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MAUNDY THURSDAY

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***Please stand as you are able**

Prelude

Welcome

Pastor Sharp

***Invocation**

P: In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
(The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism)

C: Amen.

*** Exhortation**

P: I will go to the altar of God,

C: to God my exceeding joy.

P: Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C: who made heaven and earth.

Confessional Address

P: 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, He also 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 the sake of His Son, Jesus Christ, to grant us forgiveness.

***Confession of Sins**

(Silence for reflection on God's word and for self-examination)

P: O almighty God, merciful Father,

C: 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**

P: 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 in faithful; He will surely do it. Go in + peace.

C: Amen.

***The Peace**

***Salutation and Collect of the Day**

LSB 156

Old Testament Reading

Exodus 12:1-14

P: This is the Word of the Lord

C: Thanks be to God.

Gradual

Hebrews 9:21a, c, 15a; Psalm 111:9a

P: [Christ] entered once for all into the holy places, by means of his own blood,

C: thus securing an eternal redemption.

P: Therefore he is the mediator of a new covenant,

C: so that those who are called may receive promised eternal inheritance.

P: He sent redemption to his people;

C: he has commanded his covenant forever.

Epistle 1 Corinthians 11:23-32
P: This is the Word of the Lord.
C: Thanks be to God.

Holy Gospel John 13:1-15

Sermon Hymn "O Lord, We Praise Thee" LSB 617

Sermon "The Body" 1 Corinthians 11:23-32

Offering

***Service of the Sacrament** LSB 160

Distribution Hymns

"I Come, O Savior to Thy Table" LSB 618

"Jesus Comes Today with Healing" LSB 620

"Sing, My Tongue, the Glorious Battle"
(Stand for final stanza) LSB 454

***Post-Communion Collect** LSB 166

Stripping of the Altar

Guests, Please sign the guest register in the hallway and/or the yellow card found in the pew rack, drop it in the offering plate, or hand it to an usher. Please come worship with us again.

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