



**St. Luke's
Lutheran Church**



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Sharing Jesus Christ's love with those around us.

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MAUNDY THURSDAY

(Series A)

WELCOME

We are glad you are here to worship our Savior with us. Please remember to turn your cell phone to silence. Restrooms are on the west side of the sanctuary. Prayer requests can be submitted to the church office through email, office@stlukesmanhattan.org, or by calling 785-539-2604. On Communion Sundays, if you need non-gluten wafers at communion, or need to have communion brought to you, please notify the elder who is serving. We hope you will join us again so that you may experience Jesus.

AS WE GATHER

On this holy night, the Church returns to the Upper Room, where our Lord Jesus transformed the ancient Passover into something altogether new. The Lamb whose blood once marked Israel's doorposts now gives His own body and blood as the new covenant for the forgiveness of sins. Here the Lord who was not passed over on the night of His betrayal establishes a feast that continually assures us that *we* are passed over—from judgment to life. As we gather, we remember His command to love one another, we rejoice in His promised presence “in, with, and under” the bread and wine, and we enter the Triduum confident that the Lamb of God still feeds His people with mercy that endures forever. Blessed is He who comes to serve, to save, and to give Himself for us.

TRIDUUM

This service is the first part of the Triduum (from the Latin for “three days”) liturgies. There will be no benediction today. Tomorrow’s Good Friday service will include neither an invocation nor a benediction.

Please observe silence while departing.

IMAGE ON THE COVER

“Christ, our Passover lamb, has been sacrificed.” — *1 Corinthians 5:7b*

WELCOME

✠PREPARATION✠

445 WHEN YOU WOKE THAT THURSDAY MORNING



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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Stand

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

INVOCATION

P In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

OPENING SENTENCES

Psalm 116:12–13; Luke 22:19–20

P What shall I render to the Lord for all His benefits to me?

C I will lift up the cup of salvation and call on the name of the Lord.

P “This is My body, given for you.”

C We remember His mercy and trust His saving Word.

P “This cup is the new covenant in My blood.”

C We receive His forgiveness and proclaim His death until He comes.

CONFESSIONAL ADDRESS

P Beloved in the Lord, on this holy night we draw near to the table where our Savior gathered with His disciples and gave His Church the Sacrament of His body and blood. As He entered the hour of His Passion, He established this meal as a gift for sinners—strengthening the weak, comforting the troubled, and assuring His people of forgiveness, life, and salvation.

St. Paul urges us to examine ourselves, for apart from Christ we find only our sin and our inability to free ourselves from death. Yet our Lord has had mercy on us. He took our sin upon Himself and now invites us to receive His gifts with repentant and trusting hearts.

Let us then confess our sins to God our Father, seeking His grace for the sake of His Son, Jesus Christ.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

P Most merciful God,

C **We confess that we have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We have turned from Your commands and forgotten Your compassion. For the sake of Jesus Christ, have mercy on us, forgive us, and lead us in Your ways of truth and peace.**

P On this night when our Lord took bread and wine, when He gave His body and blood for the forgiveness of sins, and when He prepared to offer Himself for the life of the world, He also gave His promise of mercy. He was not passed over in judgment so that you would be passed over — from guilt to grace, from death to life.

As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen. We remember His mercy. We rejoice in His forgiveness. We walk in His love.**

INTROIT

Psalm 116:1–4; antiphon: v. 5

- P** Gracious is the LORD, and righteous;
C our God is merciful.
- P** I love the LORD, because he has heard
C my voice and my pleas for mercy.
- P** Because he inclined his ear to me,
C therefore I will call on him as long as I live.
- P** The snares of death encompassed me;
the pangs of Sheol laid hold on me;
C I suffered distress and anguish.
- P** Then I called on the name of the LORD:
C “O LORD, I pray, deliver my soul!”
- P** Gracious is the LORD, and righteous;
C our God is merciful.

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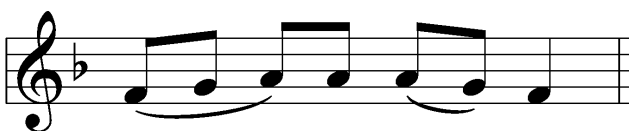
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- P** In peace let us pray to the Lord.



- C** Lord, have mer - cy.

- P** For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.



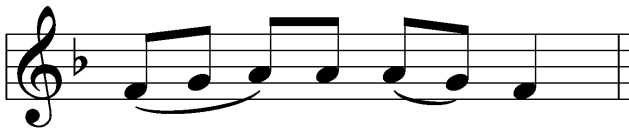
- C** Lord, have mer - cy.

- P** For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.

- P** For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.

- P** Help, save, comfort and defend us gracious Lord.



C A - men.

SALUTATION

P The Lord be with you.

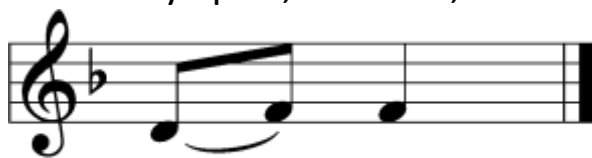


C And al - so with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P Let us pray.

O Lord Jesus Christ, on this night You gathered with Your disciples and gave Your Church the gift of Your holy Supper. As You entered the hour of Your Passion, You established a new Passover in Your body and blood, given and shed for the forgiveness of sins. Grant that we who receive this Sacrament may be strengthened in faith, steadfast in love, and ever mindful of Your mercy. For You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



C A - men.

Sit

✠WORD✠

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Exodus 12:1-14

(The Passover.)

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. ³Tell 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. ⁵Your 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. ⁸They 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. ¹⁰And 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.”

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

PSALM

Psalm 116:12–19; antiphon: v. 17

- L** ¹²What shall I render to the Lord
C for all his benefits to me?
- L** ¹³I will lift up the cup of salvation
C and call on the name of the Lord,
- L** ¹⁴I will pay my vows to the Lord
C in the presence of all his people.
- L** ¹⁵Precious in the sight of the Lord
C is the death of his saints.
- L** ¹⁶O Lord, I am your servant;
C I am your servant, the son of your maidservant.
You have loosed my bonds.
- L** ¹⁷I will offer to you the sacrifice of thanksgiving
C and call on the name of the Lord.
- L** ¹⁸I will pay my vows to the Lord
C in the presence of all his people,
- L** ¹⁹in the courts of the house of the Lord,
C in your midst, O Jerusalem. Praise the Lord!

EPISTLE

1 Corinthians 11:23-32

(The Lord's Supper.)

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

²⁷Whoever, 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. ²⁸Let a person examine himself, then, and so eat of the bread and drink of the cup. ²⁹For anyone who eats and drinks without discerning the body eats and drinks judgment on himself. ³⁰That is why many of you are weak and ill, and some have died. ³¹But if we judged ourselves truly, we would not be judged. ³²But when we are judged by the Lord, we are disciplined so that we may not be condemned along with the world.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Stand

VERSE (LENT)

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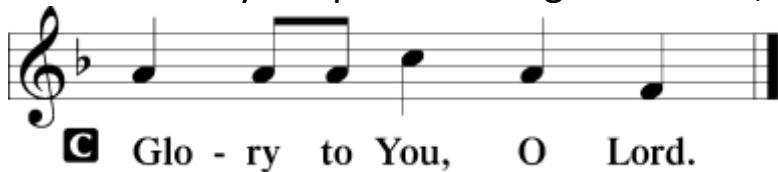
Re - turn to the Lord, your God, for He is gra - cious and
mer - ci - ful, slow to an - ger, and a - bound - ing in
stead - fast love, and a - bound - ing in stead - fast love.

HOLY GOSPEL

Luke 22:7–20

(The Passover and institution of the Lord's Supper.)

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the twenty-second chapter.



Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

⁷Then came the day of Unleavened Bread, on which the Passover lamb had to be sacrificed. ⁸So Jesus sent Peter and John, saying, *“Go and prepare the Passover for us, that we may eat it.”* ⁹They said to him, “Where will you have us prepare it?” ¹⁰He said to them, *“Behold, when you have entered the city, a man carrying a jar of water will meet you. Follow him into the house that he enters ¹¹and tell the master of the house, ‘The Teacher says to you, Where is the guest room, where I may eat the Passover with my disciples?’ ¹²And he will show you a large upper room furnished; prepare it there.”* ¹³And they went and found it just as he had told them, and they prepared the Passover.

¹⁴And when the hour came, he reclined at table, and the apostles with him. ¹⁵And he said to them, *“I have earnestly desired to eat this Passover with you before I suffer. ¹⁶For I tell you I will not eat it until it is fulfilled in the kingdom of God.”* ¹⁷And he took a cup, and when he had given thanks he said, *“Take this, and divide it among yourselves. ¹⁸For I tell you that from now on I will not drink of the fruit of the vine until the kingdom of God comes.”*

¹⁹And he took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to them, saying, *"This is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."* ²⁰And likewise the cup after they had eaten, saying, *"This cup that is poured out for you is the new covenant in my blood."*

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



C Praise to You, O Christ.

Sit

“BEHOLD THE LAMB, OUR PASSOVER”

LM — for LSB 623 (Herr Jesu Christ, Dich zu uns wend)

- 1 Behold the Lamb, our Passover,
Whose blood delivers evermore;
The night of judgment draws away
Where Christ has marked His own to stay.

- 2 He took the bread, He blessed the cup,
And gave His very self for us;
“Take, eat; take, drink—My body, blood,
A covenant of grace with God.”

- 3 “Do this,” He said, “remember Me—
My death proclaimed until I come.”
Lord, keep us steadfast in this feast,
Confessing Christ, our Life and Peace.

- 4 Search us, O Lord, and make us true;
Restore our hearts, our faith renew.
In this communion make us one
With You, O Father, Spirit, Son.

SERMON

VOTUM

- P** The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.
- G** Amen.

Stand

NICENE CREED

**☐ 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.**

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

P Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

Lord Jesus Christ, on this night You gave Your Church the gift of Your holy Supper. As You once gathered Your disciples in the Upper Room, gather us now in faith, that we may receive Your body and blood with repentant hearts and joyful trust in Your promises. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Gracious Father, as Your ancient people pledged to keep all that You had spoken, grant that Your Church today may remain steadfast in Your Word. Strengthen pastors, teachers, and all church workers, that they may proclaim Christ with clarity and serve Your people with faithfulness. Guard Your Church from false teaching and from every assault of the evil one. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Bless the homes of Your people, O Lord. Where there is fear, bring peace; where there is sorrow, bring comfort; where there is sin, bring forgiveness. Keep our children in Your care, preserve them from every danger, and lead them in paths of wisdom and truth. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Almighty God, give wisdom to all who serve in public office, and grant integrity to those who administer justice. Protect those who defend us—military personnel, first responders, and medical workers—and grant peace in our communities and among the nations. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Merciful Lord, You are our help in every trouble. Look with compassion upon the sick, the suffering, the lonely, and the grieving, especially *[names may be spoken]*. Strengthen them in body and soul, sustain them with Your Word, and grant them healing according to Your will. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Gracious Lord, on this night Your Son entrusted to His Church the Sacrament of His body and blood. As we come to His table, grant us true repentance, steadfast faith, and grateful hearts. Let this communion strengthen our life together as Your people and send us out to bear witness to the salvation He has won. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Holy God, You have made us a royal priesthood, cleansed by the blood of the Lamb. Grant that our lives may be offered in prayer, thanksgiving, and works of mercy, that Your name may be glorified in all we say and do. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C **Amen.**

Sit

OFFERING

There are several ways to give.

1. Please **send** your offerings to
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2. **Electronic Funds Transfer**
Sign up through the church office.

Stand

✠SACRAMENT✠

PREFACE

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P The Lord be with you.



G And al - so with you.

P Lift up your hearts.



G We lift them to the Lord.

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



G It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

PROPER PREFACE

P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who on this night prepared for His Church a new Passover. As the Lamb once spared Israel by the blood upon their doors, so now He gives His own body and blood for the forgiveness of sins and for the life of the world. Entering the hour of His Passion, He established the feast that delivers what His cross would win, that we who are washed in His covenant may be passed over from death to 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:

SANCTUS

LSB 161



C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:
Heav-en and earth are full of Your glo - ry. Ho - san-na. Ho -
san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high - est.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

P Blessed are You, O Lord our God, King of all creation, for in mercy You remembered Your people and sent Your only-begotten Son to be the Lamb who takes away the sin of the world. As once the blood of the Passover spared Israel from death, so now the blood of Christ, our true Passover, redeems us from sin, delivers us from judgment, and brings us into the freedom of Your everlasting covenant.

On this night when He was betrayed, Your Son gave to His Church the feast of His body and blood. Grant that we who come to His table may receive these gifts with faith and thanksgiving, trusting that in this Sacrament You forgive our sins, strengthen our lives, and unite us as one body in Him.

Sustain us in this communion until the day when You bring us to the joy of the promised feast where the Lamb reigns in glory forever.

C Amen.

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.”

PROCLAMATION OF CHRIST

P As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord’s death until He comes.

C **Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

P O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension into heaven, and Your coming for the final judgment. So remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

LORD'S PRAYER

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.

PAX DOMINI

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.



C A - men.

AGNUS DEI

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☐ Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the world; have



mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the



world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the



sin of the world; grant us peace.

Sit

The Lord's Supper

The Lord's Supper is celebrated at this congregation in the confession and glad confidence that, as He says, our Lord gives into our mouths not only bread and wine but His very body and blood to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with Him and with one another. Our Lord invites to His table those who trust in His words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as He forgives and loves us, that they may show forth His death until He comes.

Because those who eat and drink our Lord's body and blood unworthily do so to their great harm and because Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar, any who are not yet instructed, in doubt, or who hold a confession differing from that of this congregation and the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, and yet desire to receive the Sacrament, are asked first to speak with the Pastor or an elder. For further study, see Matt. 5:23ff; 10:32ff; 18:15-35; 26:26-29; 1 Cor. 11:17-34.

DISTRIBUTION

The pastor and those who assist him receive the body and blood of Christ first. They then distribute the body and blood of Christ to those in the pews who are unable to come forward, and then finally to those who come forward.

Distribution and dismissal will be done by half tables.

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

617 O LORD, WE PRAISE THEE



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



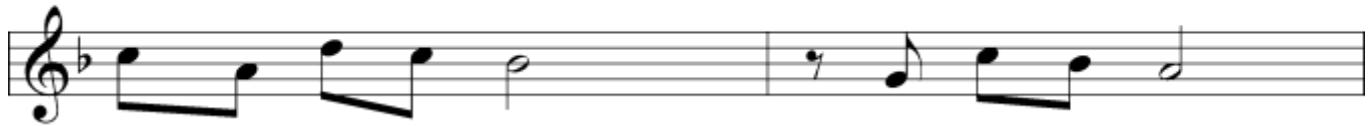
In all tri - al, fear, and need: O Lord, have mer - cy!
 Peace with God once more is made: O Lord, have mer - cy!
 Days of peace and u - ni - ty: O Lord, have mer - cy!

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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
live	and	He	should	die	Un -	der
Word	and	prom -	ise	clear,	In	mouth
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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631 HERE, O MY LORD, I SEE THEE FACE TO FACE



1 Here, O my Lord, I see Thee face to face;
 2 Here would I feed up - on the bread of God,
 3 This is the hour of ban - quet and of song;
 4 I have no help but Thine; nor do I need



Here would I touch and han - dle things un - seen;
 Here drink with Thee the roy - al wine of heav'n;
 This is the heav'n - ly ta - ble spread for me;
 An - oth - er arm but Thine to lean up - on.



Here grasp with firm - er hand the e - ter - nal grace,
 Here would I lay a - side each earth - ly load,
 Here let me feast and, feast - ing, still pro - long
 It is e - nough, my Lord, e - nough in - deed;



And all my wea - ri - ness up - on Thee lean.
 Here taste a - fresh the calm of sin for - giv'n.
 The brief bright hour of fel - low - ship with Thee.
 My strength is in Thy might, Thy might a - lone.

- 5 Mine is the sin, but Thine the righteousness;
Mine is the guilt, but Thine the cleansing blood;
Here is my robe, my refuge, and my peace:
Thy blood, Thy righteousness, O Lord my God.
- 6 Too soon we rise; the vessels disappear;
The feast, though not the love, is past and gone;
The bread and wine remove, but Thou art here;
Nearer than ever; still my shield and sun.
- 7 Feast after feast thus comes and passes by,
Yet, passing, points to that glad feast above,
Giving sweet foretaste of the festal joy,
The Lamb's great marriage feast of bliss and love.

Text: Horatius Bonar, 1808–89, alt.

Tune: Henry Lawes, 1595–1662

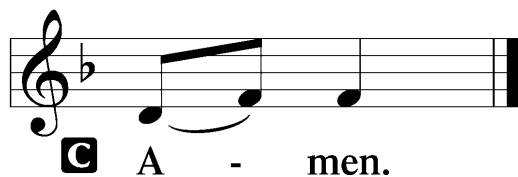
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Stand

POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

P Let us pray.

O Lord Jesus Christ, we give You thanks that in this holy Supper You have fed us with Your body and blood and strengthened us with the gifts of Your cross. As You have drawn us into the fellowship of Your redeeming grace, keep us steadfast in faith and constant in every good work. Grant that this Sacrament, the new covenant in Your blood, may sustain us in faith, renew us in hope, and prepare us to follow You through the solemn days of Your Passion to the joy of Your resurrection; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



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.

PSALM

Psalm 22

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

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

P ²O my God, I cry by day, but you do not answer,

C **and by night, but I find no rest.**

P ³Yet you are holy,

C **enthroned on the praises of Israel.**

P ⁴In you our fathers trusted;

C **they trusted, and you delivered them.**

- P** ⁵To you they cried and were rescued;
C **in you they trusted and were not put to shame.**
- P** ⁶But I am a worm and not a man,
C **scorned by mankind and despised by the people.**
- P** ⁷All who see me mock me;
C **they make mouths at me; they wag their heads;**
- P** ⁸“He trusts in the LORD; let him deliver him;
C **let him rescue him, for he delights in him!”**
- P** ⁹Yet you are he who took me from the womb;
C **you made me trust you at my mother’s breasts.**
- P** ¹⁰On you was I cast from my birth,
C **and from my mother’s womb you have been my God.**
- P** ¹¹Be not far from me,
for trouble is near,
C **and there is none to help.**
- P** ¹²Many bulls encompass me;
C **strong bulls of Bashan surround me;**
- P** ¹³they open wide their mouths at me,
C **like a ravening and roaring lion.**
- P** ¹⁴I am poured out like water,
and all my bones are out of joint;
C **my heart is like wax;**
it is melted within my breast;
- P** ¹⁵my strength is dried up like a potsherd,
and my tongue sticks to my jaws;
C **you lay me in the dust of death.**

- P** ¹⁶For dogs encompass me;
C **a company of evildoers encircles me;**
they have pierced my hands and feet—
- P** ¹⁷I can count all my bones—
C **they stare and gloat over me;**
- P** ¹⁸they divide my garments among them,
C **and for my clothing they cast lots.**
- P** ¹⁹But you, O LORD, do not be far off!
C **O you my help, come quickly to my aid!**
- P** ²⁰Deliver my soul from the sword,
C **my precious life from the power of the dog!**
- P** ²¹Save me from the mouth of the lion!
C **You have rescued me from the horns of the wild oxen!**
- P** ²²I will tell of your name to my brothers;
C **in the midst of the congregation I will praise you:**
- P** ²³You who fear the LORD, praise him!
C **All you offspring of Jacob, glorify him,**
and stand in awe of him, all you offspring of Israel!
- P** ²⁴For he has not despised or abhorred
the affliction of the afflicted,
C **and he has not hidden his face from him,**
but has heard, when he cried to him.
- P** ²⁵From you comes my praise in the great congregation;
C **my vows I will perform before those who fear him.**

P ²⁶The afflicted shall eat and be satisfied;
those who seek him shall praise the LORD!

C **May your hearts live forever!**

P ²⁷All the ends of the earth shall remember
and turn to the LORD,

C **and all the families of the nations
shall worship before you.**

P ²⁸For kingship belongs to the LORD,

C **and he rules over the nations.**

P ²⁹All the prosperous of the earth eat and worship;

C **before him shall bow all who go down to the dust,
even the one who could not keep himself alive.**

P ³⁰Posterity shall serve him;

C **it shall be told of the Lord to the coming generation;**

P ³¹they shall come and proclaim his righteousness to a people yet unborn,

C **that he has done it.**

The altar cloths and paraments are removed.

All may exit silently.

*Because the service continues with the Good Friday service tomorrow, the
Benediction is not spoken.*

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