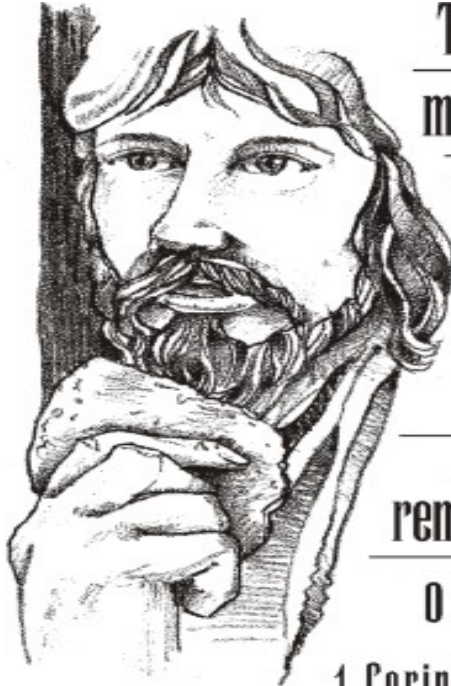


April 1, 2021

6:30pm Maundy (Commandment) Thursday



This is
my body
which is
for you;
do this
— in —
remembrance
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1 Corinthians 11:24

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***Our Mission: Boldly and Joyfully Sharing
The Good News of **Jesus' Love** and Forgiveness.***

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Pastor's Greeting:



Opening Hymn: *Jesus, I Will Ponder Now*..... CW # 98 Stz 1, 2, & 3



1 Je - sus, I will pon - der now On your ho - ly pas - sion;
2 Make me see your great dis - tress, An - guish, and af - flic - tion,
3 Yet, O Lord, not thus a - lone Make me see your pas - sion,



With your Spir - it me en - dow For such med - i - ta - tion.
Bonds and stripes and wretch - ed - ness And your cru - ci - fix - ion;
But its cause to me make known And its ter - mi - na - tion.



Grant that I in love and faith May the im - age cher - ish
Make me see how scourge and rod, Spear and nails did wound you,
Ah! I al - so and my sin Wrought your deep af - flic - tion;



Of your suf - f'ring, pain, and death That I may not per - ish.
How for them you died, O God, Who with thorns had crowned you.
This in - deed the cause has been Of your cru - ci - fix - ion.

Confession and Absolution:

L: The Grace of our Lord † Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.

C: And also, with you.

L: Let us approach the Lord and direct our eyes on the cross where Jesus, the Passover Lamb, redeemed the world.

C: Christ Jesus, we praise your name now and forever. Today we come to your cross seeking your forgiveness.

L: Dearest Lord, in your great love, you have redeemed us by the tree of the cross. We ask you to forgive us for those times when we have doubted your love and followed the ways of this world.

C: Forgive us for our poor choices.

L: Merciful Lord, through your life, your innocent suffering, and death, you have been our substitute in every way.

C: To help us, on the night you were betrayed, you gave us the Holy Supper, in it; we are strengthened, forgiven and refreshed.

L: We thank you for your word, your work, and the sacraments, through which you come to us in a most intimate way and strengthen our faith in you. Let your love and mercy follow us all the days of our lives.

C: And at the last, bring us home to you, so that we may dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

L: Tonight, we come into the presence of God to worship him with humble and penitent hearts. Therefore, let us acknowledge our sinfulness and ask him to forgive us. Together we confess...

All: Merciful Father, I, a troubled and repentant sinner, confess that I have sinned against you in my thoughts, my words, and my actions. I have not loved you with my whole heart; I have not loved others as I should. I am distressed by my sins and I am deeply sorry for them.

L: The Lord, who knows your heart, has heard your confession. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son † and of the Holy Spirit. Be assured that you are forgiven, have been made a dear child of God, and an heir of eternal life.

C: Amen!

Prayer of the Day

L: Dearest Lord, it was out of love for your followers that prompted you to institute the sacrament of Holy Communion. In the mystery and wonder of this Holy Supper, through the eating of the bread and drinking of the wine, you are with us and we receive your true body and blood. In this sacrament you strengthen faith, forgive sins, and unify the body of believers.

C: Amen!

First Lesson:

Exodus 12:5-13 (NIV 84)

⁵ The LORD said to Moses and Aaron in Egypt... The animals you choose for the Passover meal must be year-old males without defect, and you may take them from the sheep or the goats. ⁶ Take care of them until the fourteenth day of the month, when all the people of the community of Israel must slaughter them at twilight. ⁷ Then they are to take some of the blood and put it on the sides and tops of the doorframes of the houses where they eat the lambs.

⁸ That same night they are to eat the meat roasted over the fire, along with bitter herbs, and bread made without yeast. ⁹ Do not eat the meat raw or cooked in water, but roast it over the fire—head, legs and inner parts. ¹⁰ Do not leave any of it till morning; if some is left till morning, you must burn it.

¹¹ This is how you are to eat it: with your cloak tucked into your belt, your sandals on your feet and your staff in your hand. Eat it in haste; it is the **LORD's Passover**. ¹² "On that same night I will pass through Egypt and strike down every firstborn—both men and animals—and I will bring judgment on all the gods of Egypt. I am the LORD. ¹³ The blood will be a sign for you on the houses where you are; and when I see the blood, I will pass over you.

(Word of God)

Hymn: *Glory Be to God the Father*..... CW # 239 Stz 1 & 2

1 Glo - ry be to God the Fa - ther, Glo - ry be to
2 Glo - ry be to him who loved us, Washed us from each
God the Son, Glo - ry be to God the Spir - it,
spot and stain; Glo - ry be to him who bought us,
Great Je - ho - vah, Three in One! Glo - ry,
Made us kings with him to reign! Glo - ry,
glo - ry While e - ter - nal a - ges run!
glo - ry To the Lamb that once was slain!

Second Lesson:

1 Corinthians 11:23-29 (NIV 84)

²³ The Lord Jesus, on the night he was betrayed, took bread, ²⁴ and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, "This is my body, which is for you; do this in remembrance of me." ²⁵ In the same way, after supper he took the cup, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood; do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

²⁶ For whenever you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes. ²⁷ Therefore, whoever eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty of sinning against the body and blood of the Lord. ²⁸ A man ought to examine himself before he eats of the bread and drinks of the cup. ²⁹ For anyone who eats and drinks without recognizing the body of the Lord eats and drinks judgment on himself. (Word of the Lord)

Hymn: Draw Near and Take the Body of the Lord CW # 309 Stz 1 & 2

1 Draw near and take the bod - y of the Lord,
2 He that his saints in this world rules and shields

And drink the ho - ly blood for you out - poured.
To all be - liev - ers life e - ter - nal yields,

Of - fered was he for great - est and for least,
With heav'n - ly bread makes them that hun - ger whole,

Him - self the vic - tim and him - self the priest.
Gives liv - ing wa - ters to the thirs - ty soul.

Gospel:

John 13:1-5 and 12-17 (NIV 84)

L: ¹ It was just before the Passover Feast. Jesus knew that the time had come for him to leave this world and go to the Father. Having loved his own who were in the world, he now showed them the full extent of his love. ² The evening meal was being served, and the devil had already prompted Judas Iscariot, son of Simon, to betray Jesus. ³ Jesus knew that the Father had put all things under his power, and that he had come from God and was returning to God; ⁴so he got up from the meal, took off his outer clothing, and wrapped a towel around his waist. ⁵ After that, he poured water into a basin and began to wash his disciples' feet, drying them with the towel that was wrapped around him...¹² When he had finished washing their feet, he put on his clothes and returned to his place. "Do you understand what I have done for you?" he asked them. ¹³ "You call me 'Teacher' and 'Lord,' and rightly so, for that is what I am. ¹⁴ Now that I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also should wash one another's feet. ¹⁵ I have set you an example that you should do as I have done for you. ¹⁶ I tell you the truth, no servant is greater than his master, nor is a messenger greater than the one who sent him. ¹⁷ Now that you know these things, you will be blessed if you do them.

L: This is the Gospel our the Lord.

All: Praise be to you, O Christ. All we like sheep have gone astray, and the Lord has laid on Him the iniquity of us all. By His wounds we are healed.

Hymn: What Wondrous Love Is This CW # 120 Stz 1, 2, & 3

1 What won-drous love is this, O my soul, O my soul! What
 2 When I was sink - ing down, sink - ing down, sink - ing down, When
 3 To God and to the Lamb I will sing, I will sing; To

won - drous love is this, O my soul! What won - drous love is
 I was sink - ing down, sink - ing down, When I was sink - ing
 God and to the Lamb I will sing; To God and to the

this That caused the Lord of bliss To bear the dread - ful curse
 down Be - neath God's right - eous frown, Christ laid a - side his crown
 Lamb, Who is the great I Am, While mil - lions join the theme,

for my soul, for my soul, To bear the dread - ful curse for my soul!
 for my soul, for my soul, Christ laid a - side his crown for my soul.
 I will sing, I will sing, While mil - lions join the theme, I will sing.

Sermon:

John 13:1 –5 & 12 –17 (NIV 84)(Pg 6)

Jesus Strengthens His Followers

Apostles' Creed: *(together we confess)*

I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

I believe I Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen

Prayer: Eternal Savior, we have gathered to listen to your word and to grasp how wide and long, how high and deep your love is for us.

We recall the night you were betrayed and how you instituted the sacrament of Holy Communion. You took the bread and said, *“This is my body given for you.”* Then you took the cup and said, *“This is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for many for the remission of sins.”* Through this sacrament, we are united with you, our faith is strengthened, and all our sins are forgiven.

Tonight, we also ask that you to heal the sick, comfort the dying, strengthen those who are weak, and give wisdom to those who are in positions of leadership. All this we ask in Jesus' name, who taught us to pray...

Lord's Prayer: *(traditional)*

***Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed by 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 trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us;
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever.
Amen!***

L: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and † give you peace. Amen!

Closing Hymn: *I Am Trusting You, Lord Jesus* CW # 446 Stz 1–4

Closing Hymn: I Am Trusting You, Lord Jesus..... CW # 446 Stz 1-4

1 I am trust- ing you, Lord Je - sus, Trust- ing on - ly you,
 2 I am trust- ing you for par - don; At your feet I bow,
 3 I am trust- ing you for cleans- ing In the crim- son flood,
 4 I am trust- ing you to guide me; You a - lone shall lead,

Trust- ing you for full sal - va - tion, Free and true.
 For your grace and ten - der mer - cy Trust - ing now.
 Trust- ing you who made me ho - ly By your blood.
 Ev - 'ry day and hour sup - ply - ing All my need.

Cleaning Volunteers

- April 3 Galbreath family
- April 17 G & K Potter family / Cammarata family
- May 1 Carne family / Wittmershaus family
- May 15 Backes family / N Potter family

April 2021 Birthdays

- April
- 1 Leah Reiblich (Gerlach)
 - 6 Renae Schweitzer
 - 9 Charlotte Ryan
 - 11 Daniel Freeman

Holy Week Worship Schedule

Good Friday April 2	Worship @ 6:30 PM
Easter Sunday April 4	Worship @ 10:00 AM