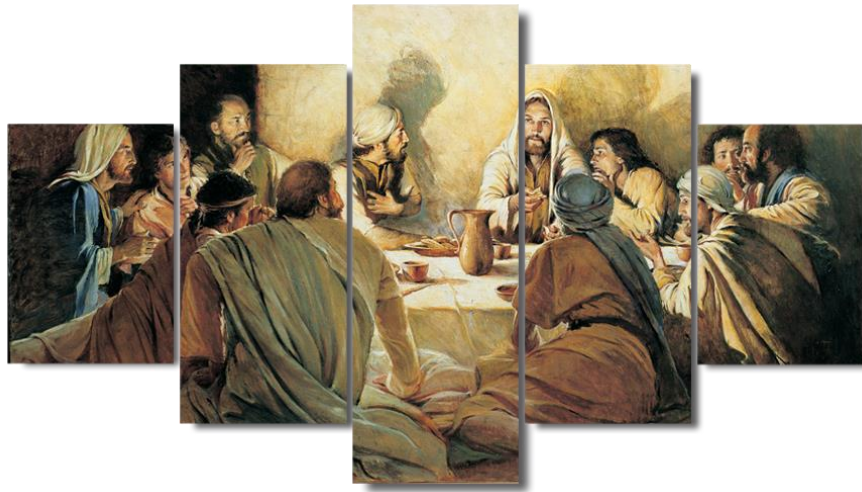


Maundy Thursday

Thursday – April 1, 2021 – 7:00 pm. Worship



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† Call to Worship †

Special Music: “I Walked Today Where Jesus Walked”

Stand

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their baptism.

Invocation

LSB 203

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

Exhortation

LSB 203

- P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,
C who made heaven and earth.
- P** If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?
C But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.
- P** Since we are gathered to hear God’s Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

Confession of Sins

LSB 203

- C** Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.

Absolution

LSB 203

- P** Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C Amen.

Our Confession of Faith About The Sacrament of the Altar?

- P** What is the Sacrament of the Altar?
C It is the true body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ under the bread and wine, given by Christ Himself for us Christians to eat and to drink.

Hymn # 620:1 “Jesus Comes Today with Healing”

1 Je - sus comes to - day with heal - ing, Knock - ing at my
door, ap - peal - ing, Of - f'ring par - don, grace, and peace.
He Him - self makes prep - a - ra - tion, And I hear His
in - vi - ta - tion: “Come and taste the bless - ed feast.”



What is the benefit of this eating and drinking?

These words, "Given and shed for you for the forgiveness of sins," show us that in the Sacrament forgiveness of sins, life, and salvation are given us through these words. For where there is forgiveness of sins, there is also life and salvation.

Hymn # 631:2 "Here, O My Lord, I See Thee Face to Face"



2 Here would I feed up - on the bread of God,
Here drink with Thee the roy - al wine of heav'n;
Here would I lay a - side each earth - ly load,
Here taste a - fresh the calm of sin for - giv'n.

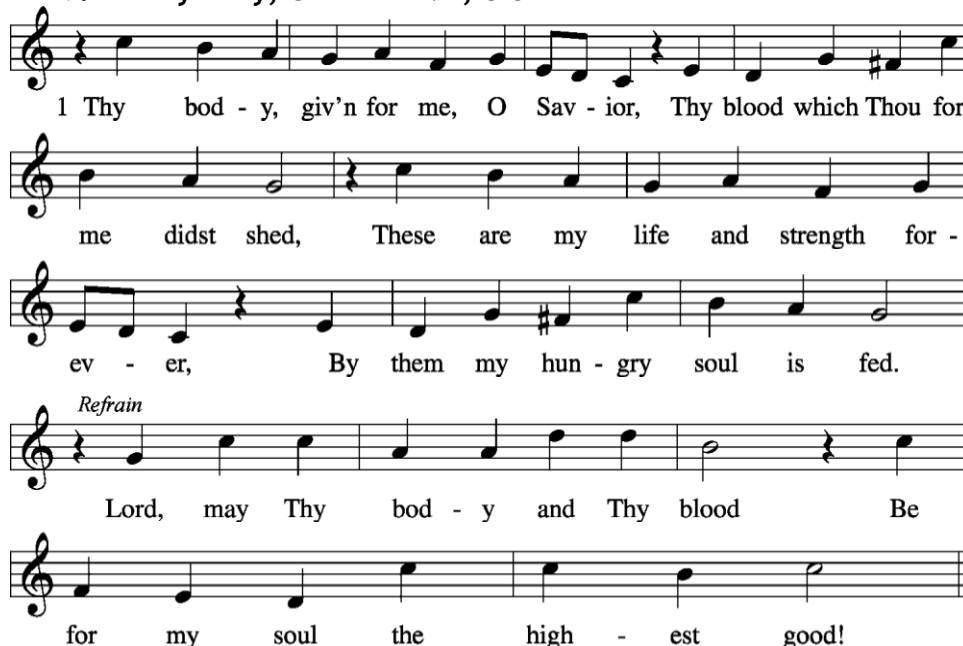
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How can bodily eating and drinking do such great things?

Certainly not just eating and drinking do these things, but the words written here: "Given and shed for you for the forgiveness of sins." These words, along with the bodily eating and drinking, are the main thing in the Sacrament. Whoever believes these words has exactly what they say: "forgiveness of sins."

Hymn # 619:1 "Thy Body, Given for Me, O Savior"



1 Thy bod - y, giv'n for me, O Sav - ior, Thy blood which Thou for
me didst shed, These are my life and strength for -
ev - er, By them my hun - gry soul is fed.
Refrain
Lord, may Thy bod - y and Thy blood Be
for my soul the high - est good!

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Who receives this Sacrament worthily?

Fasting and bodily preparation are certainly fine outward training. But that person is truly worthy and well prepared who has faith in these words: "Given and shed for you for the forgiveness of sins." But anyone who does not believe these words or doubts them is unworthy and unprepared, for the words "for you" call for all hearts to believe.

Hymn # 636:5 "Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness"



5 Je - sus, source of last - ing plea - sure, Tru - est
friend, and dear - est trea - sure, Peace be - yond all un - der -
stand - ing, Joy in - to all life ex - pand - ing:
Hum - bly now, I bow be - fore You; Love in - car - nate,
I a - dore You; Wor - thi - ly let me re -
ceive You And, so fa - vored, nev - er leave You.

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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

† 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.*

³*Tell 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.*

⁵*Your lamb shall be without blemish, a male a year old. You may take it from the sheep or from the goats, ⁶and 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. ⁹Do 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. ¹¹In 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.

¹²For 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. ¹³The 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."

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Epistle: 1 Corinthians 10:16-17

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? ¹⁷Because there is one bread, we who are many are one body, for we all partake of the one bread.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Stand

Verse for Lent

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John 6:33-51

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the sixth chapter.

C Glory to You, O Lord.

³³For the bread of God is he who comes down from heaven and gives life to the world."

³⁴They said to him, "Sir, give us this bread always."

³⁵Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me shall not hunger, and whoever believes in me shall never thirst. ³⁶But I said to you that you have seen me and yet do not believe. ³⁷All that the Father gives me will come to me, and whoever comes to me I will never cast out. ³⁸For I have come down from heaven, not to do my own will but the will of him who sent me. ³⁹And this is the will of him who sent me, that I should lose nothing of all that he has given me, but raise it up on the last day. ⁴⁰For this is the will of my Father, that everyone who looks on the Son and believes in him should have eternal life, and I will raise him up on the last day."

⁴¹So the Jews grumbled about him, because he said, "I am the bread that came down from heaven." ⁴²They said, "Is not this Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? How does he now say, 'I have come down from heaven'?"

⁴³Jesus answered them, "Do not grumble among yourselves. ⁴⁴No one can come to me unless the Father who sent me draws him. And I will raise him up on the last day. ⁴⁵It is written in the Prophets, 'And they will all be taught by God.' Everyone who has heard and learned from the Father comes to me— ⁴⁶not that anyone has seen the Father except he who is from God; he has seen the Father. ⁴⁷Truly, truly, I say to you, whoever believes has eternal life. ⁴⁸I

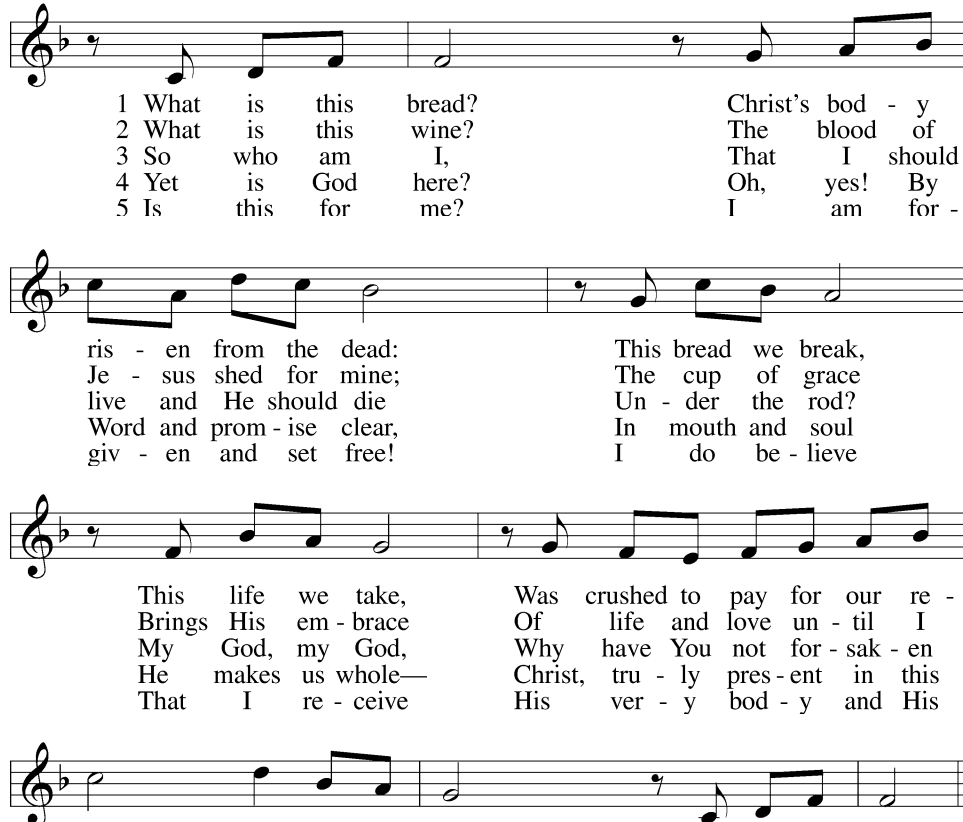
am the bread of life. ⁴⁹Your fathers ate the manna in the wilderness, and they died. ⁵⁰This is the bread that comes down from heaven, so that one may eat of it and not die. ⁵¹I am the living bread that came down from heaven. If anyone eats of this bread, he will live forever. And the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

Sit

Hymn # 629 "What Is This Bread"



1 What is this bread? Christ's bod - y
 2 What is this wine? The blood of
 3 So who am I, That I should
 4 Yet is God here? Oh, yes! By
 5 Is this for me? I am for -

ris - en from the dead: This bread we break,
 Je - sus shed for mine; The cup of grace
 live and He should die Un - der the rod?
 Word and prom - ise clear, In mouth and soul
 giv - en and set free! I do be - lieve

This life we take, Was crushed to pay for our re -
 Brings His em - brace Of life and love un - til I
 My God, my God, Why have You not for - sak - en
 He makes us whole— Christ, tru - ly pres - ent in this
 That I re - ceive His ver - y bod - y and His

lease. O taste and see— the Lord is peace.
 sing! O taste and see— the Lord is King.
 me? O taste and see— the Lord is free.
 meal. O taste and see— the Lord is real.
 blood. O taste and see— the Lord is good.

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Sermon "I AM the Bread of Life"

Stand

Nicene Creed

LSB 206

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.

Sit

Prayer of the Church

Responses:

P Lord, in Your mercy,
C hear our prayer.

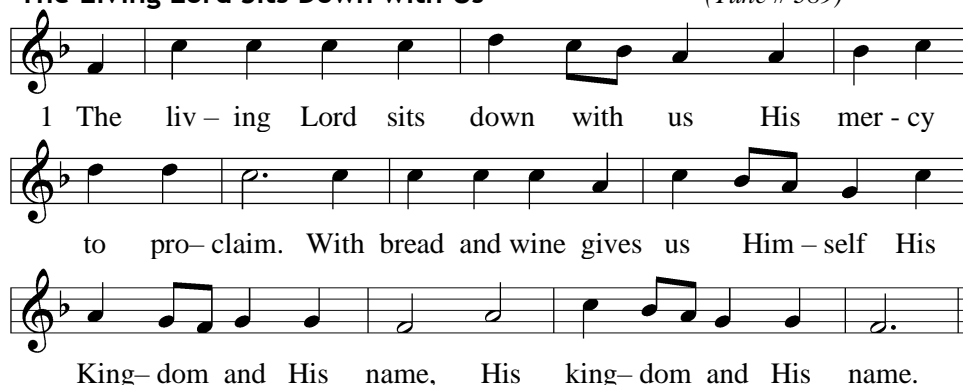
Final Petition:

P Hear us Father for we pray in the name of Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives
 and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
C Amen.

✠ Service of the Sacrament ✠

Hymn “The Living Lord Sits Down with Us”

(Tune # 389)



1 The liv - ing Lord sits down with us His mer - cy
 to pro-claim. With bread and wine gives us Him - self His
 King- dom and His name, His king- dom and His name.

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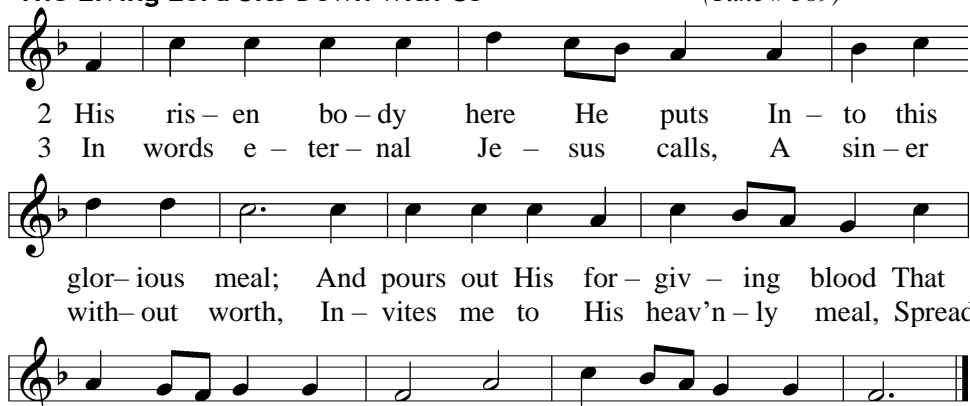
Preface

2 Timothy 4:22; Colossians 3:1; Psalm 136 LSB 208

P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to
 You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, for the countless blessings You so
 freely bestow on us and all creation. Above all, we give thanks for Your boundless love
 shown to us when You sent Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, into our flesh and laid on
 Him our sin, giving Him into death that we might not die eternally. Because He is now risen
 from the dead and lives and reigns to all eternity, all who believe in Him will overcome sin
 and death and will rise again to new life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all
 the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and
 saying:

Hymn “The Living Lord Sits Down with Us”

(Tune # 389)



2 His ris - en bo - dy here He puts In - to this
3 In words e - ter - nal Je - sus calls, A sin - er

glor - ious meal; And pours out His for - giv - ing blood That
with - out worth, In - vites me to His heav'n - ly meal, Spread

He my soul might heal, That He my soul might heal.
out right here on earth, Spread out right here on earth.

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Prayer of Thanksgiving

P Blessed are You, O Lord our God, king of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life.

At Your command, Abraham prepared to offer his son Isaac as a sacrifice on the mountain; yet, in mercy You provided a ram as a substitute. We give You thanks that on Calvary You spared not Your only Son but sent Him to offer His life as a ransom for many.

As we eat and drink His body and blood, grant us, like Abraham our father, to trust in Your promise now fulfilled in Christ, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world.

Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:

Lord's Prayer

Matthew 6:9–13 LSB 209

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

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

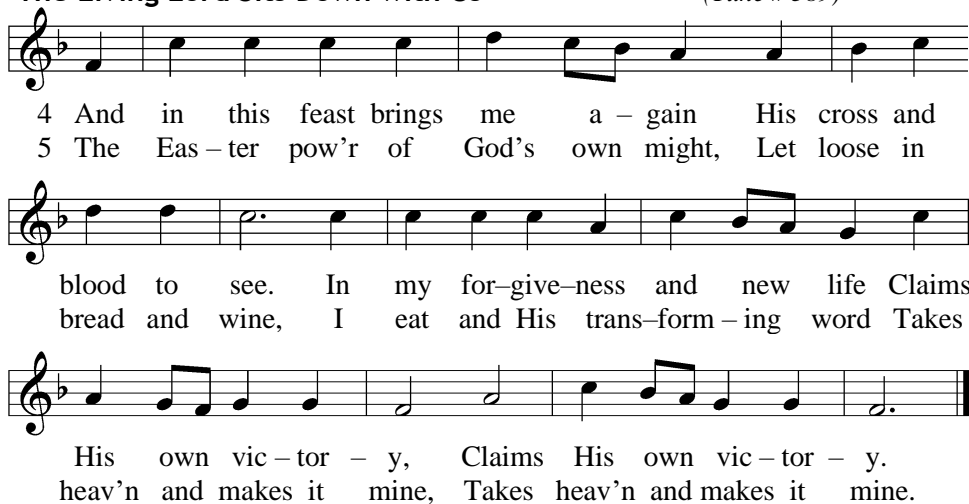
John 20:19 LSB 209

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C Amen.

Hymn “The Living Lord Sits Down with Us”

(Tune # 389)



4 And in this feast brings me a – gain His cross and
 5 The Eas – ter pow’r of God’s own might, Let loose in
 blood to see. In my for–give–ness and new life Claims
 bread and wine, I eat and His trans–form – ing word Takes
 His own vic – tor – y, Claims His own vic – tor – y.
 heav’n and makes it mine, Takes heav’n and makes it mine.

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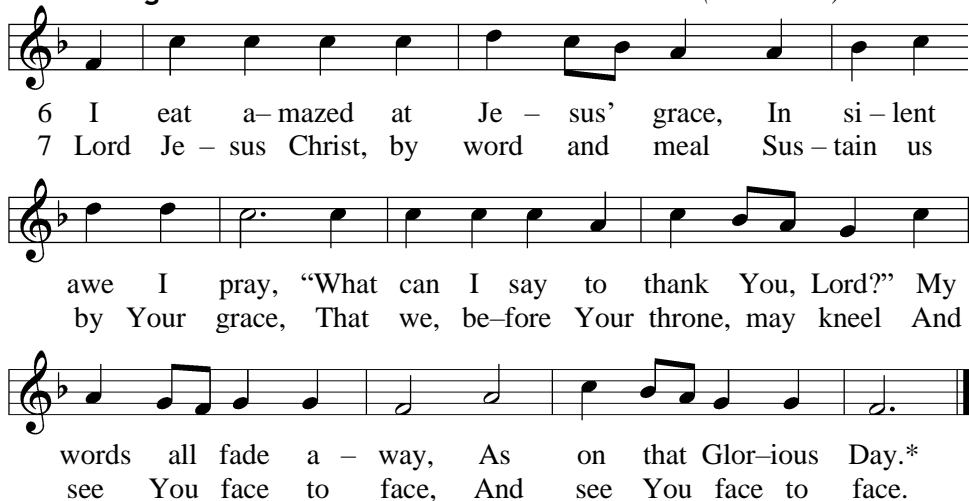
Thanksgiving

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- A** O give thanks to the Lord, for He is good,
C and His mercy endures forever.

Hymn “The Living Lord Sits Down with Us”

(Tune # 389)



6 I eat a–mazed at Je – sus’ grace, In si – lent
 7 Lord Je – sus Christ, by word and meal Sus – tain us
 awe I pray, “What can I say to thank You, Lord?” My
 by Your grace, That we, be–fore Your throne, may kneel And
 words all fade a – way, As on that Glor–ious Day.*
 see You face to face, And see You face to face.

*Revelation 8:1

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Post-Communion Collect

- A** Let us pray.
 Gracious God, our heavenly Father, You have given us a foretaste of the feast to come in the Holy Supper of Your Son’s body and blood. Keep us firm in the true faith throughout our days of pilgrimage that, on the day of His coming, we may, together with all Your saints, celebrate the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom which has no end; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
C Amen.

Reading: Mark 14:26

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

Stripping of the Altar (Preparing for Good Friday)

(As the psalm is spoken, the communion Vessels, the Paraments, Candles, and all the Altar appointments are removed; to be replaced by the black Altar appointments, Paraments, and shroud cloths.)

Psalm 136:1-26

Psalm 136:1-26

- P** ¹Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good,
C **for his mercy endures forever.**
P ²Give thanks to the God of gods,
C **for his mercy endures forever.**
P ³Give thanks to the Lord of lords,
C **for his mercy endures forever.**
- P** ⁴to him who alone does great wonders,
C **for his mercy endures forever.**
P ⁵to him who by understanding made the heavens,
C **for his mercy endures forever.**
P ⁶to him who spread out the earth above the waters,
C **for his mercy endures forever.**
P ⁷to him who made the great lights,
C **for his mercy endures forever.**
P ⁸the sun to rule over the day,
C **for his mercy endures forever.**
P ⁹the moon and stars to rule over the night,
C **for his mercy endures forever.**
P ¹⁰to him who struck down the firstborn of Egypt,
C **for his mercy endures forever.**
P ¹¹and brought Israel out from among them,
C **for his mercy endures forever.**
P ¹²with a strong hand and an outstretched arm,
C **for his mercy endures forever.**
P ¹³to him who divided the Red Sea in two,
C **for his mercy endures forever.**
P ¹⁴and made Israel pass through the midst of it,
C **for his mercy endures forever.**
P ¹⁵but overthrew Pharaoh and his host in the Red Sea,
C **for his mercy endures forever.**
- P** ¹⁶to him who led his people through the wilderness,
C **for his mercy endures forever.**
P ¹⁷to him who struck down great kings,
C **for his mercy endures forever.**
- P** ¹⁸and killed mighty kings,
C **for his mercy endures forever.**
P ¹⁹Sihon, king of the Amorites,
C **for his mercy endures forever.**
P ²⁰and Og, king of Bashan,
C **for his mercy endures forever.**
P ²¹and gave their land as a heritage,
C **for his mercy endures forever.**
P ²²a heritage to Israel his servant,
C **for his mercy endures forever.**
- P** ²³It is he who remembered us in our low estate,
C **for his mercy endures forever.**

- P** ²⁴and rescued us from our foes,
C **for his mercy endures forever.**
P ²⁵he who gives food to all flesh,
C **for his mercy endures forever.**
P ²⁶Give thanks to the God of heaven,
C **for his mercy endures forever.**

Response

- P** Oh give thanks to the LORD, for he is good;
C **and His mercy endures forever!**

Hymn # 436:1 "Go to Dark Gethsemane"

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OUR WORSHIP CONTINUES:

Tomorrow – Good Friday at 7:00 p.m. with a service of Tenebrae.

Sunday – Easter Morning: 6:30 Sunrise Service with Communion

9:30 Easter Morning Service with Communion

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