

Welcome to Trinity

#27 Greatest Wrongs Are Associated with Church and Religion

... In the midst of these very blasphemies and infamous deeds they claim the right to the name and designation "the saintliest"; they boast that they are the vicars of Christ, the successors of Peter, etc.

Accordingly, the greatest wrongs are associated with the designation of holiness, church, true religions, etc. If anyone should express disapproval, he is immediately clubbed with the curse of excommunication and is condemned as a heretic and an enemy of God and the church. Next to the Roman popes and their confederates there is no people that prides itself more on its godliness and righteousness than the Turks, who despise Christians as idolaters but regard themselves as the saintliest and wisest of men. And yet what else is their life and godliness than endless murder, robbery, depredation, and other awful crimes?

The examples of the present time, therefore, show how those two incompatibles can exist side by side: the utmost godliness is paired with the greatest abominations, the utmost violence with the appearance of righteousness. This is also the reason why men become so hardened and smug, and do not look for the punishment they have deserved because of their sins. (Luther's Works, v.2 p.158)

Maundy Thursday

In tonight's readings Jesus celebrates the Passover one last time with His disciples. Now the old wineskin is cast aside, for it cannot hold the wine of the new covenant, to be ratified by the shedding of His blood. We celebrate the Lord's Supper according to the new covenant. Following the service communion vessels are reverently removed from the altar, the altar is stripped, and the chancel is cleared. This action is symbolic of the humiliation experienced by Christ on that night.

Assistants

Elder - Tony Stretch (995-1379)
Altar Guild -
Organist - LeeAnn Byrne

Gospel Book - Luke Phillips, Acolytes - Liam Phillips & Olivia Dunaway
Church Cleaning - Apr 4 Lowrance, Apr 11/18 Kenner

The Confessional Service

- + Invocation, prayer..... p. 308
+ Psalm 51 p.329-330
[Pastor chants odd verses, Congregation chants even verses.]
Exhortation..... p. 308
+ Confession..... p. 308
+ Absolution..... p. 309
(Absolved individually at the font)

Service of the Word

- + Introit, Nine-fold Kyrie (printed)
+ Salutation, Collect of the Day (printed)
Old Testament, Gradual (printed)
Epistle, Tract (printed)
+ Holy Gospel (printed)
(The Creed is omitted)
Hymn of the Day..... #107
Sermon
+ Prayer of the Church
Offering, Offertory (printed)

Service of Holy Communion

- + Preface, etc. p.144
(Sharing of the Peace is omitted.)
+ "Lamb of God..."..... p.151
Distribution & Hymns
Communion Psalm (by cantor)
#100, #239
+ Post-Communion Prayer (printed)
+ Benedicamus (printed)
(The Benediction is omitted.)

Stripping of the Altar

- Psalm 22 is chanted LW, p. 319
Verses 1-5 Congregation,
Verses 6-11 Cantor
Verses 12-18 Pastor,
Verses 19-24 Cantor,
Verses 25-31 Congregation

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Service Insert for Maundy Thursday

As you await the beginning of the Divine Service, prayer is encouraged. Consider praying Psalms 34, 51, 84, 116, 150 or the prayers for before and after receiving the Sacrament(p.128).

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After the Confessional
Service concludes.



Introit

God forbid that / I should boast*

except in the cross of our Lord / Jesus Christ.

In Him is salvation, life, and resurrection / from the dead.*

By Him we are redeemed and set at / liberty.

God be merciful to us and / bless us,*

and cause His face to shine up- / on us.

That Your way may be / known on earth,*

your salvation among all / nations.

Let the peoples praise / You, O God;*

let all the peoples / praise You.

God, our own God, shall / bless us.*

God shall bless us, and all the ends of the earth shall / fear Him.

(The Gloria Patri is omitted)

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(Antiphon, Gal 6:14, Liturgical text; Psalm 67:1-2, 5-7)

Nine-fold Kyrie (in place of Kyrie on page 137)



Lord, have mer-cy up-on us! Lord, have mer-cy up-on us!

Christ, have mer-cy up-on us! Christ, have mer-cy up-on us!

Lord, have mer-cy up-on us! Lord, have mer-cy up-on us!



Lord, have mer-cy up-on us!

Christ, have mer-cy up-on us!

Lord, have mer-cy up-on us!

Salutation & Collect

P. The Lord be with you.

C. And with your spirit.

P. Let us pray: O Lord, who has left to us in a wonderful Sacrament a memorial of Your Passion, grant we implore You that we may so use this Sacrament of Your body and blood that the fruits of Your redemption continually may be manifest in us; who lives and reigns with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C. AMEN

Old Testament: Exodus 12:1-14

The Passover

After the reading

P. This is the Word of the Lord.

C. THANKS BE TO GOD.



Gradual

Christ humbled Himself and became obedient to the / point of death,
even the death / of the cross.

Therefore God also has highly ex- / alted Him

and given Him the name which is above / every name.

(Philippians 2:8-9)

Epistle: 1 Corinthians 11:23-32

The Institution of Lord's Supper

After the reading

P. This is the Word of the Lord.



Tract

Behold, how good and how plea- / sant it is

For brethren to dwell together in / unity!

It is like the precious oil u- / pon the head,

Running down / on the beard,

The beard of / Aaron,

Running down on the edge of his / garments.

It is like the dew of / Hermon,

Descending upon the mountains of / Zion;

For there the Lord commanded the / blessing—

Life for- / evermore. *(Ps 133:1-3)*

Holy Gospel: John 13:1-15

Jesus, Servant of Us All

P. The Holy Gospel according to St. John 13th chapter.

C. GLORY TO YOU, O LORD.

After the reading

P. This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C. PRAISE TO YOU, O CHRIST.

Hymn of the Day - #107 “The Death of Jesus Christ, Our Lord”

Sermon

The Creed is omitted.

Prayer of the Church



Offertory

The voice of rejoicing and salvation is in the tents of the / righteous;

The right hand of the Lord does / valiantly.

The right hand of the Lord is ex- / alted;

The right hand of the Lord does / valiantly.

I shall not / die, but live,

And declare the works / of the Lord.

The Lord has chastened me se- / verely,

But He has not given me o- / ver to death. (Psalm 118:14-18)

Communion Liturgy p.144ff

Distribution & Hymns

Communion Psalm(by Cantor): Ant. The Lord Jesus after He had supped with His disciples, and had washed their feet, said unto them. “Do you know what I your Lord and Master have done to you? I have given you an example that ye should do as I have done unto you.” (John 13:12-15).

Psalm 23

#100 “On My Heart Imprint Your Image”

#239 “Soul Adorn Yourself with Gladness”

After Distribution is completed.

Postcommunion Prayer

We beseech You, O Lord our God, that being nourished with this life-giving food, we may receive by the gift of Your immortality what we celebrate in this mortal life; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. AMEN.

Benedicamus

P. Let us bless the Lord.

C. Thanks be to God.

Stripping of the Altar

Psalm 22 found in the hymnal on page 319

Verses 1-5 Congregation

Verses 6-11 Cantor

Verses 12-18 Pastor

Verses 19-24 Cantor

Verses 25-31 Congregation

No Gloria Patri

For Love.

CONFIRM, O Lord, we beseech Thee, the hearts of Thy children, and strengthen them with the power of Thy grace, that they may both be devout in prayer to Thee and sincere in love for each other; through Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord, who livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. Amen (Oremus, 1925, p.35).

The Lord's Supper

Trinity Lutheran Church observes the Scriptural practice (*Eph 4:3, 2 John 1:10-11*) of communing only with those for whom their public profession of faith (congregational membership) is in agreement with God's Word and the correct exposition of Holy Scripture as found in the Book of Concord (1580). All who desire to receive Christ's Body and Blood for the forgiveness of sins are asked to speak with Pastor Henson before coming forward to commune.

Trinity Lutheran Church is served by pastors who are members of the Evangelical Lutheran Diocese of North America(Eldona.org).

--Those who are members of Eldona-affiliated congregations are welcome to commune after announcing to Pastor Henson.

--Those who are not members of Eldona-affiliated congregations will need to set up an appointment with Pastor Henson to discuss their public church membership.

The Lord's Supper is celebrated at Trinity Lutheran Church in the confession and glad confidence that, as He says, our Lord gives into our mouths not only bread and wine but His very body and blood to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with Him and with one another. Our Lord invites to His table those who trust His words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as He forgives and loves us, that they may show forth his death until He comes.

Those who are not yet invited to receive the Sacrament are encouraged to meditate on God's Word in the distribution hymns and pray for the day when our divisions will have ceased.