

Maundy Thursday

March 28, 2024



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East Wenatchee, Washington

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Holy, or “Maundy” Thursday is the first day of the holy Triduum (“three days”). On this night Jesus gave His command (mandatum, hence “Maundy”) to love one another. And He Himself first loved His disciples by giving them His Body and pouring out for them His Blood. In the Supper, which He instituted on the night when He was betrayed, He serves His beloved and then they, being fed, serve their own neighbors in love. It is by faith that we believe His words, “Given and shed for you for the forgiveness of sins,” and it is by love that we do what our neighbor requires of us.

The practice of the Lutheran church is to receive Holy Communion with members of churches with whom we are in fellowship. If you are not a member of The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, The Lutheran Church-Canada, or The American Association of Lutheran Churches, please speak to the pastor before communing. If you have not been baptized and instructed in what we teach and confess, you are welcome to come forward for a blessing. You may indicate this by crossing your arms over your chest. The pastor would be happy to speak with you about what we believe and teach so you may eat this meal of unity with us in the future.

The individual cups in the middle of the trays contain grape juice with a minimal amount of wine in them.



Hymn: Jesus Christ, Our Blessed Savior

LSB 627 sts. 1-5



1 Je - sus Christ, our bless - ed Sav - ior, Turned a - way God's
2 As His pledge of love un - dy - ing, He, this pre - cious
3 Je - sus here Him - self is shar - ing; Heed then how you
4 Praise the Fa - ther, who from heav - en To His own this
5 Firm - ly hold with faith un - shak - en That this food is



wrath for - ev - er; By His bit - ter grief and woe
food sup - ply - ing, Gives His bod - y with the bread,
are pre - par - ing, For if you do not be - lieve,
food has giv - en, Who, to mend what we have done,
to be tak - en By the sick who are dis - tressed,



He saved us from the e - vil foe.
And with the wine the blood He shed.
His judg - ment then you shall re - ceive.
Gave in - to death His on - ly Son.
By hearts that long for peace and rest.

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THE SERVICE OF CORPORATE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Stand

At each ✠ one may make the sign of Christ's cross. At each ❖ one may bow in reverence.

The Invocation

- P** In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C Amen.

The Exhortation

- P** I will go to the altar of God,
C to God my exceeding joy.
P Our help is in the name of the Lord,
C who made heaven and earth.

Sit

The Confessional Address

- P** Beloved in the Lord, it is our intention to receive the Holy Supper of our Lord Jesus Christ, in which he strengthens our faith by giving us His body to eat and His blood to drink. Therefore, it is proper that we diligently examine ourselves, as St. Paul urges us to do, for this holy Sacrament has been instituted for the special comfort of those who are troubled because of their sin and who humbly confess their sins, fear God's wrath, and hunger and thirst for righteousness.

But when we examine our hearts and consciences, we find nothing in us but sin and death, from which we are incapable of delivering ourselves. Therefore, our Lord Jesus Christ has had mercy on us. For our benefit He became man so that He might fulfill for us the whole will and law of God and, to deliver us, took upon Himself our sin and the punishment we deserve.

So that we may more confidently believe this and be strengthened in the faith and in holy living, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread, broke it, and gave it to His disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My body, which is given for you."

In the same way also He took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins."

Therefore, whoever eats this bread and drinks this cup, confidently believing this Word and promise of Christ, dwells in Christ and Christ in him and has eternal life.

We should also do this in remembrance of Him, showing His death—that He was delivered for our offenses and raised for our justification. Giving Him our most heartfelt thanks, we take up our cross and follow Him and, according to His commandment, love one another as He has loved us. For we are all one bread and one body, even as we are all partakers of this one bread and drink from the one cup. For just as the one cup is filled with the wine of many grapes and one bread made from countless grains, so also we, being many, are one body in Christ. Because of Him, we love one another, not only in word, but in deed and in truth.

May the almighty and merciful God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, by His Holy Spirit, accomplish this in us.

C Amen.

Stand

Since we all stand individually before our God, asking for His mercy in Jesus Christ, we take this time of silence to examine ourselves and our sin in light of His Word.

The Confession of Sin

LSB 292-293

C I, a poor sinner, plead guilty before God of all sins. I have lived as if God did not matter and as if I mattered most. My Lord's Name I have not honored as I should; my worship and prayers have faltered. I have not let His love have its way with me, and so my love for others has failed. There are those whom I have hurt, and those whom I have failed to help. My thoughts and desires have been soiled with sin. I am sorry for all of this and ask for grace.

- P** God be merciful to you and strengthen your faith.
C Amen.
P Do you believe my forgiveness is God's forgiveness?
C Yes.
P Let it be done for you as you believe.

For those who would like to receive it, the Absolution will be given individually at the baptismal font. Please proceed by rows down the center aisle and return up the side aisles.

- P** Now may the God of peace Himself sanctify you completely, and may your whole spirit, soul, and body be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. He who calls you is faithful; He will surely do it. Go ✠ in peace.
C Amen.

The Introit

Psalm 116:5; 116:1-4

Gracious is the Lord, and righteous; our God is merciful.

**I love the Lord, because he has heard
my voice and my pleas for mercy.**

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

**The snares of death encompassed me; the pangs of Sheol laid hold
on me;**

I suffered distress and anguish.

Then I called on the name of the Lord: "O Lord, I pray, deliver my soul!"

Gracious is the Lord, and righteous; our God is merciful.

The Salutation and Collect of the Day

- P** The Lord be with you. **C** And also with you.
P Let us pray.

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; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
C Amen.

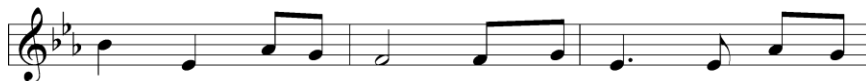
Sit

Hymn: When You Woke That Thursday Morning

LSB 445



1 When You woke that Thurs - day morn - ing, Sav - ior,
 2 Nev - er so a - lone and lone - ly, Long - ing
 3 What was there that You could give them That would
 4 One in faith, in love u - nit - ed, All one
 5 One day all the Church will cap - ture That bright



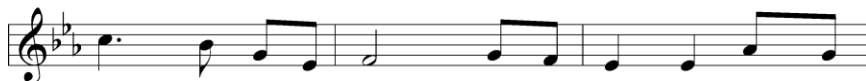
teach - er, faith - ful friend, Thoughts of self and safe - ty
 with tor - ment - ed heart To be with Your dear ones
 nev - er be out - spent, What great gift that would out -
 bod - y, You the head, When we meet, by You in -
 vi - sion glo - ri - ous, And Your saints will know the



scorn - ing, Know - ing how the day would end;
 on - ly For a qui - et hour a - part:
 live them, What last will and tes - ta - ment?
 vit - ed, You are with us, as You said.
 rap - ture That Your heart de - sired for us,



Lamb of God, fore - told for a - ges, Now at
 Sin - less Lamb and fall - en crea - ture, One last
 "Show Me and the world you love Me, Know Me
 One with You and one an - oth - er In a
 When the longed - for peace and u - nion Of the



last the hour had come When but One could pay sin's
 pas - chal meal to eat, One last les - son as their
 as the Lamb of God: Do this in re - mem - brance
 u - ni - ty sub - lime, See in us Your sis - ter,
 Great - est and the least Meet in joy - ous, blest com -



wa - ges: You as - sumed their dread - ful sum.
 teach - er, Wash - ing Your dis - ci - ples' feet.
 of Me, Eat this bod - y, drink this blood."
 broth - er, One in ev - 'ry place and time.
 mu - nion In Your nev - er - end - ing feast.

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THE WORD

The Old Testament Reading

Exodus 24:3-11

The Covenant Confirmed

³Moses came and told the people all the words of the LORD and all the just decrees. And all the people answered with one voice and said, “All the words that the LORD has spoken we will do.” ⁴And Moses wrote down all the words of the LORD. He rose early in the morning and built an altar at the foot of the mountain, and twelve pillars, according to the twelve tribes of Israel. ⁵And he sent young men of the people of Israel, who offered burnt offerings and sacrificed peace offerings of oxen to the LORD. ⁶And Moses took half of the blood and put it in basins, and half of the blood he threw against the altar. ⁷Then he took the Book of the Covenant and read it in the hearing of the people. And they said, “All that the LORD has spoken we will do, and we will be obedient.” ⁸And Moses took the blood and threw it on the people and said, “Behold the blood of the covenant that the LORD has made with you in accordance with all these words.”

⁹Then Moses and Aaron, Nadab, and Abihu, and seventy of the elders of Israel went up, ¹⁰and they saw the God of Israel. There was under his feet as it were a pavement of sapphire stone, like the very heaven for clearness. ¹¹And he did not lay his hand on the chief men of the people of Israel; they beheld God, and ate and drank.

- P** This is the Word of the Lord.
- C** Thanks be to God.

The Gradual

Hebrews 9:12a, c, 15a; Psalm 111:9a

[Christ] entered once for all into the holy places by means of his own blood,
thus securing an eternal redemption.

Therefore he is the mediator of a new covenant,

so that those who are called may receive the promised eternal inheritance.

He sent redemption to his people;

he has commanded his covenant forever.

The Epistle

1 Corinthians 10:16-17

The Cup of Blessing

¹⁶The cup of blessing that we bless, is it not a participation in the blood of Christ? The bread that we break, is it not a participation in the body of Christ? ¹⁷ Because there is one bread, we who are many are one body, for we all partake of the one bread.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Stand

The Verse

John 13:1b

P Having loved his own who were in the world, He loved them to the end.

- P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the fourteenth chapter. †
C Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

The Passover with the Disciples

¹² And on the first day of Unleavened Bread, when they sacrificed the Passover lamb, his disciples said to him, “Where will you have us go and prepare for you to eat the Passover?” ¹³ And he sent two of his disciples and said to them, “Go into the city, and a man carrying a jar of water will meet you. Follow him, ¹⁴ and wherever he enters, say to the master of the house, ‘The Teacher says, Where is my guest room, where I may eat the Passover with my disciples?’ ¹⁵ And he will show you a large upper room furnished and ready; there prepare for us.” ¹⁶ And the disciples set out and went to the city and found it just as he had told them, and they prepared the Passover.

¹⁷ And when it was evening, he came with the twelve. ¹⁸ And as they were reclining at table and eating, Jesus said, “Truly, I say to you, one of you will betray me, one who is eating with me.” ¹⁹ They began to be sorrowful and to say to him one after another, “Is it I?” ²⁰ He said to them, “It is one of the twelve, one who is dipping bread into the dish with me. ²¹ For the Son of Man goes as it is written of him, but woe to that man by whom the Son of Man is betrayed! It would have been better for that man if he had not been born.”

Institution of the Lord's Supper

²² And as they were eating, he took bread, and after blessing it broke it and gave it to them, and said, “Take; this is my body.” ²³ And he took a cup, and when he had given thanks he gave it to them, and they all drank of it. ²⁴ And he said to them, “This is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many. ²⁵ Truly, I say to you, I will not drink again of the fruit of the vine until that day when I drink it new in the kingdom of God.”

²⁶ And when they had sung a hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives.

- P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.
C Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

Nicene Creed

C I believe in one God,
the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth
and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord ❖ *Jesus Christ*,
the only-begotten Son of God,
begotten of His Father before all worlds,
God of God, Light of Light,
very God of very God,
begotten, not made,
being of one substance with the Father,
by whom all things were made;
who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven
❖ *and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary
and was made man*;
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.
He suffered and was buried.
And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures
and ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of the Father.
And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the
dead,
whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord and giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son together is ❖ *worshiped* and
glorified,
who spoke by the prophets.
And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,
and I look for the resurrection of the dead
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Hymn: O Lord, We Praise Thee

LSB 617



1 O Lord, we praise Thee, bless Thee, and a - dore Thee,
 2 Thy ho - ly bod - y in - to death was giv - en,
 3 May God be - stow on us His grace and fa - vor



In thanks - giv - ing bow be - fore Thee. Thou with Thy
 Life to win for us in heav - en. No great - er
 That we fol - low Christ our Sav - ior And live to -



bod - y and Thy blood didst nour - ish Our weak souls that
 love than this to Thee could bind us; May this feast there -
 geth - er here in love and u - nion Nor de - spise this



they may flour - ish: O Lord, have mer - cy!
 of re - mind us! O Lord, have mer - cy!
 blest Com - mu - nion! O Lord, have mer - cy!



May Thy bod - y, Lord, born of Mar - y, That our
 Lord, Thy kind - ness did so con - strain Thee That Thy
 Let not Thy good Spir - it for - sake us; Grant that



sins and sor - rows did car - ry, And Thy blood for us plead
 blood should bless and sus - tain me. All our debt Thou hast paid;
 heav'n - ly - mind - ed He make us; Give Thy Church, Lord, to see



In all tri - al, fear, and need: O Lord, have mer - cy!
 Peace with God once more is made: O Lord, have mer - cy!
 Days of peace and u - ni - ty: O Lord, have mer - cy!

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The Sermon

Stand

Offertory

Psalm 51:10-12

C Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -
new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -
way from Thy pres-ence, and take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it
from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of Thy sal - va -
tion, and up - hold me with Thy free spir-it. A - men.

The Prayer of the Church

after each petition:

- P** Lord, in Your mercy:
- C** Hear our prayer.

THE COMMUNION

Service of the Sacrament

Preface

2 Timothy 4:22; [Colossians 3:1]; [Psalm 136]



P The Lord be with you.



C And with thy spir - it.



P Lift up your hearts.



C We lift them up un - to the Lord.



P Let us give thanks un - to the Lord, our God.



C It is meet and right so to do.

Proper Preface

P It is truly meet, right, and salutary evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus

Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9



C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth;



heav'n and earth are full of Thy glo - ry. Ho - san - na,



ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He,



bles - ed is He, bles - ed is He that com - eth in the name of the Lord.



Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

Lord's Prayer

Matthew 6:9-13

P Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray:

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 Words of Our Lord

Matthew 26:26-28; Mark 14:22-24; Luke 22:19-20; 1 Corinthians 11:23-25

P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: “Take, eat; this is My ✠ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me.”

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: “Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My ✠ blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me.”

Pax Domini

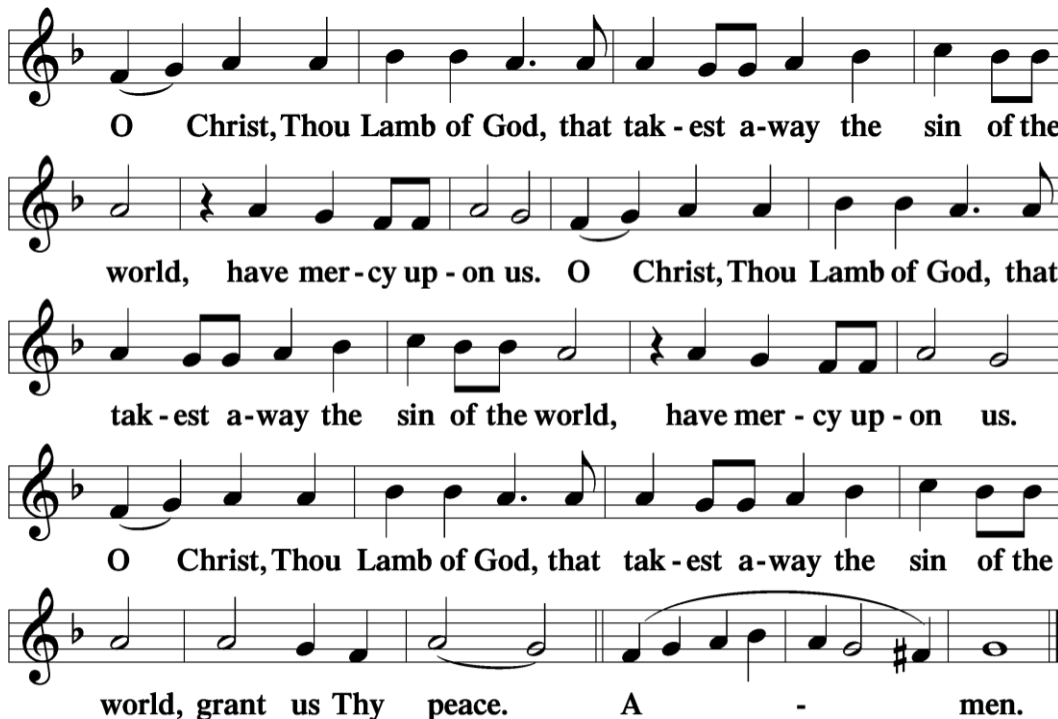
John 20:19

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

G Amen.

Agnus Dei

John 1:29



O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a-way the sin of the world, have mer - cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a-way the sin of the world, have mer - cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a-way the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace. A - men.

Sit

The Distribution

Prayer before receiving Christ's Body and Blood: Lord, I am not worthy that You should come under my roof, but speak the word and I shall be healed. [For further preparation, you may want to consider Luther's Christian Questions with their Answers on pp. 329-330 of Lutheran Service Book.]

Prayer after receiving Christ's Body and Blood: Almighty and everlasting God, we thank and praise You for feeding us the life-giving body and blood of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ. Send us Your Holy Spirit that, having with our mouths received the holy Sacrament, we may by faith obtain and eternally enjoy Your divine grace, the forgiveness of sins, unity with Christ, and life eternal, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Distribution Hymn: **Jesus Christ, Our Blessed Savior** LSB 627 sts. 6-10

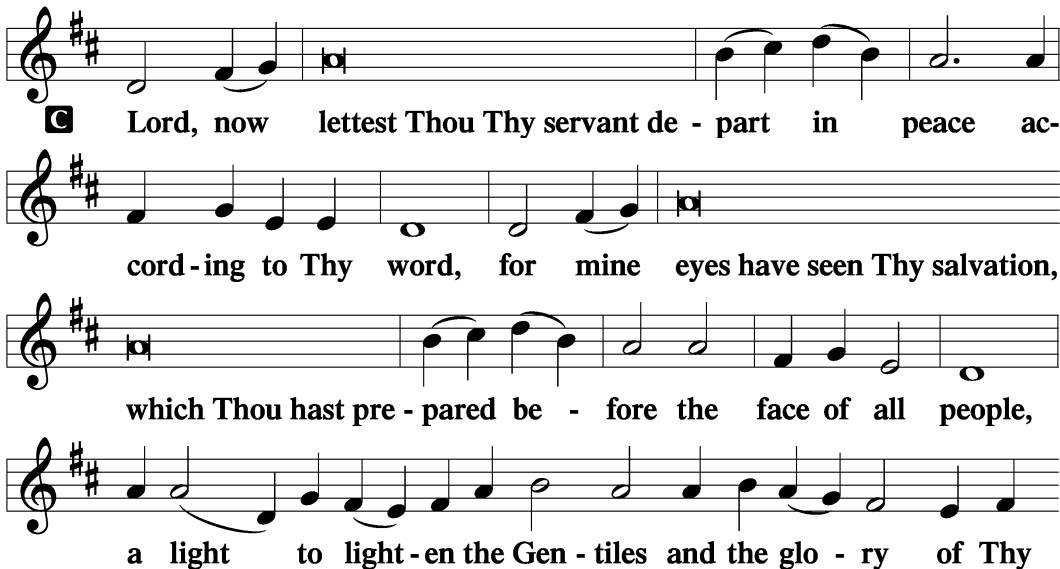
Distribution Hymn: **Not All the Blood of Beasts** LSB 431

Distribution Hymn: **Feed Thy Children, God Most Holy** LSB 774

Stand

Nunc Dimittis

Luke 2:29-32



Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant de - part in peace ac -
cord - ing to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation,
which Thou hast pre - pared be - fore the face of all people,
a light to light - en the Gen - tiles and the glo - ry of Thy

peo-ple Is - ra-el. Glo - ry be to the Father and
 to the Son and to the Ho-ly Ghost; as it was in the beginning,
 is now, and ev - er shall be, world with - out end. A-men.

Hymn: Go to Dark Gethsemaue

LSB 436 vss. 1-3

1 Go to dark Geth - sem - a - ne, All who feel the
 2 Fol - low to the judg - ment hall, View the Lord of
 3 Cal - v'ry's mourn - ful moun - tain climb; There, a - dor - ing
 tempt - er's pow'r; Your Re - deem - er's con - flict see,
 life ar-raigned; Oh, the worm - wood and the gall!
 at His feet, Mark that mir - a - cle of time,
 Watch with Him one bit - ter hour; Turn not from His
 Oh, the pangs His soul sus-tained! Shun not suf - f'ring,
 God's own sac - ri - fice com-plete. "It is fin - ished!"
 griefs a - way; Learn from Je - sus Christ to pray.
 shame, or loss; Learn from Him to bear the cross.
 hear Him cry; Learn from Je - sus Christ to die.

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THE STRIPPING OF THE ALTAR

The communion vessels are reverently removed from the altar, the altar is stripped, and the chancel is cleared in preparation for the solemn service of Good Friday. When everything has been removed from the chancel, the congregation will pray Psalm 22, as follows:

The Psalm

Psalm 22

Why Have You Forsaken Me?

¹My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?

Why are you so far from saving me, from the words of my groaning?

²**O my God, I cry by day, but you do not answer,
and by night, but I find no rest.**

³Yet you are holy,
enthroned on the praises of Israel.

⁴**In you our fathers trusted;
they trusted, and you delivered them.**

⁵To you they cried and were rescued;
in you they trusted and were not put to shame.

⁶**But I am a worm and not a man,
scorned by mankind and despised by the people.**

⁷All who see me mock me;
they make mouths at me; they wag their heads;

⁸**“He trusts in the LORD; let him deliver him;
let him rescue him, for he delights in him!”**

⁹Yet you are he who took me from the womb;
you made me trust you at my mother’s breasts.

¹⁰**On you was I cast from my birth,
and from my mother’s womb you have been my God.**

¹¹Be not far from me,
for trouble is near,
and there is none to help.

¹²**Many bulls encompass me;
strong bulls of Bashan surround me;**

¹³they 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;**

¹⁵my strength is dried up like a potsherd,
and my tongue sticks to my jaws;
you lay me in the dust of death.

¹⁶**For dogs encompass me;
a company of evildoers encircles me;
they have pierced my hands and feet—**

¹⁷I can count all my bones—
they stare and gloat over me;

¹⁸**they divide my garments among them,
and for my clothing they cast lots.**

¹⁹But you, O LORD, do not be far off!
O you my help, come quickly to my aid!

²⁰**Deliver my soul from the sword,
my precious life from the power of the dog!**

²¹Save me from the mouth of the lion!
You have rescued me from the horns of the wild oxen!

²²**I will tell of your name to my brothers;
in the midst of the congregation I will praise you:**

²³You who fear the LORD, praise him!
All you offspring of Jacob, glorify him,
and stand in awe of him, all you offspring of Israel!

²⁴**For he has not despised or abhorred
the affliction of the afflicted,
and he has not hidden his face from him,
but has heard, when he cried to him.**

²⁵From you comes my praise in the great congregation;
my vows I will perform before those who fear him.

²⁶**The afflicted shall eat and be satisfied;
those who seek him shall praise the LORD!
May your hearts live forever!**

²⁷All the ends of the earth shall remember
and turn to the LORD,
and all the families of the nations
shall worship before you.

²⁸**For kingship belongs to the LORD,
and he rules over the nations.**

²⁹All the prosperous of the earth eat and worship;
before him shall bow all who go down to the dust,
even the one who could not keep himself alive.

³⁰**Posterity shall serve him;
it shall be told of the Lord to the coming generation;**

³¹they shall come and proclaim his righteousness to a people yet unborn,
that he has done it.

All leave the church in silence following the conclusion of the Psalm and the Stripping of the Altar.

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**The services of Holy Week will
continue with**

- ✠ **Good Friday - Tenebrae Vespers** *March 29, 7:00 pm*
- ✠ **The Vigil of Easter** *March 30, 8:00 pm*
- ✠ **The Resurrection of Our Lord** *March 31, 9:30 am*

