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LUKE 22:19-20 NIV

**MAUNDY THURSDAY**

March 28, 2024 – 6:30 p.m.

## Zion Ev. Lutheran Church

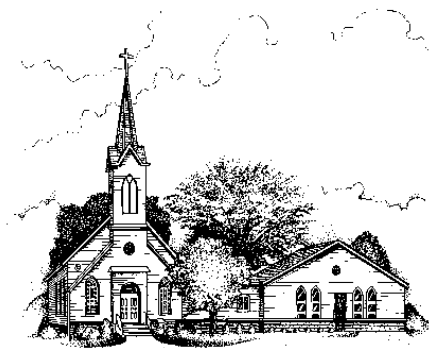
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### Welcome to God's House

The enormous significance of Christ's suffering, death, and resurrection has always been the central focus of Christian worship. After six weeks of Lent, the Christian Church year has reached its climax. This is the celebration for



which we have been preparing throughout Lent.

We now see what our Savior came to do. In the upper room, we see the depths of his love as he institutes the Lord's Supper and gives power to his followers to live out his command.

Just as Ash Wednesday begins Lent, so Maundy Thursday marks the end of Lent proper and ushers in the three "holy days" of Christendom. It is more than history that we celebrate this evening: the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper extends to the believer the very body and blood of the Savior and declares reconciliation through this most personal communion with Jesus. In him, with him, and through him, believers are reconciled to God and one another.

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### ORDER OF SERVICE

**Hymn**                      **When You Woke that Thursday Morning #416:1, 3, -5**

When you woke that Thursday morning, Savior, teacher, faithful friend,  
thoughts of self and safety scorning, knowing how the day would end;  
Lamb of God, foretold for ages, now at last the hour had come  
when but One could pay sin's wages: you assumed their dreadful sum.

What was there that you could give them that would never be outspent, what great gift that would outlive them, what last will and testament? “Show me and the world you love me, know me as the Lamb of God: do this in remembrance of me, eat this body, drink this blood.”

One day all the Church will capture that bright vision glorious, and your saints will know the rapture that your heart desired for us, when the longed-for peace and union of the greatest and the least meet in joyous, blest communion in your never-ending feast.

### **Invocation**

In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**Amen.**

### **Confession**

Brothers and sisters in Christ, in this Lenten season we have heard again how our Lord walked the path of suffering which led him to the cross for our salvation. We have also heard our Lord’s call to intensify our struggle against sin, death, and the devil—all that keeps us from loving God and one another. This is the struggle to which we were committed at Baptism; God’s forgiveness and the power of his Spirit to amend our lives continue with us because of his love for us in Jesus our Savior.

Within the family of the Church, God never wearies of giving peace and new life. In the absolution, we receive forgiveness as from God himself. We should not doubt this absolution but firmly believe that our sins are thus forgiven before God in heaven, for it comes to us in the name and by the command of our Lord.

We who receive God’s love in Jesus Christ are called to love one another, to

be servants to each other, as Jesus became our servant.

In Holy Communion, first instituted on this night, the members of Christ's body participate most intimately in his love. Remembering our Lord's Last Supper with his disciples, we eat the bread and drink the cup of this meal. Together we receive the Lord's gift of his body and blood for forgiveness and participate in that new covenant that makes us one with him and one another. The Lord's Supper is the promise of the great banquet we will share with all the faithful when our Lord returns, the joyous culmination of our reconciliation with God and each other.

As we begin the solemn celebration of our Lord's passion, let us confess our sins to him, receive his absolution, and be reconciled to God and each other in Christian love.

**Holy God, gracious Father,**

**I am sinful by nature**

**and have sinned against you in my thoughts, words, and actions.**

**I have not loved you with my whole heart;**

**I have not loved others as I should.**

**I deserve your punishment both now and forever.**

**But Jesus, my Savior, paid for my sins**

**with his innocent suffering and death.**

**Trusting in him, I pray: God, have mercy on me, a sinner.**

*Silence for meditation and reflection*

Our gracious Father in heaven has been merciful to us. He sent his only Son, Jesus Christ, who gave his life as the atoning sacrifice for the sins of the whole world. 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.

**Amen.**

Our Lord Jesus Christ has forgiven us, has reconciled us to God, and has promised us the power to forgive and love one another. Relying on his promise, therefore, be reconciled with one another.

**Brothers and sisters, may the peace of Christ rule in our hearts, in our words, and in our actions.**

## **The Word**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

### **Prayer of the Day**

Let us pray.

Lord Jesus Christ, in the Sacrament of Holy Communion, you give us your true body and blood as a remembrance of your suffering and death on a cross. Grant us so firmly to believe your words and promise that we may always partake of this sacrament to our eternal good; for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Amen.**

### **First Reading**

**Exodus 12:21-30**

<sup>21</sup> Then Moses summoned all the elders of Israel and said to them, "Go at once and select the animals for your families and slaughter the Passover lamb. <sup>22</sup> Take a bunch of hyssop, dip it into the blood in the basin and put some of the blood on the top and on both sides of the doorframe. None of you shall go out of the door of your house until morning. <sup>23</sup> When the Lord goes through the land to strike down the Egyptians, he will see the blood on the top and sides of the doorframe and will pass over that

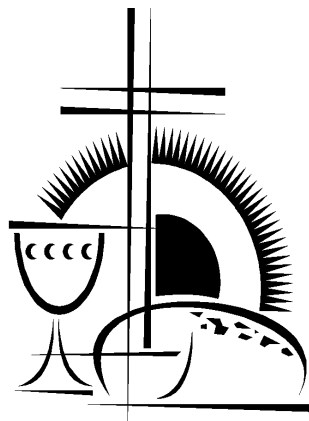
doorway, and he will not permit the destroyer to enter your houses and strike you down.

<sup>24</sup> “Obey these instructions as a lasting ordinance for you and your descendants. <sup>25</sup> When you enter the land that the Lord will give you as he promised, observe this ceremony. <sup>26</sup> And when your children ask you, ‘What does this ceremony mean to you?’ <sup>27</sup> then tell them, ‘It is the Passover sacrifice to the Lord, who passed over the houses of the Israelites in Egypt and spared our homes when he struck down the Egyptians.’” Then the people bowed down and worshiped. <sup>28</sup> The Israelites did just what the Lord commanded Moses and Aaron.

<sup>29</sup> At midnight the Lord struck down all the firstborn in Egypt, from the firstborn of Pharaoh, who sat on the throne, to the firstborn of the prisoner, who was in the dungeon, and the firstborn of all the livestock as well. <sup>30</sup> Pharaoh and all his officials and all the Egyptians got up during the night, and there was loud wailing in Egypt, for there was not a house without someone dead.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**



# Psalm 116

# I Will Walk in the Presence of God - 116C:1, 3-5

## Verses



1 For the love of the One who has heard my cry:  
3 God is mer - cy and grace and the sim-ple are blest:  
4 God has raised up my soul from the gates of death:  
5 What re - turn can I give for the gifts I claim?



I will walk in the pres-ence of God.  
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1 God has heard my dis - tress, and I shall not die:  
3 Raised me up in my pain, God my safe - ty and rest:  
4 God has dried all my tears and re - newed my breath:  
5 Lift the cup of sal - va - tion and praise your name:

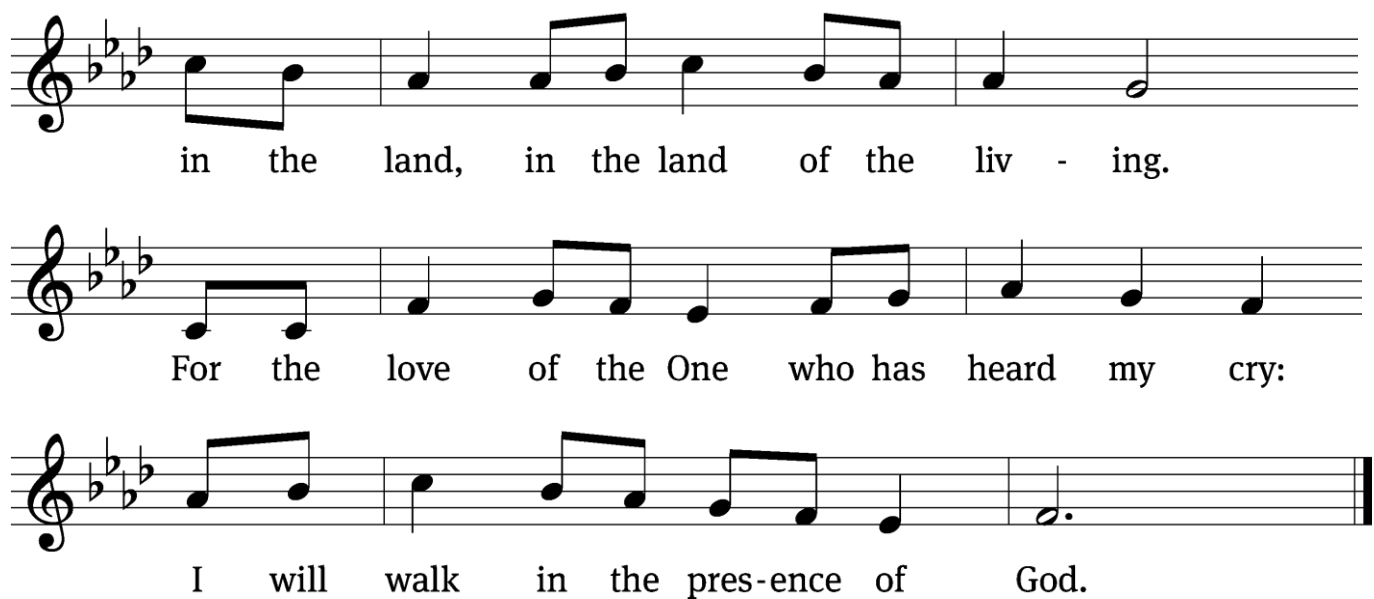


I will walk in the pres-ence of God.  
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## Refrain



I will walk in the pres-ence of God



in the land, in the land of the liv - ing.  
 For the love of the One who has heard my cry:  
 I will walk in the pres-ence of God.

**Second Reading**

**1 Corinthians 10:16-17**

<sup>16</sup> 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? <sup>17</sup> Because there is one loaf, we, who are many, are one body, for we all share the one loaf.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**Gospel Acclamation**

**1 Corinthians 11:26**

Whenever you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

**Glory, praise, and honor be to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

**Gospel**

**Luke 22:7-20**

<sup>7</sup> Then came the day of Unleavened Bread on which the Passover lamb had



to be sacrificed. <sup>8</sup> Jesus sent Peter and John, saying, “Go and make preparations for us to eat the Passover.”

<sup>9</sup> “Where do you want us to prepare for it?” they asked.

<sup>10</sup> He replied, “As you enter the city, a man carrying a jar of water will meet you. Follow him to the house that he enters, <sup>11</sup> and say to the owner of the house, ‘The Teacher asks: Where is the guest room, where I may eat the Passover with my disciples?’ <sup>12</sup> He will show you a large room upstairs, all furnished. Make preparations there.”

<sup>13</sup> They left and found things just as Jesus had told them. So they prepared the Passover.

<sup>14</sup> When the hour came, Jesus and his apostles reclined at the table. <sup>15</sup> And he said to them, “I have eagerly desired to eat this Passover with you before I suffer. <sup>16</sup> For I tell you, I will not eat it again until it finds fulfillment in the kingdom of God.”

<sup>17</sup> After taking the cup, he gave thanks and said, “Take this and divide it among you. <sup>18</sup> For I tell you I will not drink again from the fruit of the vine until the kingdom of God comes.”

<sup>19</sup> And he took bread, gave thanks and broke it, and gave it to them, saying, “This is my body given for you; do this in remembrance of me.”

<sup>20</sup> In the same way, after the supper he took the cup, saying, “This cup is the new covenant in my blood, which is poured out for you.

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise be to you, O Christ!**

**Hymn of the Day                      Jesus Comes Today with Healing   #668:1-3, 6**

Jesus comes today with healing, knocking at my door, appealing,  
offering pardon, grace, and peace.

He himself makes preparation, and I hear his invitation:

“Come and taste the blessed feast.”

Christ himself, the priest presiding, yet in bread and wine abiding  
in this holy sacrament,  
gives the bread of life, once broken, and the cup, the precious token  
of his sacred covenant.

Under bread and wine, though lowly, I receive the Savior holy,  
blood and body, giv'n for me,  
very Lamb of God from heaven, who to bitter death was given,  
hung upon the cursèd tree.

Now have I found consolation, comfort in my tribulation,  
balm to heal the troubled soul.  
God, my shield from ev'ry terror, cleanses me from sin and error,  
makes my wounded spirit whole.

**Sermon**

**Luke 22:7-20**

*Respite*

**Confession of Faith**

**The Nicene Creed**

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and  
earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally  
begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true  
God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father. Through him all  
things were made. For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven,  
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary, and became truly  
human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate. He suffered  
death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with  
the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of

the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who in unity with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

*Please be seated*

### **Prayer of the Church**

Heavenly Father, on this night your Son was handed over as the Passover Lamb so that death might pass over us.

**Pour out your Spirit upon us that we might remember his sacrifice in repentance and in faith.**

On this night your Son was denied and betrayed, arrested and falsely accused, and condemned to death.

**Remind us that all this was necessary so that our sins would not be counted against us.**

On this night your Son served his disciples and washed their feet, setting an example for them to follow.

**Cause us to also follow your example and serve those around us in love.**

On this night your Son prayed for all those who would believe, that they might be brought to complete unity in you.

**Strengthen us in the unity we enjoy with our brothers and sisters in the faith.**

On this night your Son gave his body and blood to his apostles as a new covenant, given and poured out for them.

**Whenever we eat and drink this sacramental meal, assure us of the forgiveness it offers and imparts.**

*Special prayers and intercessions may follow*

On this night your Son entered the dark night of the soul in Gethsemane and watched those around him fall away.

**Strengthen us as we walk with our Savior, and grant that we may remain faithful until death. Amen.**

## **Offering**

*The members of Zion have joined together to do the Lord's work in this community and around the world. If you are a visitor, please don't feel obligated to participate in this offering which supports our ministry.*

## **The Sacrament**

### **Preface**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places give you thanks, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who willingly died under the curse of this world's sin so that we may live forever in the light of God's blessing. Therefore, with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song:

## Holy, Holy, Holy

SEELENBRÄUTIGAM #1074

Tune: SEELENBRÄUTIGAM



1 Round God's throne on high      blaz-ing an-gels cry,      sing-ing,  
2 Blest be Da-vid's Son!      In God's name he comes,      grace and



"Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho-ly, Lord, we praise you for your glo-ry,  
par-don to pro-vide us. Sing, "Ho-san-na in the high-est!"



shin-ing bright-ly forth,      fill-ing heav'n and earth."  
Je-sus, hear our plea:      come and set us free!

## Prayer of Thanksgiving

Lord God, you are worthy to receive thanks and praise from all people. You created the world and all who live in it, and in your mercy you saved us. We give thanks to you for the grace of your Son, Jesus Christ.

Though in very nature God, he took the nature of a servant and became obedient to death, even death on a cross. He offered himself as a sacrifice for sin and redeemed us from its curse and penalty. He rescued us from the

terrors of death and restored eternal life with you. He conquered our enemies and gained for us the kingdom of grace and glory.

Bless us as we receive your Son's body and blood, and lead us to remember his suffering, death, and resurrection. Forgive our sins and fill us with the hope of new life in heaven. Hear our praise and receive our thanks as we worship you—the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

**Amen.**

## Lord's Prayer

### Words of Institution

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.

**Amen.**

## O Christ, Lamb of God

**HAMBURG #1013**

*Tune: HAMBURG*



1 O Lamb of God, once lift - ed high up - on a  
2 O Lamb of God, your sac - ri - fice has can - celled



cross to bleed and die, in per-fect love you  
sin, has paid its price; your per-fect love will  
took our place— be - stow on us your sav - ing grace.  
nev - er cease— have mer - cy, Lord, and grant us peace.

## Distribution Hymn                      Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness #663

Soul, adorn yourself with gladness; leave behind all gloom and sadness.  
Come into the daylight's splendor; there with joy your praises render  
unto him whose grace unbounded has this wondrous supper founded.  
He, though reigning high and holy, deigns to dwell with you most lowly.

Hasten as a bride to meet him, and with loving rev'ence greet him,  
or with words of life immortal he is knocking at your portal.

Open wide the gates before him, saying, as you there adore him:  
Grant, Lord, that I now receive you, that I nevermore will leave you.

He who craves a precious treasure neither cost nor pain will measure,  
but the priceless gifts of heaven God to us has freely given.

Though the wealth of earth were proffered, naught would buy the gifts here offered:  
Christ's true body, for you riven, and his blood, for you once given.

Now I kneel before you lowly, filled with joy most deep and holy,  
as with trembling awe and wonder on your mighty work I ponder,  
by such mystery surrounded, depths that no one ever sounded.  
None may dare to pierce unbidden secrets that with you are hidden.

Human reason, though it ponders, cannot fathom these great wonders,  
that Christ's body must be boundless since the souls it feeds are countless,

and that he his blood is giving with the wine we are receiving.  
These great mysteries unsounded are by God alone expounded.

Lord, by love and mercy driven, you have left your throne in heaven  
on the cross for me to languish and to die in bitter anguish,  
to forgo all joy and gladness and to shed your blood in sadness.  
By this blood redeemed and living, Lord, I praise you with thanksgiving.

Jesus, sun of life, my splendor, Jesus, friend of friends most tender,  
Jesus, joy of my desiring, fount of life, my soul inspiring:  
at your feet I cry, my maker, let me be a fit partaker  
of this blessed food from heaven for our good, your glory, given.

Jesus, Lord of life in heaven, help me when this meal is given  
to receive it for my blessing as I come, my sins confessing.  
In this supper let me measure, Lord, how deep is your love's treasure,  
that, as I on earth have eaten, I may be your guest in heaven.

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;  
**his mercy endures forever.**

Whenever we eat this bread and drink this cup,  
**we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.**

We give you thanks, O Lord, for the foretaste of the heavenly banquet you  
have given us in this Sacrament. Through this gift you have fed our faith,  
nourished our hope, and strengthened our love. By your Spirit, help us to  
live as your holy people until that day when you will receive us as your  
guests at the wedding supper of the Lamb, who lives and reigns with you  
and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Amen.**



## **Blessing**

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**

**Go, My Children, with My Blessing #930:1-2**

Go, my children, with my blessing, never alone.

Waking, sleeping, I am with you; you are my own.

In my love's baptismal river I have made you mine forever.

Go, my children, with my blessing, you are my own.

Go, my children, sins forgiven, at peace and pure.

Here you learned how much I love you, what I can cure.

Here you heard my dear Son's story; here you touched him, saw his glory.

Go, my children, sins forgiven, at peace and pure.



**Please join us** for our remaining Holy Week worship opportunities...

**Good Friday**

**Easter Sunrise**

*Easter Breakfast*

**Easter Festival**

**Tomorrow, March 29 at 1:00 p.m.**

**Sunday, March 31 at 6:00 a.m.**

*served from 7:00 a.m. – 8:00 a.m.*

**Sunday, March 31 at 9:00 a.m.**

**Invite** a friend, neighbor or relative for one / all of the worship services this Holy Week to celebrate the new life we have through Christ's work!

**We thank** Barb Olsen, who served as our accompanist this evening. We also thank Alyce Herman, Lily Musack and Anna Bode for serving as the cantors for the psalm.

**Pick up** a new *Forward in Christ* from the cabinets in the entryway. Church calendars for April are available as well.

**Holy Week Devotional** "The Savior We Need" is MLC's newest devotion book created for you. It contains eight devotions written by MLC faculty, one for each day of Holy Week. It's not too late to make use of them, especially since they're only about a two-minute read. Go to <https://mlc-wels.edu/>, scroll down and click on the link to "Holy Week Devotions." You can choose to read / listen to them there or have them e-mailed to you.

**Bags / Cornhole Tournament** Join us for a fun evening of food, friendly competition, and the chance to win some great prizes. The date is next Saturday night, **April 6<sup>th</sup>**, starting at 5 p.m. and the place is our church fellowship hall. Sign up on the sheet on the bulletin board.

**Work Day** Our spring work day at church (outside and inside) is scheduled for Saturday, April 13<sup>th</sup>, starting at 8 a.m. (or whenever you can get here). Lots of work needs to be done...if you could bring any work day "tools" it would be appreciated.

**LWMS Rally** Don't forget about the LWMS Rally at St. Matthew's in Iron Ridge, starting at 8:30 a.m. on April 13<sup>th</sup>. The guest speaker

is Juan Escobar, a current Seminary student who will present on Latin American missions, Academia Christo and how a basketball camp changed his life.

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