



Maundy Thursday

*Thursday, April 21, 2011
6:00pm*

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Welcome visitors! Thank you for taking the time to fill out the communion card provided by the ushers. We believe that the host of the meal provided during worship today is Christ. Christ invites everyone to this meal, saying, "This is for you for the forgiveness of sin." Echoing Christ, we invite everyone to this banquet. If you would like to receive deeper instruction in the Christian faith; if you desire to be baptized; or if you simply seek someone to pray with or for you, inquire of the pastor or indicate the need on the communion card. Grape juice is in the center ring of the communion tray.

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Prelude

Corporate Confession & Forgiveness.....Page 258 - 259

*Those who desire the laying on of hands as an individual sign of forgiveness
may come forward and kneel at the altar rail.*

Hymns to be sung during the laying on of hands

..... "God Loved the World"#323

..... "Softly and Tenderly Jesus Is Calling"#608

Prayer of the Day.....

A: Let us pray

**C: 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**

First Lesson.....Exodus 12:1-14

Spark NRSV Page 71, Pew Bible Page 51

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.

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.

Lector: Word of God, Word of Life.

Congregational Response: Thanks be to God.

The East Koshkonong Church Choir..... *"Garden of Gethsemane"*

Second Lesson.....1 Corinthians 11:23-26

Spark NRSV Page 1270, Pew Bible Page 933

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 the meal is a living proclamation of Christ's death until he comes in the future.

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.

Lector: Word of God, Word of Life.

Congregational Response: Thanks be to God.

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 13th
Chapter.

Congregation: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

The Gospel.....John 13: 1-17, 31b-35

Spark Story Bible Pg. 462, Spark NRSV pg. 1190, Pew Bible Pg 876
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.

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. ^{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."

Pastor: The Gospel of the Lord.

Congregation: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Sermon..... “An Object Lesson”.....Pastor Jim Schwarz

Hymn..... “Where Charity and Love Prevail”.....#359

The Prayers of the Church.....

A: Hear us, O God,
C: **your mercy is great.**

Sharing of the Peace.....

The Offering.....

The Offering Prayer.....

A: Merciful God,
we cry out for the hope and healing you offer.
Guide us continually to your service.
Make us your hands to feed the hungry
and prepare us to receive the bread of life,
Jesus Christ, your Son, our Savior.

C: Amen

The Great Thanksgiving.....Page 152

Holy, Holy, Holy.....Page 153

The Words of Institution.....

The Lord’s Prayer.....

The Communion Distribution.....

*You are invited to sing the following hymn during the distribution of
Communion:*

“Around You, O Lord Jesus” #468

Post Communion Prayer.....

A: Let us pray. Lord Jesus,
in this 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

Stripping of the Altar (*While Psalm 22 is spoken responsively*)

Psalm.....Psalm 22

Pastor = P: ~ Congregation = C:

P: My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?

Why are you so far from helping me, from the words of my groaning?

C: ²**O my God, I cry by day, but you do not answer;
and by night, but find no rest.**

P: ³Yet you are holy,
enthroned on the praises of Israel.

C: ⁴**In you our ancestors trusted;
they trusted, and you delivered them.**

P: ⁵To you they cried, and were saved;
in you they trusted, and were not put to shame.

C: ⁶**But I am a worm, and not human;
scorned by others, and despised by the people.**

P: ⁷All who see me mock at me;
they make mouths at me, they shake their heads;

C: ⁸**"Commit your cause to the LORD; let him deliver —
let him rescue the one in whom he delights!"**

P: ⁹Yet it was you who took me from the womb;
you kept me safe on my mother's breast.

C: ¹⁰**On you I was cast from my birth,
and since my mother bore me you have been my God.**

P: ¹¹Do not be far from me,
for trouble is near and there is no one to help.

C: ¹²**Many bulls encircle me,
strong bulls of Bashan surround me;**

P: ¹³they open wide their mouths at me,
like a ravening and roaring lion.

C: ¹⁴**I am poured out like water,
and all my bones are out of joint;
my heart is like wax;
it is melted within my breast;**

P: ¹⁵my mouth is dried up like a potsherd,
and my tongue sticks to my jaws;
you lay me in the dust of death.

C: ¹⁶**For dogs are all around me;
a company of evildoers encircles me.
My hands and feet have shriveled;**

P: ¹⁷I can count all my bones.
They stare and gloat over me;

C: ¹⁸**they divide my clothes among themselves,
and for my clothing they cast lots.**

P: ¹⁹But you, O LORD, do not be far away!

O my help, come quickly to my aid!

C: ²⁰**Deliver my soul from the sword,
my life from the power of the dog!**

P: ²¹Save me from the mouth of the lion!

From the horns of the wild oxen you have rescued me.

C: ²²**I will tell of your name to my brothers and sisters
in the midst of the congregation I will praise you:**

P: ²³You who fear the LORD, praise him!

All you offspring of Jacob, glorify him;
stand in awe of him, all you offspring of Israel!

C: ²⁴**For he did not despise or abhor
the affliction of the afflicted;
he did not hide his face from me,
but heard when I cried to him.**

P: ²⁵From you comes my praise in the great congregation;
my vows I will pay before those who fear him.

C: ²⁶**The poor shall eat and be satisfied;
those who seek him shall praise the LORD.
May your hearts live forever!**

P: ²⁷All the ends of the earth shall remember
and turn to the LORD;
and all the families of the nations
shall worship before him.

C: ²⁸**For dominion belongs to the LORD,
and he rules over the nations.**

P: ²⁹To him, indeed, shall all who sleep in the earth bow down;
before him shall bow all who go down to the dust,
and I shall live for him.

C: ³⁰**Posterity will serve him;
future generations will be told about the LORD,**

P: ³¹and proclaim his deliverance to a people yet unborn,
saying that he has done it.

There is no benediction. All leave the church in silence.

The service continues tomorrow, Good Friday at 6:00pm

~ *Worship Assistants* ~

Pastor ~ Pastor James A. Schwarz

Intern Pastor ~ Intern Pastor Miranda Hinrichs

Assistant Minister ~ Karen Hayes

Lector ~ Beverly Lien

Greeter ~ Bonnie Ehrke

Communion Set-up & Take-down ~ Marge Stach

Communion Assistants ~ Gloria Fruit & Bea Householder

Organist ~ Judy Rusch

~ *Prayer Requests* ~

Thanksgiving to God for...

- East Koshkonong Lutheran Church's mission and ministry.
- Prayers for the ministries of Arden and Jana Haug, Lindsay Stolen, and Jens Notstad.

God's guidance and direction for...

- For peace in Afghanistan, Iraq, Libya and among all the nations of the world.
- For the people of Japan in the aftermath of the disaster there.

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

- Please remember all our veterans. Give them all God's comfort in their memories of war and service to their country.

Healing and health concerns...

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| -Verna Evenson | -Della Porter | -Mitch Parker |
| -Eugene Lund | -Violet Jasensky | -Gloria Salov |
| -Roxanne Wildes | -Hayley Diehls | -Diane Barcellena |
| -Tony Hartwick | -Kim Badertscher | -Wilmer Christianson* |

Please note: If you have a prayer request and want it put in the bulletin, please write it down on the back of the communion/welcome card or notify the office before noon on Wednesday. Prayer requests will remain for 3 weeks unless otherwise requested. Please continue to pray for those who have been removed.

Prayer requests week 4-17-2011.

*Denotes new/changed request