD's house, in the midst of you, O Jerusalem.

A reading from First Corinthians (11:23-26).

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

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Thanks be to God.



HOLY GOSPEL: John 13:1-17, 31b-35 (The Mandatum)

The Holy Gospel according to Saint John, the thirteenth chapter. Glory to you, O Lord.

¹Now 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. ²The devil had already put it into the heart of Judas son of Simon Iscariot to betray him. And during supper ³Jesus, knowing that the Father had given all things into his hands, and that he had come from God and was going to God. ⁴got up from the table. took off his outer robe, and tied a towel around himself. ⁵Then 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. ⁶He came to Simon Peter, who said to him, "Lord, are you going to wash my feet?" ⁷Jesus answered, "You do not know now what I am doing, but later you will understand." 8Peter said to him, "You will never wash my feet." Jesus answered, "Unless I wash you, you have no share with me." Simon Peter said to him, "Lord, not my feet only but also my hands and my head!" ¹⁰Jesus 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." ¹¹For he knew who was to betray him; for this reason he said, "Not all of you are clean." 12 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? ¹³You call me Teacher and Lord — and you are right, for that is what I am. ¹⁴So if I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another's feet. ¹⁵For I have set you an example, that you also should do as I have done to you. ¹⁶Very truly, I tell you, servants are not greater than their master, nor are messengers greater than the one who sent them. ¹⁷If you know these things, you are blessed if you do them.

³¹When he had gone out, Jesus said, "Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. ³²If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. ³³Little 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.' ³⁴I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. ³⁵By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.



- 1 Where char i ty and love pre-vail, there God is ev er found;
- 2 With grate ful joy and ho ly fear God's char i ty we learn;
- our midst dwells Christ, God's ho ly 3 Let us re - call that in Son: con - ten - tions cease. 4 Let strife a - mong be un-known: let all us



by Christ's love, by love brought here to - geth - er we thus are bound. with heart and mind and soul now love God in let re - turn. joined, in mem-bers of each bod - y him we are made one. as seek: be Be God's the glo - ry that we his our on - ly peace.

5 For love excludes no race or clan that names the Savior's name; his family embraces all whose Father is the same.

6 We now forgive each other's faults as we our own confess, that we may love each other well in Christian gentleness.

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.

*Or, "he descended into hell," another translation of this text in widespread use.

^{**}Lower case "c" means universal.

THE PRAYERS

You are invited to either sit or kneel.

The response to each prayer will be *God of grace*, *hear our prayer*.

THE MEAL

SHARING OF THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

OFFERING (Sit)

Support the mission and ministry of Gloria Dei by giving your financial tithes and offerings by:

- placing your offering envelope into the offering plate as it is passed.
- mailing to Gloria Dei Lutheran Church, 250 Fox Hill Road, Hampton, Virginia 23669.
- *using the Tithe.ly app: https://get.tithe.ly/download-tithely-app.*
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For electronic offerings, see back page for QR codes.

CHOIR ANTHEM Love One Another Anne Krentz

OFFERTORY HYMN ELW 186 (Stand) Create in Me a Clean Heart

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OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray together:

Faithful God,

you walk beside us in desert places,

and you meet us in our hunger with bread from heaven.

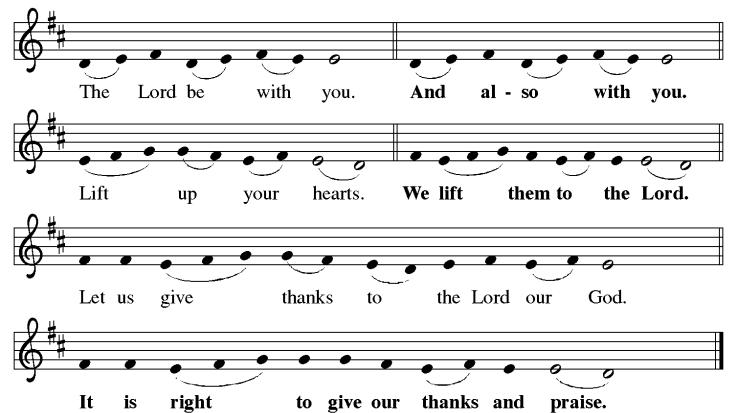
Accompany us in this meal,

that we may pass over from death to life

with Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

DIALOGUE



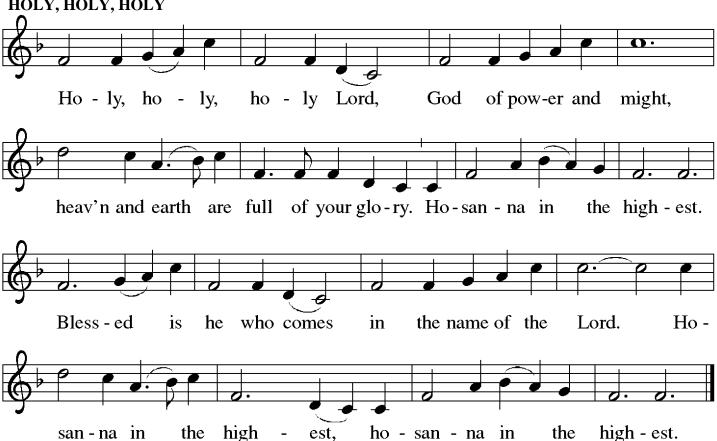
PREFACE

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ, whose suffering and death gave salvation to all. You gather your people around the tree of the cross, transforming death into life. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

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THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

You are indeed holy, almighty and merciful God. You are most holy, and great is the majesty of your glory.

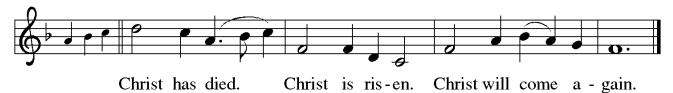
You so loved the world that you gave your only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but have eternal life.

We give you thanks for his coming into the world to fulfill for us your holy will and to accomplish all things for our salvation.

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.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.



Remembering, therefore, his salutary command, his life-giving passion and death, his glorious resurrection and ascension, and the promise of his coming again, we give thanks to you, O Lord God Almighty, not as we ought but as we are able; we ask you mercifully to accept our praise and thanksgiving and with your Word and Holy Spirit to bless us, your servants, and these your own gifts of bread and wine, so that we and all who share in the body and blood of Christ may be filled with heavenly blessing and grace, and, receiving the forgiveness of sin, may be formed to live as your holy people and be given our inheritance with all your saints.

To you, O God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory in your holy church, now and forever.



LORD'S PRAYER

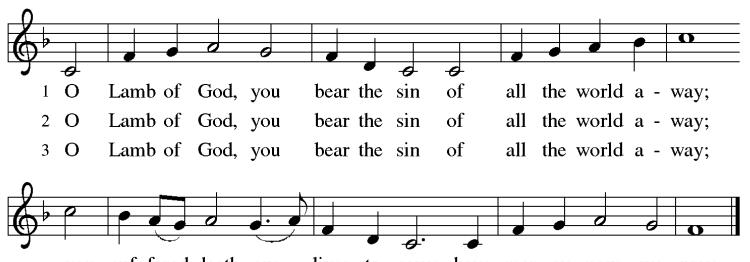
Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those
who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
forever and ever.
Amen.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Jesus draws the whole world to himself. Come to this meal and be fed.

COMMUNION RESPONSE

O Lamb of God



you suf-fered death our lives to save: have mer-cy now, we pray.
you set us free from guilt and grave: have mer-cy now, we pray.
e - ter-nal peace with God you made: give us your peace, we pray.

We believe that in the Eucharist our Lord Jesus Christ offers us His gifts of love and forgiveness. All are welcome to share in Communion.

If you would like to receive communion by common cup instead of individual cups of wine or grape juice, after you consume your wafer, hold your hands out (palms up), just like you did for your wafer.

DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION

The body of Christ, broken for you.

The blood of Christ, poured out for you. Amen.

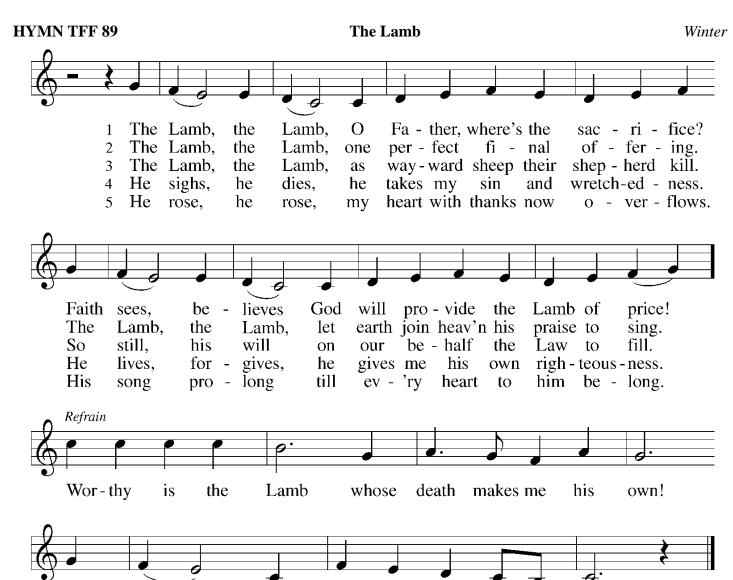
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SENDING

BLESSING AFTER THE MEAL

The Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in His grace. **Amen.**

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray together:

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.

Amen.

+ STRIPPING OF THE WORSHIP AREA +

Stripping the worship area reminds us of Jesus' humiliation at the soldiers' hands. As the paraments are removed, Psalm 22 is read and we sit in silence.

When the stripping of the worship area is completed, the pastor will withdraw from the worship area and the congregation is invited to pray privately. Symbolically, Jesus Christ—stripped of His power and glory—is now in the hands of His captors.

Please remain silent until you are outside the building.

Join us tomorrow as the Triduum Service continues.

April 18 GOOD FRIDAY TENEBRAE – 7:00 p.m.

This worship service, called Tenebrae, is a Holy Week devotion dating from the seventh century. The name, meaning "shadows," refers to the gradual casting of the church into darkness as the events of that holy day are revealed through music and the Word.

April 20 EASTER DAY WORSHIP –9:30 a.m.



SERVING TODAY

Altar Guild

Rowena Cornwell, Vivian Griese, Pam Hess, Mary Mace, Ann Riley, Renee Wells

Cross and Crown

Dallam Brown, Wade Brown, Jeremiah Green, Ruth Hutchison, Hayley O'Neill

> **Lay Assistant** Rita Foringer

Reader

Rita Foringer

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