

# **Immanuel Lutheran Church**

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Holy (Maundy) Thursday
April 17, 2025 – 6:30 p.m.
Corporate Confession and Absolution – LSB 290
Divine Service One – LSB 160

#### SERVICE OF CORPORATE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

#### 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.

#### **Exhortation**

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

Sit

## **Confessional Address**

During this Lenten season we have heard our Lord's call to intensify our struggle against sin, death, and the devil—all that prevents us from trusting in God and loving each other. Since it is our intention to receive the Holy Supper of our Lord Jesus Christ on this night when He instituted this blessed meal for our salvation, it is proper that we complete our Lenten discipline by diligently examining ourselves, as St. Paul urges us to do. This holy Sacrament has been instituted for the special comfort of those who are troubled because of their sin and who humbly confess their sins, fear God's wrath, and hunger and thirst for righteousness.

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

So that we may more confidently believe this and be strengthened in the faith and in holy living, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread, broke it, and gave it to His disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My body, which is given for you." It is as if He said, "I became man, and all that I do and suffer is for your good. As a pledge of this, I give you My body to eat."

In the same way also He took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins." Again, it is as if He said, "I have had mercy on you by taking into Myself all your iniquities. I give Myself into death, shedding My blood to obtain grace and forgiveness of sins, and to comfort and establish the new testament, which gives forgiveness and everlasting salvation. As a pledge of this, I give you My blood to drink."

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

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

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

# C Amen.

P Having heard the Word of God, let us confess our sins, imploring God our Father for the sake of His Son, Jesus Christ, to grant us forgiveness.

#### Stand

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

## **Confession of Sins**

- P O almighty God, merciful Father,
- I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.
- **P** God be merciful to you and strengthen your faith.
- C Amen.
- P Do you believe that the forgiveness I speak is not my forgiveness but God's?
- C Yes.
- **P** Let it be done for you as you believe.

## **Absolution**

- In the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the 

  → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

# **Blessing**

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

  → peace.
- C Amen.

## **Salutation and Collect of the Day**

Holy (Maundy) Thursday

- **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**

*Jeremiah 31:31–34* 

<sup>31</sup>"Behold, the days are coming, declares the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah, <sup>32</sup>not like the covenant that I made with their fathers on the day when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt, my covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, declares the LORD. <sup>33</sup>But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, declares the LORD: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts. And I will be their God, and they shall be my people. <sup>34</sup>And no longer shall each one teach his neighbor and each his brother, saying, 'Know the LORD,' for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, declares the LORD. For I will forgive their iniquity, and I will remember their sin no more."

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

# Psalm (Sung responsively, the Gloria Patri is omitted.)

Psalm 116:12-19



- <sup>12</sup>What shall I render | to the LORD\* for all his bene- | fits to me?
- <sup>13</sup>I will lift up the cup of sal- | vation\* and call on the name | of the LORD,
- <sup>14</sup>I will pay my vows | to the LORD\* in the presence of all his | people.
- <sup>15</sup>Precious in the sight | of the LORD\* is the death | of his saints.
- <sup>16</sup>O LORD, I am your | servant;\*
  I am your servant, the son of your maidservant.
  You have | loosed my bonds.
- <sup>17</sup>I will offer to you the sacrifice of thanks- | giving\* and call on the name | of the LORD.
- <sup>18</sup>I will pay my vows | to the LORD\*
   in the presence of all his | people,
   <sup>19</sup>in the courts of the house | of the LORD,\*

in your midst, O Jerusalem. | Praise the LORD!

Epistle Hebrews 10:15–25

<sup>15</sup>The Holy Spirit also bears witness to us; for after saying,

16"This is the covenant that I will make with them after those days, declares the Lord:
I will put my laws on their hearts, and write them on their minds,"

<sup>17</sup>then he adds,

"I will remember their sins and their lawless deeds no more."

<sup>18</sup>Where there is forgiveness of these, there is no longer any offering for sin.

<sup>19</sup>Therefore, brothers, since we have confidence to enter the holy places by the blood of Jesus, <sup>20</sup>by the new and living way that he opened for us through the curtain, that is, through his flesh, <sup>21</sup>and since we have a great priest over the

house of God, <sup>22</sup>let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. <sup>23</sup>Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who promised is faithful. <sup>24</sup>And let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works, <sup>25</sup>not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day drawing near.

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

Stand

## **Verse (Spoken together.)**

Verse

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

Holy Gospel Luke 22:7–20

- P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the twenty-second chapter.
- **G** Glory to You, O Lord.

<sup>7</sup>Then came the day of Unleavened Bread, on which the Passover lamb had to be sacrificed. <sup>8</sup>So Jesus sent Peter and John, saying, "Go and prepare the Passover for us, that we may eat it." <sup>9</sup>They said to him, "Where will you have us prepare it?" <sup>10</sup>He 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 <sup>11</sup>and 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?' <sup>12</sup>And he will show you a large upper room furnished; prepare it there." <sup>13</sup>And they went and found it just as he had told them, and they prepared the Passover.

<sup>14</sup>And when the hour came, he reclined at table, and the apostles with him. <sup>15</sup>And he said to them, "I have earnestly desired to eat this Passover with you before I suffer. <sup>16</sup>For I tell you I will not eat it until it is fulfilled in the kingdom of God." <sup>17</sup>And he took a cup, and when he had given thanks he said, "Take this, and divide it among yourselves. <sup>18</sup>For I tell you that from now on I will not drink of the fruit of the vine until the kingdom of God comes." <sup>19</sup>And 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." <sup>20</sup>And 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





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#### Sermon

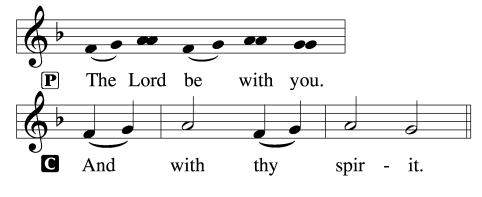
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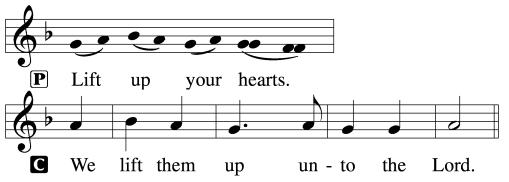
## **Prayer of the Church**

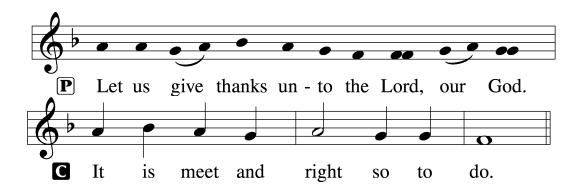
#### SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

In the Lord's Supper, the Risen Christ is at once the Giver and the Gift! By His promise, His very body and blood are really present and thereby we come into immediate contact with exalted Christ! As we do so, witness is also given to oneness in doctrine by those who receive the Sacrament together. For this reason we practice closed communion and kindly ask that those who are not members of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod please speak with the Pastor before coming to communion. If you do not wish to receive Holy Communion, you may remain in your pew or come to the Altar to receive a blessing, crossing your arms in front of you to indicate this.

Preface LSB 194

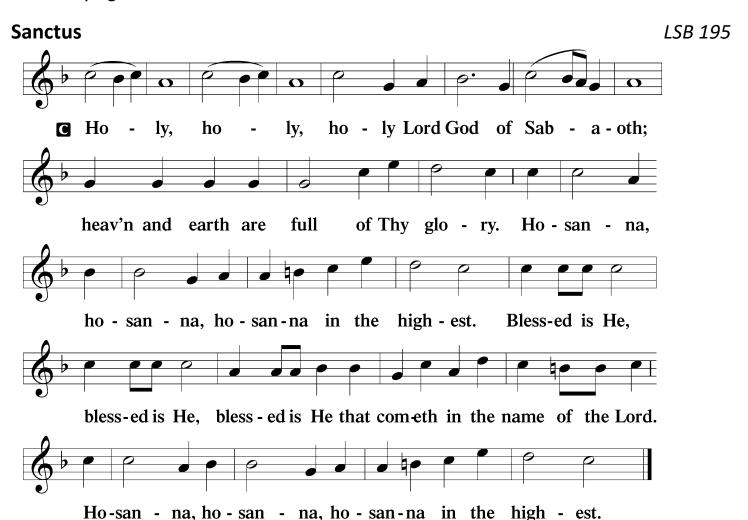






## **Proper Preface**

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 accomplished the salvation of mankind by the tree of the cross that, where death arose, there life also might rise again and that the serpent who overcame by the tree of the garden might likewise by the tree of the cross be overcome. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:



Lord's Prayer

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## The Words of Our Lord

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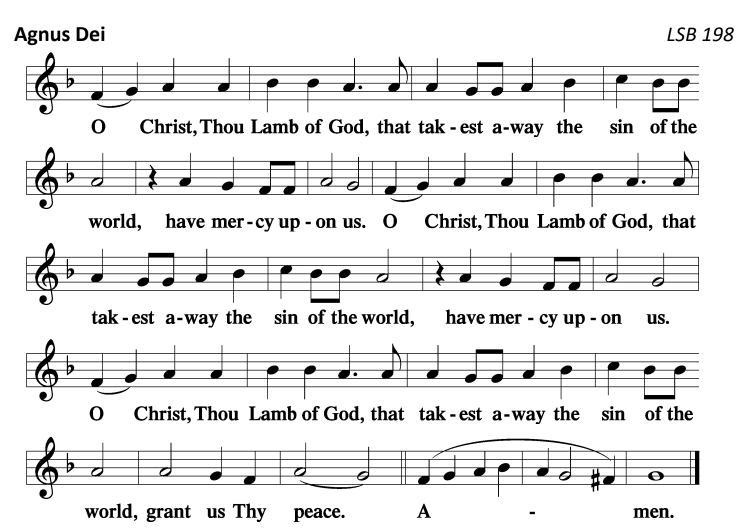


Pax Domini LSB 197



P The peace of the Lord be with you al - ways.



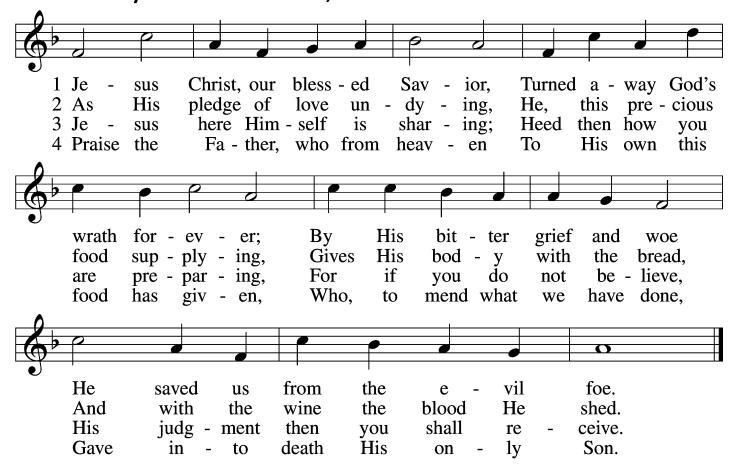


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## **Distribution**

## Distribution Hymn: 627 Jesus Christ, Our Blessed Savior

LSB 627



- 5 Firmly hold with faith unshaken
  That this food is to be taken
  By the sick who are distressed,
  By hearts that long for peace and rest.
- Agony and bitter labor
   Were the cost of God's high favor;
   Do not come if you suppose
   You need not Him who died and rose.
- 7 Christ says: "Come, all you that labor, And receive My grace and favor: Those who feel no pain or ill Need no physician's help or skill.

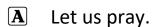
- 8 "For what purpose was My dying
  If not for your justifying?
  And what use this precious food
  If you yourself were pure and good?"
- 9 If your heart this truth professes
  And your mouth your sin confesses,
  You will be your Savior's guest,
  Be at His banquet truly blest.
- 10 Let this food your faith so nourish
  That its fruit of love may flourish
  And your neighbor learn from you
  How much God's wondrous love can do.

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## **Post-Communion Collect**



O God the Father, the fountain and source of all goodness, who in loving-kindness sent Your only-begotten Son into the flesh, we thank You that for His sake You have given us pardon and peace in this Sacrament, and we ask You not to forsake Your children but always to rule our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that we may be enabled constantly to serve You; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Sit

# **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 services of Good Friday.



<sup>1</sup>My God, my God, why have you for- | saken me?\*
Why are you so far from saving me, from the words of my | groaning?

<sup>2</sup>O my God, I cry by day, but you do not | answer,\*
and by night, but I | find no rest.

<sup>3</sup>Yet you are | holy,\* enthroned on the praises of | Israel.

<sup>4</sup>In you our fathers | trusted;\* they trusted, and you de- | livered them.

<sup>5</sup>To you they cried and were | rescued;\* in you they trusted and were not | put to shame.

<sup>6</sup>But I am a worm and | not a man,\* scorned by mankind and despised by the | people.

<sup>7</sup>All who see me | mock me;\* they make mouths at me; they | wag their heads;

8"He trusts in the LORD; let him de- | liver him;\* let him rescue him, for he de- | lights in him!"

<sup>9</sup>Yet you are he who took me | from the womb;\* you made me trust you at my | mother's breasts.

<sup>10</sup>On you was I cast | from my birth,\* and from my mother's womb you have | been my God.

<sup>11</sup>Be not far from me, for trouble | is near,\* and there is | none to help.

<sup>12</sup>Many bulls en- | compass me;\* strong bulls of Bashan sur- | round me;

<sup>13</sup>they open wide their | mouths at me,\* like a ravening and roaring | lion.

 14I am poured out like water, and all my bones are | out of joint;\*
 my heart is like wax; it is melted with- | in my breast;
 15my strength is dried up like a potsherd, and my tongue sticks | to my jaws;\* you lay me in the | dust of death.

16For dogs en- | compass me;\*
 a company of evildoers encircles me;
 they have pierced my | hands and feet—

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

 18they divide my garments a- | mong them,\*
 and for my clothing they | cast lots.

<sup>19</sup>But you, O LORD, do not be | far off!\*
 O you my help, come quickly | to my aid!
 <sup>20</sup>Deliver my soul | from the sword,\*
 my precious life from the power | of the dog!
 <sup>21</sup>Save me from the mouth of the | lion!\*

 You have rescued me from the horns of the wild | oxen!

<sup>22</sup>I will tell of your name to my | brothers;\*
 in the midst of the congregation I will | praise you:
 <sup>23</sup>You who fear the LORD, praise him!
 All you offspring of Jacob, glo- | rify him,\*
 and stand in awe of him, all you offspring of | Israel!
 <sup>24</sup>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.

<sup>25</sup>From you comes my praise in the great congre- | gation;\* my vows I will perform before those who | fear him.

<sup>26</sup>The afflicted shall eat and be satisfied; those who seek him shall | praise the LORD!\* May your hearts live for- | ever! <sup>27</sup>All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn | to the LORD,\*
 and all the families of the nations shall worship be- | fore you.
 <sup>28</sup>For kingship belongs | to the LORD,\*
 and he rules over the | nations.

<sup>29</sup>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 him- | self alive.

<sup>30</sup>Posterity shall | serve him;\* it shall be told of the Lord to the coming gener- | ation;

<sup>31</sup>they shall come and proclaim his righteousness to a people | yet unborn,\* that he has | done it.

All leave the church in silence.

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# Servants in the Lord's House tonight

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### **HOLY WEEK CONTINUES:**

Good Friday Tenebrae Friday, April 18 7:00 pm

The Vigil of Easter Saturday, April 19 7:00 pm



Sunrise Matins 6:30 am

Breakfast Potluck 7:30 am

The Feast of the Resurrection of Our Lord 9:00 am



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