



Service of Worship
Immanuel Lutheran Church
Seymour, IN

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Maundy Thursday
April 9, 2020
7:00 P.M.

Welcome to Worship! All too often, we don't have the right connections with the right person at the right time to accomplish all the right things. If we could just obtain access! The good news is that through the blood of Jesus, we have unlimited access!

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THE PRELUDE: "Lamb of God Pure and Holy" – Johann Pachelbel

THE HYMN: "When You Woke That Thursday Morning" **Hymn 445**

- 1 When You woke that Thursday morning,
 Savior, teacher, faithful friend,
 Thoughts of self and safety scorning,
 Knowing how the day would end;
Lamb of God, foretold for ages,
 Now at last the hour had come
When but One could pay sin's wages:
 You assumed their dreadful sum.
- 2 Never so alone and lonely,
 Longing with tormented heart
To be with Your dear ones only
 For a quiet hour apart:
Sinless Lamb and fallen creature,
 One last paschal meal to eat,
One last lesson as their teacher,
 Washing Your disciples' feet.
- 3 What was there that You could give them
 That would never be outspent,
What great gift that would outlive them,
 What last will and testament?
"Show Me and the world you love Me,
 Know Me as the Lamb of God:
Do this in remembrance of Me,
 Eat this body, drink this blood."

- 4 One in faith, in love united,
 All one body, You the head,
When we meet, by You invited,
 You are with us, as You said.
One with You and one another
 In a unity sublime,
See in us Your sister, brother,
 One in ev'ry place and time.
- 5 One day all the Church will capture
 That bright vision glorious,
And Your saints will know the rapture
 That Your heart desired for us,
When the longed-for peace and union
 Of the Greatest and the least
Meet in joyous, blest communion
 In Your never-ending feast.

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P In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C **who made heaven and earth.**

P If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

C **But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.**

P Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, and call upon Him in prayer and praise, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

C **Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.**

P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

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C **Lord, have mercy.**

Christ, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

THE PRAYER FOR THE DAY: (We pray together)

O Lord Jesus, you are the one mediator between sinful man and a Holy God. By the sacrifice of your blood, you have given us access to grace, forgiveness, and life everlasting. Keep in faith your flock, the church, which you have purchased by your blood. Help us in humility to love one another as you have loved us, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

THE OLD TESTAMENT READING: Exodus 24:3-11

Moses came and told the people all the words of the LORD and all the just decrees And all the people answered with one voice and said, "All the words that the LORD has spoken we will do." And Moses wrote down all the words of the LORD. He rose early in the morning and built an altar at the foot of the mountain, and twelve pillars, according to the twelve tribes of Israel. And he sent young men of the people of Israel, who offered burnt offerings and sacrificed peace offerings of oxen to the LORD. And Moses took half of the blood and put it in basins, and half of the blood he threw against the altar. Then he took the Book of the Covenant and read it in the hearing of the people. And they said, "All that the LORD has spoken we will do, and we will be obedient." And Moses took the blood and threw it on the people and said, "Behold the blood of the covenant that the LORD has made with you in accordance with all these words." Then Moses and Aaron,

Nadab, and Abihu, and seventy of the elders of Israel went up, and they saw the God of Israel. There was under his feet as it were a pavement of sapphire stone, like the very heaven for clearness. And he did not lay his hand on the chief men of the people of Israel; they beheld God, and ate and drank.

L: This is the Word of the Lord. C: Thanks be to God!

THE CHILDREN'S SERMON

THE HYMN: "Just As I Am, without One Plea"

Hymn 570

- 1 Just as I am, without one plea
But that Thy blood was shed for me
And that Thou bidd'st me come to Thee,
O Lamb of God, I come, I come.
- 2 Just as I am and waiting not
To rid my soul of one dark blot,
To Thee, whose blood can cleanse each spot,
O Lamb of God, I come, I come.
- 3 Just as I am, though tossed about
With many a conflict, many a doubt,
Fightings and fears within, without,
O Lamb of God, I come, I come.
- 6 Just as I am; Thy love unknown
Has broken ev'ry barrier down;
Now to be Thine, yea, Thine alone,
O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

THE EPISTLE READING: Romans 5:1-10

Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. Through him we have also

obtained access by faith into this grace in which we stand, and we rejoice in hope of the glory of God. More than that, we rejoice in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, and hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us. For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. For one will scarcely die for a righteous person — though perhaps for a good person one would dare even to die — but God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. Since, therefore, we have now been justified by his blood, much more shall we be saved by him from the wrath of God. For if while we were enemies we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more, now that we are reconciled, shall we be saved by his life.

L: This is the Word of the Lord. C: Thanks be to God!

THE GOSPEL: Matthew 26:17-30 C: Glory be to You, O Lord!

Now on the first day of Unleavened Bread the disciples came to Jesus, saying, "Where will you have us prepare for you to eat the Passover?" He said, "Go into the city to a certain man and say to him, 'The Teacher says, My time is at hand. I will keep the Passover at your house with my disciples.'" And the disciples did as Jesus had directed them, and they prepared the Passover. When it was evening, he reclined at table with the twelve. And as they were eating, he said, "Truly, I say to you, one of you will betray me." And they were very sorrowful and began to say to him one after another, "Is it I, Lord?" He answered, "He who has dipped his hand in the dish with me will betray me. The Son of Man goes as it is written of him, but woe to that man by whom the Son of Man is betrayed! It would have been better for that man if he had not been born." Judas, who would betray him, answered, "Is it I, Rabbi?" He said to him, "You have said so." Now as they were eating, Jesus took bread, and after blessing it broke it and gave it to the disciples, and said, "Take, eat; this is my body." And he took a cup, and when he had given thanks he gave it to them, saying, "Drink of it, all of you, for this is my blood of the covenant, which is

poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins. I tell you I will not drink again of this fruit of the vine until that day when I drink it new with you in my Father's kingdom." And when they had sung a hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives.

L: This is the Gospel of the Lord. C: Praise to You, O Christ!

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**I believe in one God,
the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth
and of all things visible and invisible.**

**And in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten Son of God,
begotten of His Father before all worlds,
God of God, Light of Light,
very God of very God,
begotten, not made,
being of one substance with the Father,
by whom all things were made;
who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary
and was made man;
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.
He suffered and was buried.
And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures
and ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of the Father.
And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the
dead,
whose kingdom will have no end.**

**And I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord and giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,
who spoke by the prophets.
And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,
and I look for the resurrection of the dead
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

- 1 No tramp of soldiers' marching feet
 With banners and with drums,
 No sound of music's martial beat:
 "The King of glory comes!"
 To greet what pomp of kingly pride
 No bells in triumph ring,
 No city gates swing open wide:
 "Behold, behold your King!"
- 2 And yet He comes. The children cheer;
 With palms His path is strown.
 With ev'ry step the cross draws near:
 The King of glory's throne.
 Astride a colt He passes by
 As loud hosannas ring,
 Or else the very stones would cry
 "Behold, behold your King!"
- 3 What fading flow'rs His road adorn;
 The palms, how soon laid down!
 No bloom or leaf but only thorn
 The King of glory's crown.
 The soldiers mock, the rabble cries,
 The streets with tumult ring,
 As Pilate to the mob replies,
 "Behold, behold your King!"
- 4 Now He who bore for mortals' sake
 The cross and all its pains
 And chose a servant's form to take,
 The King of glory reigns.
 Hosanna to the Savior's name
 Till heaven's rafters ring,
 And all the ransomed host proclaim
 "Behold, behold your King!"

THE SERMON: "ACCESS!"

THE OFFERING

THE MUSICAL OFFERING: "Soul Adorn Thyself with Gladness" – Brahms

THE PRAYERS (after each petition P: Lord, in Your mercy... C: Hear our prayer.)

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
and the power and the glory
forever and ever. Amen.**

THE STRIPPING OF THE ALTAR

We listen to Psalm 22, which Jesus fulfilled, as we strip the altar of its colors and remove decorations. This is to remind us of how Jesus was shamefully treated following His betrayal. We then then leave in silence to return for Good Friday worship.

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Due to the escalation of COVID-19 and restrictions on gathering and travel, we will not provide in-person worship, but join us on the radio or online as we remember the sufferings of Jesus for us. • **Good Friday Noon-Time Reflection** at 12:15 p.m. no radio, www.immanuelseymour.com • **Good Friday for families**, 4:30, no radio, www.immanuelseymour.com • **Good Friday**, 7:30p.m. (AM 1390 FM 99.3) or at www.immanuelseymour.com

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Preacher: Pastor Bloch **Liturgists:** Pastor Rodriguez & Pastor Blumenberg

Lector: Vicar Ronchetto **Organist:** Mr. Paul Scheiderer

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