



Maundy Thursday

2 April 2026

WELCOME!



*As a community in the model of Christ, we warmly welcome all who have come seeking God in worship at Our Redeemer's Lutheran Church. We welcome people of every race, gender, ethnic background, social status, physical ability, sexual orientation, and gender identity. Together in our diversity and as a **Reconciling in Christ** congregation, we seek to embrace the love of God offered to us in Jesus Christ. We gather to experience the presence of God in Word and Sacrament and to give praise to God who loves us unconditionally.*

OUR VISION *In the model of Christ and for the life of the world, we are an inclusive, devoted, caring and spiritual community that accepts challenges, takes risks and grows.*

WORSHIP ONLINE OR BY PHONE

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We are gathered on this land, which touches the shared waters of the peoples of the Suquamish, Tulalip, and Muckleshoot Nations. This is God's creation and home to the Coast Salish peoples, whose long history, voices, and practices call inhabitants to loving stewardship, faithful advocacy, and inclusive story-telling. We honor the Creator's presence in this land, confess our complicity in its brokenness, and proclaim our interconnectedness with God's creation and all its creatures.

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In this service:

ELW - "Where charity and love prevail"

ELW - "Ubi caritas et amor"

**Asterisks: You are invited to stand in body or in spirit*

We gather in the narthex.

READING

John 13:1-17

A reading from the Gospel of John.

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. The devil had already put it into the heart of Judas, son of Simon Iscariot to betray him. And during supper Jesus, knowing that the Father had given all things into his hands, and that he had come from God and was going to God, got up from the table, took off his outer robe, and tied a towel around himself. 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.

He came to Simon Peter, who said to him, '**Lord, are you going to wash my feet?**' Jesus answered, 'You do not know now what I am doing, but later you will understand.' Peter said to him, '**You will never wash my feet.**' Jesus answered, 'Unless I wash you, you have no share with me.' Simon Peter said to him, '**Lord, not my feet only but also my hands and my head!**' 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.' For he knew who was to betray him; for this reason he said, 'Not all of you are clean.'

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? You call me Teacher and Lord—and you are right, for that is what I am. So if I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another's feet.

For I have set you an example, that you also should do as I have done to you. Very truly, I tell you, servants are not greater than their master, nor are messengers greater than the one who sent them. If you know these things, you are blessed if you do them.



*INVOCATION

In the name of the Father,
and of the Son ✚,
and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

*CHRIST'S COMMAND

Jesus told his disciples, "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.' I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. **Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another.** By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another." (*John 13:33-35*)

*HYMN

Where charity and love prevail



1 Where char - i - ty and love pre - vail, there God is ev - er found;
2 With grate-ful joy and ho - ly fear, God's char - i - ty we learn;
3 Let us re - call that in our midst dwells Christ, God's ho - ly Son;
4 Let strife a - mong us be un - known; let all con - ten - tions cease.
5 Let us for - give each oth - er's faults as we our own con - fess,



brought here to - geth - er by Christ's love, by love we thus are bound.
let us with heart and mind and soul now love God in re - turn.
as mem - bers of each bod - y joined, in him we are made one.
Be God's the glo - ry that we seek; be his our on - ly peace.
that we may love each oth - er well in Chris - tian gen - tle - ness.



Gather † **Serve** † Commune † Watch

We have heard our Lord's commandment to love one another as he has loved us. By faith, we are called and empowered to acts of love and mercy, servanthood and humility. By Jesus's act of loving service in washing the feet of his disciples, we are called also to follow his example in washing each other's feet.



U - bi ca - ri - tas et a - mor,
Where true char - i - ty and love a - bide,

u - bi ca - ri - tas, De - us i - bi est.
God is dwell - ing there; God is dwell - ing there.

You are encouraged to come forward to have your feet or hands washed at either station. Afterward, please move into the sanctuary for the remainder of the service.

*THE THREE DAYS

Tonight, we mark the entry into the three days-following Jesus from the table, to passion, crucifixion, and the grave;

God sent messengers ahead of the messiah

so we might believe in his coming.

As the prophets foretold his advent

We will await his resurrection.

God set signs and wonders in the heavens and on earth

so we might behold the messiah, Emmanuel.

As the magi followed the star to where he was born

We will follow his cross to where he was killed.

God anointed the messiah through water and the Spirit

so we might also become children of God.

As he went with his disciples to where his face was transfigured

We will follow with his disciples to where his soul was disfigured

*PRAYER OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Holy God, lead us to become like the disciples who followed Jesus as we enter these three days. As we hear of his passion and his death, may we witness the depths of your love for us. Strengthen us through the gifts you offer us at your Table, so we may strive together in love as he commanded, united with all who have followed the cross of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**

Gather † Serve † **Commune** † Watch

*PEACE

May the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, guard our hearts and minds in Christ Jesus. **Amen.** (*Philippians 4:7*)

In silence, all may share a sign of peace.

***GREETING**

The grace of our Lord, Jesus Christ,
the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit,
be with you all. *(2 Corinthians 13:14)*

And also with you.

***AT THE TABLE**

Matthew 26:20-21, 26-29

On the first day of Unleavened Bread, when it was evening, Jesus took his place with the twelve disciples, and while they were eating he said, "Truly I tell you, one of you will betray me." While they were eating, Jesus took a loaf of bread, and after blessing it and giving thanks he broke it, gave it to the disciples, and said, "**Take, eat; this is my body.**" Then he took a cup, and after giving thanks he gave it to them, saying, "**Drink from it, all of you, for this is my blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins.** I tell you, I will never again drink of this fruit of the vine until that day when I drink it new with you in my Father's kingdom."

*The bread is passed around in silence,
tearing a piece for the person after you, and offering it to them.
The cups will be brought around for each person who would like intinction.*

***LORD'S PRAYER**

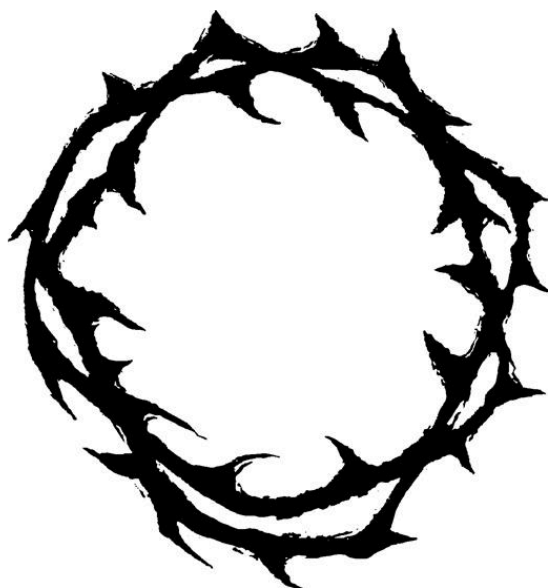
*When all have communed,
all may pray the Lord's Prayer together.*

**Our Father in heaven,
holy be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those
who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen.**

Silence for contemplation.

THE LORD'S PASSION

Matthew 26:30,36-27:26



When they had sung the hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives.

Then Jesus went with them to a place called Gethsemane, and he said to his disciples, "Sit here while I go over there and pray." He took with him Peter and the two sons of Zebedee and began to be grieved and agitated. Then he said to them, "My soul is deeply grieved, even to death; remain here, and stay awake with me." And going a little farther, he threw himself on the ground and prayed, "My Father, if it is possible, let this cup pass from me, yet not what I want but what you want."

Then he came to the disciples and found them sleeping, and he said to Peter, "So, could you not stay awake with me one hour? Stay awake and pray that you may not come into the time of trial; the spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak." Again he went away for the second time and prayed, "My Father, if this cannot pass unless I drink it, your will be done."

Again he came and found them sleeping, for their eyes were heavy. So leaving them again, he went away and prayed for the third time, saying the same words. Then he came to the disciples and said to them, "Are you still sleeping and taking your rest? Now the hour is at hand, and the Son of Man is betrayed into the hands of sinners. Get up, let us be going. Look, my betrayer is at hand."

Neglected and forsaken, Jesus suffers. We pray for God's love.
Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal, have mercy on us.

While he was still speaking, Judas, one of the twelve, arrived; with him was a large crowd with swords and clubs, from the chief priests and the elders of the people. Now the betrayer had given them a sign, saying, "The one I will kiss is the man; arrest him." At once he came up to Jesus and said, "Greetings, Rabbi!" and kissed him. Jesus said to him, "Friend, do what you are here to do." Then they came and laid hands on Jesus and arrested him. Suddenly one of those with Jesus put his hand on his sword, drew it, and struck the slave of the high priest, cutting off his ear. Then Jesus said to him, "Put your sword back into its place, for all who take the sword will die by the sword.

Do you think that I cannot appeal to my Father, and he will at once send me more than twelve legions of angels? But how then would the scriptures be fulfilled, which say it must happen in this way?" At that hour Jesus said to the crowds, "Have you come out with swords and clubs to arrest me as though I were a rebel? Day after day I sat in the temple teaching, and you did not arrest me. But all this has taken place, so that the scriptures of the prophets may be fulfilled."

Then all the disciples deserted him and fled.

Betrayed and outcast, Jesus suffers. We pray for God's love.

Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal, have mercy on us.

Those who had arrested Jesus took him to Caiaphas the high priest, where the scribes and the elders had gathered. But Peter was following him at a distance, as far as the courtyard of the high priest, and going inside he sat with the guards in order to see how this would end.

Now the chief priests and the whole council were looking for false testimony against Jesus so that they might put him to death, but they found none, though many false witnesses came forward. At last two came forward and said, "This fellow said, 'I am able to destroy the temple of God and to build it in three days.'" The high priest stood up and said, "Have you no answer? What is it that they testify against you?" But Jesus was silent. Then the high priest said to him, "I put you under oath before the living God, tell us if you are the Messiah, the Son of God." Jesus said to him, "You have said so. But I tell you,

From now on you will see the Son of Man
seated at the right hand of Power
and coming on the clouds of heaven."

Then the high priest tore his clothes and said, "He has blasphemed! Why do we still need witnesses? You have now heard his blasphemy. What do you think?" They answered, "He deserves death." Then they spat in his face and struck him, and some slapped him, saying, "Prophecy to us, you Messiah! Who is it that struck you?"

Dehumanized and rejected, Jesus suffers. We pray for God's love.

Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal, have mercy on us.

Now Peter was sitting outside in the courtyard. A female servant came to him and said, "You also were with Jesus the Galilean." But he denied it before all of them, saying, "I do not know what you are talking about." When he went out to the porch, another female servant saw him, and she said to the bystanders, "This man was with Jesus the Nazarene." Again he denied it with an oath, "I do not know the man." After a little while the bystanders came up and said to Peter, "Certainly you are also one of them, for your accent betrays you." Then he began to curse, and he swore an oath, "I do not know the man!" At that moment the cock crowed. Then Peter remembered what Jesus had said: "Before the cock crows, you will deny me three times." And he went out and wept bitterly.

When morning came, all the chief priests and the elders of the people conferred together against Jesus in order to bring about his death. They bound him, led him away, and handed him over to Pilate the governor.

When Judas, his betrayer, saw that Jesus was condemned, he repented and brought back the thirty pieces of silver to the chief priests and the elders. He said, "I have sinned by betraying innocent blood." But they said, "What is that to us? See to it yourself." Throwing down the pieces of silver in the temple, he departed, and he went and hanged himself.

Denied and abandoned, Jesus suffers. We pray for God's love.

Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal, have mercy on us.

Now Jesus stood before the governor, and the governor asked him, "Are you the king of the Jews?" Jesus said, "You say so." But when he was accused by the chief priests and elders, he did not answer. Then Pilate said to him, "Do you not hear how many accusations they make against you?" But he gave him no answer, not even to a single charge, so that the governor was greatly amazed.

Now at the festival the governor was accustomed to release a prisoner for the crowd, anyone whom they wanted. At that time they had a notorious prisoner called Barabbas. So after they had gathered, Pilate said to them, "Whom do you want me to release for you, Barabbas or Jesus who is called the Messiah?" For he realized that it was out of jealousy that they had handed him over. While he was sitting on the judgment seat, his wife sent word to him, "Have nothing to do with that innocent man, for today I have suffered a great deal because of a dream about him." Now the chief priests and the elders persuaded the crowds to ask for Barabbas and to have Jesus killed. The governor again said to them, "Which of the two do you want me to release for you?" And they said, "Barabbas." Pilate said to them, "Then what should I do with Jesus who is called the Messiah?" All of them said, "Let him be crucified!" Then he asked, "Why, what evil has he done?" But they shouted all the more, "Let him be crucified!"

Decried and condemned, Jesus suffers. We pray for God's love.

Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal, have mercy upon us.

**Please rise in body or in spirit.*

So when Pilate saw that he could do nothing but rather that a riot was beginning, he took some water and washed his hands before the crowd, saying, "I am innocent of this man's blood; see to it yourselves." Then the people as a whole answered, "His blood be on us and on our children!" So he released Barabbas for them, and after flogging Jesus he handed him over to be crucified.

Then the soldiers of the governor took Jesus into the governor's headquarters, and they gathered the whole cohort around him. They stripped him and put a scarlet robe on him, and after twisting some thorns into a crown they put it on his head. They put a reed in his right hand and knelt before him and mocked him, saying, "Hail, King of the Jews!" They spat on him and took the reed and struck him on the head. After mocking him, they stripped him of the robe and put his own clothes on him. Then they led him away to crucify him.

Maligned and vilified, Jesus suffers. We pray for God's love.

Silence for meditation.

Now, O Christ, we beseech you,
we beg you to have mercy upon us.

**Since you came to redeem the lost,
do not condemn those you've once redeemed,
for by your cross, you have redeemed the world.**

Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal, have mercy upon us.

*You may be seated for the stripping of the altar.
Liturgical Arts Team members strip the altar.*

ALTAR STRIPPING

Stripping of the Altar is a tradition meant to demonstrate the stripping and humiliation of Jesus before his crucifixion. It is a solemn moment when the places where God's presence is revealed in the church are left unadorned, and covered in black cloth. Just as Jesus is led to his death, so the reflection of Jesus' absence is symbolized in a darkened and stark space.

All may depart in silence.

*If you would like to stay to help us prepare for Good Friday services,
please join us after this service is concluded.*

In Service:

Steward: Marie Nordquist

Usher: Cindy Anderson

Lector: Annie McGrew

Presider: Pastor Thomas Voelp

Musician: Gianfranco Foddai

Worship Assistant: John McDermott



IN OUR PRAYERS

Faye Buckalew, Jennifer Carter,
Pete D'Amico, Barb Dougherty,
Meggan Ellingboe, Gerry & Bob Faley,
Helene Fowler, Fowler family, Cindy Funai,
Don Hansen and family, Donnalyn Hansen,
Margaret & Hlastala family, Holt family,
Tyson Hunter, Julie Johnson and family,
Helen Jones, Bud Knapp, Judy Malmgren,
Roger Mandery, Martin,
Barbara Moen and family,
Alan Murray, Herb Myers, Iko Rodenberger,
Rosing family, Michelle Rundle,
Kjersti Sangrey, Michael Schieffer,
David Schrader, Sharon Stearns,
Lars Sveum-Hanson, Carolyn Swanson,
Eliot Wright and family, Jon Wright;
Hawaii, Trinity United Methodist, University
Lutheran Church,
asylum seekers, refugees, and those seeking
housing and a home;
those living with mental illness and loneliness;
those outside in the elements;
children and parents; immigrant families
remaining separated;
Ballard Food Bank; Road to Housing guests.

*Please contact Pastor Thomas to request
additions to our prayer list.*

Liturgical Arts Team: Phillipa Dugaw,
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Holy Week Services:

Maundy Thursday, April 2

7 PM - Service | washing and communion
- After service setup for Good Friday

Good Friday, April 3

12 PM - Prayer Vigil begins
3 PM - Meditation on the Cross
7 PM - Service of Tenebrae,
Christ's Words from the Cross

Holy Saturday, April 4

12 PM - Prayer Vigil closes
12:30 PM - Set up for Easter

Easter Sunday, April 5

6:30 AM - Sunrise Service | Carkeek Park
8:00 AM - Easter Breakfast Opens
9:00 AM - Easter Festival Service
10:15 AM - Easter Egg Hunt | Front Lawn
10:45 AM - Easter Breakfast Closes
11:00 AM - Easter Festival Service