



MAUNDY THURSDAY

Immanuel Lutheran Church, Forest City, Iowa
Pastors: Rod Hopp, Zech Anderson, Jeniffer Tillman

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in person | live stream

April 17, 2025 6:30pm



This evening our Lenten observance comes to an end, and we gather with Christians around the world to celebrate the Three Days of Jesus' death and resurrection. Tonight we remember Christ's last meal with his disciples, but the central focus is his commandment that we live out the promise embodied in this meal. As Jesus washed his disciples' feet, so we are called to give and receive love in humble service to one another. Formed into a new body in Christ through this holy meal, we are transformed by the mercy we have received and carry it into the world. Departing worship in solemn silence, we anticipate the coming days.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

PRELUDE

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

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L: 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.

L: 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 + 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.

GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

ALL: 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.

PSALM 116:1-2, 12-19 [read responsively]

¹I love the LORD, who has heard my voice, and listened to my supplication,

²**for the LORD has given ear to me whenever I called.**

¹²How shall I repay the LORD for all the good things God has done for me?

¹³**I will lift the cup of salvation and call on the name of the LORD.**

¹⁴I will fulfill my vows to the LORD in the presence of all God's people.

¹⁵**Precious in your sight, O LORD, is the death of your servants.**

¹⁶O LORD, truly I am your servant;

I am your servant, the child of your handmaid; you have freed me from my bonds.

¹⁷**I will offer you the sacrifice of thanksgiving and call upon the name of the LORD.**

¹⁸I will fulfill my vows to the LORD in the presence of all God's people,
¹⁹**in the courts of the LORD's house, in the midst of you, O Jerusalem. Hallelujah!**

READING: John 13:1-20, 31-35

MESSAGE

Pastor Jeniffer Tillman

HYMN OF THE DAY: **"To Be Your Presence"**

#546

FOOTWASHING

"Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love"

#708

"Where Charity and Love Prevail"

#359

PRAYERS: *L: God of grace, C: hear our prayer.*

PEACE: *L: The peace of Christ be with you always. C: And also with you.*

OFFERING: "Amen" Amber Run [recording]

OFFERING PRAYER

WORDS OF INSTITUTION / LORD'S PRAYER

COMMUNION: **"Now We Join in Celebration"**

#462

"Come, Let Us Eat"

#491

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING & PRAYER

STRIPPING OF THE ALTAR: *reading of Psalm 22*

Depart in silence.

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Worship Participants:

Piano/Organ: Karen Post

Song Leaders: Scott Bertelsen, Sarah Leichsenring

Sound/Video Techs: Dave Midtgaard/Prosper

Usher/Communion set up: Mary Kingland

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE:

FRIDAY: 6:30pm Good Friday Service, communion

SUNDAY: 7:30am EASTER WORSHIP, communion

8-9am EASTER BREAKFAST, HS Youth hosting (free will)

8-9am EASTER EGG HUNT, HS Youth hosting

9:15am EASTER WORSHIP, communion, choirs

Fifth Graders who completed “What is Communion” Class

Julie Book
Oliver Farus
Calla Jensen
Tate Johnson
Amara May
Garrett Wilson

These are the words that the parents will be speaking to their child during the foot washing:

(Child's name),

We were blessed to receive you as a gift from God. When you were baptized God reminded us that you belong to him. We wash your feet tonight as an act of love imitating Jesus' love that lead him to wash his disciple's feet. We encourage you now to imitate Jesus, living a life of loving service to others. As you partake in Holy Communion you will be nourished and strengthened for this life. Let your light so shine before others that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven.



The bread that we are using for Holy Communion tonight was prepared by the 5th graders at their Communion Class.