Worship Service April 14, 2022

Zion Lutheran Church, Aberdeen, SD Maundy Thursday with First Communion Mark Galbraith, Interim Pastor

PRELUDE "Into the Woods My Master Went" Peter Lutkin

Kathy Brumbaugh, soloist

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 "A New Commandment" WOV #664

We will sing two times through.

A new commandment I give unto you,

that you love one another as I have loved you,

that you love one another as I have loved you.

By this shall people know you are my disciples,

if you have love one for another;

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if you have love one for another.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS (please stand)

Friends in Christ, in this Lenten season we have heard our Lord's call to 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 called at baptism.

Within the community of the church, God never wearies of forgiving sin and giving the peace of reconciliation. On this night let us confess our sin against God and our neighbor, and enter the celebration of the great Three Days reconciled with God and with one another.

Silence is kept for reflection and self-examination.

Gracious God,

have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of + Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith. Amen.

PEACE

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

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray. Gracious 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. (please be seated)

SPECIAL MUSIC

"They Crucified My Lord"

ELW #350

Verses—Zach Anderson; Refrain—All

- 1 They crucified my Lord, and he never said a mumbalin' word; they crucified my Lord, and he never said a mumbalin' word; not a word, not a word.
- 2 They nailed him to a tree, and he never said a mumbalin' word; they nailed him to a tree, and he never said a mumbalin' word; not a word, not a word.
- 3 They pierced him in the side, and he never said a mumbalin' word; they pierced him in the side, and he never said a mumbalin' word; not a word, not a word.
- The blood came streamin' down, and he never said a mumbalin' word; the blood came streamin' down, and he never said a mumbalin' word; not a word, not a word.
- 5 He hung his head and died, and he never said a mumbalin' word; he hung his head and died, and he never said a mumbalin' word; not a word, not a word.

FIRST READING

Exodus 12:1-14

Pew Bible Old Testament 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. ¹They 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 116:1-2, 12-19 (read responsively)

¹I love the LORD, because he has heard my voice and my supplications.

my voice and my supplications. ²Because he inclined his ear to me,

therefore I will call on him as long as I live.

¹²What shall I return to the LORD for all his bounty to me?

¹³I will lift up the cup of salvation and call on the name of the LORD,

¹⁴I will pay my vows to the LORD in the presence of all his people.

¹⁵Precious in the sight of the LORD is the death of his faithful ones.

¹⁶O LORD, I am your servant;

I am your servant, the child of your serving girl.

You have loosed my bonds.

¹⁷I will offer to you a thanksgiving sacrifice and call on the name of the LORD.

¹⁸I will pay my vows to the LORD in the presence of all his people,

¹⁹in the courts of the house of the LORD, in your midst, O Jerusalem.

Praise the LORD!

GOSPEL

John 13:1-17, 31b-35

¹Now 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. ³¹When he had gone out, Jesus said, "Now 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.

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

MESSAGE Pastor Mark Galbraith



RITE OF FIRST COMMUNION

We celebrate with Tehya Beusch, Blake Bjorgaard, Harper Bretsch, Ernie Dickey, Tobin German, Hunter Kaup, Ashton Spitzer, Bella Spitzer, and Noah VanderWeyst as they receive their first Holy Communion tonight. These children, their families, and baptismal sponsors will receive Communion first, followed by the rest of the congregation.

GREAT THANKSGIVING (please stand)

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.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Let us pray to the Lord, the God in heaven and on the earth.

Prayer response: Lord, in your mercy. **Hear our prayer.**

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.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

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

COMMUNION HYMN

"One Bread, One Body"

ELW #496

Refrain

One bread, one body, one Lord of all; one cup of blessing which we bless, and we, though many throughout the earth, we are one body in this one Lord.

- 1 Gentile or Jew, servant or free, woman or man, no more. *Refrain*
- 2 Many the gifts, many the works, one in the Lord of all. *Refrain*
- Grain for the fields, scattered and grown, gathered to one for all. *Refrain*

BLESSING

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

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray together:

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.

SENDING HYMN

"Go to Dark Gethsemane"

ELW #347

1 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.

- 2 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.
- 4 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.

We depart in silence.

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