

6:30 WORSHIP
MAUNDY THURSDAY
APRIL 2, 2026

Prelude

Announcements

Please Stand

P: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen

P: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen

Prayer of the Day *“Holy God, source of all love, on the night of his betrayal, Jesus gave his disciples a new commandment: To love one another as he had loved them. By your Holy Spirit write this commandment in our hearts; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.” Amen*

Opening Hymn

“Come to Calvary’s Holy Mountain”

LBW 301

Responsive Reading—Psalm 116

P: What shall I render to the Lord

C: for all his benefits to me?

P: I will lift up the cup of salvation

C: and call on the name of the Lord,

P: I will pay my vows to the Lord

C: in the presence of all his people.

P: Precious in the sight of the Lord

C: is the death of his saints.

P: O Lord, I am your servant; I am your servant, the son of your maidservant.

C: You have loosed my bonds.

P: I will offer to you the sacrifice of thanksgiving

C: and call on the name of the Lord.

P: I will pay my vows to the Lord

C: in the presence of all his people,

P: in the courts of the house of the Lord,

C: in your midst, O Jerusalem.

ALL: Praise the Lord!

Praise Song

“Living Hope” vs. 1,2

First Reading: Exodus 24:3-11

Read by Rexton Huettl

Moses came and told the people all the words of the Lord and all the rules. And all the people answered with one voice and said, “All the words that the Lord has spoken we will do.” And Moses wrote down all the words of the Lord. He rose early in the morning and built an altar at the foot of the mountain, and twelve

pillars, according to the twelve tribes of Israel. And he sent young men of the people of Israel, who offered burnt offerings and sacrificed peace offerings of oxen to the Lord. And Moses took half of the blood and put it in basins, and half of the blood he threw against the altar. Then he took the Book of the Covenant and read it in the hearing of the people. And they said, “All that the Lord has spoken we will do, and we will be obedient.” And Moses took the blood and threw it on the people and said, “Behold the blood of the covenant that the Lord has made with you in accordance with all these words.” Then Moses and Aaron, Nadab, and Abihu, and seventy of the elders of Israel went up, and they saw the God of Israel. There was under his feet as it were a pavement of sapphire stone, like the very heaven for clearness. And he did not lay his hand on the chief men of the people of Israel; they beheld God, and ate and drank.

Second Reading: Hebrews 9:11-22

Read by Claire Schwandt

But when Christ appeared as a high priest of the good things that have come, then through the greater and more perfect tent (not made with hands, that is, not of this creation) he entered once for all into the holy places, not by means of the blood of goats and calves but by means of his own blood, thus securing an eternal redemption. For if the blood of goats and bulls, and the sprinkling of defiled persons with the ashes of a heifer, sanctify for the purification of the flesh, how much more will the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself without blemish to God, purify our conscience from dead works to serve the living God. Therefore he is the mediator of a new covenant, so that those who are called may receive the promised eternal inheritance, since a death has occurred that redeems them from the transgressions committed under the first covenant. For where a will is involved, the death of the one who made it must be established. For a will takes effect only at death, since it is not in force as long as the one who made it is alive. Therefore not even the first covenant was inaugurated without blood. For when every commandment of the law had been declared by Moses to all the people, he took the blood of calves and goats, with water and scarlet wool and hyssop, and sprinkled both the book itself and all the people, saying, “This is the blood of the covenant that God commanded for you.” And in the same way he sprinkled with the blood both the tent and all the vessels used in worship. Indeed, under the law almost everything is purified with blood, and without the shedding of blood there is no forgiveness of sins.

Please Stand

Verse

“Spirit of the Living God”

BOB 201

The **Holy Gospel** according to Matthew, the 26th chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

Now on the first day of Unleavened Bread the disciples came to Jesus, saying, “Where will you have us prepare for you to eat the Passover?” He said, “Go into the city to a certain man and say to him, ‘The Teacher says, My time is at hand. I will keep the Passover at your house with my

disciples.” And the disciples did as Jesus had directed them, and they prepared the Passover. When it was evening, he reclined at table with the twelve. And as they were eating, he said, “Truly, I say to you, one of you will betray me.” And they were very sorrowful and began to say to him one after another, “Is it I, Lord?” He answered, “He who has dipped his hand in the dish with me will betray me. The Son of Man goes as it is written of him, but woe to that man by whom the Son of Man is betrayed! It would have been better for that man if he had not been born.” Judas, who would betray him, answered, “Is it I, Rabbi?” He said to him, “You have said so.” Now as they were eating, Jesus took bread, and after blessing it broke it and gave it to the disciples, and said, “Take, eat; this is my body.” And he took a cup, and when he had given thanks he gave it to them, saying, “Drink of it, all of you, for this is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins. I tell you I will not drink again of this fruit of the vine until that day when I drink it new with you in my Father's kingdom.” And when they had sung a hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives.

P: The Gospel of the Lord

C: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Sermon

Sermon Hymn *“What Will You Do with Jesus?”* vs. 1,3,4,5 RED 223

Please Stand

Apostles' Creed LBW p. 65

Offering Hymn *“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”* LBW 564

Prayers of the Church

Great Thanksgiving LBW p. 69

Words of Institution LBW p. 69

Lord's Prayer LBW p. 71

Agnus Dei LBW p. 92

Distribution of Communion

Communion Hymns *“Remember Me”* BOB 188

“For the Bread Which You Have Broken” LBW 200

“Feed Us Now” BOB 53

Post-Communion Canticle LBW p. 73

Please Stand

Benediction

Closing Hymn/Stripping of the Altar *“Go to Dark Gethsemane”* LBW 109

Pianist: Vicki Strege

Congratulations to Madison Bilben, Morgan Bilben, Rexton Huettl, Mason Lewno, Jason McMahon, Isabella Quinn, and Claire Schwandt, who will be receiving their First Communion tonight.

Good Friday Tenebrae Worship Service tomorrow night at 6:30 p.m.

Easter Sunday (No Sunday School)

8:30 a.m. Easter Breakfast served by the youth

10:00 a.m. Worship Service with Communion