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6:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary & live-streaming

Live streaming on Facebook and YouTube (Trinity LutheranSparta)

Our worship service will also be recorded and will be available on our website

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Maundy Thursday

***Confession and Forgiveness**

Pastor: Friends in Christ, in this Lenten season we have heard our Lord's call to struggle against sin, death, and the devil—all that keeps us from loving God and each other. This is the struggle to which we were called at baptism. Within the community of the church, God never wearies of forgiving sin and giving the peace of reconciliation. On this night let us confess our sin against God and our neighbor, and enter the celebration of the great Three Days reconciled with God and with one another.

Most merciful God,

All: we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our

neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

Pastor: In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

***Hymn: Ah, Holy Jesus**

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Pastor: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

Congregation: And also with you.

***Prayer of the Day:**

Holy God, source of all love, on the night of his betrayal, Jesus gave us a new commandment, to love one another as he loves us. Write this commandment in our hearts, and give us the will to serve others as he was the servant of all, your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

First Reading: Psalm 88

Page 474 in the black pew Bible

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 11:23-29

Page 933 in the black pew Bible

*Gospel: Matthew 26:17-30

Page 808 in the black pew Bible

The gospel is announced.

The holy gospel according to Matthew: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

The gospel concludes: The gospel of the Lord: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Sermon

***The Prayers:**

Pastor: At this service of communion at Christ's table, let us join together in prayer for the church, the world, and all in need.

A brief silence.

Blessed are you, O God, for the church. Bring all people into your fellowship of love.
Make us worthy to share your food. Pass us over from death into life.
Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

Blessed are you for this good earth. Protect the waters from pollution. Bless the growing
crops with your rain and sun.
Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

Blessed are you for our nation. Inspire us and all nations to live in peace and concord.
Free those who are enslaved by injustice.
Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

Blessed are you for this table. We pray for the hungry, those in need, the sick, and for
those alienated from you. Answer their cries.
Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

Blessed are you for this community of faith. Form us into servants for this neighborhood.
Give us your spirit of service.
Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

Blessed are you for all believers who have gone before us. Bring us all at the end into
your everlasting glory. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

Receive, O loving God, our prayers, and grant that we and all people may know the
mercy of your son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

***Offering Prayer:**

God of glory; receive these gifts and the offering of our lives. As Jesus was lifted up from
the earth, draw us to your heart in the midst of this world, that all creation may be
brought from bondage to freedom, from darkness to light, and from death to life;
through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

***Great 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.**

***Preface**

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of pow'r and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

***Lord's Prayer**

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 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.

Communion

***Prayer after Communion**

Lord Jesus, in a wonderful sacrament you strengthen us with the saving power of your suffering, death, and resurrection. May this sacrament of your body and blood so work in us that the fruits of your redemption will show forth in the way we live, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

Stripping of the Altar

Hymn: *In All Our Grief

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All depart in silence.