

Zion Lutheran Church, Aberdeen, SD
Maundy Thursday
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PRELUDE *That Priceless Grace* David Lasky

RECOGNITION OF FIRST COMMUNION YOUTH

DIALOG

Bless the Lord, who forgives all our sins.
God's mercy endures forever.

Blessed be God, who gives us life and salvation,
a gift we can never deserve or earn.

Given for you, for me, for all for the forgiveness of sins
in bread and wine, body and blood, Word and presence.

Given in grace, received by faith.
Give us truly believing hearts, O God, so that we might receive this great gift.

HYMN	<i>Where Charity and Love Prevail</i>	ELW #359
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- 1 Where charity and love prevail,
there God is ever found;
brought here together by Christ's love,
by love we thus are bound.
- 2 With grateful joy and holy fear,
God's charity we learn;
let us with heart and mind and soul
now love God in return.
- 3 Let us recall that in our midst
dwells Christ, God's holy Son;
as members of each body joined,
in him we are made one.
- 4 Let strife among us be unknown;
let all contentions cease.
Be God's the glory that we seek;
be his our only peace.
- 5 Let us forgive each other's faults
as we our own confess,
that we may love each other well
in Christian gentleness.

MESSAGE Pastor Erin Heidelberger

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Silence is kept for reflection and self-examination.

Most merciful God,
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.

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.**

PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you always.
And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray. Gracious God,
out of your love and mercy you breathed into dust the breath of life, creating us to serve you and our neighbors. Call forth our prayers and acts of kindness, and strengthen us to face our mortality with confidence in the mercy of 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

Exodus 12:1-14

Pew Bible OT pg. 64

¹The 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.

Word of God. Word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM

Psalm 143

(read responsively)

¹Hear my prayer, O LORD;
give ear to my supplications in your faithfulness;
answer me in your righteousness.
²**Do not enter into judgment with your servant,
for no one living is righteous before you.**
³For the enemy has pursued me,
crushing my life to the ground,
making me sit in darkness like those long dead.
⁴**Therefore my spirit faints within me;
my heart within me is appalled.**
⁵I remember the days of old,
I think about all your deeds,
I meditate on the works of your hands.
⁶**I stretch out my hands to you;
my soul thirsts for you like a parched land.**
⁷Answer me quickly, O LORD; my spirit fails.
Do not hide your face from me,
or I shall be like those who go down to the Pit.
⁸**Let me hear of your steadfast love in the morning,
for in you I put my trust.**
Teach me the way I should go, for to you I lift up my soul.
⁹Save me, O LORD, from my enemies;
I have fled to you for refuge.
¹⁰**Teach me to do your will,
for you are my God.**
Let your good spirit lead me on a level path.
¹¹For your name's sake, O LORD, preserve my life.
In your righteousness bring me out of trouble.
¹²**In your steadfast love cut off my enemies,
and destroy all my adversaries,
for I am your servant.**

GOSPEL

Mark 14:17-25

¹⁷When it was evening, he came with the twelve. ¹⁸And when they had taken their places and were eating, Jesus said, "Truly I tell you, one of you will betray me, one who is eating with me." ¹⁹They began to be distressed and to say to him one after another, "Surely, not I?" ²⁰He said to them, "It is one of the twelve, one who is dipping bread into the bowl with me. ²¹For the Son of Man goes as it is written of him, but woe to that one by whom the Son of Man is betrayed! It would have been better for that one not to have been born."

²²While they were eating, he took a loaf of bread, and after blessing it he broke it, gave it to them, and said, "Take; this is my body." ²³Then he took a cup, and after giving thanks he gave it to them, and all of them drank from it. ²⁴He said to them, "This is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many. ²⁵Truly I tell you, I will never again drink of the fruit of the vine until that day when I drink it new in the kingdom of God."

The gospel of the Lord.

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

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Let us pray to the Lord, the God in heaven and on the earth. *A brief silence.*

Holy Father, we pray for all who seek assurance of your forgiveness and mercy. Help us to have faith in the words "shed for you." Lord in your mercy. **Hear our prayer.**

Merciful God, we pray for renewal as we eat and drink the body and blood of your dear son at your table. As he suffered rejection, remind us that this is his blood on our hands. Lord in your mercy. **Hear our prayer.**

Heavenly Spirit, we pray for forgiveness and new life found through Jesus Christ our Lord who on this night was betrayed. May we have hearts of faith and not of betrayal. Lord in your mercy. **Hear our prayer.**

You are a God of grace and mercy and we pray that these gifts are poured out for all of your people. In Jesus’ name we pray. **Amen**

SPECIAL MUSIC
O Lamb of God
Kathy Brumbaugh, vocalist

THE LORD’S SUPPER

RITE OF FIRST COMMUNION
We celebrate with Sienna Weisser, Zion 5th grader, as she receives her first Holy Communion tonight. Sienna and her family and baptismal sponsors will receive Communion first, followed by the rest of the congregation.

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
It is indeed right, our duty and our joy . . . we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

SANCTUS
Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power 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.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE 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, 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.

Come to Christ, broken and poured out for you.
Thanks be to God.

COMMUNION MUSIC *For the Bread Which You Have Broken* ELW #494

- 1
- For the bread which you have broken,
for the wine which you have poured,
for the words which you have spoken,
now we give you thanks, O Lord.
- 2
- By this promise that you love us,
by your gift of peace restored,
by your call to heav'n above us,
hallow all our lives, O Lord.
- 3
- With the saints who now adore you,
seated at the heav'nly board,
may the church still waiting for you
keep love's tie unbroken, Lord.
- 4
- In your service, Lord, defend us;
in our hearts keep watch and ward;
in the world to which you send us
let your kingdom come, O Lord.

BLESSING

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **Amen.**

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

God of abundance, with this bread of life and cup of salvation you have united us with Christ, making us one with all your people. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your Gospel of redemption for the world and continue forever in Christ Jesus. **Amen.**

SPECIAL MUSIC *Jesus Is a Rock in a Weary Land*
Zach Anderson, vocalist

POSTLUDE

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