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Passion Sunday April 10, 2022


Service of Holy Communion
9:30 a.m. Worship

Trinity Lutheran Church is a congregation of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America.
WELCOME TO WORSHIP THIS MORNING! We invite you to join us regularly for worship and in a variety of activities and opportunities in our congregational life. If you are new here, we welcome you; if you are a member of longstanding, we celebrate your gifts and your ministry among us. Our order of worship is printed on the following pages of this bulletin.

MISSION STATEMENT - The Mission Statement of Trinity Lutheran Church is to nurture faith through proclamation of the gospel of Jesus Christ by word, sacrament, deeds and loving relationships, to ALL people.

VISION STATEMENT - As proclaimers of the gospel of Jesus Christ, the Vision of Trinity Lutheran Church is to maximize our gifts and resources to reach out with God's love and serve the global community.

COMMUNION PROCEDURE - The communion table of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America is open to all baptized Christians who believe that our Lord Jesus is truly present in the forms of bread and wine

The Sacrament of Holy Communion is celebrated weekly throughout the year. No one is ever required to participate in the sacrament, but it is offered to nourish and sustain God's people. This is in accordance with Lutheran teaching:

Background 35A: The Church celebrates the Holy Communion frequently because the Church needs the sacrament, the means by which the Church's fellowship is established and its mission as the baptized people of God is nourished and sustained. This practice was reaffirmed in 1989 by the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America. We continue to need "consistent pastoral encouragement and instruction relating to Holy Communion ...pointing up Christ's command, his promise, and our deep need." For a variety of historical reasons, Lutherans in various places moved away from the weekly celebration of the sacrament.
Application 35C: Participation in the sacramental meal is by invitation, not demand. The members of the church are encouraged to make the sacrament a frequent rather than occasional part of their lives.
(Excerpts from: The Use of the Means of Grace, Principle 35)

## OFFERING

SECOND SUNDAY: Barnyard Boxes ELCA Good Gifts
The offering is collected at the beginning or end of worship using the plate at the entrance of the church. Each week, our congregation collects a general offering for the church and our ministries. Additionally, we collect an offering for special projects. If you would like to make a regular gift to the church, please place it in the offering plate. If you are looking to support our special project (noted above), please place your offering in the barnyard boxes or noisy offering buckets

Sunday, April 10, 2022

## INTRODUCTION

This Sunday commemorates the Passion of Jesus Christ from his grand procession into the capitol city of Jerusalem to his execution on a hillock just outside of town. Our order of service this morning will follow the Passion narrative, as recorded by St. Luke, beginning with procession of palms.
(If there is a palm procession, worshippers gather in the narthex for a reading of the processional text. Procession commences with the hymn - "All Glory, Laud, and Honor.")

L: ${ }^{29}$ When he had come near Bethphage and Bethany, at the place called the Mount of Olives, he sent two of the disciples, ${ }^{30}$ saying, "Go into the village ahead of you, and as you enter it you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden. Untie it and bring it here. ${ }^{31}$ If anyone asks you, 'Why are you untying it?' just say this, 'The Lord needs it.' " ${ }^{32}$ So those who were sent departed and found it as he had told them. ${ }^{33}$ As they were untying the colt, its owners asked them, "Why are you untying the colt?" ${ }^{34}$ They said, "The Lord needs it." ${ }^{35}$ Then they brought it to Jesus; and after throwing their cloaks on the colt, they set Jesus on it. ${ }^{36} \mathrm{As}$ he rode along, people kept spreading their cloaks on the road. ${ }^{37}$ As he was now approaching the path down from the Mount of Olives, the whole multitude of the disciples began to praise God joyfully with a loud voice for all the deeds of power that they had seen, ${ }^{38}$ saying,
"Blessed is the king
who comes in the name of the Lord!
Peace in heaven, and glory in the highest heaven!"
${ }^{39}$ Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to him, "Teacher, order your disciples to stop." ${ }^{40} \mathrm{He}$ answered, "I tell you, if these were silent, the stones would shout out."

to whom the lips of chil - dren made sweet ho - san - nas ring.




L: Then came the day of Unleavened Bread, on which the Passover lamb had to be sacrificed. ${ }^{8}$ So Jesus sent Peter and John, saying, "Go and prepare the Passover meal for us that we may eat it." ${ }^{9}$ They asked him, "Where do you want us to make preparations for it?" 10 "Listen," he said to them, "when you have entered the city, a man carrying a jar of water will meet you; follow him into the house he enters ${ }^{11}$ and say to the owner of the house, 'The teacher asks you, "Where is the guest room, where I may eat the Passover with my disciples?" ${ }^{12} \mathrm{He}$ will show you a large room upstairs, already furnished. Make preparations for us there." ${ }^{13}$ So they went and found everything as he had told them; and they prepared the Passover meal.

## Order for Holy Communion



P: ${ }^{14}$ When the hour came, Jesus took his place at the table, and the apostles with him. ${ }^{15} \mathrm{He}$ said to them, "I have eagerly desired to eat this Passover with you before I suffer; ${ }^{16}$ for I tell you, I will not eat it until it is fulfilled in the kingdom of God."
${ }^{17}$ Then he took a cup, and after giving thanks he said, "Take this and divide it among yourselves; ${ }^{18}$ for I tell you that from now on I will not drink of the fruit of the vine until the kingdom of God comes."
${ }^{19}$ Then he took a loaf of bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to them, saying, "This is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me." ${ }^{20}$ And he did the same with the cup after supper, saying, "This cup that is poured out for you is the new covenant in my blood.

## LORD'S PRAYER

P: Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.
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: Come to Christ's banquet. Feast on God's gift of grace.

## Sit

## DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION

The presiding minister and the assisting ministers give the bread and wine, saying these words to each communicant:

The body of Christ, given for you.
The blood of Christ, shed for you.
The communicant may say "Amen."

Follow the usher's instructions to approach the altar. Communion will be by individual cup, the communicant stands before the Pastor to receive the bread, then Assisting Minister will hand you the cup the cup of wine. Gluten-free communion wafers are available upon request. Simply tell the pastor at the time of communion. If you are unable to consume alcohol, please inform the assisting minister when it is your turn to receive the wine, and you will be given a wine substitute. There is a basket on the front pews for the used cups

## SILENT MEDITATION

While others are receiving communion you are invited to reflect on the readings, the sermon and the music of the day.

## Stand

## POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.
C: Amen.
P: Jesus said to his disciples, "You are those who have stood by me in my trials; ${ }^{29}$ and I confer on you, just as my Father has conferred on me, a kingdom, ${ }^{30}$ so that you may eat and drink at my table in my kingdom." May we be counted among those who join with those first disciples at banquet feast of the Lord.
C: Amen

Sit
L: Jesus, addressing Simon Peter, said to him: "Simon, Simon, listen! Satan has demanded to sift all of you like wheat, ${ }^{32}$ but I have prayed for you that your own faith may not fail; and you, when once you have turned back, strengthen your brothers." ${ }^{33}$ And he said to him, "Lord, I am ready to go with you to prison and to death!" ${ }^{34}$ Jesus said, "I tell you, Peter, the cock will not crow this day, until you have denied three times that you know me."
$\mathbf{P}:$ Jesus went, as was his custom, to the Mount of Olives; and the disciples followed him. ${ }^{40}$ When he reached the place, he said to them, "Pray that you may not come into the time of trial." ${ }^{41}$ Then he withdrew from them about a stone's throw, knelt down, and prayed, ${ }^{42 " F a t h e r, ~ i f ~ y o u ~ a r e ~}$ willing, remove this cup from me; yet, not my will but yours be done."

Congregation may remain sitting for the prayers

## Prayers of the Church

A Drawn close to the heart of God, we offer these prayers for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

## A brief silence.

A We pray for the church, called to follow Jesus in the way of the cross. Make us unflinching servants of the gospel. Deliver us from hardship as we confront the forces of injustice and practice radical compassion. Merciful God,
C receive our prayer.
A For the earth and all its inhabitants, created in love: Train us to recognize your divine goodness in the world around us. Rouse in us a reverence for creation, that we take greater care of its resources. Merciful God,
C receive our prayer.
A For those in positions of authority called to lead with integrity and compassion: Supply them with courage and vulnerability when challenged with new ideas. Deliver them from fear that limits imagination and impedes justice. Merciful God,
C receive our prayer.
A For those who suffer, waiting expectantly for mercy and consolation: Accompany those who feel abandoned or betrayed, defend those who are wrongly accused, and embrace those who are incarcerated or detained. Heal those who are ill (especially). Merciful God,
C receive our prayer.
A For Christians around the world, preparing this week to journey with Jesus to the cross: Reveal to us once again the earthshaking power of humble service, unmerited forgiveness, and sacrificial love. Lead us all from death to life. Merciful God,
C receive our prayer.
Here other intercessions may be offered.
A We remember those who have died (especially Mikael Agricola and . . .), who were commended into your hands. Remember us when you come into your kingdom, and prepare a place for each of us with you in paradise. Merciful God,
C receive our prayer.
P Accept the prayers we bring, O God, on behalf of a world in need, for the sake of Jesus Christ.
C Amen.

P: When he got up from prayer, he came to the disciples and found them sleeping because of grief, ${ }^{46}$ and he said to them, "Why are you sleeping? Get up and pray that you may not come into the time of trial."

L: ${ }^{47}$ While he was still speaking, suddenly a crowd came, and the one called Judas, one of the twelve, was leading them. He approached Jesus to kiss him; ${ }^{48}$ but Jesus said to him, "Judas, is it with a kiss that you are betraying the Son of Man?" ${ }^{49}$ When those who were around him saw what was coming, they asked, "Lord, should we strike with the sword?" ${ }^{50}$ Then one of them struck the slave of the high priest and cut off his right ear. ${ }^{51}$ But Jesus said, "No more of this!" And he touched his ear and healed him. ${ }^{52} \mathrm{Then}$ Jesus said to the chief priests, the officers of the temple police, and the elders who had come for him, "Have you come out with swords and clubs as if I were a bandit? ${ }^{53}$ When I was with you day after day in the temple, you did not lay hands on me. But this is your hour, and the power of darkness!"

P: ${ }^{54}$ Then they seized him and led him away, bringing him into the high priest's house. But Peter was following at a distance. ${ }^{55}$ When they had kindled a fire in the middle of the courtyard and sat down together, Peter sat among them. ${ }^{56}$ Then a servant-girl, seeing him in the firelight, stared at him and said, "This man also was with him." ${ }^{57}$ But he denied it, saying, "Woman, I do not know him." ${ }^{58} \mathrm{~A}$ little later someone else, on seeing him, said, "You also are one of them." But Peter said, "Man, I am not!" ${ }^{59}$ Then about an hour later still another kept insisting, "Surely this man also was with him; for he is a Galilean." ${ }^{60}$ But Peter said, "Man, I do not know what you are talking about!" At that moment, while he was still speaking, the cock crowed. ${ }^{61}$ The Lord turned and looked at Peter. Then Peter remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said to him, "Before the cock crows today, you will deny me three times." ${ }^{62}$ And Peter went out and wept bitterly.

## Order for Confession and Forgiveness

Stand. All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism, as the minister begins.
P Blessed be the holy Trinity, $\ddagger$ one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.
C Amen.
P 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.
C Amen.
P Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.
$C$ 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.

P 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 $\ddagger$ 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.
C Amen

Hymn
ELW \# 801
Change My Heart, O God
This hymn is not incluided in our One Licnse so we cannot put it on the internet

L: Then those who accused Jesus rose as a body and brought Jesus before Pilate. ${ }^{2}$ They began to accuse him more, saying, "We found this man perverting our nation, forbidding us to pay taxes to the emperor, and saying that he himself is the Messiah, a king." ${ }^{3}$ Then Pilate asked him, "Are you the king of the Jews?" He answered, "You say so." "Then Pilate said to the accusers and the crowds, "I find no basis for an accusation against this man." ${ }^{5}$ But they were insistent and said, "He stirs up the people by teaching throughout all Judea, from Galilee where he began even to this place."

P: When Pilate heard this, he asked whether the man was a Galilean. ${ }^{7}$ And when he learned that he was under Herod's jurisdiction, he sent him off to Herod, the tetrarch of Galilee, who was himself in Jerusalem at that time. Herod questioned Jesus at some length, but Jesus gave him no answer. Herod with his soldiers treated him with contempt and mocked him; then he put an elegant robe on him, and sent him back to Pilate.

L: Pilate then called together the chief priests, the leaders, and the others who accused Jesus, ${ }^{14}$ and said to them, "You brought me this man as one who was perverting the people; and here I have examined him in your presence and have not found this man guilty of any of your charges against him. ${ }^{15}$ Neither has Herod, for he sent him back to us. Indeed, he has done nothing to deserve death. ${ }^{16}$ I will therefore have him flogged and release him."

P: Then they all shouted out together, "Away with this fellow! "Crucify, crucify him!" They kept urgently demanding with loud shouts that he should be crucified; and their voices prevailed. ${ }^{24}$ So Pilate gave his verdict that their demand should be granted. ${ }^{25} \mathrm{He}$ released Barabbas, the man they asked for, the one who had been put in prison for insurrection and murder, and he handed Jesus over to be crucified.



judge thee have in hate pre - tend - ed? By foes de - rid - ed, trea - son, Je - sus, hath un - done thee. 'Twas I, Lord Je - sus, sin - ned, and the Son hath suf - fered; for our a - tone-ment, sor - row, and thy life's ob - la - tion; thy death of an - guish dore thee, and will ev - er pray thee; think on thy pit - y


## Sermon

L: As they led him away, they seized a man, Simon of Cyrene, who was coming from the country, and they laid the cross on him, and made him carry it behind Jesus. ${ }^{32}$ Two others also, who were criminals, were led away to be put to death with him. ${ }^{33}$ When they came to the place that is called The Skull, they crucified Jesus there with the criminals, one on his right and one on his left.

P: And they cast lots to divide his clothing. ${ }^{35}$ And the people stood by, watching; some scoffed at him, saying, "He saved others; let him save himself if he is the Messiah of God, his chosen one!" ${ }^{36} \mathrm{The}$ soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine, ${ }^{37}$ and saying, "If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!" ${ }^{38}$ There was also an inscription over him, "This is the King of the Jews."

L: One of the criminals who were hanged there kept deriding him and saying, "Are you not the Messiah? Save yourself and us!" ${ }^{40}$ But the other rebuked him, saying, "Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? ${ }^{41}$ And we indeed have been condemned justly, for we are getting what we deserve for our deeds, but this man has done nothing wrong." ${ }^{42}$ Then he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom." ${ }^{43}$ Jesus replied, "Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in Paradise."

Hymn
ELW \# 616
Jesus, Remember Me


P: It was now about noon, and darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon, ${ }^{45}$ while the sun's light failed; and the curtain of the temple was torn in two. ${ }^{46}$ Then Jesus, crying with a loud voice, said, "Father, into your hands I commend my spirit." Having said this, he breathed his last. ${ }^{47}$ When the centurion saw what had taken place, he praised God and said, "Certainly this man was innocent." ${ }^{48}$ And when all the crowds who had gathered there for this spectacle saw what had taken place, they returned home, beating their breasts. ${ }^{49}$ But all his acquaintances, including the women who had followed him from Galilee, stood at a distance, watching these things.

L: Now there was a good and righteous man named Joseph, who, though a member of the council, ${ }^{51} \mathrm{had}$ not agreed to their plan and action. He came from the Jewish town of Arimathea, and he was waiting expectantly for the kingdom of God. ${ }^{52}$ This man went to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus. ${ }^{53}$ Then he took it down, wrapped it in a linen cloth, and laid it in a rock-hewn tomb where no one had ever been laid.

## Hymn

ELW \# 349 vs 3-4
Ah, Holy Jesus
see page 11

## Stand

## Benediction

P: Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus,
${ }^{6}$ who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited,
${ }^{7}$ but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness.
C: And being found in human form, ${ }^{8}$ he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of deatheven death on a cross.
P: Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name,
C: so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth,
${ }^{11}$ and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

## BLESSING

P: The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy.
The Lord look upon you with favor and $\Psi$ give you peace.
C: Amen.
The congregation exits in silence. No sending hymn.

## SERVING AT TRINITY

Ministers: Every member of the congregation Council President: Terry Vear Pastor: Rev. Dennis Smith Vice-President: Suzanne Sponsler<br>Piano/Keyboard: Paul Lucas Treasurer: Chris McNamara Parish Secretary: Chris McNamara Secretary: Sandra Dufur<br>Council Members: Warren Bartels, Johncie Langston, Brad Otterbein, Joe Painter, Gene Stockford-Shively, and Patti Weber<br>SERVING TODAY:<br>Assisting Minister: Chris McNamara<br>Ushers: Phyllis Klingler and Jay Sponsler

ADDITIONAL SERVICES
Altar Guild: Tom Stockford-Shively
Offering Counters: Gene Stockford-Shively and Sandra Dufur Videographer: Gene Stockford-Shively

FLOWERS - The flowers on the altar today are given by Phyllis Klingler in memory of Arlene Schaffer

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