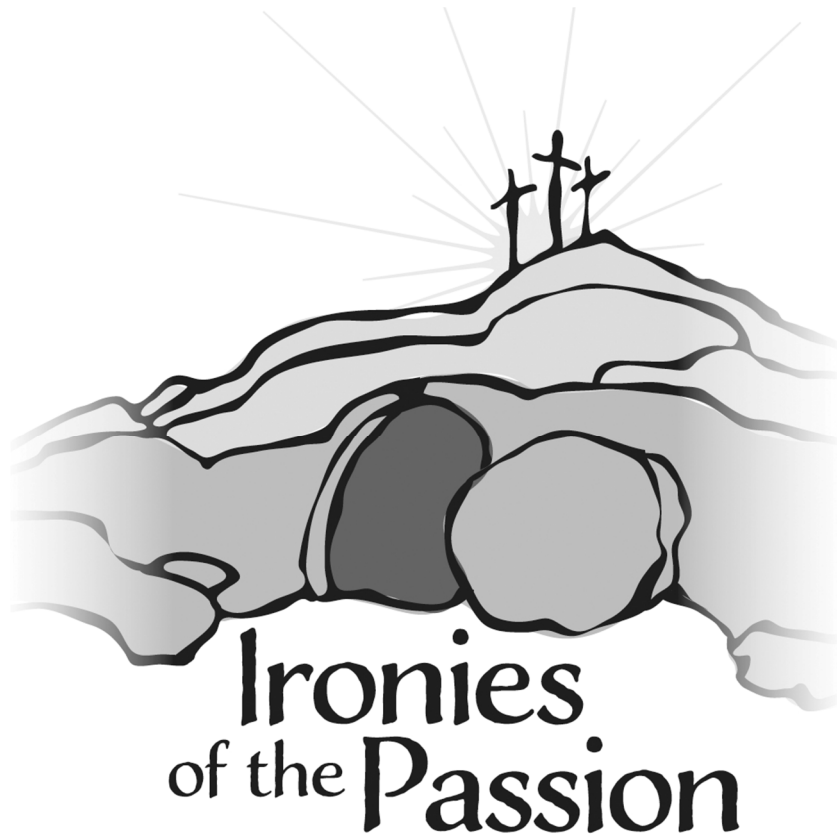


Maundy Thursday

March 24, 2016



Ironies
of the **P**assion

Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church

Tucson, Arizona

7:00 PM

MAUNDY THURSDAY



Maundy Thursday (from the Latin *'mandatum'*, meaning "command," John 13:34) recalls Christ's institution of Holy Communion at the Last Supper on the night in which he was betrayed. During the Passover meal, Jesus gave the disciples his body and blood together with the bread and wine. Each time we celebrate this sacrament we "proclaim the Lord's death until he comes" (1 Corinthians 11:26).

From Christian Worship: Manual

SILENT PRAYER BEFORE WORSHIP

Lord, we come into your presence with penitent hearts, for we sin daily and deserve your punishment. Yet, Lord, you encourage us to come to your Table and remember what you have accomplished for us on the cross. May your body and blood, given and poured out for us, comfort our guilt-ridden hearts with the assurance of forgiveness. Give us strength to remain faithful in the midst of life's challenges. With faith in you, we pray. Amen.

WELCOME

HYMN

The Death of Jesus Christ, Our Lord
Christian Worship #135 st. 1-5

Please stand

OPENING RESPONSES (Psalm 95:6-7)

Minister: Come, let us bow down in worship,
Cong: **let us kneel before the Lord our Maker;**
M: for he is our God
Cong: **and we are the people of his pasture, the flock under his care.**
All: **Amen.**

PRAYER

M: Lord Jesus, this day was a solemn day for you and is now a sacred day for us. As we meditate on the Old Testament Passover and the New Testament Lord's Supper, help us hear your Word with understanding and celebrate your Supper with a genuine appreciation for what it cost you and what it means for us. Deepen our desire to reflect your commitment to us in our devotion to you.
C: **Amen.**

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Exodus 12:1-14

The LORD said to Moses and Aaron in Egypt, “This month is to be for you the first month, the first month of your year. Tell the whole community of Israel that on the tenth day of this month each man is to take a lamb for his family, one for each household. If any household is too small for a whole lamb, they must share one with their nearest neighbor, having taken into account the number of people there are. You are to determine the amount of lamb needed in accordance with what each person will eat. The animals you choose must be year-old males without defect, and you may take them from the sheep or the goats. 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. 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. That same night they are to eat the meat

roasted over the fire, along with bitter herbs, and bread made without yeast. Do not eat the meat raw or cooked in water, but roast it over the fire—head, legs and inner parts. Do not leave any of it till morning; if some is left till morning, you must burn it. 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. 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. 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. No destructive plague will touch you when I strike Egypt. This is a day you are to commemorate; for the generations to come you shall celebrate it as a festival to the LORD—a lasting ordinance.

PSALM 116

M: I love the LORD, for he heard my voice;
C: **he heard my cry for mercy.**
M: Because he turned his ear to me,
C: **I will call on him as long as I live.**
M: The LORD is gracious and righteous;
C: **when I was in great need, he saved me.**
M: For you, O LORD, have delivered my soul from death,
C: **my eyes from tears, my feet from stumbling.**
M: How can I repay the LORD
C: **for all his goodness to me?**
M: I will lift up the cup of salvation
C: **and call on the name of the LORD.**

SCRIPTURE LESSON

1 Corinthians 10:16-17

Is not the cup of thanksgiving for which we give thanks a participation in the blood of Christ? And is not the bread that we break a

participation in the body of Christ? Because there is one loaf, we, who are many, are one body, for we all partake of the one loaf.

Please stand

GOSPEL

On the first day of the Feast of Unleavened Bread, when it was customary to sacrifice the Passover lamb, Jesus' disciples asked him, "Where do you want us to go and make preparations for you to eat the Passover?" So he sent two of his disciples, telling them, "Go into the city, and a man carrying a jar of water will meet you. Follow him. Say to the owner of the house he enters, 'The Teacher asks: Where is my guest room, where I may eat the Passover with my disciples?' He will show you a large upper room, furnished and ready. Make preparations for us there."

The disciples left, went into the city and found things just as Jesus had told them. So they prepared the Passover. When evening came, Jesus arrived with the Twelve. While they were reclining at the table eating, he said, "I tell you the truth, one of you will betray me—one who is eating with me."

Please be seated

HYMN

SERMON

For I received from the Lord what I also passed on to you: The Lord Jesus, on the night he was betrayed, took bread, 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." 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." For whenever you eat

Mark 14:12-26

They were saddened, and one by one they said to him, "Surely not I?" "It is one of the Twelve," he replied, "one who dips bread into the bowl with me. The Son of Man will go just as it is written about him. But woe to that man who betrays the Son of Man! It would be better for him if he had not been born." While they were eating, Jesus took bread, gave thanks and broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take it; this is my body." Then he took the cup, gave thanks and offered it to them, and they all drank from it. "This is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many," he said to them. "I tell you the truth, I will not drink again of the fruit of the vine until that day when I drink it anew in the kingdom of God." When they had sung a hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives.

'Twas on that Dark, that Doleful Night

Christian Worship #136

1 Corinthians 11:23-29

"Do This in Remembrance of Me"

this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes. 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. A man ought to examine himself before he eats of the bread and drinks of the cup. For anyone who eats and drinks without recognizing the body of the Lord eats and drinks judgment on himself.

Please remain seated

OFFERING

Members of Grace respond to their Savior's love with offerings that are given joyfully, generously, regularly, and in a way that is proportionate to how the Lord has blessed them. Their cheerful gifts support the mission and ministry of our congregation. If you are a guest this evening, please know that we do not expect you to contribute to our congregation's work. However, if you would like to give an offering to the Lord in response to his love to you, we are happy to receive it and put it to work in God's kingdom.

Please fill out the Friendship Register located in the red folder at the end of the row and pass along.

Thank You!



If you prefer, use your smart phone to give online by scanning this QR code.

Please stand

PRAYER & CONFESSION

M: Heavenly Father, in your grace and mercy,

C: forgive the sins of my youth.

M: In your grace and mercy,

C: forgive the times I have trusted you too little.

M: In your grace and mercy,

C: forgive the times I have neglected your house or the study of your word.

M: In your grace and mercy,

C: forgive the times I have forgotten to pray.

M: In your grace and mercy,

C: forgive the times that I have failed to treat others as I would have them treat me.

M: In your grace and mercy,

C: forgive the times I have failed to help my neighbor in need.

M: In your grace and mercy,

C: forgive the times I have spoken unkind words.

M: In your grace and mercy,

C: forgive the times I have been unforgiving.

M: In your grace and mercy,

C: forgive the times I have not loved you with my whole heart and soul and mind.

M: I now ask you before our merciful God, who knows and searches the heart, "Do you sincerely mean what you have said, truly seek the Lord's forgiveness, and intend by the power of the Holy Spirit to change your sinful life and live for the Lord?"

If so, then answer, "yes."

C: Yes.

M: Upon this your confession, I assure you that our almighty and merciful God has given his only Son to die for you, and for his sake forgives you all your sins. As far as the east is from the west, so far has he removed your sins from you. You are forgiven. Go and sin no more.

Please be seated

HYMN

Draw Near and Take the Body of the Lord
Christian Worship #309

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

M: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, “Take and eat; this is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.”

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, “Drink from it, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me.”

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: Amen

DISTRIBUTION OF THE LORD’S SUPPER

Tonight we celebrate the Lord's Supper. Jesus urges all who receive it to do so in a worthy manner in order to receive the blessings he promises. He also gives warning that no one receive it to their judgment. For this reason, we practice Member Communion. If you are a guest at Grace tonight and not a member of another WELS congregation, we would ask that you speak with one of the pastors about a time to discuss what exactly God says about Holy Communion before you come to the Lord's Table. We look forward to that opportunity!

VOICES OF GRACE

What Is This Bread?

Christian Worship Supplement #742

*What is this bread? Christ’s body risen from the dead:
This bread we break. This life we take
Was crushed to pay for our release.
Oh, taste and see—the Lord is peace.*

*Yet is God here? Oh, yes! By Word and promise clear.
In mouth and soul He makes us whole—
Christ, truly present in this meal.
Oh, taste and see—the Lord is real.*

*What is this wine? The blood of Jesus shed for mine;
The cup of grace brings his embrace
Of life and love until I sing!
Oh, taste and see—the Lord is King.*

*Is this for me? I am forgiven and set free!
I do believe that I receive
His very body and his blood.
Oh, taste and see—the Lord is good.*

*So who am I, that I should live and he should die
Under the rod? My God, my God,
Why have you not forsaken me?
Oh, taste and see—the Lord is free.*

Please stand

PRAYER

ALL: Dearest Jesus, we thank you for the gift of your body and blood, given and shed for the salvation of our souls. Thank you for strengthening us with your Word and Sacrament this night. Be with us now as we leave your house with the comfort of your love and forgiveness. Amen.

BLESSING

M: 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.

C: **Amen.**

Please be seated

CLOSING HYMN

O Jesus, Blessed Lord, to Thee
Christian Worship #316

Those Assisting in Worship

Worship Leader Pastor Ron Koehler
Communion Assistant..... Pastor Nathan Kassulke
Accompanist..... Beth Kassulke
Voices of Grace Director Beth Kassulke
Violin Maya Parra
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GOOD FRIDAY AND EASTER SERVICES

Good Friday Tenebrae Service 7:00 PM



Tenebrae (Latin for 'darkness') is a devotional service based on various phases of our Lord's pilgrimage from the Upper Room to the Cross. It is intended to bring to mind and heart the closing hours of Jesus' Passion by recreating the unforgettable in word and symbol. As the service progresses, darkness is gradually produced by the extinguishing of lights and candles, symbolizing the darkness which surrounded the cross at Calvary.

Easter Celebrations

Grace-Benson

451 W. Duane Street

7:30 AM Easter Festival Worship
8:30 AM Easter Breakfast

Grace-Vail

*Worshiping at Esmond Station K-8
9400 S. Atterbury Wash Way*

9:00 AM Easter Breakfast
10:00 AM Easter Festival Worship



Grace-Sahuarita

17675 S. La Canada Drive

9:45 AM Easter Festival Worship
10:45 AM Easter Brunch

Grace-Tucson

830 N. 1st Avenue

7:00 AM Easter Sunrise Service
8:00 AM Easter Breakfast
9:00 AM Easter Concert
10:00 AM Easter Festival Worship

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