



Maundy Thursday  
March 29, 2018 | 6:15 pm

## We Gather to Meet God

**Prelude** | What Wondrous Love Is This?    *setting by Andrew Miller*

*Woodwind Ensemble*

**\*Call to Worship**

What shall we return to the LORD for all his bounty to us?

**We will lift up the cup of salvation and call on the name of the LORD;  
we will pay our vows to the LORD in the presence of all his people.**

**\*Gathering Hymn** | I Love the Lord    *red hymnal, #819*

## We Seek Renewal in God's Presence

**\*Call to Confession** | based on Psalm 116:1-2, NRSV

The psalmist declares:

I love the Lord, because he has heard my voice and my supplications.

Because he inclined his ear to me, therefore I will call on him as long as I live.

We gather as a community in need of a Savior. We offer our honest confession,  
in faith and trust in our covenant God, knowing that God hears our voice.

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**Hymns + Songs** | *Lift Up Your Hearts* (red hymnal)

**Bold Print** | Speak or sing together in unison

*\*Please rise in body or in spirit*

### **\*Prayer of Confession**

Merciful God, we have not loved you with all our heart and mind and strength and soul. *Silence*  
Lord, have mercy.

**Lord, have mercy.**

We have not loved our neighbors as you have taught us. *Silence*  
Christ, have mercy.

**Christ, have mercy**

We are indifferent to the saving grace of your Word and life. *Silence*  
Lord, have mercy.

**Lord, have mercy.**

Forgive and heal us by your steadfast love made known to us in the passion, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**Amen**

### **\*Words of Assurance** | based on 1 John 4:14-16; NRSV

We have seen and do testify that the Father has sent his Son as the Savior of the world. God abides in those who confess that Jesus is the Son of God, and they abide in God. So we have known and believe the love that God has for us. God is love, and those who abide in love abide in God, and God abides in them.

Brothers and sisters in Christ, the Jesus we remember tonight is the Savior of the world. In Christ we are forgiven. And through him God abides with even us. Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.

### **\*Sharing the Peace of Christ** | based on John 13:34

Hearing the teaching of Christ:

A new commandment I give you:

Love one another.

As I have loved you, so you must love one another.

The peace of Christ be with you al.

**And also with you.**

## The Word of the Lord

**Reading** | Exodus 12:1-14 *Bible*, pg. 51

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

**Congregational Hymn** | Behold the Lamb *red hymnal*, #840

**Reading** | John 13:1-17 *Bible*, pg. 876

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

**Handbell Response** | What Wondrous Love Is This *setting by Jason Krug*

*Jubilate Ringers*

# The Lord's Supper

## Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts!

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

## Eucharistic Prayer

Child: Why do we give thanks and praise before this table?

Pastor: We give thanks for God's work of creation, liberation, and salvation. It is indeed right, our duty and delight, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to you, O holy Lord, eternal God. You created the heavens and the earth and all that is in them; you made us in your own image; and in countless ways you show us your mercy. Therefore, with choirs of angels and the whole company of heaven, we worship and adore your glorious name, joining our voices in their unending praise:



O ho - ly, ho - ly ho - ly God, O God of time and space.



All earth and sea and sky a - bove bear wit - ness to your grace.



Ho - san - na in the high - est heav'n, cre - a - tion sings your praise.



And bless - ed is the One who comes and bears your name al - ways.

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Pastor: All glory and blessing are yours, O holy God, for in your mercy you gave your only Son, Jesus Christ. He took our human nature and suffered death on the cross for our redemption. There he made a perfect sacrifice for the sins for the whole world. We praise you that before he suffered and died, our Savior gave us this holy sacrament and commanded us to continue it until he comes again.

Child: Why do we eat bread at this table?

Pastor: On the night before he died, Jesus took bread. After giving thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat. This is my body, given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Child: Why do we drink from the cup at this table?

Pastor: The same night Jesus took the cup, saying, "This cup is the new covenant sealed in my blood, shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this in remembrance of me."

Child: What do we remember at this table?

Pastor: We remember God's gracious love for us, Christ's death and resurrection for us, and the Spirit's tender care for us. Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

**All: Dying, you destroyed our death; rising, you restored our life. Lord Jesus, come in glory.**

Pastor: Merciful God, pour out your Holy Spirit on these gifts of bread and wine, that in eating and drinking we may be made one with Christ and one another.

**All: Amen.**

Pastor: Through Christ, with Christ, in Christ, now and forever. Amen.

**All: 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors;  
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom  
and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.**

## Distribution of the Elements

### Music During Distribution

Beautiful Savior *setting by* Dana F. Everson  
Let Us Break Bread Together *setting by* Paul Edwards

*Woodwind Ensemble*

## Benediction

