

"By this all people will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

MAUNDY THURSDAY LITURGY OF HOLY COMMUNION

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Maundy Thursday

April 1, 2021

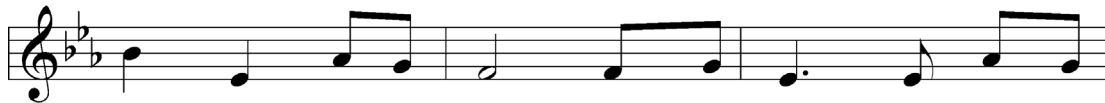
**PRE-SERVICE MUSIC** "Stricken, Smitten, and Afflicted" by Jacob Weber David Garcia, *organ*  
**WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION TO WORSHIP** Pastor Stephen Heimer



**HYMN OF PREPARATION** "When You Woke That Thursday Morning" Lutheran Service Book 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



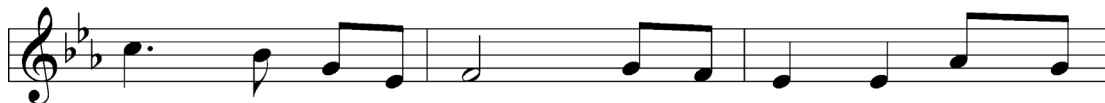
teach - er, faith - ful friend, Thoughts of self and safe - ty  
with tor - ment - ed heart To be with Your dear ones  
nev - er be out - spent, What great gift that would out -



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?



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



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



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."

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## INVOCATION

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

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

## CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

- P** My family in Christ: God created us to experience joy in communion with Him, to love one another, and to live in communion with all of His creation. But we are separated and alienated by our sin of body, mind, heart, and soul from God, from our neighbor, from creation, and from our very selves. Enslaved by the sin of this world and our own self-consumed lives we do not and cannot enjoy the life our Creator intended for us. By our sin we grieve our Heavenly Father Who does not desire us to come under His judgment, but to turn to Him and live.

As disciples of the Lord Jesus we are called to struggle against everything that leads us away from love of God, care for our neighbor, and nurture of His creation. Devotion to God's Word, daily nourishment in His Sacraments, lives of repentance, fasting, prayer, and works of love – the very disciplines of Lent and discipleship in Jesus Christ – strengthen us to live Easter victory in Him. Therefore, I invite you to commit yourselves again to this struggle and, confessing your sins, ask our Heavenly Father for His forgiveness from sin, freedom from guilt and fear, and strength in our Savior's victorious life.

Most holy and merciful Father:

**We confess to You and to one another, and to the whole communion of saints in heaven and on earth, that we have sinned by our own fault in thought, word, and deed; by what we have done, and by what we have left undone.**

- P** We have not loved You with our whole heart, and soul, and mind, and strength. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We have not forgiven others, as we have been forgiven.
- C** **Have mercy on us, Lord.**
- P** We have been deaf to Your call to serve as Christ served us. We have not been true to the mind of Christ. We have grieved your Holy Spirit.
- C** **Have mercy on us, Lord.**
- P** We confess to you Lord, all our past unfaithfulness. The pride, hypocrisy, and impatience in our lives:
- C** **we confess to You, Lord.**
- P** Our self-indulgent appetites and ways; the manipulations, deceits, and hypocrisies that darken all of our relationships:
- C** **we confess to You, Lord.**
- P** Our bigotries, prejudices, racisms; our continuing attacks on Your mercy driven by our ignorance and arrogance:
- C** **we confess to You, Lord.**
- P** Our intemperate love of worldly goods and comforts; our waste of Your time and our lives in pursuit of trivial entertainments and worthless amusements:
- C** **we confess to You, Lord.**
- P** Our negligence in prayer and worship, our failure to share the faith that is in us:
- C** **we confess to You, Lord.**
- P** Accept our repentance, Heavenly Father for the wrongs we have done. For our blindness to human need and suffering, and our indifference to injustice and cruelty:
- C** **accept our repentance for the sake of Your Son, Jesus.**
- P** For all false judgments, for uncharitable thoughts toward our neighbors, and for our prejudice and contempt toward those who differ from us:
- C** **accept our repentance for the sake of Your Son, Jesus.**
- P** For our waste and pollution of Your creation, our lack of concern physically and spiritually for those who come after us, our own children and grandchildren,
- C** **Accept our repentance for the sake of Your Son, Jesus.**
- P** Receive us and restore us for Your mercy is great.
- C** **Amen.**

*Silence for Reflection and Repentance*

- P** Heavenly Father, for the sake of Your Son, renew and accomplish in us through Your eternal Spirit, the work of your salvation,
- C** **that we may show forth Your glory in the world.**
- P** By the cross and passion of Your Son, our Lord,
- C** **Bring us with all Your saints to the joy of the resurrection.**
- P** On this night - as we gather in solemn remembrance and deep thanksgiving for the new and everlasting Covenant God has made with us through our Lord Jesus Christ - we hear anew His Word of promise: "*I forgive your iniquity, and I remember your sin no more.*" (Jeremiah 31:34) As a called and ordained Servant of this Word, I forgive you all your sins, in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
- C** **Amen.**

**HYMN**

"When I Behold Jesus Christ" LSB 542



1 When I be - hold Je - sus Christ, True God who died for me,  
2 For me You gave all Your love, For me You suf-ered pain;  
3 You had no sin, ho - ly Lord, But You were tor-tured, tried;  
4 What love is this? Great - er love No one has ev - er known.



I won-der much at His love As He hung on the tree.  
I find no words, noth - ing can Your self - less - ness ex - plain.  
On Gol - go - tha there for all My sins You bled and died.  
My life with God— this I owe To You, and You a - lone.



What kind of love is this? What kind of love is this?



You showed Your love, Je - sus, there To me on Cal - va - ry.



What kind of love is this? What kind of love is this?



You showed Your love, Je - sus, there To me on Cal - va - ry.

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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 Your 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.

**G Amen.**

## OLD TESTAMENT READING

Exodus 12:1–14

<sup>1</sup>The LORD said to Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt, <sup>2</sup>"This month shall be for you the beginning of months. It shall be the first month of the year for you. <sup>3</sup>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. <sup>4</sup>And 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. <sup>5</sup>Your lamb shall be without blemish, a male a year old. You may take it from the sheep or from the goats, <sup>6</sup>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. <sup>7</sup>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. <sup>8</sup>They shall eat the flesh that night, roasted on the fire; with unleavened bread and bitter herbs they shall eat it. <sup>9</sup>Do not eat any of it raw or boiled in water, but roasted, its head with its legs and its inner parts. <sup>10</sup>And you shall let none of it remain until the morning; anything that remains until the morning you shall burn. <sup>11</sup>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. <sup>12</sup>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. <sup>13</sup>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. <sup>14</sup>"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.

**G Thanks be to God.**

## EPISTLE

1 Corinthians 11:23–32

<sup>23</sup>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, <sup>24</sup>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." <sup>25</sup>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." <sup>26</sup>For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes. <sup>27</sup>Whoever, therefore, eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty of profaning the body and blood of the Lord. <sup>28</sup>Let a person examine himself, then, and so eat of the bread and drink of the cup. <sup>29</sup>For anyone who eats and drinks without discerning the body eats and drinks judgment on himself. <sup>30</sup>That is why many of you are weak and ill, and some have died. <sup>31</sup>But if we judged ourselves truly, we would not be judged. <sup>32</sup>But when we are judged by the Lord, we are disciplined so that we may not be condemned along with the world.

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**G Thanks be to God.**

## GRADUAL AND VERSE

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

**P** [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.

**G Having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end.**

## HOLY GOSPEL

John 13:1–17, 31b–35

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

**G Glory to You, O Lord.**

<sup>1</sup>Now before the Feast of the Passover, when Jesus knew that his hour had come to depart out of this world to the Father, having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end. <sup>2</sup>During supper, when the devil had already put it into the heart of Judas Iscariot, Simon's son, to betray him, <sup>3</sup>Jesus, knowing that the Father had given all things into his hands, and that he had come from God and was going back to God, <sup>4</sup>rose from supper. He laid aside his outer garments, and taking a towel, tied it around his waist. <sup>5</sup>Then he poured

water into a basin and began to wash the disciples' feet and to wipe them with the towel that was wrapped around him. <sup>6</sup>He came to Simon Peter, who said to him, "Lord, do you wash my feet?" <sup>7</sup>Jesus answered him, "What I am doing you do not understand now, but afterward you will understand." <sup>8</sup>Peter said to him, "You shall never wash my feet." Jesus answered him, "If I do not wash you, you have no share with me." <sup>9</sup>Simon Peter said to him, "Lord, not my feet only but also my hands and my head!" <sup>10</sup>Jesus said to him, "The one who has bathed does not need to wash, except for his feet, but is completely clean. And you are clean, but not every one of you." <sup>11</sup>For he knew who was to betray him; that was why he said, "Not all of you are clean." <sup>12</sup>When he had washed their feet and put on his outer garments and resumed his place, he said to them, "Do you understand what I have done to you? <sup>13</sup>You call me Teacher and Lord, and you are right, for so I am. <sup>14</sup>If I then, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another's feet. <sup>15</sup>For I have given you an example, that you also should do just as I have done to you. <sup>16</sup>Truly, truly, I say to you, a servant is not greater than his master, nor is a messenger greater than the one who sent him. <sup>17</sup>If you know these things, blessed are you if you do them. . . . "Now is the Son of Man glorified, and God is glorified in him. <sup>32</sup>If God is glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself, and glorify him at once. <sup>33</sup>Little children, yet a little while I am with you. You will seek me, and just as I said to the Jews, so now I also say to you, 'Where I am going you cannot come.' <sup>34</sup>A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another: just as I have loved you, you also are to love one another. <sup>35</sup>By this all people will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**G** Praise to You, O Christ.

### APOSTLES' CREED

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.**

**And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

### HYMN OF THE DAY

"Where Charity and Love Prevail" v.1,3,5 LSB 845

1 Where char - i - ty and love pre - vail There  
 3 For - give we now each oth - er's faults As  
 5 Let us re - call that in our midst Dwells

God is ev - er found; Brought here to - geth - er  
 we our faults con - fess, And let us love each  
 Christ, His on - ly Son; As mem - bers of His

by Christ's love By love are we thus bound.  
 oth - er well In Chris - tian ho - li - ness.  
 bod - y joined We are in Him made one.

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### HOMILY

"Not Condemned, Redeemed"

### OFFERING AND OFFERTORY

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## PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

**P** Lord God, our heavenly Father, we offer to You our common supplications for the well-being of Your Holy Church throughout the world and for this congregation gathered in Your name. Guide and govern Your Church by Your Holy Spirit that all who profess themselves Christians may be led into the way of truth and hold the truth in unity of spirit, in the bond of peace, and in righteousness of life. As Your Son, our Lord Jesus, commanded us, enable us to love one another in sincerity and truth.

Be merciful to all who are in authority over us. Supply them with Your blessing that they may be inclined to Your will and walk according to Your commandments. Preserve all who travel, satisfy the wants of Your creatures, and help those who call upon You in any need that they may have patience in the midst of suffering and, according to Your will, be released from their afflictions.

We praise You for the abundant mercy that You so richly have provided us, blessing us not only with daily bread for our bodies but also with heavenly food for our souls. Grant that Your living and powerful Word abide in our hearts. Let Your holy angels be with us that the evil foe may have no power over us. Deliver and preserve us in the saving faith, and grant Your blessing upon us all; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C Amen.**

## + SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT +

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C And also with you.**

**P** Lift up your hearts.

**C We lift them to the Lord.**

**P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**C It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

**P** We thank you, Almighty Lord, that you are the God of all humankind, that you are not ashamed to be called our God, that you know us by our name, that you keep the world in your hands. For you have made us and called us in this life to be united to You, to be Your people on this earth. Blessed are You, Maker of all that exists. Blessed are You for You have given us space and time to live in. Blessed are You for the light of our eyes and the air we breathe. We thank You for the whole of creation, for all the works of Your hands, for all You have done in our midst, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Therefore we praise Your majesty, Almighty God, with all Your faithful people; therefore we bow our hearts before You now and worship You:

**C Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty, who was and is and is to come. You alone are worthy, Lord our God to receive glory and honor and power, for You created all things, and by Your will they were created and are preserved. Worthy alone is the Lamb that was slain to receive power and treasure and wisdom and strength and honor and glory and praise. To Him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be praise and honor and glory and power, forever and ever. Amen!**  
*(Revelation 4, 5)*

## 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.**

## AGNUS DEI

**P** Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world;

**C Have mercy on us.**

**P** Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world;

**C have mercy on us.**

**P** Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world;

**C grant us peace, grant us peace.**

## CLOSING PRAYER

Grant, O Lord that the lips which have sung your praise in this sanctuary will glorify You in the world, that the ears which have heard the voice of the Shepherd will be closed to the clamor of anger and dispute, that the eyes which have seen your great love will also share your blessed hope, that the tongues which have confessed your name will ever speak the truth, and that the bodies which today have served in sacrifice and thanksgiving will worship You forever with all the saints, angels, and the whole company of heaven through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and rules with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.

## BENEDICTION

## CLOSING HYMN

"Go To Dark Gethsemane" v.1-2 LSB 436

1 Go to dark Geth - sem - a - ne, All who feel the  
2 Fol - low to the judg - ment hall, View the Lord of  
tempt - er's pow'r; Your Re - deem - er's con - flict see,  
life ar-raigned; Oh, the worm - wood and the gall!  
Watch with Him one bit - ter hour; Turn not from His  
Oh, the pangs His soul sus-tained! Shun not suf - f'ring,  
griefs a - way; Learn from Je - sus Christ to pray.  
shame, or loss; Learn from Him to bear the cross.

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### **Today we celebrate the Sacrament of Holy Communion.**

Here our Heavenly Father promises anew His unconditional love, renews His pledge of forgiveness in Christ, and offers His Holy Spirit as strength for daily faith and life. If you are a visitor to Zion, we invite you in the Name of Jesus to commune with us. However, since God reminds us that thoughtless or faithless reception of the Sacrament can incur His judgment (1 Corinthians 11:27-32), the Scriptures call those who commune to personally examine themselves and in their communing publicly confess:

✠ **I am a baptized Christian and I trust in Jesus Christ as my Lord and Savior.**

✠ **I am a sinner in need of God's forgiveness.**

✠ **I believe that Christ is truly present with His body and blood under the bread and wine offering me forgiveness of sins, life, and salvation.**

✠ **Through His grace and strength, I will live to God's glory, in ministry with His people, in mission to His world.**

Children are invited to accompany parents to the altar for the blessing. We trust that your communion with Christ and His people will strengthen your faith, increase your love, and empower your witness to Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. If you have questions about your communing, please speak with the Pastor.

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## PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

**P** Blessed are You, O Lord our God, King of the universe, 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.

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 to trust in Your promise now fulfilled in Christ, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world.

**G** Amen.

## THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

### PAX DOMINI

**P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**G** Amen.

## THE DISTRIBUTION

*If you will be receiving the Lord's Supper today, please wait as ushers guide each household forward. Remain standing and the pastor will serve you the sacrament in plastic cups. Take those cups with you as you return to your seat, placing them in one of the baskets located at either side of the sanctuary.*

## DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

### HYMN: 619 THY BODY, GIVEN FOR ME, O SAVIOR

sts. 1, ref, 2, 5



1 Thy bod - y, giv'n for me, O Sav - ior, Thy blood which Thou for  
2 With Thee, Lord, I am now u - nit - ed; I live in Thee and  
5 My heart has now be - come Thy dwell - ing, O bless - ed, ho - ly



me didst shed, These are my life and strength for -  
Thou in me. No sor - row fills my soul, de -  
Trin - i - ty. With an - gels I, Thy prais - es



ev - er, By them my hun - gry soul is fed.  
light - ed It finds its on - ly joy in Thee.  
tell - ing, Shall live in joy e - ter - nal - ly.

*Refrain*



Lord, may Thy bod - y and Thy blood Be



for my soul the high - est good!

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**HYMN: 452 O PERFECT LIFE OF LOVE**

sts. 1-2, 4-5



1 O per - fect life of love! All, all, is fin - ished now,  
 2 No work is left un - done Of all the Fa - ther willed;  
 4 And on His thorn - crowned head And on His sin - less soul  
 5 In per - fect love He dies; For me He dies, for me.

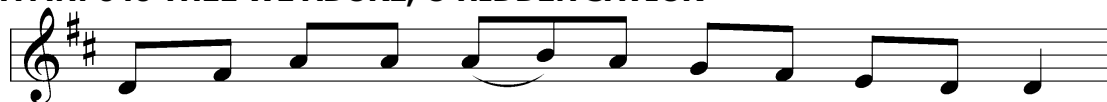


All that He left His throne a - bove To do for us be - low.  
 His toil, His sor - rows, one by one, The Scrip - tures have ful - filled.  
 Our sins in all their guilt were laid That He might make us whole.  
 O all - a - ton - ing Sac - ri - fice, I cling by faith to Thee.

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**HYMN: 640 THEE WE ADORE, O HIDDEN SAVIOR**

sts. 1-4



1 Thee we a - dore, O hid - den Sav - ior, Thee,  
 2 In this me - mo - rial of Thy death, O Lord,  
 3 Thou, like the pel - i - can to feed her brood,  
 4 Foun - tain of good - ness, Je - sus, Lord and God:



Who in Thy Sac - ra - ment art pleased to be;  
 Thou dost Thy bod - y and Thy blood af - ford:  
 Didst pierce Thy - self to give us liv - ing food;  
 Cleanse us, un - clean, with Thy most cleans - ing blood;



Both flesh and spir - it in Thy pres - ence fail,  
 Oh, may our souls for - ev - er feed on Thee,  
 Thy blood, O Lord, one drop has pow'r to win  
 In - crease our faith and love, that we may know



Yet here Thy pres - ence we de - vout - ly hail.  
 And Thou, O Christ, for - ev - er pre - cious be.  
 For - give - ness for our world and all its sin.  
 The hope and peace which from Thy pres - ence flow.

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**POST-COMMUNION BLESSING**

## **POST-COMMUNION COLLECT**

**P** 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.**

## **BENEDICTION**

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

**C Amen.**

## **+ STRIPPING OF THE ALTAR +**

*Reverently, the altar is stripped, and the chancel is cleared, symbolizing the humiliation of Jesus after the Last Supper: his betrayal, arrest, beating, trial, death sentence, stripping, crowing with thorns, mockery, and agonizing death on the cross.*

*All leave the church in silence.*

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## **AS WE GATHER**

The forty days of Lent (not including Sundays, which are considered "little Easters") come to their conclusion now in the three holy days, or Triduum, of Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and Holy Saturday. Therefore these days center around the only sacrifice that gives us absolution, the forgiveness we so desire: the body and blood of the Lord's Supper that proclaim the glorious substitutionary suffering and death of our Lord on the cross and interment in the tomb. Only in this way can a person know and believe what there is to be so happy about on Easter Sunday!

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**Holy Week and Easter.** Throughout the remainder of Holy Week, Zion will also have services on Good Friday and Easter Sunday. On Easter Sunday, we will have an outdoor service, followed by a neighborhood flower distribution, Easter breakfast, and indoor worship service and livestream. Communion will be served at both the indoor and outdoor Easter services. Our remaining schedule for Holy Week is as follows:

- **Good Friday Service** - April 2<sup>nd</sup>, 7:00pm
- **Easter Sunday, April 4<sup>th</sup>:**
  - Outdoor Communion Service* – 8:00am
  - Easter Breakfast by Zion's Youth* – 9:00am
  - Indoor Communion Service* – 10:30am

We would love to see you in-person or online at our Holy Week services! We would appreciate it if you filled out an RSVP form through our website prior to attending a service, however it is not required. If you have any questions, please call the church office at (915) 566-4667. We look forward to worshipping with you!

**"Bagging Beans and Rice" Service Project** to Assist YLM with their weekly food distribution. **Next Sunday, April 11th, after the Church Service, in the Auditorium:** LWML invites you to join us ~ in participating in our annual "Beans and Rice Project" to assist YLM: filling sandwich-size Ziplock bags with dry beans and/or rice, which are part of the food distribution bags given out each Saturday to families in need. With the help of a Thrivent Action Grant, all the items needed for this project will be provided. The tables in the Auditorium will be spaced apart to meet Social Distancing requirements; we may also have stations set up on tables in the Fellowship Hall, too. (LWML Members are reminded to bring a one cup measuring cup, if possible; we will have many available to use.) We hope you will plan on joining us! Many hands make light work! See you next Sunday!



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