

**COMMUNION**

**"Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness" #488**  
**"Great God, Your Love Has Called Us" #358**  
**"For the Bread Which You Have Broken" #494**

**BLESSING**

P: Almighty God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

**STRIPPING OF THE ALTAR**

Psalm 22 Gene Hexom

**PLACING OF BLACK VEILS**

"Christ, We Do All Adore Thee" Adult Choir

We leave in silence. The transition is made from the celebration of the Lord's Supper to Jesus' crucifixion and death. Symbolically, Christ, stripped of his power and glory, is now in the hands of his captors.

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The following young people have completed their "First Communion" class, made the Communion Bread used for tonight's service and will receive "A Prayer Stone Set" and NRSV Bible from the Milestone Ministry Committee:

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| Braxton Rodney Bjorklund | Levi John Paul Olesen   |
| Maxon Eldyn Bruns        | Jack Travis Olson       |
| Charles Patrick Callahan | Megan Jayne Richardson  |
| Manuel Joseph DeCastro   | Dylan Lee Riedel        |
| Raeana Joelee Eggert     | Carsen Terry Schneider  |
| Margaret Ann Engebretson | Adam Bradley Souter     |
| Hendrix Johan Hope       | Ava Rose Townsend       |
| Oliver Jack Husher       | Chase Michael Ulwelling |
| Emily Elizabeth Lanners  | Amanda Sue Vacanti      |
|                          | McKenna Marie Williams  |

OUR THANKS to the Alex Eykamp and Adult Choir for providing us with beautiful music; Roger Hillestad for video taping the service; Araya Klockman and Cam Buchholtz, acolytes; Colby Briggs and Alex Erslund, light dimmers; and ushers, communion assistants, and greeters who assisted in the Maundy Thursday service.



Sharing God's Word, Doing God's Work

Madison, South Dakota 57042

**Rev. Dirk Hagmaier & Rev. Constanze Hagmaier**

**MAUNDY THURSDAY**

**April 13, 2017**

**PRELUDE**

"Schmücke dich, o liebe Seele, BWV 654" J. S. Bach

**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCING THE DAY**

**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. 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 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.**

## OPPORTUNITY FOR PERSONAL ABSOLUTION

*The congregation is seated. People may come forward and kneel for the laying on of hands. The pastor, laying both hands on each person's head, addresses each in turn: "In obedience to the command of our Lord Jesus Christ, I forgive you all your sins." The person may respond, "Amen."*

## 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

P: The Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

P: Let us pray. . . **Eternal God, in the sharing of a meal your Son established a new covenant for all people, and in the washing of feet he showed us the dignity of service. Grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit these signs of our life in faith may speak again to our hearts, feed our spirits, and refresh our bodies, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

**HYMN** "Lord, Let My Heart Be Good Soil" #512

**READING** John 13:1-17; 31b-35

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. <sup>2</sup>The devil had already put it into the heart of Judas, son of Simon Iscariot, to betray him. And during supper <sup>3</sup>Jesus, knowing that the Father had given all things into his hands, and that he had come from God and was going to God, <sup>4</sup>got up from the table, took off his outer robe, and tied a towel around himself. <sup>5</sup>Then 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. <sup>6</sup>He came to Simon Peter, who said to him, "Lord, are you going to wash my feet?" <sup>7</sup>Jesus answered, "You do not know now what I am doing, but later you will understand." <sup>8</sup>Peter said to him, "You will never wash my feet." Jesus answered, "Unless I wash you, you have no share with me." <sup>9</sup>Simon Peter said to him, "Lord, not my feet only but also my hands and my head!" <sup>10</sup>Jesus 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." <sup>11</sup>For he knew who was to betray him; for this reason he said, "Not all of you are clean." <sup>12</sup>After 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?" <sup>13</sup>You call me Teacher and Lord—and you are right, for that is what I am. <sup>14</sup>So if I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another's feet. <sup>15</sup>For I have set you an example, that you also should do as I have done to you.

<sup>16</sup>Very truly, I tell you, servants are not greater than their master, nor are messengers greater than the one who sent them. <sup>17</sup>If you know these things, you are blessed if you do them.

<sup>31</sup>When he had gone out, Jesus said, "Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. <sup>32</sup>If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. <sup>33</sup>Little 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.' <sup>34</sup>I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. <sup>35</sup>By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

P: The word of the Lord. **C: Thanks be to God.**

## KIDS TALK

## SERMON

**HYMN** "Love Consecrates the Humblest Act" #360

## SHARING OF THE PEACE

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**C: And also with you.**

*(Share God's Peace with your neighbor.)*

**OFFERING** "Lamb of God" #336

## PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

P: Lord, in your mercy,

**C: hear our prayer.**

## WORDS OF INSTITUTION

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

**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, the power and the glory for ever and ever. Amen.**

**5<sup>th</sup> GRADE COMMUNION** "Come, Share the Lord" J. Leech  
Adult Choir