

The Seed of Joy

Maundy Thursday



Imperfect Celebration

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March 28, 2024, 7:00 P.M.

All are welcome here
All people of faith, All people of doubt
All people of any origin, race, ability, sexual orientation or gender expression
All people who seek a compassionate community

All are welcome here
Welcome to worship, Welcome to pray
Welcome to learn, Welcome to give thanks
Welcome to serve God and neighbors

All are welcome here
All are redeemed by a gracious God



The Gathering

Prelude Music

When Twilight Comes (setting by J. Wayne Kerr, 2014 Augsburg Fortress)

Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love (setting by Robert Powell, 1969 Hope Publishing)

Confession and Forgiveness

PR Friends in Christ, in this Lenten season we have heard our Lord's call to struggle against sin, death, and the devil—all that keeps us from loving God and each other. This is the struggle to which we were called at baptism. Within the community of the church, God never wearies of forgiving sin and giving the peace of reconciliation. On this night let us confess our sin against God and our neighbor, and enter the celebration of the great Three Days reconciled with God and with one another.

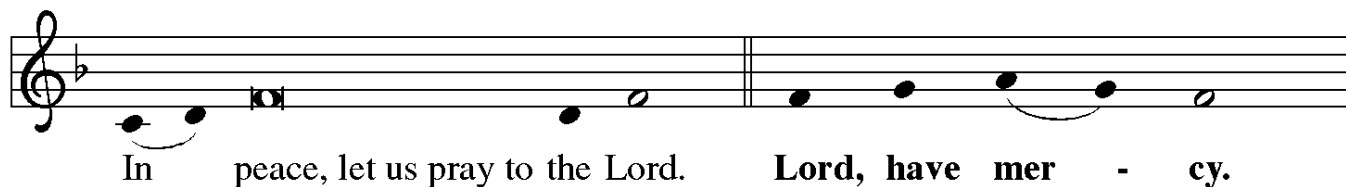
Silence is kept for reflection and self-examination.

PR Most merciful God,
C **we confess that we are captive to sin
and cannot free ourselves.**
**We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done and by what we have left undone.**
**We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.**
**For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us.**
**Forgive us, renew us, and lead us,
so that we may delight in your will
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your holy name. Amen.**

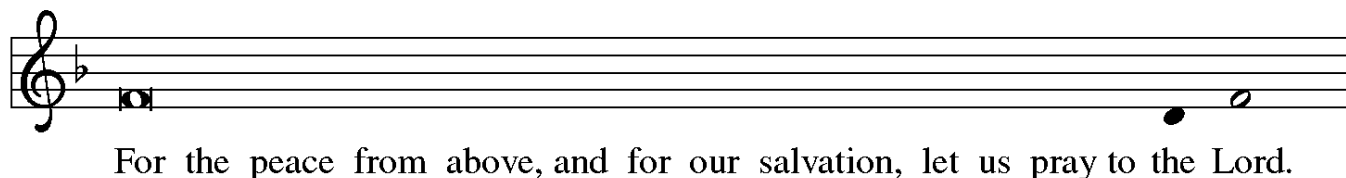
PR God, who is rich in mercy, loved us
even when we were dead in sin,
and made us alive together with Christ.
By grace you have been saved.
In the name of † Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven.
Almighty God strengthen you with power
through the Holy Spirit,
that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.

C **Amen.**

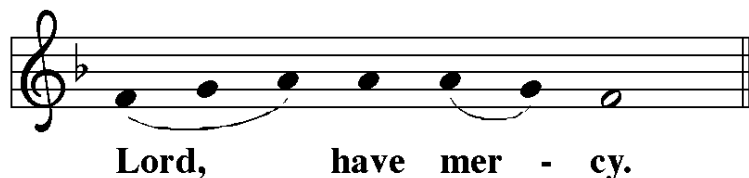
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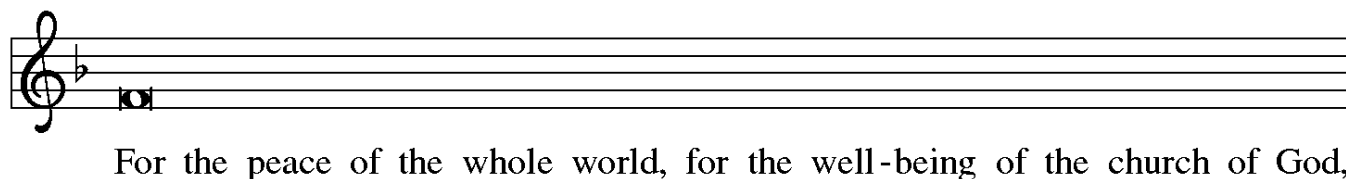
In peace, let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mer - cy.



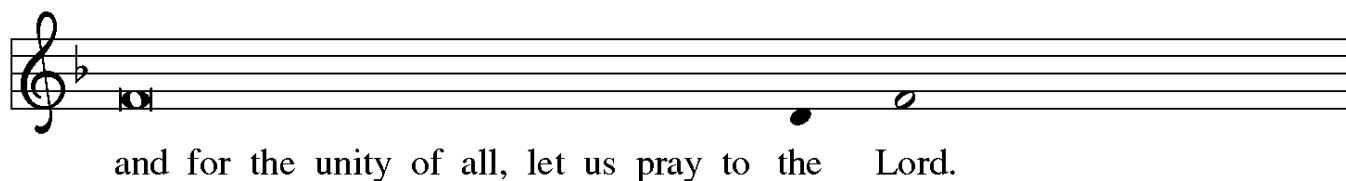
For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



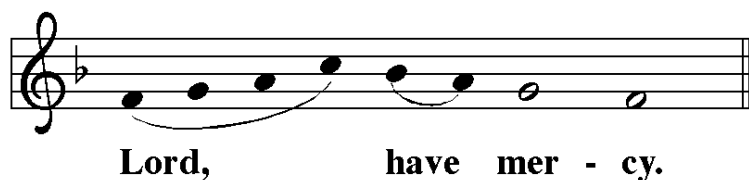
Lord, have mer - cy.



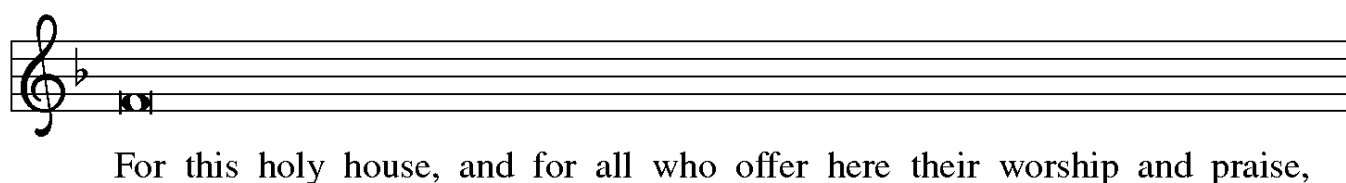
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



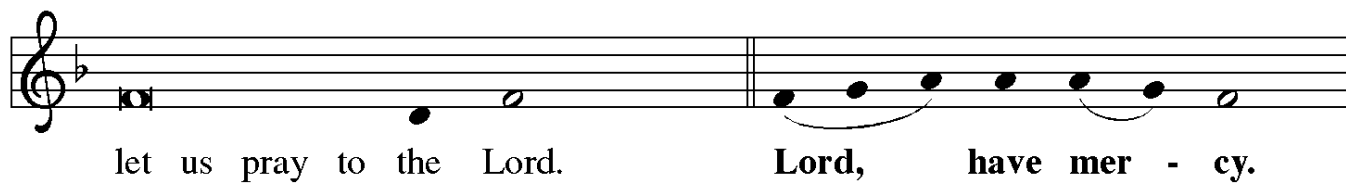
and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



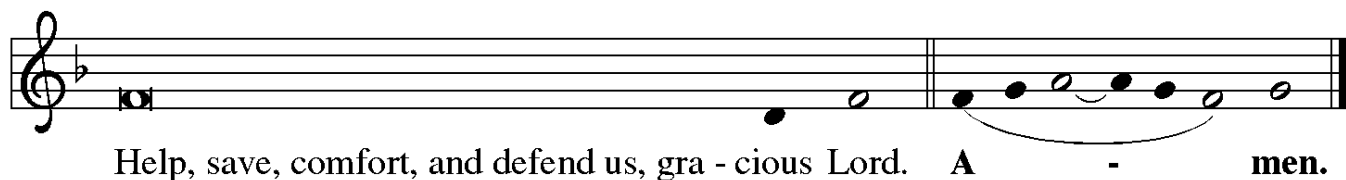
Lord, have mer - cy.



For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mer - cy.



Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord. A - men.

Greeting

PR The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C **And also with you.**


Prayer of the Day

PR Holy God, source of all love, on the night of his betrayal, Jesus gave us a new commandment, to love one another as he loves us. Write this commandment in our hearts, and give us the will to serve others as he was the servant of all, your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

Gathering Hymn: ELW (red), hymn 708: *Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love*

Refrain



Je - su, Je - su, fill us with your love, show



us how to serve the neigh-bors we have from you.



1 Kneels at the feet of his friends, si - lent - ly wash - es their feet,
2 Neigh-bors are wealth-y and poor, var - ied in col - or and race,
3 These are the ones we will serve, these are the ones we will love;
4 Kneel at the feet of our friends, si - lent - ly wash - ing their feet:

Refrain



mas - ter who acts as a slave to them.
neigh-bors are near - by and far a - way.
all these are neigh - bors to us and you.
this is the way we will live with you.

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Music: CHEREPONI, Ghanaian folk tune, adapt. Tom Colvin

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The Word

L A reading from the book of Exodus.

Exodus 12:1-14

¹The LORD said to Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt: ²This month shall mark for you the beginning of months; it shall be the first month of the year for you. ³Tell the whole congregation of Israel that on the tenth of this month they are to take a lamb for each family, a lamb for each household. ⁴If a household is too small for a whole lamb, it shall join its closest neighbor in obtaining one; the lamb shall be divided in proportion to the number of people who eat of it. [⁵Your lamb shall be without blemish, a year-old male; you may take it from the sheep or from the goats. ⁶You shall keep it until the fourteenth day of this month; then the whole assembled congregation of Israel shall slaughter it at twilight. ⁷They 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 lamb that same night; they shall eat it roasted over the fire with unleavened bread and bitter herbs. ⁹Do not eat any of it raw or boiled in water, but roasted over the fire, with its head, legs, and inner organs. ¹⁰You shall let none of it remain until the morning; anything that remains until the morning you shall burn.] ¹¹This is how you shall eat it: your loins girded, your sandals on your feet, and your staff in your hand; and you shall eat it hurriedly. It is the passover of the LORD. ¹²For I will pass through the land of Egypt that night, and I will strike down every firstborn in the land of Egypt, both human beings and animals; 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 live: when I see the blood, I will pass over you, and no plague shall destroy you when I strike the land of Egypt.

¹⁴This day shall be a day of remembrance for you. You shall celebrate it as a festival to the LORD; throughout your generations you shall observe it as a perpetual ordinance.

L The word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 116:1-2, 12-19 (Spoken together)

**¹I love the LORD, who has heard my voice,
and listened to my supplication,**

**²for the LORD has given ear to me
whenever I called.**

**¹²How shall I repay the LORD
for all the good things God has done for me?**

**¹³I will lift the cup of salvation
and call on the name of the LORD.**

**¹⁴I will fulfill my vows to the LORD
in the presence of all God's people.**

**¹⁵Precious in your sight, O LORD,
is the death of your servants.**

¹⁶O LORD, truly I am your servant;

I am your servant, the child of your handmaid; you have freed me from my bonds.

¹⁷I will offer you the sacrifice of thanksgiving

and call upon the name of the LORD.
¹⁸I will fulfill my vows to the LORD
in the presence of all God's people,
¹⁹in the courts of the LORD's house,
in the midst of you, O Jerusalem.

L A reading from the book 1 Corinthians.

1 Corinthians 11:23-26

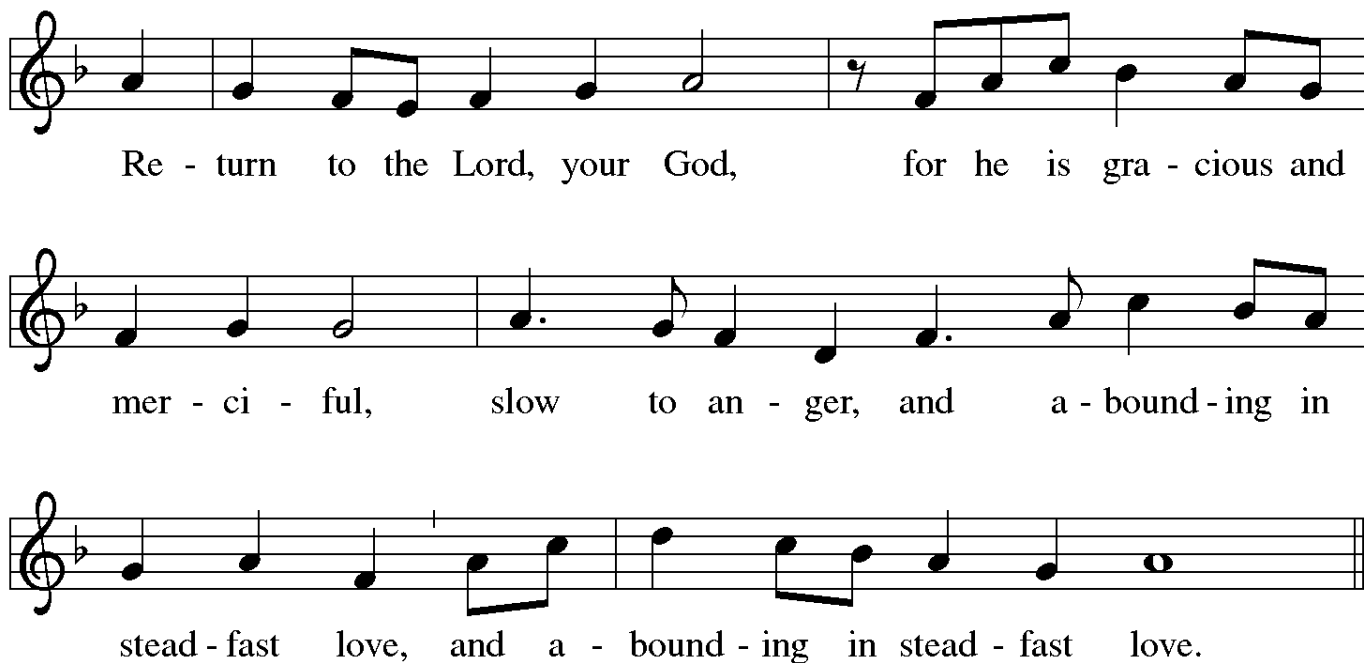
²³For I received from the Lord what I also handed on to you, that the Lord Jesus on the night when he was betrayed took a loaf of bread, ²⁴and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, "This is my body that is for you. Do this in remembrance of me." ²⁵In the same way he took the cup also, after 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.

L The word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Stand

Gospel Acclamation



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.

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

C Glory to you, O Lord.

John 13:1-17, 31b-35

¹Now before the festival of the Passover, Jesus knew that his hour had come to depart from this world and go to the Father. Having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end. ²The devil had already put it into the heart of Judas son of Simon Iscariot to betray him. And during supper ³Jesus, knowing that the Father had given all things into his hands, and that he had come from God and was going to God, ⁴got up from the table, took off his outer robe,

and tied a towel around himself. ⁵Then he poured water into a basin and began to wash the disciples' feet and to wipe them with the towel that was tied around him. ⁶He came to Simon Peter, who said to him, "Lord, are you going to wash my feet?" ⁷Jesus answered, "You do not know now what I am doing, but later you will understand." ⁸Peter said to him, "You will never wash my feet." Jesus answered, "Unless I wash you, you have no share with me." ⁹Simon Peter said to him, "Lord, not my feet only but also my hands and my head!" ¹⁰Jesus said to him, "One who has bathed does not need to wash, except for the feet, but is entirely clean. And you are clean, though not all of you." ¹¹For he knew who was to betray him; for this reason he said, "Not all of you are clean."

¹²After he had washed their feet, had put on his robe, and had returned to the table, he said to them, "Do you know what I have done to you? ¹³You call me Teacher and Lord—and you are right, for that is what I am. ¹⁴So if I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another's feet. ¹⁵For I have set you an example, that you also should do as I have done to you. ¹⁶Very truly, I tell you, servants are not greater than their master, nor are messengers greater than the one who sent them. ¹⁷If you know these things, you are blessed if you do them."

^{31b}"Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. ³²If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. ³³Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, 'Where I am going, you cannot come.' ³⁴I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. ³⁵By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

PR The Gospel of our Lord.
C Praise to you, O Christ.

Reflection

Pastor Randy Schroeder

Brief Order for Healing

Those who sense the need for God's healing in any aspect of their lives may receive the gifts of prayer and of the laying on of hands, which may be accompanied by anointing with oil. These signs, first given in baptism, tell us again that we are sealed by the Holy Spirit and marked forever with the cross of Christ, who is health and salvation for the whole world.

In its ministry of healing, the church does not replace the gifts of God that come through the scientific community, nor does it promise a cure. The church offers and celebrates gifts such as these: God's presence with strength and comfort in time of suffering, God's promise of wholeness and peace, and God's love embodied in the community of faith.

P Our Lord Jesus healed many as a sign of the reign of God come near and sent the disciples to continue this work of healing—with prayer, the laying on of hands, and anointing. In the name of Christ, the great healer and reconciler of the world, we entrust to God all who are in need of healing.

During the playing and singing of the hymn, people may come forward for prayer and laying on of hands.

Stand

Hymn of the Day, ELW (red), hymn 612: *Healer of Our Every Ill*

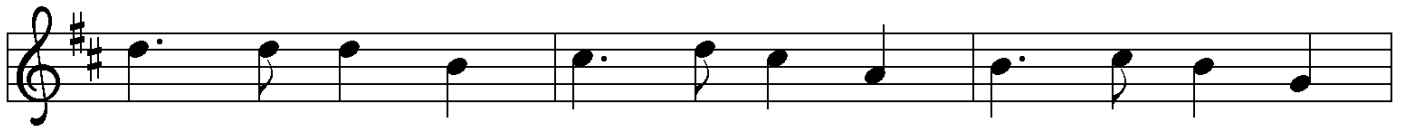
Refrain



Heal - er of our ev - 'ry ill, light of each to - mor - row,



give us peace be - yond our fear, and hope be - yond our sor - row.



- 1 You who know our fears and sad - ness, grace us with your
- 2 In the pain and joy be - hold - ing how your grace is
- 3 Give us strength to love each oth - er, ev - 'ry sis - ter,
- 4 You who know each thought and feel - ing, teach us all your

Refrain



peace and glad - ness; Spir - it of all com - fort, fill our hearts.
still un - fold - ing, give us all your vi - sion, God of love.
ev - 'ry broth - er; Spir - it of all kind - ness, be our guide.
way of heal - ing; Spir - it of com - pas - sion, fill each heart.

Text: Marty Haugen, b. 1950

Music: HEALER OF OUR EVERY ILL, Marty Haugen

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PK Nicene Creed

**We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.**

**For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary
and became truly human.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,*
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.**

**We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

Prayers

- A** Trusting in Jesus who gave his life for the world, let us pray for the church, the world, and all in need. (*A brief silence.*) God who kneels to wash our feet, gather your church around the world during this holy week. Humble the powerful and lift up any who are marginalized. Renew our faith and make us bold in service and love to our neighbors. Merciful God,
- C** **receive our prayer.**
- A** God who blesses the grain of the soil and the fruit of the vine, inspire in us a reverent care for the earth. Sustain fields, gardens, and wild places, that all people are fed and every living thing flourishes. Merciful God,
- C** **receive our prayer.**

A God whose greatest commandment is love, guide all who govern by the principle of love. Transform unjust human systems that oppress some for the gain of others. Restore communities as places of justice and concern for those who are vulnerable. Merciful God,
C **receive our prayer.**

A God who was betrayed, comfort people everywhere who have suffered abuse at the hands of someone they knew and trusted. Heal the bodies, minds, and hearts of victims of exploitation. Help all in pain to know that you are near (*especially*) Zach, Lynn, Lawrence, Nathan and Haley, Jeanette, Sheila, Suzanne, Jean, and Megan. Merciful God,
C **receive our prayer.**

A God who sits at the table with us, grant the joy of your presence to people celebrating first communion today, and to all who share the meal. Strengthen communities of faith in grace and courage. Merciful God,
C **receive our prayer.**

A God who brings new life out of death, we pray with thanks for the lives of those who have joined the communion of saints (*especially*). In our holy meal, connect us to the faithful who have gone before us, and nourish us as your people living today. Merciful God,
C **receive our prayer.**

PK Receive these prayers, loving God, for the sake of the One who loved us to the end, Jesus Christ, our redeemer.
C **Amen.**

Peace

PK The peace of Christ be with you always.
C **And also with you.**

The Meal

As we prepare to receive Holy Communion, please read the following:

For today's distribution of Holy Communion, after the Invitation to the Table, the presiding pastor will invite the worship assistants (lector, assisting minister, usher) to commune behind the altar. The presiding pastor will then commune those worshipping online and those in the sanctuary who wish to commune in their pews. Then the presiding pastor will commune those who wish to come up to the altar while the Lamb of God is played.

Offering

Please feel free to send your regular tithe in the mail, drop it off to the church office or if you have not checked out our website and the "Your Offering Made Easy" tab, this could be your opportunity. (Ted Heise is available to answer any questions about the Vanco Online giving option. His email address is **these@panix.com**)



Stand

Offering Prayer

A God of mercy and grace,
you give us so much:
our days, our loved ones,
our passions and talents,
the food we eat, the homes we know,
a place to worship.

God, you pour out an abundance of goodness.
Receive the gifts we offer back to you today.
Bless them and bless us,
that we will give generously,
love boldly, and share widely,
our offering reflecting your joyful gift.

C **Amen.**

The Great Thanksgiving

PK God is with you.

C **And also with you.**

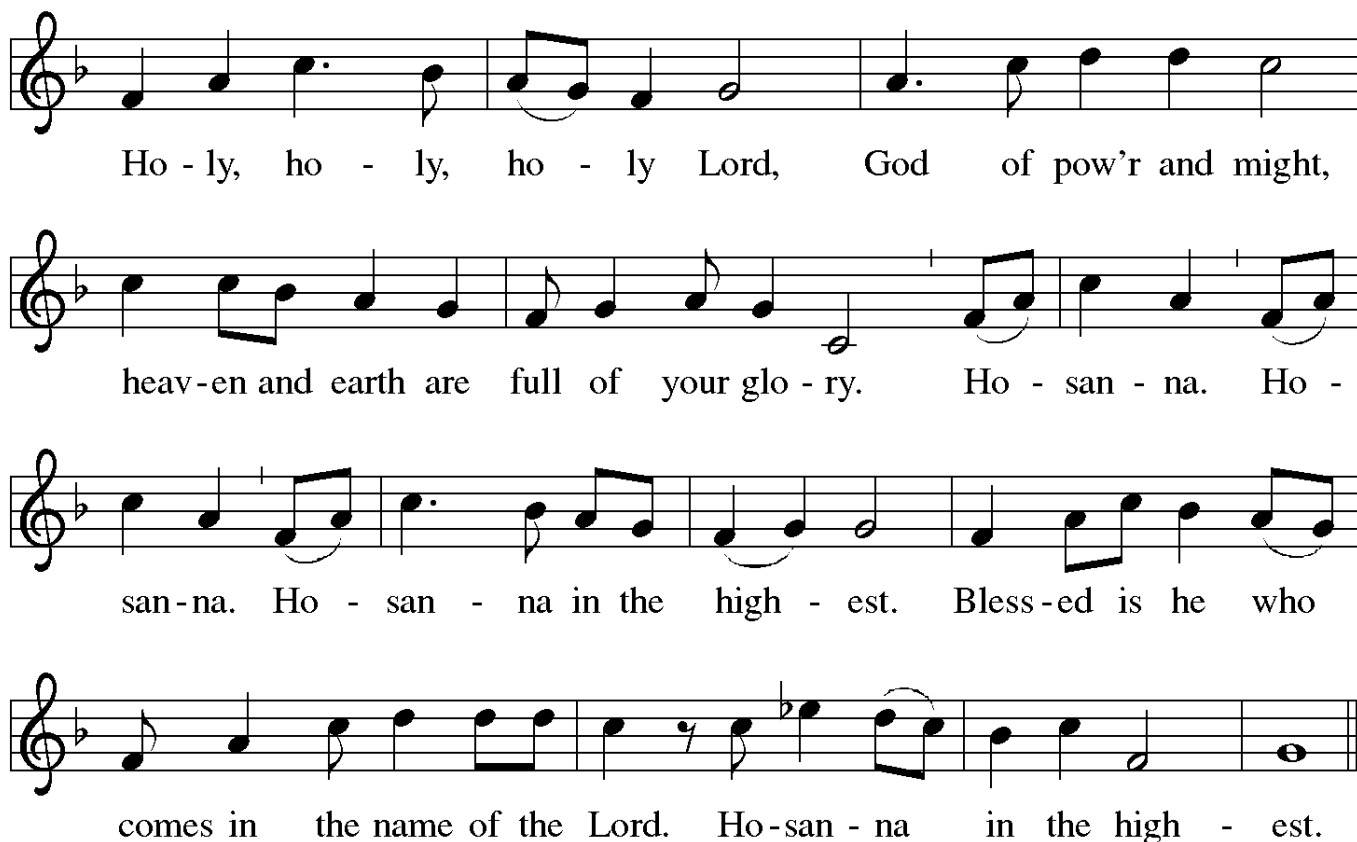
PK Rejoice with full hearts.

C **We offer them to God.**

PK Let us give thanks to our God.

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

PK God, there is no time, no place
where you are not present,
and there is no time, no place
where we should not practice the joy of praising you:
even here, even now, in our ordinary lives.
As we give thanks, we join the choir
of our ancestors and our heirs
and all God's angels
as they time their breath to the rhythm of joy
and sing of heaven despite the world.



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.

PK God, our ancestors knew the long road toward joy.
 Noah saw your rainbow after a devastating flood.
 Sarah and Abraham found hope for their future
 in a covenant promise.

Moses cradled your law in his arms
 and the Israelites found wilderness life
 where they should have died.
 The prophets read your faithfulness
 traced indelibly on their hearts.
 Your love sent us Jesus
 and his persistent, irrational joy:
 dripping with the Jordan's baptismal flood,
 teaching in the crowd's beating heart,
 tossing the tables of empire and profit,
 falling like a seed into warm dark soil
 as he offered his life for us all.

On the last night of his life, as evening fell,
 Jesus sat down to dinner with his friends.
 He took the bread, gave thanks, broke it,
 and passed it around the table for everyone to eat, saying,
 This is my body, given for you.
 Do this for the remembrance of me.

When the meal had ended, the shadows closing in,
 Jesus took the cup, blessed it,

and invited everyone to drink, saying:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
shed for you and for all people
for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

In the heart of fear and pain,
God plants the seed of our joy:

C Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

PK Send your Spirit upon this bread and cup,
Christ's body and blood,
the food that gives us the strength to persist
until joy appears.
Send your Spirit upon us
and fortify us to be your body, too,
a wellspring of hope for a world in need.

All glory, power, and honor are yours,
God of brilliant resurrection and quiet joy,
today and every day.

C Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

Our Fa - ther in heav - en, hal - lowed be your name,
your king - dom come, your will be done, on earth as in heav - en.
Give us to - day our dai - ly bread. For - give us our sins as we
for-give those who sin a - gainst us. Save us from the time of tri - al
and de - liv - er us from e - vil. For the king - dom, the pow'r,
and the glo - ry are yours, now and for - ev - er. A - men.

Invitation to Communion

PK We are here because Jesus has called us – strangers and friends, believers and doubters, the certain and the curious. It is always a mixed company that Jesus gathers and invites to this table where, in bread and wine, we are met with God's love, and through Jesus' resurrection, we are joined to each other, different as diverse as we may be. So come, not because you understand, but because you are understood. Come, not because of how you feel, but because God has food for you. Come, not because you deserve a place, but because Jesus invites you, just as you are.

Distribution

There are gluten-free wafers and grape juice. Please indicate your need to the server.

Lamb of God

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.

Communion Hymn: ELW (red), hymn 566: *When Twilight Comes*



1 When twi-light comes and the sun sets, moth - er hen pre-pares for
2 One day the Rab - bi, Lord Je - sus, called the twelve to share his
3 So gath-er round once a - gain, friends, touched by fad - ing glow of



night's rest. As her brood shel-ters un - der her wings, she
last meal. As the hen tends her young, so for them he
sun's gold, and re - count all our frail hu - man hopes: the



gives the love of God to her nest. Oh! what joy to
spent him-self to seek and to heal. Oh! what joy to
dreams of young and sto - ries of old. Oh! what joy to



feel her warm heart - beat and be near her all night long;
be with Christ Je - sus, hear his voice, oh! sheer de - light,
pray close to - geth - er, kneel-ing as one fam - i - ly,



so the young can find re - pose, then re - new to - mor - row's song.
and re - ceive his ser - vant care: all be - fore the com - ing night.
by a moth - er's love em - braced in the bless-ed Trin - i - ty.

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Stand

PK The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the gifts of his body and blood strengthen, keep and unite us, now and for ever.

C Amen.

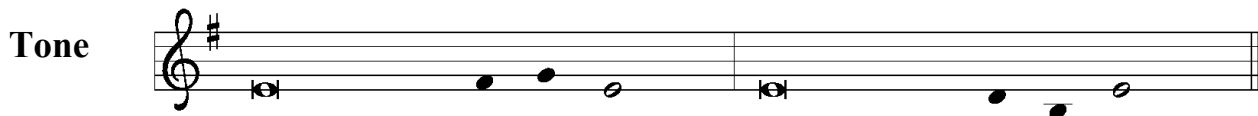
Prayer after Communion

- A Lord Jesus, in a wonderful sacrament
you strengthen us with the saving power
of your suffering, death, and resurrection.
May this sacrament of your body and blood
so work in us that the fruits of your redemption
will show forth in the way we live,
for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.

The Sending

(The altar is stripped during the chanting of the psalm.)

Psalm 88 (chanted in unison)



- ¹O LORD, my God, my Savior,
by day and night I cry to you.
- ²Let my prayer enter in to your presence;
incline your ear to my lamentation.
- ³For I am full of trouble;
my life is at the brink of the grave.
- ⁴I am counted among those who go down to the pit;
I have become like one who has no strength;
- ⁵lost among the dead, like the slain who lie in the grave,
whom you remember no more, for they are cut off from your hand.
- ⁶You have laid me in the depths of the pit,
in dark places, and in the abyss.
- ⁷Your anger weighs up on me heavily,
and all your great waves overwhelm me.
- ⁸You have put my friends far from me; you have made me
to be abhorred by them;
I am in prison and cannot get free.
- ⁹My sight has failed me because of trouble;
Lord, I have called upon you daily;
I have stretched out my hands to you.
- ¹⁰Do you work wonders for the dead?
Will those who have died stand up and give you thanks?
- ¹¹Will your lovingkindness be declared in the grave,
your faithfulness in the land of destruction?

¹²Will your wonders be known [|] in the dark
or your righteousness in the country where all [|] is forgotten?
¹³But as for me, O LORD, I cry to [|] you for help;
in the morning my prayer [|] comes before you.
¹⁴LORD, why have you re-[|]jected me?
Why have you hidden your [|] face from me?
¹⁵Ever since my youth, I have been wretched and at the [|] point of death;
I have borne your terrors [|] and am helpless.
¹⁶Your blazing anger has swept [|] over me;
your terrors [|] have destroyed me;
¹⁷they surround me all day long [|] like a flood;
they encompass me on [|] every side.
¹⁸My friend and my neighbor you have put a-[|]way from me,
and darkness is my on-[|]ly companion.

All leave the nave in silence.

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Worship Assistants Today: Beth Dana (Musician), Kathy Heise (Cantor), Dick Rahdert (Assisting Minister), Missy Schroeder (Lector), Vicki Mills (Usher), Mike Williams (A-V Specialist), Ted Heise (Assistant to Mr. Williams)

Pastor Randy is available for pastoral care. Please contact him at: 260-402-4476 or by email: randy@osluth.org

Pastor Kristin is available for campus ministry-related care and support. Please contact her at: 262-758-1235 or by email: pastor@plm.org

We collect toiletries (travel size) to donate to the homeless shelter. The basket for your donations is in the narthex. (Look beneath the buffet.)

Our sanctuary is served by a hearing loop. Wearers of hearing aids should turn their aids to the setting marked T, or T-coil, or Telephone.

Kid's Worship Bags and Family Room: The kids' worship bags have been updated with new items that help children follow along with the worship service, storybook Bibles and fun activities to do. For little ones there are quiet toys, books, and activities in the family in the back of the church for the children to play with during the service. Please feel free to let your children explore.

Dates OSLC is Closed in 2024:

April 1: The Monday after Easter

May 27: Memorial Day

July 4: Fourth of July

September 2: Labor Day

November 28 and 29: Thanksgiving

December 24 and 25: Christmas

Hosts Invited for Fellowship Hour

We all love to gather after church for coffee and fellowship! We are looking for volunteers to make coffee for the fellowship hour. If you would like to bring a snack that would be much appreciated but not necessary. Please click on the link or scan the QR code to sign up to be host for a Sunday or sign.

There is a hard copy sign up in the fellowship hall if you prefer paper.

There are two slots per Sunday. If you are willing to host by yourself, please put your name in both slots. [Hosting Fellowship Coffee Hour sign up](#)



Centering Prayer Group

Join us every Monday morning for Centering Prayer online via zoom from 9:00 – 9:30 am. The zoom link will be sent out on Fridays with the worship zoom link.

Luncheon Lectio Divina- Praying with Scripture

Join us every Wednesday at noon via zoom for Lectio Divina. The zoom link will be sent on Fridays with the worship zoom link.

Join us Easter Sunday for Breakfast and an Easter Egg Hunt!

Breakfast begins at 9:30 am and our Easter Egg hunt begins at 9:40 am. If you plan to attend, please put your name and the number of people in your party attending on the sign-up sheet outside the office so we can plan accordingly. If you will not be here in person until Easter, you can sign up online by clicking this link [Easter Breakfast Sign Up](#). If you have any questions please let Missy know at missy@osluth.org or at 260-402-4477 We look forward to celebrating Easter with you!

Easter Candy Donations for our Easter Egg Hunt

We need your help filling treat bags for Easter Egg hunters on Easter Morning! The Faith Formation team is hosting an Easter Egg hunt after the 8:30 am service on Easter Morning. Please bring in your bags of candy and place them in the basket in front of the office. We appreciate your help!

Working Mom's Group

You are invited to join us for OSLC's Working Mom's Group on the first Saturday of the month at The Lobby by Grey House from 9:30 -11:00. This casual group meets to support one another as moms and women working outside the home. Our next meeting is on Saturday, April 6th. If you have any questions, please contact Missy Schroeder at missy@osluth.org or 260-402-4477.

Women, Wine (or whatever your preferred beverage) & Feminine Spirituality

You are invited to join us on Sunday, April 21st, from 2:00-4:00 pm at Wildcat Creek Winery for Women, Wine, and Feminine Spirituality. (You do not need to be 21 to go to the winery; they sell soft drinks and wine.) We will discuss the Book [Fierce Women of the Bible and Their Stories of Violence, Mercy, Bravery, Wisdom, Sex, and Salvation by Alice Connor](#). (You can click the link to purchase the book from Amazon.) On April 21st we will cover the chapter on Rahab and Bathsheba. You do not need to read the previous chapters to be able to participate. Space is limited at the winery, please contact Missy at missy@osluth.org or 260-402-4477 to let me know if you plan to attend.



Wednesday Dinners

6-7:30pm @ PLM

Sponsor a meal by
providing food or
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students **love** food.

use code to sign up
or
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About Our Nave

Against the north wall is the Tree of Life, designed by the late liturgical designer Charles Pohlmann and constructed in 1996 by then-OSLC member Ted Marshall. The processional cross was given to OSLC in memory of Jennie Dana. Many of our paraments were designed and hand-woven by OSLC member Bea Stromberg. The west wall is lined with seven wood carvings depicting the life of Christ commissioned from the late Nigerian carver Lamidi Fakeye. At the center of the nave stands a marble baptismal font, a gift from members of Holy Trinity Lutheran Church. The prints of paintings on the east wall are by nationally known liturgical artist He Qi. The center piece is given by the Church Council in honor of Sam Rasmy for his long-time service as Financial Secretary of OSLC. The Last Supper, by Guatemalan artist Angelina Quic Ixtamer, was purchased by the 2014 Guatemala Mission Team. The OSLC logo was redesigned in 2022 with elements reflecting the unique architecture of the sanctuary, the 2019 addition of the south stained-glass window, our affiliation with the ELCA, and the eternal presence of our Lord and Saviour.

References to the Tree of Life are found in both the Old and New Testaments. It has both literal and symbolic meaning for Christians: it is the literal tree of life in Genesis, and in Revelation it represents everlasting life granted to those who display fruits of the spirit and of righteousness aligned with God's principles.

Our Saviour's Vision, Mission, and Values (October 4, 2018)

Vision *God calls us to be a community of discipleship for all,
making Christ's love real in our daily lives.*

Mission *Grow in faith and Christian calling
Love and serve God and neighbor
Proclaim the Gospel of Jesus Christ*

Values *Centered in liturgical worship
Outreach to campus and partnership with Purdue Lutheran Ministry
Education and mentoring for all ages
Responsible stewardship of resources
Care, compassion and service in the local and global community*