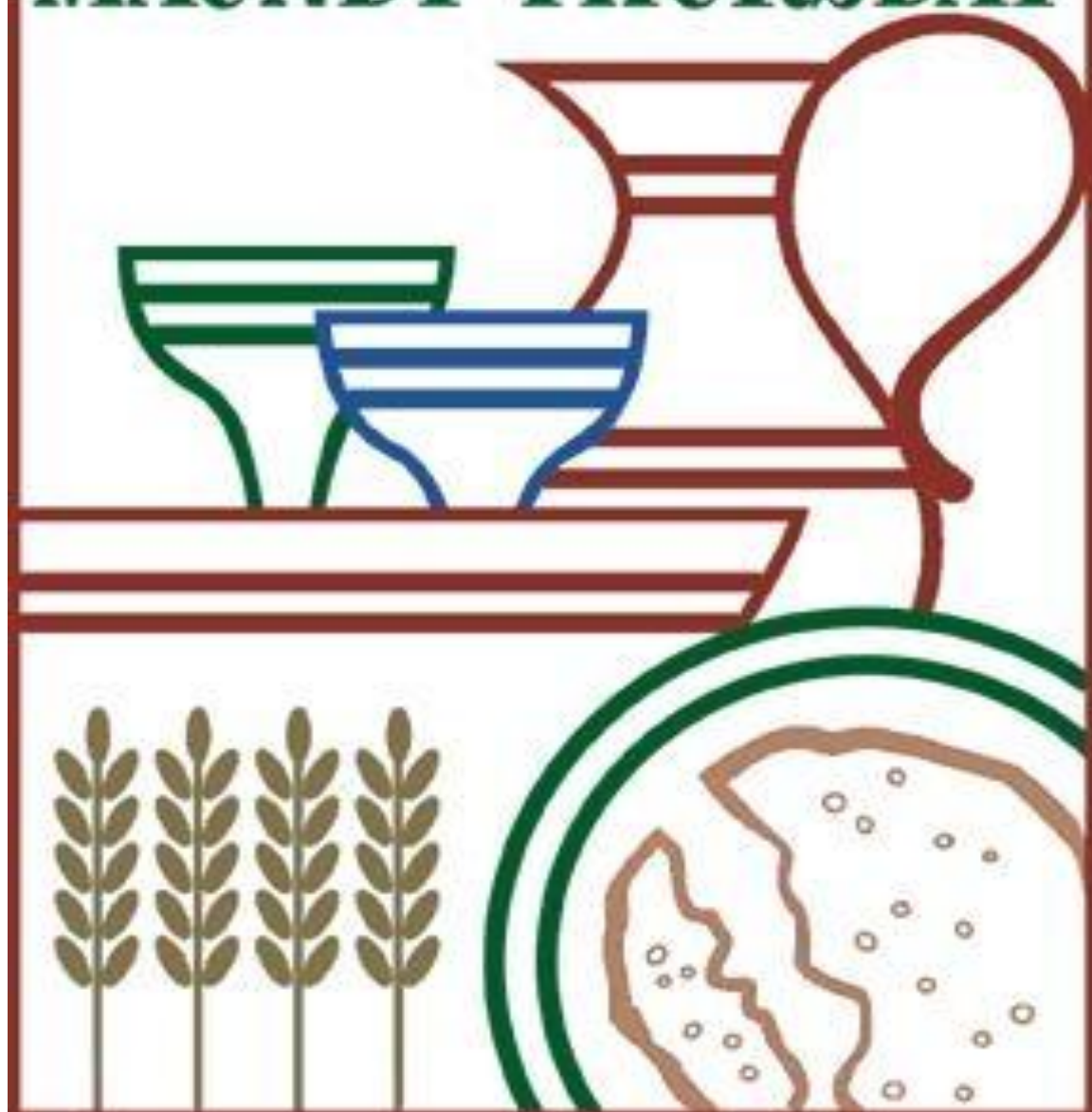


# MAUNDY THURSDAY





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**April 17, 2025 † Maundy Thursday**

*Welcome to this service for Maundy Thursday. Tonight we will witness Jesus as a servant to his friends when he washes their feet and serves them his body and blood in bread and wine. May we always be thankful recipients of the overwhelming gift of God's love, grace, and forgiveness through the precious body and blood of Jesus, our Savior, Servant, and Friend.*

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## † GATHERING †

### **Prelude**

*(The prelude is a call to silent, personal preparation for worship.)*

### **Welcome**

Welcome to Zion Lutheran Church in Albion! We offer a warm welcome to all who are worshipping in person or by way of Vyve Cable Channel 21 and Facebook Live. We hope that you encounter a word of God's grace and love in this worship service.

**Holy Communion** will be celebrated today. At the table of our Lord Jesus Christ, God nourishes faith, forgives sin, and calls us to be witnesses to the Gospel. All who are baptized and believe in the real presence of Christ are welcome to share in the Lord's meal. Holy Communion will be distributed in person or by pre-packaged elements. If you are uncomfortable coming forward, please pick up the communion elements as you enter worship. We will partake of the sacrament as directed by the pastor within the worship service. If you have any questions or concerns, please speak with an usher. Gluten Free wafers are available on request.



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## Confession & Forgiveness

As the disciples gathered together with Jesus in the upper room, we now gather together in the name of the Father, and of the **+** Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Lord God, heavenly Father, sin and shame accuse us  
**yet you invite us to confess our sins and receive your forgiveness.**

Let us now confess our sins to God, who loves us and listens to us.

*Silence for meditation and self-examination.*

Forgiving God,

**we come to you with hearts full of betrayal.**

**Our sinful thoughts, words and deeds have betrayed you, O Lord.**

**We come to you with minds full of arguments.**

**Our relationships have been marred by fighting, pride and disputes.**

**We come to you having denied you in many ways.**

**Our sinful lives and actions have denied that we know Jesus.**

**Lord, have mercy! Christ, have mercy! Lord, have mercy!**

Friends, though our sin betrays Jesus, he never betrays us.

Though we argue about our own greatness,

Jesus is greater than our pride.

Though we deny him through our sin,

Jesus forgives you of all of your sins.

Through the life, death and resurrection of Jesus,

you are forgiven and cleansed, redeemed and a new creation.

Take heart in the servant-love of Jesus!

**Amen. What a friend we have in Jesus.**

## Opening Hymn

## Lord Jesus Christ, We Humbly Pray

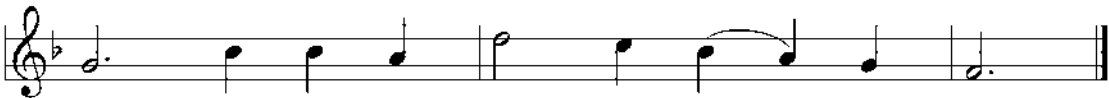
(LBW #225)



1 Lord Je - sus Christ, we hum - bly pray that we may  
2 The chas - tened peace of sin for - giv'n, the fil - ial  
3 Our trem - bling hearts cleave to thy word. All thou hast  
4 One bread, one cup, one bod - y, we, u - nit - ed  
5 Lord Je - sus Christ, we hum - bly pray: oh, keep us



feast on thee to - day; be - neath these forms of bread and  
joy of heirs of heav'n, grant as we share this won - drous  
said thou dost af - ford; all that thou art we here re -  
by our life in thee, thy love pro - claim till thou shalt  
stead - fast to that day, that each may be thy wel - comed



wine en - rich us with thy grace di - vine.  
food, thy bod - y bro - ken and thy blood.  
ceive, and all we are to thee we give.  
come to bring thy scat - tered loved ones home.  
guest when thou shalt spread thy heav'n - ly feast.

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## Call to Worship

Come, bless the Lord, all you servants of the Lord,  
**Who stand by night in the house of the Lord.** (Psalm 134:1)

The Lord redeems the life of his servants;  
**None of those who take refuge in him will be condemned.** (Psalm 34:22)

For even the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve,  
**And to give his life as a ransom for many.** (Mark 10:45)

Having loved his own who were in the world,  
**He loved them to the end.** (John 13:1)

What a friend we have in Jesus.  
**All our sins and griefs to bear!**

### **The Greeting**

The grace and mercy of God, who in Christ Jesus,  
bears our burdens and saves us from sin, be with you all.  
**And also with you.**

### **Prayer of the Day**

Let us pray... *(A brief silence is kept.)*  
Lord Jesus,  
**we marvel at your servant heart.**  
**You came not to be served, but to serve.**  
**You came to wash the feet of your followers**  
**and feed us with your very body and blood.**  
**Having been served by you, enable us to now serve like you.**  
**Grant us humble hearts ready to serve others**  
**as you have commanded us to do.**  
**We pray this in the name of our servant friend, Jesus Christ.**  
**Amen.**

**✠ WORD ✠**

### **Old Testament Reading**

Psalm 145:1-17

*This psalm is about living for something bigger than ourselves. It encourages us to think about our heritage in Christ, to be thankful for those who have gone before us, and to pray for those who will come after us.*

*A reading from Psalms.*

- <sup>1</sup>I will extol you, my God and King,  
and bless your name forever and ever.
- <sup>2</sup>Every day I will bless you,  
and praise your name forever and ever.
- <sup>3</sup>Great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised;  
his greatness is unsearchable.
- <sup>4</sup>One generation shall laud your works to another,  
and shall declare your mighty acts.

<sup>5</sup>On the glorious splendor of your majesty,  
and on your wondrous works, I will meditate.  
<sup>6</sup>The might of your awesome deeds shall be proclaimed,  
and I will declare your greatness.  
<sup>7</sup>They shall celebrate the fame of your abundant goodness,  
and shall sing aloud of your righteousness.  
<sup>8</sup>The LORD is gracious and merciful,  
slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.  
<sup>9</sup>The LORD is good to all,  
and his compassion is over all that he has made.  
<sup>10</sup>All your works shall give thanks to you, O LORD,  
and all your faithful shall bless you.  
<sup>11</sup>They shall speak of the glory of your kingdom,  
and tell of your power,  
<sup>12</sup>to make known to all people your mighty deeds,  
and the glorious splendor of your kingdom.  
<sup>13</sup>Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom,  
and your dominion endures throughout all generations.  
The LORD is faithful in all his words,  
and gracious in all his deeds.  
<sup>14</sup>The LORD upholds all who are falling,  
and raises up all who are bowed down.  
<sup>15</sup>The eyes of all look to you,  
and you give them their food in due season.  
<sup>16</sup>You open your hand,  
satisfying the desire of every living thing.  
<sup>17</sup>The LORD is just in all his ways,  
and kind in all his doings.  
The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

## **Epistle Reading**

Philippians 2:5-11

*Paul quotes an early Christian hymn that describes Jesus' humble obedience in his incarnation as a human being, even to death, and his exaltation and glory as Lord of all. As believers, we are encouraged to live a life of humility that does not seek our own interest and encourages us to have the same attitude as Christ Jesus.*

<sup>5</sup>Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus,

<sup>6</sup>who, though he was in the form of God,  
did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited,  
<sup>7</sup>but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave,  
being born in human likeness.  
And being found in human form, <sup>8</sup>he humbled himself  
and became obedient to the point of death —  
even death on a cross.

<sup>9</sup>Therefore God also highly exalted him  
and gave him the name that is above every name,  
<sup>10</sup>so that at the name of Jesus  
every knee should bend,  
in heaven and on earth and under the earth,  
<sup>11</sup>and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord,  
to the glory of God the Father.

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

## Lenten Verse

*ELW setting 4*



Re - turn to the Lord, your God, for he is gra - cious and mer - ci - ful,  
slow to an - ger, and a - bound - ing in stead - fast love.

## Gospel Reading

John 13:3-16

*The story of the last supper in John's gospel recalls a remarkable event not mentioned elsewhere: Jesus performs the duty of a slave, washing the feet of his disciples and urging them to do the same for one other.*

The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 13<sup>th</sup> chapter.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>3</sup>Jesus, knowing that the Father had given all things into his hands, and that he had come from God and was going to God, <sup>4</sup>got up from the table, took off his outer robe, and tied a towel around himself. <sup>5</sup>Then he

poured water into a basin and began to wash the disciples' feet and to wipe them with the towel that was tied around him. <sup>6</sup>He came to Simon Peter, who said to him, "Lord, are you going to wash my feet?" <sup>7</sup>Jesus answered, "You do not know now what I am doing, but later you will understand." <sup>8</sup>Peter said to him, "You will never wash my feet." Jesus answered, "Unless I wash you, you have no share with me." <sup>9</sup>Simon Peter said to him, "Lord, not my feet only but also my hands and my head!" <sup>10</sup>Jesus said to him, "One who has bathed does not need to wash, except for the feet, but is entirely clean. And you are clean, though not all of you." <sup>11</sup>For he knew who was to betray him; for this reason he said, "Not all of you are clean."

<sup>12</sup>After he had washed their feet, had put on his robe, and had returned to the table, he said to them, "Do you know what I have done to you? <sup>13</sup>You call me Teacher and Lord — and you are right, for that is what I am. <sup>14</sup>So if I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another's feet. <sup>15</sup>For I have set you an example, that you also should do as I have done to you. <sup>16</sup>Very truly, I tell you, servants are not greater than their master, nor are messengers greater than the one who sent them.

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

## Children's Sermon

### Sermon

*Servant*

### Hymn of the Day

### *What Wondrous Love Is This*

#666



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  
 4 And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on, I'll sing on; and



won - drous love is this, O my soul! What won-drous love is this  
 I was sink - ing down, sink - ing down, when I was sink - ing down  
 God and to the Lamb I will sing; to God and to the Lamb,  
 when from death I'm free, I'll sing on; and when from death I'm free,





that caused the Lord of bliss to bear the dread-ful curse for my  
be - neath God's righ-teous frown. Christ laid a - side his crown for my  
who is the great I AM. while mil - lions join the theme. I will  
I'll sing God's love for me. and through e - ter - ni - ty I'll sing



soul, for my soul, to bear the dread-ful curse for my soul?  
soul, for my soul, Christ laid a - side his crown for my soul.  
sing. I will sing, while mil - lions join the theme. I will sing.  
on. I'll sing on: and through e - ter - ni - ty I'll sing on.

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## Apostle's Creed

Living together in trust and hope, let us confess our faith...

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

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.**

**He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit  
and born of the virgin Mary.**

**He suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried.**

**He descended into hell.**

**On the third day he rose again.**

**He ascended into heaven,  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

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

## Prayers of the People

P Holy God, we come to you in prayer for  
the church, your good creation, and all who are in need.

*A brief silence.*

A Heal the wounds of your church, O God.  
As we remember your commandment to love one another,  
guide us toward reconciliation within the body of Christ.  
Bless all who gather around the world and in this community  
for these holy three days.

God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

P Renew the life of your creation.  
Restore lands suffering from chronic drought or flood,  
and protect fragile habitats from destruction.  
Encourage all who strive to build more sustainable systems  
for life and thriving.

God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

A Bring peace and justice among your people.  
Where there is oppression or fear, bring liberation and hope.  
Instill wisdom and humility in local and national leaders,  
and guide them to serve their communities in the way of Jesus.

God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

P Console all who suffer.  
We pray for all who are lonely and yearning for community.  
Assure them of your loving presence.  
Come alongside all who cry out to you in any need, especially...

God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

A In the bread and cup we share,  
you show us the way of love poured out for the whole world.  
Nourish all who hunger in body or in spirit,  
that they experience the life abundant that flows from you.

God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

P Here other intercessions may be offered either aloud or in silence.  
God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

A We remember the saints who rest in you.  
We give thanks for all our beloved dead.  
Confident of your steadfast love,  
we commend them to your eternal care.  
God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

P Receive the prayers of your people  
and draw all things together in your love,  
in the name of Jesus, who leads us from death to life. **Amen.**

### Peace

The Peace of Christ be with you always.  
**And also with you.**

### ✠ OFFERING ✠

#### Offering Response

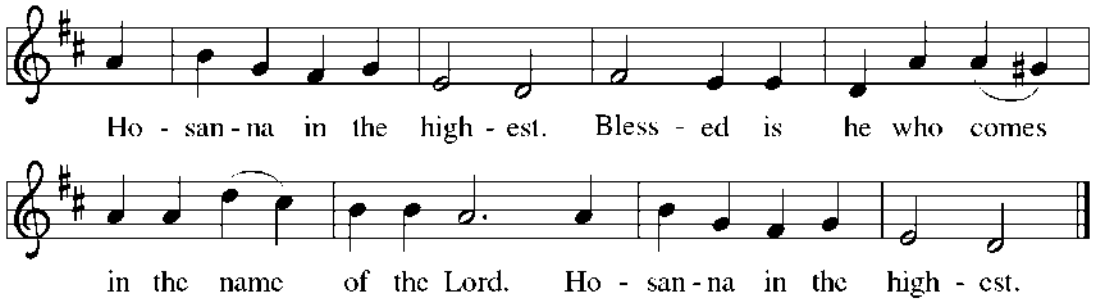
#### *Create in Me a Clean Heart*

#186

Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re - new a right  
spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a - way from your pres - ence, and take  
not your Ho - ly Spir - it from me. Re - store to me the joy of  
your sal - va - tion, and up - hold me with your free Spir - it.

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## **Eucharistic Prayer & Words of Institution**

Self-giving God,

in Jesus you became the Lamb who takes away the sins of the world,  
and the living bread, broken for the life of your children.

Come among us in the power of your Holy Spirit,

that your people, as fragile and fitful as your disciples,  
may become your temple,

and that these gifts of bread and wine may

be for us the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ;

who, at supper with his disciples,

took bread, gave you thanks,

broke the bread, and gave it to them, saying:

“Take and eat; this is my body, which is given for you;  
do this for the remembrance of me.”

After supper, Jesus took the cup.

Again he gave you thanks, and gave it to his disciples, saying,

“Drink this, all of you: this is my blood of the new covenant,  
which is shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sins.

Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.”

With this bread and cup

we remember our Lord’s passover from death to life  
as we proclaim the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

Blessed and broken God, be among your people

who taste the bitter herbs of slavery and oppression;

be close to your children who are poured out in grief and despair;  
 remake the church, your Son's body,  
 where it is broken by discord and dispute;  
 and renew your creation in the joy of thanksgiving.  
 Spread your table in the face of friends and enemies, that  
 all may know your peace and gather in the company of your saints,  
 where you, in the presence of Christ  
 and the companionship of the Holy Spirit, are all in all,  
 one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

### Lord's Prayer

Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray...

**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.**

### Agnus Dei

### Lamb of God

*ELW setting 4*



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on



us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have



mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the



## Rite of First Holy Communion

The following young people have been instructed and are now ready to receive their First Holy Communion:

*(As names are read, each young person comes forward with their Parents & Godparents.)*

***Eli Thomas Krohn  
Bennett Scott Reinhart***

***Colin Patrick Petersen  
Aiden John Tisthammer***

In Holy Baptism these young people were claimed by God and received by the church as members of the body of Christ.

At the table of our Lord Jesus Christ, God nourishes faith, forgives sin, and calls us to be witnesses to the Gospel.

This sacrament was instituted by Jesus Christ on the night of his betrayal.

In this sacrament the crucified and risen Christ is present, in, with, through and under these elements of the earth, because Jesus said, “This is my body and blood, given and shed for you, for the forgiveness of sins. Do this in remembrance of me.”

All who are baptized and believe that Christ is truly present in this meal are invited to participate. So, on behalf of the church,

I ask you First Communicants:

Do you believe that in Holy Baptism  
God claimed you as his precious child?

**FC: I believe.**

Do you believe that God’s Holy Communion  
is a gift of God’s grace and forgiveness,  
and that by receiving these gifts and participating in this sacred meal,  
you are strengthened in your faith and trust in God  
and that you are called to love others in God’s name?

**FC: I believe.**

You are about to receive the Lord's Supper.  
The Church invites you to regularly hear what God has to say to you and to thank God always for everything. In worship and Sunday school you are given the opportunity to learn more about God so that you may better understand and live out your faith in Christ. You are encouraged to come to the Lord's Supper as often as you can. And, at the appropriate time, we trust that you will be confirmed and will continue to take an active part in Church and its work. All of this will help you to live as God wants and hopes you to live as a baptized Child of God.

Do you promise to do this, knowing God will help you?

**FC: I promise, with the help of God.**

*(Speaking to parents, Godparents, and other family members)*

Parents, Godparents, and the families of these young people, you have heard the confession of faith and the promises these young people made.

God's whole family shares the care, concern, and responsibility for helping them grow in Christ.

On behalf of the Church and these young disciples, I ask you:

Will you help them to fulfill their promises?

**Families: We will, and we ask God to help us.**

*(Speaking to the community of faith: members and friends of Zion Lutheran Church)*

People of God,

do you promise to support and pray for these young people as they participate in this meal and continue to grow in their faith?

**We will, and we ask God to help us.**

Let us pray... *(A brief silence is kept.)*

Heavenly Father,

your Son, Jesus loved the young and called them to himself.

We ask you to bless these disciples and to strengthen them in faith through the gift of your presence in this Sacred Meal.

May this Holy Sacrament sustain them, uphold them, and fill them with your abundant love and amazing grace throughout their lives.



As they continue to grow physically, mentally, and spiritually,  
 may they know that you are with them always.  
 May you bless them to be a blessing in the lives of others  
 and to honor your Holy Name. **Amen.**

## Distribution

If you are joining us from home or are taking communion from your seat:

*The body of Christ, given for you. Amen.*

*The blood of Christ, shed for you. Amen.*

## Distribution Hymn

## Come, Let Us Eat

#491



1 Come, let us eat, for now the feast is spread,  
 2 Come, let us drink, for now the wine is poured,  
 3 In Je - sus' pres - ence now we meet and rest,  
 4 Rise, then, to spread a - broad God's might - y word,



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 come, let us drink, for now the wine is poured.  
 in Je - sus' pres - ence now we meet and rest.  
 rise, then, to spread a - broad God's might - y word.



Our Lord's bod - y let us take to - geth - er,  
 Je - sus' blood poured let us drink to - geth - er,  
 In the pres - ence of our Lord we gath - er,  
 Je - sus ris - en will bring in the king - dom,



our Lord's bod - y let us take to - geth - er.  
 Je - sus' blood poured let us drink to - geth - er.  
 in the pres - ence of our Lord we gath - er.  
 Je - sus ris - en will bring in the king - dom.

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**Distribution Hymn**     *For the Bread Which You Have Broken*     #494



1 For the bread which you have bro - ken, for the wine which you have poured,  
2 By this prom - ise that you love us, by your gift of peace re - stored,  
3 With the saints who now a - dore you, seat - ed at the heav'n - ly board,  
4 In your ser - vice, Lord, de - fend us; in our hearts keep watch and ward;



for the words which you have spo - ken, now we give you thanks, O Lord.  
by your call to heav'n a - bove us, hal - low all our lives, O Lord.  
may the church still wait - ing for you keep love's tie un - bro - ken, Lord.  
in the world to which you send us let your king - dom come, O Lord.

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### **Communion Blessing**

May the body and blood of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ,  
strengthen you and preserve you unto eternal life. **Amen.**

### **Post-Communion Prayer**

Let us pray... *(A brief silence is kept.)*

Lord Jesus,

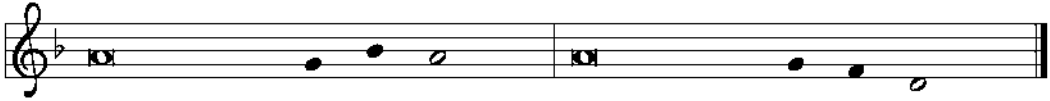
**you strengthen us with the saving power  
of your suffering, death, and resurrection.**

**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**

*The stripping of the altar is symbolic of Jesus' humiliation at the soldier's hands.  
As the sacramental elements and vessels, linens, paraments, and candles are removed,  
we contemplate what Jesus is about to do for us.*

*We consider no greater love than His, the sacrifice He made for us,  
how wondrous He will be forever. This is done while Psalm 22 is chanted.*



## Psalm 22

- <sup>1</sup>My God, my God, why have you for-<sup>1</sup>saken me?  
Why so far from saving me, so far from the words <sup>1</sup>of my groaning?
- <sup>2</sup>My God, I cry out by day, but you <sup>1</sup>do not answer;  
by night, but I <sup>1</sup>find no rest.
- <sup>3</sup>Yet you are the <sup>1</sup>Holy One,  
enthroned on the prais-<sup>1</sup>es of Israel.
- <sup>4</sup>Our ancestors put their <sup>1</sup>trust in you,  
they trusted, and you <sup>1</sup>rescued them.
- <sup>5</sup>They cried out to you and <sup>1</sup>were delivered;  
they trusted in you and were not <sup>1</sup>put to shame.
- <sup>6</sup>But as for me, I am a worm <sup>1</sup>and not human,  
scorned by all and despised <sup>1</sup>by the people.
- <sup>7</sup>All who see me laugh <sup>1</sup>me to scorn;  
they curl their lips; they <sup>1</sup>shake their heads.
- <sup>8</sup>"Trust in the LORD; let the <sup>1</sup>LORD deliver;  
let God rescue him if God so de-<sup>1</sup>lights in him."
- <sup>9</sup>Yet you are the one who drew me forth <sup>1</sup>from the womb,  
and kept me safe on my <sup>1</sup>mother's breast.
- <sup>10</sup>I have been entrusted to you ever since <sup>1</sup>I was born;  
you were my God when I was still in my <sup>1</sup>mother's womb.
- <sup>11</sup>Be not far from me, for trou-<sup>1</sup>ble is near,  
and there is no <sup>1</sup>one to help.
- <sup>12</sup>Many young bulls en-<sup>1</sup>circle me;  
strong bulls of Ba-<sup>1</sup>shan surround me.
- <sup>13</sup>They open wide their <sup>1</sup>jaws at me,  
like a slashing and <sup>1</sup>roaring lion.
- <sup>14</sup>I am poured out like water; all my bones are <sup>1</sup>out of joint;  
my heart within my breast is <sup>1</sup>melting wax.

- <sup>15</sup>My strength is dried up like a potsherd;  
my tongue sticks to the roof<sup>1</sup> of my mouth;  
and you have laid me in the<sup>1</sup> dust of death.
- <sup>16</sup>Packs of dogs close me in, a band of evildoers<sup>1</sup> circles round me;  
they pierce my hands<sup>1</sup> and my feet.
- <sup>17</sup>I can count<sup>1</sup> all my bones  
while they stare at<sup>1</sup> me and gloat.
- <sup>18</sup>They divide my gar-<sup>1</sup>ments among them;  
for my clothing,<sup>1</sup> they cast lots.
- <sup>19</sup>But you, O LORD, be not<sup>1</sup> far away;  
O my help, hasten<sup>1</sup> to my aid.
- <sup>20</sup>Deliver me<sup>1</sup> from the sword,  
my life from the power<sup>1</sup> of the dog.
- <sup>21</sup>Save me from the<sup>1</sup> lion's mouth!  
From the horns of wild bulls you have<sup>1</sup> rescued me.
- <sup>22</sup>I will declare your name<sup>1</sup> to my people;  
in the midst of the assembly<sup>1</sup> I will praise you.
- <sup>23</sup>You who fear the LORD, give praise!  
All you of Jacob's<sup>1</sup> line, give glory.  
Stand in awe of the LORD, all you off-<sup>1</sup>spring of Israel.
- <sup>24</sup>For the LORD does not despise nor abhor the poor in their poverty;  
neither is the LORD's face hid-<sup>1</sup>den from them;  
but when they cry out,<sup>1</sup> the LORD hears them.
- <sup>25</sup>From you comes my praise in the<sup>1</sup> great assembly;  
I will perform my vows in the sight of those who<sup>1</sup> fear the LORD.
- <sup>26</sup>The poor shall eat<sup>1</sup> and be satisfied.  
Let those who seek the LORD give praise!  
May your hearts<sup>1</sup> live forever!
- <sup>27</sup>All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn<sup>1</sup> to the LORD;  
all the families of nations shall bow<sup>1</sup> before God.
- <sup>28</sup>For dominion belongs<sup>1</sup> to the LORD,  
who rules o-<sup>1</sup>ver the nations.

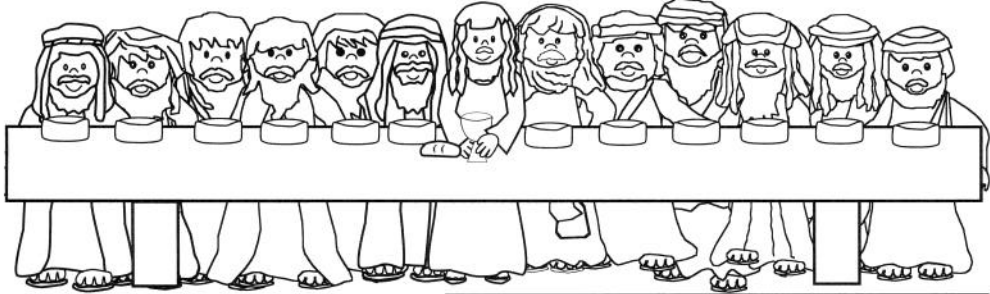
- 29 Indeed, all who sleep in the earth shall bow | down in worship;  
 all who go down to the dust, though they be dead,  
 shall kneel be- | fore the LORD.
- 30 Their descendants shall | serve the LORD,  
 whom they shall proclaim to genera- | tions to come.
- 31 They shall proclaim God's deliverance to a people | yet unborn,  
 saying to them, "The | LORD has acted!"

*When the Psalm is done, the crown of thorns and cross  
 are brought in and placed in the chancel.*

*The blessing and dismissal are omitted  
 mindful that this service continues tomorrow night, on Good Friday.  
 You are welcome to stay as long as you like.  
 When you are ready to leave, please do so in silence.*

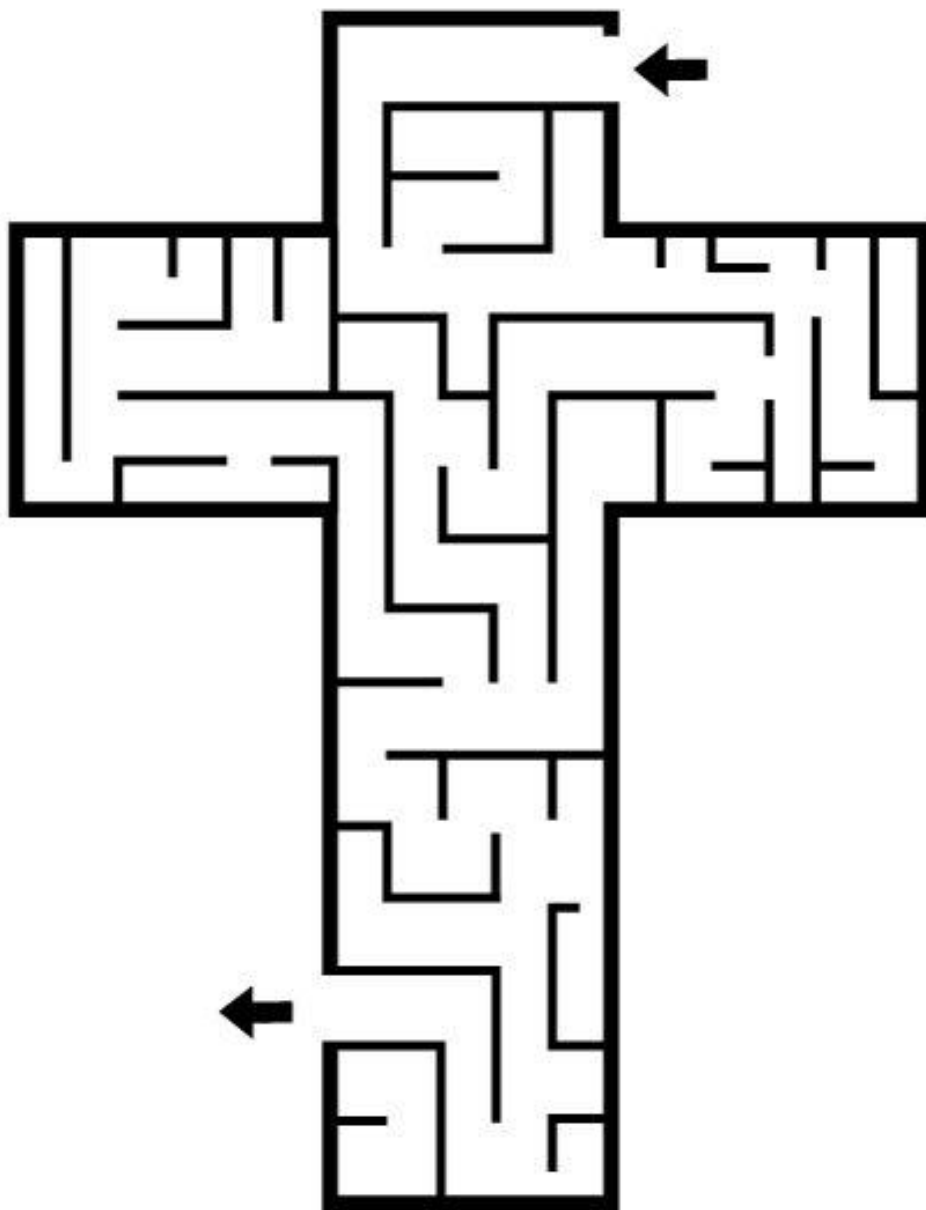
***Everyone is invited to the reception in the Fellowship Hall  
 after worship in honor of the First Communicants.***

Color the picture. Read the poem. Find the bold words in the word search!



M	C	A	L	V	A	R	Y
G	E	J	E	S	U	S	O
H	E	A	R	T	A	W	Y
D	O	G	L	B	J	I	J
I	B	R	E	A	D	N	O
C	R	O	S	S	O	E	Y

# Cross Maze



# In Remembrance of Me

For whenever you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes. 1 Corinthians 11:26

Each number represents a letter of the alphabet. Substitute the correct letter for the numbers to reveal the coded words.



A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q	R	S	T	U	V	W	X	Y	Z
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26

1. 4-18-9-14-11 \_\_\_\_\_

2. 2-15-4-25 \_\_\_\_\_

3. 18-5-13-5-13-2-18-1-14-3-5 \_\_\_\_\_

4. 2-12-15-15-4 \_\_\_\_\_

5. 3-21-16 \_\_\_\_\_

6. 2-18-5-1-4 \_\_\_\_\_

7. 5-1-20 \_\_\_\_\_

8. 19-21-16-16-5-18 \_\_\_\_\_

REMEMBRANCE	BLOOD	BODY	BREAD
SUPPER	EAT	DRINK	CUP

# First Holy Communion

## April 17 2025

F	O	R	G	I	V	E	N	E	S	S	S	U	S	E	J
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Z	D	R	I	N	K	E	C	T	A	K	E	I	Y	O	E
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- First Holy Communion
- Flagon
- Forgiveness
- Gift
- Given for You
- Grace
- God
- Heal
- Help
- Holy Spirit
- Hope
- Jesus
- Joy
- Lamb
- Lectern
- Love
- Meal
- Narthex
- New Commandment
- Pall
- Parament
- Paten
- Pray
- Purificator
- Sacrament
- Sin
- Son
- Take
- Thorn
- Veil
- Wafer
- Wine
- Zion Lutheran Church

Eli Thomas Krohn  
Colin Patrick Petersen  
Bennett Scott Reinhart  
Aiden John Tisthammer

Altar  
Bible  
Blood  
Body  
Bread  
Candles  
Care  
Chalice

Chancel  
Choir  
Christ  
Cross  
Cup  
Drink  
Eat  
Father