

# Maundy Thursday

April 17, 2025 ❖ 6:15p

Lutheran Church of the Foothills ❖ Tucson, Arizona



*Assembly speaks responses in dark print.*

*P: Presiding Minister leads*

*A: Assisting Minister leads*

*L: Lector/Proclaimer leads*

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## Welcome to Lutheran Church of the Foothills

We are grateful that you are joining us in worship today. Please note the following information so that your time with us is spiritually uplifting and comfortable.

***Holy Communion:*** All are welcome to receive the Lord's Supper. There is no age requirement. It is God's table, not ours, and all are invited. If you are spiritually hungry, come and be fed.

***How to Commune:*** There will be two stations. At the ushers' invitation, come up the center aisle and hold your hands out to receive the host (gluten-free cracker). You may either dip the host in the split chalice or place the host in your mouth and pick up an individual cup of red wine or white grape juice to drink. After you drink the cup, place your empty cup in the lined container before returning to your seat via the side aisle. If you choose to receive a blessing, simply cross your arms over your chest. If you prefer to remain seated, please indicate this to the usher, and communion will be brought to you.

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## Prelude

### Welcome to Worship

*Rev. Naomi Hartman*

### Gathering

*P:* The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

*Please stand as you are comfortable.*

### 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 church community, 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.

*A period of silence is kept.*

*P:* 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.**

*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.

**Amen.**

*Please be seated. You may come forward and stand or kneel for the laying on of hands. The minister, laying both hands on each person's head, addresses each in turn.*

*P:* In obedience to the command of our Lord Jesus Christ, I forgive you all your sins.  
**Amen.**

*Please stand as you are comfortable.*

### **Greeting**

*P:* 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.**

### **Opening Prayer**

*A:* Let us pray. God of love,

**You set a table and forgive and feed us with your eternal love. Help us to be of service to one another and your whole creation. Send us out to love one another as you have first loved us. In Christ's name, we pray. Amen.**

*Please be seated.*

### **First Reading: Exodus 16**

*L:* A reading from Exodus.

<sup>1</sup>The whole congregation of the Israelites set out from Elim; and Israel came to the wilderness of Sin, which is between Elim and Sinai, on the fifteenth day of the second month after they had departed from the land of Egypt. <sup>2</sup>The whole congregation of the Israelites complained against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness. <sup>3</sup>The Israelites said to them, "If only we had died by the hand of the

LORD in the land of Egypt, when we sat by the fleshpots and ate our fill of bread; for you have brought us out into this wilderness to kill this whole assembly with hunger."

<sup>4</sup>Then the LORD said to Moses, "I am going to rain bread from heaven for you, and each day the people shall go out and gather enough for that day. In that way I will test them, whether they will follow my instruction or not. <sup>5</sup>On the sixth day, when they prepare what they bring in, it will be twice as much as they gather on other days." <sup>6</sup>So Moses and Aaron said to all the Israelites, "In the evening you shall know that it was the LORD who brought you out of the land of Egypt, <sup>7</sup>and in the morning you shall see the glory of the LORD, because he has heard your complaining against the LORD. For what are we, that you complain against us?" <sup>8</sup>And Moses said, "When the LORD gives you meat to eat in the evening and your fill of bread in the morning, because the LORD has heard the complaining that you utter against him — what are we? Your complaining is not against us but against the LORD."

<sup>9</sup>Then Moses said to Aaron, "Say to the whole congregation of the Israelites, 'Draw near to the LORD, for he has heard your complaining.'" <sup>10</sup>And as Aaron spoke to the whole congregation of the Israelites, they looked toward the wilderness, and the glory of the LORD appeared in the cloud. <sup>11</sup>The LORD spoke to Moses and said, <sup>12</sup>"I have heard the complaining of the Israelites; say to them, 'At twilight you shall eat meat, and in the morning you shall have your fill of bread; then you shall know that I am the LORD your God.'"

<sup>13</sup>In the evening quails came up and covered the camp; and in the morning there was a layer of dew around the camp. <sup>14</sup>When the layer of dew lifted, there on the surface of the wilderness was a fine flaky substance, as fine as frost on the ground. <sup>15</sup>When the Israelites saw it, they said to one another, "What is it?" For they did not know what it was. Moses said to them, "It is the bread that the LORD has given you to eat. <sup>16</sup>This is what the LORD has commanded: 'Gather as much of it as each of you needs, an omer to a person according to the number of persons, all providing for those in their own tents.'" <sup>17</sup>The Israelites did so, some gathering more, some less. <sup>18</sup>But when they measured it with an omer, those who gathered much had nothing over, and those who gathered little had no shortage; they gathered as much as each of them

needed. <sup>19</sup>And Moses said to them, "Let no one leave any of it over until morning."

<sup>20</sup>But they did not listen to Moses; some left part of it until morning, and it bred worms and became foul. And Moses was angry with them. <sup>21</sup>Morning by morning they gathered it, as much as each needed; but when the sun grew hot, it melted.

<sup>22</sup>On the sixth day they gathered twice as much food, two omers apiece. When all the leaders of the congregation came and told Moses, <sup>23</sup>he said to them, "This is what the LORD has commanded: 'Tomorrow is a day of solemn rest, a holy sabbath to the LORD; bake what you want to bake and boil what you want to boil, and all that is left over put aside to be kept until morning.'" <sup>24</sup>So they put it aside until morning, as Moses commanded them; and it did not become foul, and there were no worms in it.

<sup>25</sup>Moses said, "Eat it today, for today is a sabbath to the LORD; today you will not find it in the field. <sup>26</sup>Six days you shall gather it; but on the seventh day, which is a sabbath, there will be none."

<sup>27</sup>On the seventh day some of the people went out to gather, and they found none.

<sup>28</sup>The LORD said to Moses, "How long will you refuse to keep my commandments and instructions? <sup>29</sup>See! The LORD has given you the sabbath, therefore on the sixth day he gives you food for two days; each of you stay where you are; do not leave your place on the seventh day." <sup>30</sup>So the people rested on the seventh day.

<sup>31</sup>The house of Israel called it manna; it was like coriander seed, white, and the taste of it was like wafers made with honey. <sup>32</sup>Moses said, "This is what the LORD has commanded: 'Let an omer of it be kept throughout your generations, in order that they may see the food with which I fed you in the wilderness, when I brought you out of the land of Egypt.'" <sup>33</sup>And Moses said to Aaron, "Take a jar, and put an omer of manna in it, and place it before the LORD, to be kept throughout your generations."

<sup>34</sup>As the LORD commanded Moses, so Aaron placed it before the covenant, for safekeeping. <sup>35</sup>The Israelites ate manna forty years, until they came to a habitable land; they ate manna, until they came to the border of the land of Canaan. <sup>36</sup>An omer is a tenth of an ephah.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

*Please stand as you are comfortable.*

**Gospel Reading: John 13: 1-17; 31b-35**

*P:* The holy gospel according to John. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>1</sup>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>31b</sup>"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>

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.”

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

*Please be seated.*

**Message**


*Pastor Naomi Hartman*

*Please stand as you are comfortable.*


**Hymn of the Day “Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love”**

*(ELW 708)*

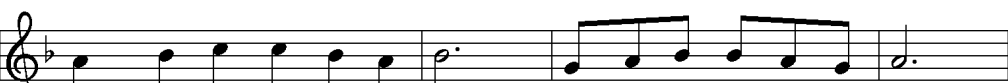
*Refrain*




Je - su, Je - su, fill us with your love, show



us how to serve the neigh-bors we have from you.



1 Kneels at the feet of his friends, si - lent - ly wash - es their feet,  
2 Neigh-bors are wealth-y and poor, var - ied in col - or and race,  
3 These are the ones we will serve, these are the ones we will love;  
4 Kneel at the feet of our friends, si - lent - ly wash - ing their feet:



*Refrain*

mas - ter who acts as a slave to them.  
neigh-bors are near - by and far a - way.  
all these are neigh - bors to us and you.  
this is the way we will live with you.



*Please be seated.*

## Footwashing

*P:* On this night we have heard our Lord's commandment to love one another as he has loved us. We who receive God's love in Jesus Christ are called to love one another, to be servants to each other as Jesus became our servant. Our commitment to this loving service is signified in the washing of feet, following the example our Lord gave us on the night before his death.

*You are invited forward to sit in the chair placed up front. Place one foot at a time in the basin to be washed. You may then return to your seat or kneel and wash the feet of the next person in line.*

## Hymn during Foot Washing "Will You Let Me Be Your Servant"

(ELW 659)



1 Will you let me be your ser - vant, let me be as  
2 We are pil - grims on a jour - ney, we are trav - 'lers  
3 I will hold the Christ - light for you in the night - time  
4 I will weep when you are weep - ing; when you laugh I'll  
5 Will you let me be your ser - vant, let me be as



Christ to you? Pray that I may have the grace to  
on the road; we are here to help each oth - er  
of your fear; I will hold my hand out to you,  
laugh with you. I will share your joy and sor - row  
Christ to you? Pray that I may have the grace to



let you be my ser - vant, too.  
walk the mile and you bear the load.  
speak the peace you long to hear.  
till we've seen this jour - ney through.  
let you be my ser - vant, too.

## **Prayers of the People**

*A:* Holy God, we come to you in prayer for the church, your good creation, and all who are in need.

*A brief silence.*

*A:* Heal the wounds of your church, O God. As we remember your commandment to love one another, guide us toward reconciliation within the body of Christ. Bless all who gather around the world and in this community for these holy three days. God of grace,

**hear our prayer.**

*A:* Bring peace and justice among your people. Where there is oppression or fear, bring liberation and hope. Instill wisdom and humility in local and national leaders, and guide them to serve their communities in the way of Jesus. God of grace,

**hear our prayer.**

*A:* Console all who suffer. We pray especially for all who are lonely and yearning for community. Assure them of your loving presence. Come alongside all who cry out to you in any need. God of grace,

**hear our prayer.**

*A:* In the bread and cup we share, you show us the way of love poured out for the whole world. Nourish all who hunger in body or in spirit, that they experience the life abundant that flows from you. God of grace,

**hear our prayer.**

*A:* Receive the prayers of your people and draw all things together in your love, in the name of Jesus, who leads us from death to life.

**Amen.**

## **Peace**

*P:* The peace of Christ be with you always.

**And also with you.**

## Our Offering of Gifts

*Thank you for your continued support of the mission and ministry of Lutheran Church of the Foothills. You are invited to place offerings in the baskets as they are passed. You can also contribute online at <https://secure.myvanco.com/YKPG/home> or by scanning the QR code.*



*At this time the ushers will bring the offering baskets forward to the Assisting Minister.*

## Offering Prayer

A: Let us pray. Generous God,

**You have blessed us with gifts of abundance and joy. Open our hearts so that we may share your goodness with all who hunger for bread, for safety, and for belonging. In Christ's name we pray. Amen.**

*Please stand as you are comfortable.*

## Thanksgiving at the Table

*P: Blessed are you, O God of love. You birthed all creation and became human for us in Jesus Christ. You speak to us through Scripture and Spirit; Your love is eternal. Meet us now in bread, wine, and water.*

*On the night in which he was handed over, 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.*

*In this meal, we remember your Son Jesus, who took on our pain and suffering and transformed it into new life. Send your Spirit to meet us now. Compel your whole creation toward mercy, and fill us all with your everlasting and wide-reaching love.*

**Amen.**

## The Lord's Prayer

*P:* Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us:

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed 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.**

## Invitation to Communion

*P:* Come to the banquet, for all is now ready.

*Please be seated.*

*We experience the presence of our Lord in gifts of bread and wine, and all are welcome to Christ's table. Worship musicians and volunteers will be served first; then the ushers will direct the assembly forward row by row.*

## Song during Communion "Bread of Life, Our Host and Meal"

(ELW 464)



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|---|-------|-------|--------|------|------|-----|--------|-----------|------|-----|
| 1 | Bread | of    | life,  | our  | host | and | meal,  | Je - sus, | feed | us. |
| 2 | Bread | now   | break  | and  | wine | now | pour,  | Je - sus, | feed | us. |
| 3 | Grant | for - | give - | ness | in   | the | feast— | Je - sus, | feed | us— |
| 4 | Thank | you   | for    | this | gift | we  | share. | Je - sus, | feed | us. |



Christ,	by	faith,	to	see	and	feel,	feed	us	with	your	love.
Make	us	one,	our	hope	re -	store;	feed	us	with	your	love.
for	the	great -	est	and	the	least;	feed	us	with	your	love.
Save	God's	chil -	dren	ev -	'ry -	where;	feed	us	with	your	love.

### **Blessing after Communion**

*P:* The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and keep you in his grace.

**Amen.**

### **Prayer after Communion**

*A:* Gracious God,

**We give you thanks for the abundance of your steadfast love. As we are filled with your grace and mercy, send us out into the world to participate in your reign of peace. In the name of Christ, the holy one, we pray. Amen.**

### **Stripping of the Altar**

**Psalmody: Psalm 88**

*Andy Bade, Cantor*

*After the Psalm is sung and the altar is stripped, please exit the Sanctuary in silence.*

## **We thank those who are serving for worship this evening:**

Presiding Minister: Pastor Naomi Hartman

Cantor: Andy B.

Assisting Minister: Gene Hoyme

Greeters: Justine and Ariadne W.

Ushers: Marit H., Roger H.

Proclaimer: Vicky K.

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Worship Preparation: Ellie Mae N.

Audio/Visual Team: Andy B., Marty L.

Guest Organist and Pianist: David Horr

**Special Thanks:** We thank David Horr for sharing his musical talents with us this evening. An active member of the Southern Arizona American Guild of Organists, David is enjoying retirement and the occasional guest organist role throughout southern Arizona.

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Called and empowered to proclaim the radical love of Christ through lives of service.

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