



*"Take; this is my body. " . . . "This is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many. "*

*Maundy Thursday Service*

*April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021*

*St. John's & Our Savior's Lutheran Church*

Order of Service

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Introit

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!"**

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

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**Our God is merciful.**

Kyrie pg. 186 [the Gloria in Excelsis is omitted during Lent]

Collect/Readings

Old Testament Lesson: Exodus 24:3 – 11

<sup>3</sup>Moses came and told the people all the words of the Lord and all the rules. And all the people answered with one voice and said, "All the words that the Lord has spoken we will do." <sup>4</sup>And 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. <sup>5</sup>And he sent young men of the people of Israel, who offered burnt offerings and sacrificed peace offerings of oxen to the Lord. <sup>6</sup>And Moses took half of the blood and put it in basins, and half of the blood he threw against the altar. <sup>7</sup>Then 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." <sup>8</sup>And 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." <sup>9</sup>Then Moses and Aaron, Nadab, and Abihu, and seventy of the elders of Israel went up, <sup>10</sup>and 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. <sup>11</sup>And 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.**

Epistle Lesson: 1<sup>st</sup> Corinthians 10:16 – 17

<sup>16</sup>The 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? <sup>17</sup>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]*

**P** The Holy Gospel, according to St. Mark the 14<sup>th</sup> Chapter.

**C** **Glory be to Thee, O Lord**

Gospel Lesson: Mark 14:12 – 26

<sup>12</sup>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?” <sup>13</sup>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, <sup>14</sup>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?’ <sup>15</sup>And he will show you a large upper room furnished and ready; there prepare for us.” <sup>16</sup>And the disciples set out and went to the city and found it just as he had told them, and they prepared the Passover. <sup>17</sup>And when it was evening, he came with the twelve. <sup>18</sup>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.” <sup>19</sup>They began to be sorrowful and to say to him one after another, “Is it I?” <sup>20</sup>He said to them, “It is one of the twelve, one who is dipping bread into the dish with me. <sup>21</sup>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.” <sup>22</sup>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.” <sup>23</sup>And he took a cup, and when he had given thanks he gave it to them, and they all drank of it. <sup>24</sup>And he said to them, “This is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many. <sup>25</sup>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.” <sup>26</sup>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.**

*[Sit]*

Hymn of the Day: 622 “Lord Jesus Christ, You Have Prepared”

Sermon: “Jesus’ Idea of Preparation”

Sermon Text: Mark 14:12 – 26

*[Stand]*

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Prayers of the Church

**P** ... Lord, in Your mercy:

**C** **Hear our prayer.**

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\*\*At this point the stream will be cut off, and communion will be offered to those physically present.

For those who are streaming, here is a recommended conclusion to tonight’s service for the head of the household to lead\*\*

**L**: Let us pray,

Blessed Lord, You have caused all Holy Scriptures to be written for our learning. Grant that we may so hear them, read, mark, learn, and take them to heart that, by the patience and comfort of Your holy Word, we embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who taught 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.**

My God, my God, why have you forsaken me? Why are you so far from saving me, from the words of my groaning?

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

They open wide their mouths at me, like a ravening and roaring lion.

**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;**

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

**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.**

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

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

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

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

All 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.

**Posterity shall serve him; it shall be told of the Lord to the coming generation;**  
They shall come and proclaim his righteousness to a people yet unborn, that he has done it.

**\*A moment of silence is observed\***

*Here ends the service, go in peace, Amen.*



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