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Church Office Hours: Monday – Friday 9 a.m. – 12 p.m.

We welcome our visitors this morning.
Please pick up a **visitor's packet**. They are located at the top of the steps at the rear of the church or on the table at the elevator entrance.

Our Mission

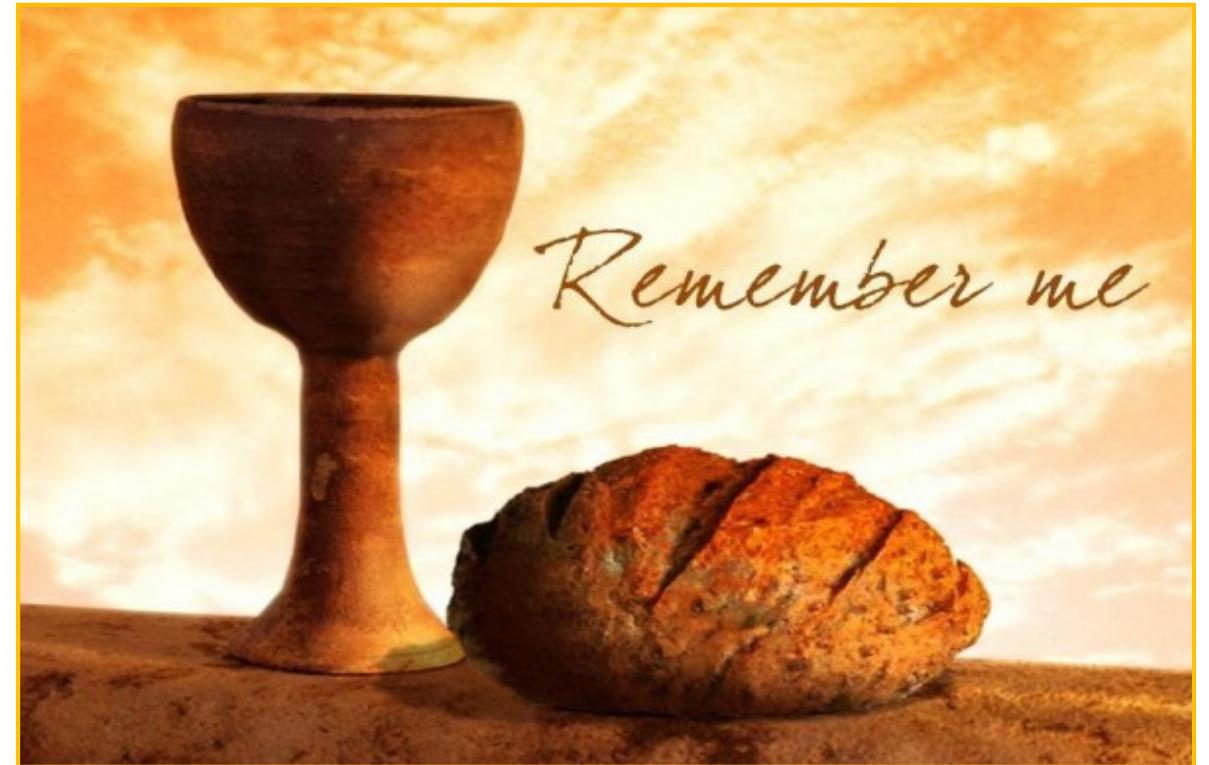
The mission of First Lutheran Church is to be the light of Jesus, burning brightly and vigorously in our community.

We invite ALL to hear and receive God's blessing in Jesus, and to worship with us:

Worship Schedule

Sunday at 10:45 a.m. and Friday at 9:00 a.m. for Communion and Healing Services.
Coffee and Donuts 9:15 a.m. Sunday
Learning for all ages 9:30 a.m. Sunday

Maundy Thursday



First Lutheran Church

CHAMBERSBURG, PA

March 29, 2018

Maundy Thursday Holy Communion

Gathering

All gather in silence.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Please stand as you are able.

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 with one another.

Please kneel or sit as you are able.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Most merciful God,
**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.**

Lector: Nancy Hamilton
Sound Board: Rose Wilson
Communion Assistants: Gertrude Kampmeyer
Tom Kriner
Dalton Paul
Amanda Rankin
Kathy Shoop
Dia Schumacher

Please join us for our continued story of Holy Week and Easter.

Good Friday, March 30

9:00 a.m. Worship Service of Communion and Healing
7:00 p.m. Tenebrae Service

Easter Sunday, April 1

8:00 a.m. Festival Worship
9:00 a.m. Easter Breakfast

*Children are welcome to participate
in Easter activities during the breakfast hour.*

10:00 a.m. Egg Hunt
10:45 a.m. Festival Worship

STRIPPING OF THE ALTAR

The assembly sits or kneels. The sacramental elements and vessels, linens, paraments, banners and books are removed from the worship space. Lights may be dimmed as the worship space is stripped.

ANTHEM *“The Cross of Christ Inspires My Heart”*

arr. by: Leonard Van Camp

The cross of Christ inspires my heart to sing Redeemer’s grace;
Awake, my soul, and bear a part in my Redeemer’s praise.
O! What can be compared to him, who died upon the tree!
This is my dear delightful theme that Jesus died for me.

When at the table of the Lord we humbly take our place
These emblems bring my Lord to view, upon the bloody tree.
My soul believes, believes and feels its true that Jesus died for me.

His body broken, nailed, and torn and stained with streams of blood,
forsaken of his God. ‘Twas then his Father gave the stroke that justice did
decree; all nature felt the dreadful stroke when Jesus died for me.
“Why hast thou thus forsaken me!”
and thus my Savior died, and thus my Savior died. Died.

Angels in shining order stood, around the Savior’s throne,
they bow with reverence at his feet and make his glories known.
Those happy spirits sing his praise to all eternity,
but I can sing redeeming grace, for Jesus died for me,
for Jesus died for me, he died for me!

DEPARTURE

*You are welcome to remain in prayer.
When departing, please do so in silence.*

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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.
Amen.

Please stand as you are able.

GREETING

Bless the Lord, who forgives all our sins.
God’s mercy endures forever.
Blessed be God, who gives us life and salvation.
A gift we can never deserve or earn.
Given for you, for me, for all for the forgiveness of sins
in bread and wine, body and blood, words and presence.
Given in grace, received by faith.
**Give us truly believing hearts, O God,
so that we might receive this great gift.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray. **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.**

WORD

FIRST READING

Exodus 12:1-14

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

PSALM

Psalm 116:1-2, 12-19

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.**

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Receive the body and blood of Christ broken and poured out for you.
Thanks be to God.

All Christians who believe that Jesus is truly present in the bread (body of Christ) and in the wine (blood of Christ) are welcome at the Lord's Table. To receive Holy Communion, please come down the center aisle, take a glass (the prefilled glasses contain grape juice), and gather at the altar. Non-communing children and adults may come forward for a blessing.

LAMB OF GOD



1 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
2 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
3 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;



you suf-fered death our lives to save: have mer-cy now, we pray.
you set us free from guilt and grave: have mer-cy now, we pray.
e - ter-nal peace with God you made: give us your peace, we pray.

Please stand as you are able.

TABLE BLESSING

May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **Amen.**

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

**Lord Jesus, in a wonderful sacrament you strengthen us
with the saving power of your suffering, death, and resurrection.
May this sacrament of your body and blood so work in us
that the fruits of your redemption will show forth in the way we live,
for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and forever. Amen.**

In the night in which he was betrayed,
our Lord Jesus took bread,
and gave thanks; broke it,
and gave it to his disciples,
saying: Take and eat;
this is my body, given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper,
he took the cup, gave thanks,
and gave it for all to drink,
saying: This cup is
the new covenant in my blood,
shed for you and for all people
for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

LORD'S PRAYER

Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.

**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.**

SECOND READING

1 Corinthians 11:23-26

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Re - turn to the Lord, your God, for he is gra-cious and mer - ci - ful,
slow to an - ger, and a - bound - ing in stead - fast love.

GOSPEL

John 13:1-17, 31b-35

The Holy Gospel according to St. John.
Glory to you, O Lord.

The gospel concludes:

The gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

Silence for reflection follows the sermon.

Please stand as you are able.

Thee We Adore, O Savior



1 Thee we a - dore, O Sav - ior, God most true,
2 O true re - mem - brance of Christ cru - ci - fied,
3 Foun - tain of good - ness, Je - sus, Lord and God,
4 Je - sus, by faith we see thee here be - low;



thy glo - ry clothed in bread and wine a - new;
the bread of life to us for whom he died;
cleanse us, O Christ, with thy most cleans - ing blood:
send us, we pray thee, what we thirst for so:



our hearts to thee in true de - vo - tion bow,
lend us this life then; feed and feast our mind,
in - crease our faith and love, that we may know
some - day to gaze up - on thy face in light,



in hum - ble awe, we hail thy pres - ence now.
be thou the sweet - ness we were meant to find.
the hope and peace which from thy pres - ence flow.
with thy full glo - ry's sight. A - men.

Text: Thomas Aquinas, 1225-1274; w. Gerard Manley Hopkins, 1844-1889, and James R. Woodford, 1820-1885, alt.
Music: ADORE TE DEVOTE, plainsong mode V, Proccessionale, Paris, 1697.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you always. **And also with you.**

MEAL

GATHERING OF GIFTS

*An offering is gathered for the mission of the church,
including the care of those in need.
Online giving is available at felcc.org*

ORGAN MUSIC *(collection and presentation of gifts.)*

ANTHEM

“A Price We Can Pay”
soloist Tim Gotwald

Larry Shackley

“Do This in Remembrance”
Soloist Greg Plasterer

Larry Shackley

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

Blessed are you, O living God,
for your glory revealed in Jesus Christ.
He is our Servant, who washes our feet with love.
He is our Lamb, whose blood takes away our sin.
He is our Host at this meal, offering us the cup of salvation.

For our sins he was lifted high upon the cross,
that he might draw the whole world to himself;
and by his suffering and death,
he became the source of eternal salvation
for all who put their trust in him.