



Maundy Thursday, March 24, 2016

9:00am

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WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P: 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. [We have shared this discipline of Lent with new brothers and sisters in Christ who will be baptized at the Easter Vigil.] 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.)

Most merciful God,

**C: 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.**

P: 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.

C: Amen.

GATHERING HYMN *Lift High the Cross*

ELW 660

GREETING

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: **And also with you.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

A: 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.

C: **Amen.**

CHOIR *Who Is This Man?*

FIRST READING: Exodus 12:1-4 [5-10] 11-14

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.

L: Word of God, word of life

C: Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 116:1-2, 12-19

A: ¹I love the LORD, who has | heard my voice,
and listened to my | supplication,

C: ²for the LORD has given | ear to me
whenev- | er I called.

A: ¹²How shall I re- | pay the LORD
for all the good things God has | done for me?

C: ¹³**I will lift the cup | of salvation
and call on the name | of the LORD. R**

A: ¹⁴I will fulfill my vows | to the LORD
in the presence of | all God's people.

C: ¹⁵**Precious in your | sight, O LORD,
is the death | of your servants.**

A: ¹⁶O LORD, truly I | am your servant;
I am your servant, the child of your handmaid;
you have freed me | from my bonds.

C: ¹⁷**I will offer you the sacrifice | of thanksgiving
and call upon the name | of the LORD.**

A: ¹⁸I will fulfill my vows | to the LORD
in the presence of | all God's people,

C: ¹⁹**in the courts of | the LORD's house,
in the midst of you, | O Jerusalem. R**

SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 11:23-26

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.

L: Word of God, word of life

C: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL VERSE

Congregation:

Re - turn to God with all your heart, the
Source of grace and mer - cy; Come, seek the ten - der
faith - ful - ness of God. *Repeat optional*

GOSPEL: John 13:1-17, 31b-35

P: The holy gospel according to John.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

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.”

^{31b}“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.”

P: The gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

TIME FOR CHILDREN

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY *Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love* **ELW 708**

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

A: At this service of communion at Christ’s table, let us join together in prayer for the church, the world, and all in need.

A brief silence.

Blessed are you, O God, for the church. Bring all people into your fellowship of love. Make us worthy to share your food. Pass us over from death into life.

A: Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

A: ...Receive, O loving God, our prayers, and grant that we and all people may know the mercy of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

PEACE

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

C: And also with you.

OFFERING

AS THE GRAINS OF WHEAT

ELW 465

OFFERING PRAYER

A: Let us pray. God of glory, receive these gifts and the offering of our lives. As Jesus was lifted up from the earth, draw us to your heart in the midst of this world, that all creation may be brought from bondage to freedom, from darkness to light, and from death to life; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

LORD'S PRAYER

P: Make us bold, O merciful God, to address you as our Abba as we pray:

C: 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

P: Where charity and love abide, there is God.
Rejoice in this holy communion.

SHARING COMMUNION AROUND THE ALTAR

Welcome to the Lord's Table! All baptized Christians who believe the words "This is my body given for you, shed for you, for the forgiveness of sins" are welcome to come forward to receive this gift of grace. Please wait for ushers to direct you to the front of the sanctuary. You may kneel at the railing or stand. Take the bread and eat. Take the cup (wine is purple, grape juice is yellow) and drink. Keep the cup and place in bowl the provided through the side exit as you leave the altar and walk back to your pew. If you are unable to come forward and would like to receive communion, let the ushers know and we will bring communion to you. If you prefer not to receive communion but would like to receive a blessing, please come forward with your arms crossed over your chest. May these gifts keep you in eternal life.

COMMUNION HYMN *Now We Join in Celebration* **ELW 462**

COMMUNION HYMN *What Feast of Love* **ELW 487**

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

A: 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.

C: Amen.

Pastor will read Psalm 88 and Psalm 22 while the Altar Guild strips the altar. After silent reflection, assembly leaves, also in silence.

Good Friday Community Cross Walk, March 25th.
Community area churches come together for Good Friday Cross Walk. All are welcome. We begin at noon at Veteran's Park by Main St., Cambridge. We will gather and walk to 5 different locations within 2 blocks. Join us as we come together for this Holy Friday brief Worship Service and short walk.

~Worship Leaders~

Pastor ~ Pastor Brenda Lovick

Assisting Minister ~ Karen Hayes **Lector** ~ Joy Graffin

Greeter ~ Marilyn Gunderson

Ushers ~ Carolyn Lien, Kurt & Barb Klemp

Communion Set up/Take down ~ Marge Stach & Marilyn Gunderson

Communion Assistants ~ Franklin & Beverly Lien

Musician ~ Judy Rusch

Church Lock-up ~ Judy Rusch

~Prayers~

Please note: If you have a prayer request for the bulletin, please make note on your communion/welcome card. You may also notify the office before noon on Wednesday.

Prayer requests will remain for 3 weeks unless otherwise requested.

*Denotes new/changed request.

Thanksgiving to God for...

East Koshkonong Lutheran Church's mission and ministry, especially this week (*see calendar*)

-Prayers for the ministries of Lindsay Stolen.

God's guidance and direction for those with healing and health concerns...

-Diane Nelson -Christy Anderson -Dennis & Mary Hareid
-Amie Broeniman -Emma Broeniman -June Lehr
-Ron Buser -Allison Moc -Johnnie Jacobson
-Julia Radloff -Griffin Clark -Rev. Stan Christensen
-The grieving family of Hazel Tellefson as we express sympathy for their loss.

God's protection & safety for people of the world.

-For global refugee crisis.

-For the peace among all the nations of the world.

God's protection and safety for those being deployed...

-Please remember all our veterans, and those on active duty, Eric Killen, Matthew Killen, Zach Hromatko, Joe Janness. Give them all God's comfort in their memories of war and their service to their country. (*Please let office know if you have a family member on active duty that is not included in these prayers so they can be added.*)

Attendance Report for last Sunday, March 20, 2016: 125

Attendance Report for Sunday, March 13, 2016: 84

Attendance Report Sunday, March 6, 2016: 109

Attendance of Sunday, February 28, 2016 : 109

~Announcements~

Visitors, welcome! We are glad to share Christian worship and fellowship with you. Please ask our ushers for a packet of info about East Koshkonong. To participate in worship, please follow the order of worship in the bulletin. Page numbers are in the front of the ELW (cranberry hymnal), and hymn numbers are in the back of the hymnal. You are always welcome at the table of Holy Communion where Christ is our host, inviting all of us to come and eat. Please fill out a communion card, and hand it to an usher as you come forward for communion. Prayer requests, comments, or questions may be written on the back of the communion card. We hope to see you again soon at EKLC.

Are you interested in membership with EKLC? If you are interested in becoming a member or know someone who is, please contact Pastor Brenda or Julie in the church office. Pastor Brenda would like to offer a membership class, but would like to know when to schedule it.

Devotionals available in narthex: April, May, June *Christ in Our Home* and *Portals of Prayer* Devotionals are available for you in the Church Narthex!!

Hospice items needed EKLC is assembling Global Health Ministry Hospice Kits and Newborn kits! These kits will be taken to the Synod Assembly. **Items still needed for the Hospice Kits are: bath towel (not longer than 48”), washcloth, band aids, Heavy duty rubber gloves (kitchen type, size medium) and Petroleum jelly.**

Lenten Food Pantry Focus: Through Lent, we are collecting monetary donations and nonperishable food donations for five local food pantries. Let's work together to help hungry families in our community!

EKL Youth Group (5th-12th grade) You're invited to a special viewing of a new Disney movie, "The Jungle Book" at Cinema Café on **Sunday, April 17th.** We will meet at EKLC at 11:30 (after Confirmation/Sunday School) and return to the church around 3pm. Sign up sheets are in the church narthex & Youth Room for youth attending and chaperones.

EKLC Cemetery Association This is a friendly reminder to please have all decorations removed from the Church Cemetery by April 1st. Thank you.

Family Focus is selling Butter Braids again, with orders due at the beginning of April (delivery mid-April). They are \$12 and come in the same variety of flavors. If interested, please talk to Ann Nottestad. Call (608) 575-4569 or email sajen_14@yahoo.com

Habitat for Humanity Stewardship is seeking donations for the Habitat for Humanity Summer Faith Build project! Donations can be enclosed in the special envelopes provided in your bulletin today. Extra envelopes will be available in the Narthex. Simply drop these envelopes in the offering plate or mail/drop them off at the church office. Please indicate on the check memo line that it is for the Habitat Home!

~Calendar of Events~

Thursday, March 24, 2016 Maundy Thursday

- 9:00am Newsletter Assembly
- 9:00am Text Study
- 6:30pm Choir Practice
- 7:00pm Maundy Thursday Worship

Friday, March 25, 2016 Good Friday

- 12:00pm Community Cross Walk in Cambridge
- 7:00pm Good Friday Worship at Grace Lutheran

Sunday, March 27, 2016 Easter Sunday

- 6:30am Sunrise Worship at Upper Church
- 7:30am-8:30am Fellowship Coffee Hour
- 8:00am Choir Practice
- 9:00am Easter Worship at Lower Church

Monday, March 28, 2016

OFFICE CLOSED

Tuesday, March 29, 2016

- 9:00am Staff Meeting
- 10:00am Prayers for our people
- 10:30am-1:30pm Pastor's office hours

Wednesday, March 30, 2016

- 7:00pm Confirmation

Sunday, April 3, 2016

- 9:00am Worship, Sunday School Children Sing
Habitat for Humanity Day
- 10:00am Fellowship Coffee Hour
- 10:15am Sunday School Group Project/Confirmation
- 10:30am Mutual Ministry Meeting
- 11:00am Education Committee Meeting

