

Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church

The Liturgy of Maundy Thursday

April 1, 2021 ~7:00 pm

This evening our Lenten observance comes to an end, and we gather with Christians around the world to celebrate the Three Days of Jesus' death and resurrection. Tonight we remember Christ's last meal with his disciples, but the central focus is his commandment that we live out the promise embodied in this meal. As Jesus washed his disciples' feet, so we are called to give and receive love in humble service to one another. Formed into a new body in Christ through this holy meal, we are transformed by the mercy we have received and carry it into the world. Departing worship in solemn silence, we anticipate the coming days.

The Organ Prelude

* The Processional Hymn

"In Quiet Consecration"

No.223 Stanzas 1,3,4

**In the quiet consecration of this glad communion hour,
here we rest in you, Lord Jesus, taste your love, and touch your pow'r.**

**By your death for sin atoning, by your resurrection life,
hold us fast in blessed union; gird us, nerve us for the strife;**

**While afar in solemn radiance shines the feast that is to come
after conflict, toil, and testing-- your great feast of love and home.**

The Meditation

The Rev. Cindy White

The Instruction and Confession

IN THIS LENTEN SEASON WE HAVE HEARD OUR LORD'S CALL TO INTENSIFY OUR 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 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 COMMUNITY OF HIS CHURCH, GOD NEVER WEARIES OF GIVING PEACE AND NEW LIFE. IN THE WORDS OF ABSOLUTION, WE RECEIVE FORGIVENESS AS FROM GOD HIMSELF. THIS ABSOLUTION WE SHOULD NOT DOUBT, BUT FIRMLY BELIEVE THAT THEREBY OUR SINS ARE 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.

IT IS, HOWEVER, IN THE HOLY COMMUNION THAT 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 SHARE THE CUP OF THIS MEAL.

TOGETHER WE RECEIVE THE LORD'S GIFT OF HIMSELF AND PARTICIPATE IN THAT NEW COVENANT WHICH MAKES US ONE IN HIM. THE EUCHARIST IS THE PROMISE OF THE GREAT BANQUET WE WILL SHARE WITH ALL THE FAITHFUL WHEN OUR LORD RETURNS, THE CULMINATION OF OUR RECONCILIATION WITH GOD AND EACH OTHER.

LET US KNEEL AND MAKE CONFESSION TO GOD.

Silence for reflection and self-examination.

ALMIGHTY GOD, MERCIFUL FATHER:

I, a troubled and penitent sinner, confess to you all my sins and iniquities with which I have offended you and for which I justly deserve your punishment.

But I am sorry for them, and repent of them, and pray for your boundless mercy.

For the sake of the suffering and death of your Son, Jesus Christ, be gracious and merciful to me, a poor sinful being; forgive my sins, give me your Holy Spirit for the amendment of my sinful life, and bring me to life everlasting. Amen

ALMIGHTY GOD IN HIS MERCY HAS GIVEN HIS SON TO DIE FOR US AND, FOR HIS SAKE, FORGIVES US ALL OUR SINS. THROUGH HIS HOLY SPIRIT HE CLEANSSES US AND GIVES US POWER TO PROCLAIM THE MIGHTY DEEDS OF GOD WHO CALLED US OUT OF DARKNESS INTO THE SPLENDOR OF HIS LIGHT.

CALLED AND ORDAINED BY 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.

(Please stand.)

~ The Word ~

***The Salutation and Prayer of the Day**

THE GRACE OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, THE LOVE OF GOD, AND THE COMMUNION OF THE HOLY SPIRIT BE WITH YOU ALL.

And also with you

LET US PRAY:

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.

The First Reading Exodus 12:1-14

Israel remembered its deliverance from slavery in Egypt by celebrating the festival of Passover. This festival featured the Passover lamb, whose blood was used as a sign to protect God's people from the threat of death. The early church described the Lord's supper using imagery from the Passover, especially in portraying Jesus as the lamb who delivers God's people from sin and death.

A Reading from Exodus

The LORD said to Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt: ²This month shall mark for you the beginning of months; it shall be the first month of the year for you. ³Tell the whole congregation of Israel that on the tenth of this month they are to take a lamb for each family, a lamb for each household. ⁴If a household is too small for a whole lamb, it shall join its closest neighbor in obtaining one; the lamb shall be divided in proportion to the number of people who eat of it. ⁵Your lamb shall be without blemish, a year-old male; you may take it from the sheep or from the goats. ⁶You shall keep it until the fourteenth day of this month; then the whole assembled congregation of Israel shall slaughter it at twilight. ⁷They shall take some of the blood and put it on the two doorposts and the lintel of the houses in which they eat it. ⁸They shall eat the lamb that same night; they shall eat it roasted over the fire with unleavened bread and bitter herbs. ⁹Do not eat any of it raw or boiled in water, but roasted over the fire, with its head, legs, and inner organs. ¹⁰You shall let none of it remain until the morning; anything that remains until the morning you shall burn. ¹¹This is how you shall eat it: your loins girded, your sandals on your feet, and your staff in your hand; and you shall eat it hurriedly. It is the passover of the LORD. ¹²For I will pass through the land of Egypt that night, and I will strike down every firstborn in the land of Egypt, both human beings and animals; on all the gods of Egypt I will execute judgments: I am the LORD. ¹³The blood shall be a sign for you on the houses where you live: when I see the blood, I will pass over you, and no plague shall destroy you when I strike the land of Egypt. ¹⁴This day shall be a day of remembrance for you. You shall celebrate it as a festival to the LORD; throughout your generations you shall observe it as a perpetual ordinance.

THE WORD OF THE LORD.

Thanks be to God.

The Psalm 116:1-2, 12-19

I love the LORD, who has heard my voice, and listened to my supplication, for the LORD has given ear to me whenever I called. How shall I repay the LORD for all the good things God has done for me? I will lift the cup of salvation and call on the name of the LORD. I will fulfill my vows to the LORD in the presence of all God's people. Precious in your sight, O LORD, is the death of your servants. O LORD, truly I am your servant; I am your servant, the child of your handmaid; you have freed me from my bonds. I will offer you the sacrifice of thanksgiving and call upon the name of the LORD. I will fulfill my vows to the LORD in the presence of all God's people, in the courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Jerusalem.

The Second Reading 1 Corinthians 11:23-26

In the bread and cup of the Lord's supper, we experience intimate fellowship with Christ and with one another, because it involves his body given for us and the new covenant in his blood. Faithful participation in this meal is a living proclamation of Christ's death until he comes in the future.

A Reading from 1 Corinthians

²³For I received from the Lord what I also handed on to you, that the Lord Jesus on the night when he was betrayed took a loaf of bread, ²⁴and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, "This is my body that is for you. Do this in remembrance of me." ²⁵In the same way he took the cup also, after supper, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me." ²⁶For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

THE WORD OF THE LORD.

Thanks be to God.

* The Gospel Acclamation (*Lenten Verse LBW p. 63*)

Return to the Lord, your God, for he is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love, and abounding in steadfast love.

* The Holy Gospel and Responses John 13:1-17, 31b-35

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 another.

THE HOLY GOSPEL ACCORDING TO ST. JOHN THE 13TH CHAPTER (sung) **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Now before the festival of the Passover, Jesus knew that his hour had come to depart from this world and go to the Father. Having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end. ²The devil had already put it into the heart of Judas son of Simon Iscariot to betray him. And during supper ³Jesus, knowing that the Father had given all things into his hands, and that he had come from God and was going to God, ⁴got up from the table, took off his outer robe, and tied a towel around himself. ⁵Then 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. ⁶He came to Simon Peter, who said to him, "Lord, are you going to wash my feet?" ⁷Jesus answered, "You do not know now what I am doing, but later you will understand." ⁸Peter said to him, "You will never wash my feet." Jesus answered, "Unless I wash you, you have no share with me." ⁹Simon Peter said to him, "Lord, not my feet only but also my hands and my head!" ¹⁰Jesus 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." ¹¹For he knew who was to betray him; for this reason he said, "Not all of you are clean." ¹²After 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?" ¹³You call me Teacher and Lord — and you are right, for that is what I am. ¹⁴So if I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another's feet. ¹⁵For I have set you an example, that you also should do as I have done to

you. ¹⁶Very truly, I tell you, servants are not greater than their master, nor are messengers greater than the one who sent them. ¹⁷If you know these things, you are blessed if you do them. ³¹Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. ³²If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. ³³Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, 'Where I am going, you cannot come.' ³⁴I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. ³⁵By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

THE GOSPEL OF THE LORD

(sung) **Praise to you, O Christ.**

The Rite of Foot-Washing (Please join in singing: "Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us With Your Love" WOV No. 765)

(Refrain) **Jesu, Jesu, fill us with your love,
Show us how to serve the neighbors we have from you.**

**Kneels at the feet of his friends, silently washes their feet,
Master who pours out himself for them. *(Refrain)***

**Neighbors are wealthy and poor, varied in color and race,
Neighbors are nearby and far away. *(Refrain)***

**These are the ones we will serve, these are the ones we will love;
All these are neighbors to us and you. *(Refrain)***

* **The Prayers of Intercession**

UNITED BY THE SERVANT LOVE OF GOD IN CHRIST, WE PRAY THIS HOLY NIGHT FOR THE NEEDS OF THE WORLD.

A brief silence.

YOU CALL YOUR PEOPLE TO HAND ON WHAT WE RECEIVE FROM YOU. FORM ALL THE BAPTIZED INTO TEACHERS OF FAITH. FROM ONE GENERATION TO THE NEXT, GIVE YOUR CHURCH HUNGER FOR YOUR PROMISES IN THE SACRAMENTS AND JOY IN RECEIVING AND SHARING YOUR WORD. HEAR US, O GOD.

Your mercy is great.

YOUR CREATION PROVIDES ALL THAT WE NEED. CLEANSE AND PROTECT THE WATER YOU HAVE GIVEN FOR WASHING AND DRINKING, WATER ON WHICH ALL LIFE DEPENDS. SUSTAIN CROPS AND HERDS THAT PROVIDE FOOD; TEACH US HOW TO LIVE SO THAT THERE IS ENOUGH FOR ALL. HEAR US, O GOD.

Your mercy is great.

YOU REDEEMED YOUR PEOPLE FROM SLAVERY. PRESERVE PEOPLE THROUGHOUT THE WORLD WHO FLEE VIOLENCE AND OPPRESSION. ESTABLISH JUST LEADERSHIP IN PLACE OF TYRANNY AND PEACE IN PLACE OF WAR. HEAR US, O GOD.

Your mercy is great.

JESUS LOVED HIS FOLLOWERS TO THE END. GRANT ASSURANCE OF THAT LOVE TO ALL WHO NEED IT: THOSE LIVING WITH GUILT, THOSE STRUGGLING TO FORGIVE, THOSE WHO ARE LONELY OR OVERLOOKED. HEAL THE SICK AND EMBRACE THE DYING. HEAR US, O GOD.

Your mercy is great.

JESUS WASHED THE FEET OF THE ONE WHO BETRAYED HIM. INSPIRE THIS CONGREGATION'S MINISTRIES OF SERVICE, THAT WE LOVE AS JESUS LOVED US. GIVE US RENEWED COURAGE TO SERVE. BLESS THE MINISTRY OF DEACONS THROUGHOUT THE CHURCH. HEAR US, O GOD.

Your mercy is great.

YOUR GLORY SHONE IN THE SUFFERING, DEATH, AND RESURRECTION OF JESUS. WE THANK YOU FOR GENERATIONS OF THE FAITHFUL WHO HAVE PROCLAIMED OUR LORD'S DEATH. UNITE US WITH THEM IN HOPE UNTIL HE COMES AGAIN. HEAR US, O GOD.

Your mercy is great.

HEAR THESE AND ALL OUR PRAYERS, O GOD, IN THE NAME OF THE ONE WHO LOVES US TO THE END, JESUS CHRIST OUR REDEEMER.

Amen.

*** The Peace**

THE PEACE OF THE LORD BE WITH YOU ALWAYS.

And also with you.

~ The Meal ~

The Offering and Organ Offertory

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*** The Offertory Procession** (*music on page 66 of the LBW*)

Let the vineyards be fruitful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of blessing.

Gather a harvest from the seeds that were sown, That we may be fed with the bread of life.

Gather the hopes and the dreams of all; Unite them with the prayers we offer now.

Grace our table with your presence, And give us a foretaste of the feast to come.

*** The Offertory Prayer**

LET US PRAY: FAITHFUL GOD, YOU WALK BESIDE US IN DESERT PLACES, AND YOU MEET US IN OUR HUNGER WITH BREAD FROM HEAVEN. ACCOMPANY US IN THIS MEAL, THAT WE MAY PASS OVER FROM DEATH TO LIFE WITH JESUS CHRIST, OUR SAVIOR AND LORD.

Amen.

*** The Great Thanksgiving**

*** The Preface and Sanctus** (*LBW page 68*)

THE LORD BE WITH YOU.

(Sung) **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 him thanks and praise.

IT IS INDEED RIGHT AND SALUTARY...AND JOIN THEIR UNENDING HYMN: (*LBW page 69*)

(Sung) **Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of pow'r and might:**

Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest.

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

* **The Prayer of Thanksgiving**

MADE ONE WITH CHRIST, AND THUS ONE WITH EACH OTHER, WE LAY BEFORE YOU, O MERCIFUL GOD, ...GRANT US, THEREFORE, GRACIOUS GOD, TO SO EAT AND DRINK IN REMEMBRANCE OF OUR DEAR SON, JESUS CHRIST, THAT WE MAY EVERMORE DWELL IN HIM AND HE IN US.

Amen.

IN THE NIGHT IN WHICH HE WAS BETRAYED...DO THIS IN REMEMBRANCE OF ME.

* **The Lord's Prayer**

JESUS, 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

* **The Invitation to the Table**

JESUS DRAWS THE WHOLE WORLD TO HIMSELF. COME TO THIS MEAL AND BE FED.

The Agnus Dei “Lamb of God” (*LBW page 72*)

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.

The Distribution

All who are baptized and believe that Christ is truly present in the Sacrament are welcome to commune when we celebrate the Lord's Supper. Zion members, please complete a Communion card once a year for our records.

* **The Post-Communion Blessing**

THE BODY AND BLOOD OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST STRENGTHEN YOU AND KEEP YOU IN HIS GRACE.

Amen.

* **The Post-Communion Prayer**

LET US PRAY 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.

(Please be seated)

The Stripping of the Altar

AFTER THE LAST SUPPER, LESS THAN TWENTY-FOUR HOURS REMAINED IN THE EARLY LIFE OF OUR LORD. EVENTS MOVED RAPIDLY: PRAYER IN GETHSEMANE, BETRAYAL BY JUDAS, ARREST, MOCK TRIAL, PAINFUL BEATING, THE TRUDGE TO GOLGOTHA AND EXECUTION. AS HIS LIFE WAS STRIPPED FROM HIM, SO WE STRIP OUR ALTAR OF THE SIGNS OF LIFE TO SYMBOLIZE HIS PURPOSEFUL, REDEMPTIVE SUFFERING AND DEATH FOR US. JESUS SAID, “I AM THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD. WHOEVER FOLLOWS ME WILL HAVE THE LIGHT OF LIFE AND WILL NEVER WALK IN DARKNESS.” THE EVENTS OF GOLGOTHA SNUFFED OUT THE HUMAN LIFE OF JESUS, THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD. AS EVEN CREATION WAS DARK WHEN HE SUFFERED, SO WE EXTINGUISHED OUR CANDLES.

**Go to dark Gethsemane, all who feel the tempter's pow'r;
your Redeemer's conflict see. Watch with him one bitter hour;
turn not from his griefs away; learn from Jesus Christ to pray.**

**Follow to the judgment hall, view the Lord of life arraigned;
oh, the wormwood and the gall! Oh, the pangs his soul sustained!
Shun not suff'ring, shame, or loss; learn from him to bear the cross.**

**Calv'ry's mournful mountain climb; there, adoring at his feet,
mark that miracle of time, God's own sacrifice complete.**

"It is finished!" hear him cry; learn from Jesus Christ to die.

OUR OFFERINGS REPRESENT ONE WAY OF SERVING GOD AND OTHERS. THEY REFLECT GOD'S GREATEST OFFERING TO THE WORLD AND TO US IN SENDING HIS SON, JESUS, IN HUMAN FORM. AS THE OFFERED BODY OF JESUS WAS REMOVED FROM SIGHT IN BURIAL, SO WE REMOVE OUR OFFERINGS.

**Early hasten to the tomb, where they laid his breathless clay;
all is solitude and gloom. Who has taken him away?**

Christ is ris'n! He meets our eyes. Savior, teach us so to rise.

THE MISSAL STAND HOLDS OUR WORSHIP BOOKS THAT GUIDE OUR WORSHIP LIFE TOGETHER AS WE SING PRAISES TO GOD AND THE PULPIT BIBLE PROCLAIMS GOD'S WORD OF SALVATION. AS JESUS SUFFERS, JOYOUS SONGS ARE NOT HEARD. AS THESE SOUNDS OF JOY ARE REMOVED FROM OUR LIPS, WE REMOVE THE STANDS AND BIBLE.

**Go to dark Gethsemane, all who feel the tempter's pow'r;
your Redeemer's conflict see. Watch with him one bitter hour;
turn not from his griefs away; learn from Jesus Christ to pray.**

JESUS' OFFERED BODY AND HIS SHED BLOOD HAVE BEEN GIVEN TO US IN, WITH, AND UNDER THE FORM OF BREAD AND WINE IN THIS HOLY MYSTERY. AS HE WAS REMOVED FROM US IN THE GRAVE, SO WE REMOVE THE ELEMENTS AND VESSELS OF THIS SACRAMENT.

**Follow to the judgment hall, view the Lord of life arraigned;
oh, the wormwood and the gall! Oh, the pangs his soul sustained!
Shun not suff'ring, shame, or loss; learn from him to bear the cross.**

OUR ALTAR IS IN THE FORM OF A TABLE. IT IS HERE WHERE OUR LORD JESUS SERVES US, OFFERING THE BREAD OF LIFE AND THE CUP OF SALVATION. THE ALTAR COVERINGS AND PARAMENTS ARE MADE OF FINE LINEN AND BROCADE; MATERIALS APPROPRIATE FOR FEASTING WITH OUR KING. AS OUR KING'S BODY WAS STRIPPED IN CRUCIFIXION, SO OUR ALTAR IS STRIPPED OF ITS COVERINGS.

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mark that miracle of time, God's own sacrifice complete.**

"It is finished!" hear him cry; learn from Jesus Christ to die.

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all is solitude and gloom. Who has taken him away?**

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(Please kneel if able)

The Psalm 51 (Read responsively)

HAVE MERCY ON ME, O GOD, ACCORDING TO YOUR STEADFAST LOVE;

according to your abundant mercy blot out my transgressions.

WASH ME THOROUGHLY FROM MY INIQUITY,

and cleanse me from my sin.

FOR I KNOW MY TRANSGRESSIONS,

and my sin is ever before me.

AGAINST YOU, YOU ALONE, HAVE I SINNED,

and done what is evil in your sight,
SO THAT YOU ARE JUSTIFIED IN YOUR SENTENCE
and blameless when you pass judgment.
INDEED, I WAS BORN GUILTY,

a sinner when my mother conceived me.
YOU DESIRE TRUTH IN THE INWARD BEING;
therefore teach me wisdom in my secret heart.
PURGE ME WITH HYSSOP, AND I SHALL BE CLEAN;
wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.

LET ME HEAR JOY AND GLADNESS;
let the bones that you have crushed rejoice.
HIDE YOUR FACE FROM MY SINS,
and blot out all my iniquities.

CREATE IN ME A CLEAN HEART, O GOD,
and put a new and right spirit within me.
DO NOT CAST ME AWAY FROM YOUR PRESENCE,
and do not take your holy spirit from me.

RESTORE TO ME THE JOY OF YOUR SALVATION,
and sustain in me a willing spirit.

THEN I WILL TEACH TRANSGRESSORS YOUR WAYS,
and sinners will return to you.

DELIVER ME FROM BLOODSHED, O GOD, O GOD OF MY SALVATION,
and my tongue will sing aloud of your deliverance.

O LORD, OPEN MY LIPS,
and my mouth will declare your praise.

FOR YOU HAVE NO DELIGHT IN SACRIFICE;
if I were to give a burnt offering, you would not be pleased.

THE SACRIFICE ACCEPTABLE TO GOD IS A BROKEN SPIRIT;
a broken and contrite heart, O God, you will not despise.

DO GOOD TO ZION IN YOUR GOOD PLEASURE;
rebuild the walls of Jerusalem,

THEN YOU WILL DELIGHT IN RIGHT SACRIFICES, IN BURNT OFFERINGS AND WHOLE BURNT OFFERINGS;
then bulls will be offered on your altar.



Maundy Thursday

The Responsory

HE ENDURED THE SUFFERING THAT SHOULD HAVE BEEN OURS
the pain that we should have borne.

HE WAS PUT TO DEATH
for the sins of our people.

BECAUSE OF OUR SINS HE WAS WOUNDED,
beaten because of the evil we did.

WE ARE HEALED BY THE PUNISHMENT HE SUFFERED,
made whole by the blows he received.

GOD DID NOT EVEN KEEP BACK HIS OWN SON,
but offered him up for us all.

The lights are lowered, when the lights are turned on, please leave quietly; returning here tomorrow evening at 7:00 P.M for our Good Friday Service; Saturday Easter Vigil service is at 7:00 P.M. and on Sunday the Easter Liturgy is at 9:00 A.M.

Participants

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