Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church



Love Jesus and help others love Him through word and actions.

Maundy Thursday

March 28, 2024 11:00 a.m. and 6:15 p.m.

Welcome in the name of Jesus!

Alive Alive Together With Christ Alive

We are happy you're here. We pray that the Lord will bless your time of worship with us and give you peace in the week ahead. Newcomers are our special guests and we ask that you sign the register at the entrance to help us get to know you.

We are on a spiritual journey together. Although we have all traveled different roads, God has met each of us on the way. Jesus has accepted us as we are and we strive to do so with one another – thankful for the past, excited about the present and expectant of a wonderful future as the Holy Spirit guides us to be the people of God.

We welcome and involve all people in the life of the family of faith no matter what their journeys so that they may experience the grace we have received from Jesus Christ. We celebrate our life together in worship, prayer, study of scripture, service and fellowship. If you are looking for a Christian community of diversity that will love you, proclaim the good news of God's unconditional love, offer a place to use your spiritual gifts to the glory of God, and grow with you in God's love through service to the local community and world, we invite you to experience the gospel with those who believe that Grace makes a world of difference.

Service Information

This bulletin contains the complete order of service.

Welcome

We will share a moment of silence as we center our hearts and minds for worship.

*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 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.
 - 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.
- 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.
- C: Amen.



*Greeting

- P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- C: And also with you.

*Prayer of the Day

P: ...one God, now and forever

C: Amen.

First Reading

Exodus 12:1-4, 11-14

¹The LORD said to Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt: ²This month shall mark for you the beginning of months; it shall be the first month of the year for you. ³Tell the whole congregation of Israel that on the tenth of this month they are to take a lamb for each family, a lamb for each household. ⁴If a household is too small for a whole lamb, it shall join its closest neighbor in obtaining one; the lamb shall be divided in proportion to the number of people who eat of it. ¹¹This is how you shall eat it: your loins girded, your sandals on your feet, and your staff in your hand; and you shall eat it hurriedly. It is the passover of the LORD. ¹²For I will pass through the land of Egypt that night, and I will strike down every firstborn in the land of Egypt, both human beings and animals; on all the gods of Egypt I will execute judgments: I am the LORD. ¹³The blood shall be a sign for you on the houses where you live: when I see the blood, I will pass over you, and no plague shall destroy you when I strike the land of Egypt.

¹⁴This day shall be a day of remembrance for you. You shall celebrate it as a festival to the LORD; throughout your generations you shall observe it as a perpetual ordinance.

R: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Note: At the 11:00am service we will speak this responsively and at 6:15pm service we will sing it with the choir.

Psalm: Psalm 116:1-2, 12-19

The organist will play an introduction for the psalm refrain. The choir will sing it once, then the congregation is invited to sing it the second time.



¹I love the LORD, who has ¹ heard my voice, and listened to my ¹ supplication, ² for the LORD has given ¹ ear to me wheney- ¹ er I called.

¹²How shall I re- ^I pay the LORD for all the good things God has ^I done for me?

¹³I will lift the cup [|] of salvation and call on the name [|] of the LORD. R

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

¹⁵Precious in your [|] sight, O LORD, is the death [|] of your servants.

¹⁶O LORD, truly I ^I am your servant;

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

¹⁷I will offer you the sacrifice [|] of thanksgiving and call upon the name [|] of the LORD.

¹⁸I will fulfill my vows ^I to the LORD in the presence of ^I all God's people,

in the courts of I the LORD's house, in the midst of you, I O Jerusalem. R

Second Reading

1 Corinthians 11:23-26

²³For I received from the Lord what I also handed on to you, that the Lord Jesus on the night when he was betrayed took a loaf of bread, ²⁴ and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, "This is my body that is for you. Do this in remembrance of me." ²⁵In the same way he took the cup also, after supper, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me." ²⁶For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

R: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

*Gospel Acclamation

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slow to an - ger, rich in bless - ing, and with love to us in-clined.

P: The holy gospel according to John 13th chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

¹Now 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. ²The devil had already put it into the heart of Judas son of Simon Iscariot to betray him. And during supper ³Jesus, knowing that the Father had given all things into his hands, and that he had come from God and was going to God, ⁴got up from the table, took off his outer robe, and tied a towel around himself. ⁵Then 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. ⁶He came to Simon Peter, who said to him, "Lord, are you going to wash my feet?" ⁷Jesus answered, "You do not know now what I am doing, but later you will understand." ⁸Peter said to him, "You will never wash my feet." Jesus answered, "Unless I wash you, you have no share with me." ⁹Simon Peter said to him, "Lord, not my feet only but also my hands and my head!" ¹⁰Jesus 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." ¹¹For he knew who was to betray him; for this reason he said, "Not all of you are clean."

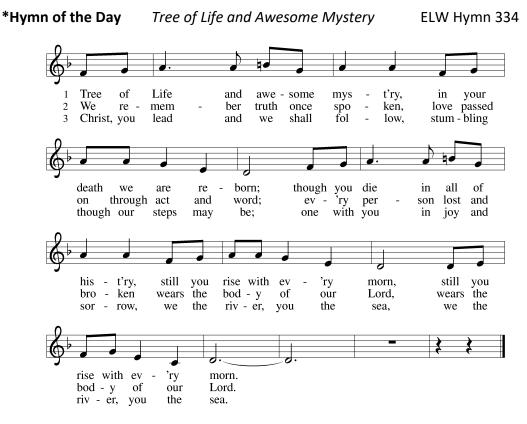
¹²After he had washed their feet, had put on his robe, and had returned to the table, he said to them, "Do you know what I have done to you? ¹³You call me Teacher and Lord—and you are right, for that is what I am. ¹⁴So if I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another's feet. ¹⁵For I have set you an example, that you also should do as I have done to you. ¹⁶Very truly, I tell you, servants are not greater than their master, nor are messengers greater than the one who sent them. ¹⁷If you know these things, you are blessed if you do them."

^{31b}"Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. ³²If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. ³³Little 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.' ³⁴I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. ³⁵By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon Pr. Rosalina Rivera



One of the following may be sung as a final stanza at the appropriate time.

Lent 5
God of all our fear and sorrow,
God who lives beyond our death,
hold us close through each tomorrow,
love as near as every breath.

*Prayers of Intercession

A: Merciful God,

C: Receive our prayer.

P: ... for the sake of the One who loved us to the end, Jesus Christ, our redeemer.

C: Amen.

*Sharing of the Peace

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

C: And also with you.

Offering

Choir Anthem

In Remembrance

Music by Buryl Red

Choral setting by: Lloyd Larson

*Great Thanksgiving

*Dialogue

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

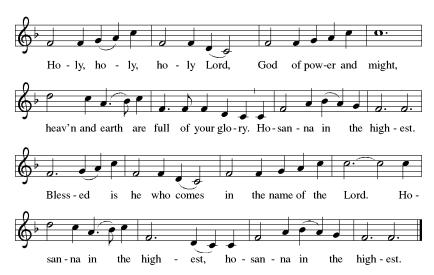
C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

*Preface

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy... we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Holy, Holy, Holy

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*Thanksgiving At The Table

*Lord's Prayer

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

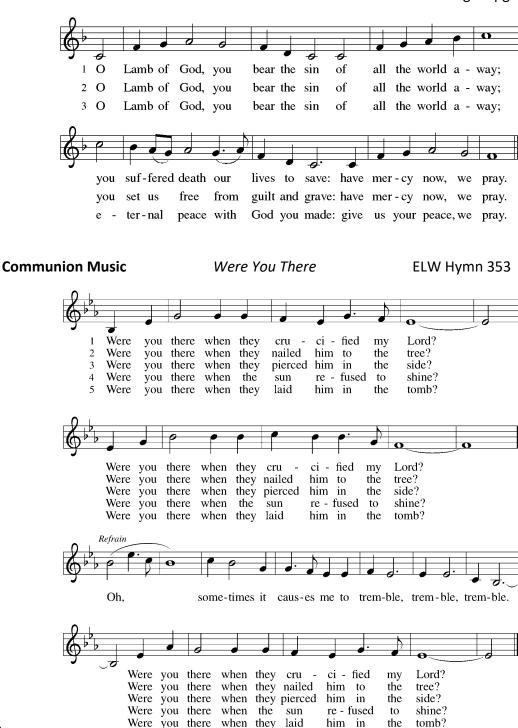
*Invitation to Communion

P: Bread for the journey. A feast for hungry hearts. Come!

<u>6:15pm</u> Blessing for first Communion students. The first communion students will commune first with their families.



We will commune beginning with those people on the right side of the sanctuary, facing the altar. When the last person in the row in front of you has vacated their pew, please follow behind them. Once the right side has communed, the left side begins and communes as noted above. All are welcome to receive the bread and the cup, or if you prefer, a pre-packaged communion cup is available to pick up on the front pew as you come through the line to receive communion. Gluten free wafers are available upon request.



Communion Blessing

P: ...strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C: Amen.

Prayer after Communion

A: Let us pray.

A brief silence is kept.

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.

C: Amen.

STRIPPING OF THE ALTAR

The stripping of the altar evokes the stripping of Jesus on the night of his torture. Every pretense is taken away and we are left with the unadorned expectation of the tragedy that will become out victory. A psalm of lament is sung or read as items are removed until the altar and chancel are bare.

CHANTING OF PSALM 22

¹My God, my God, why have you for-

Why so far from saving me, so far from the words

Our ancestors put their

they trusted, and you

They cried out to you and were not

put to shame.

Put you are the

They cried out to you and were not

put to shame.

But as for me, I am a worm

and not human, scorned by all and despised

you far from the words

for me, I am a to scorn:

All who see me laugh

me to scorn:

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they curl their lips; they | shake their heads.
<sup>8</sup>"Trust in the LORD; let the | LORD deliver;
  let God rescue him if God so de- | lights in him."
<sup>9</sup>Yet you are the one who drew me forth <sup>1</sup> from the womb,
  and kept me safe on my | mother's breast.
<sup>10</sup>I have been entrusted to you ever since | I was born;
  you were my God when I was still in my mother's womb.
<sup>11</sup>Be not far from me, for trou- | ble is near,
  and there is no | one to help.
<sup>12</sup>Many young bulls en- | circle me;
  strong bulls of Ba- | shan surround me.
<sup>13</sup>They open wide their | jaws at me,
  like a slashing and | roaring lion.
<sup>14</sup>I am poured out like water; all my bones are <sup>1</sup> out of joint;
  my heart within my breast is | melting wax.
<sup>15</sup>My strength is dried up like a potsherd; my tongue sticks to the roof <sup>|</sup> of my mouth;
  and you have laid me in the | dust of death.
<sup>16</sup>Packs of dogs close me in, a band of evildoers <sup>1</sup> circles round me;
  they pierce my hands | and my feet. R
<sup>17</sup>I can count | all my bones
  while they stare at | me and gloat.
<sup>18</sup>They divide my gar- | ments among them;
  for my clothing, | they cast lots.
<sup>19</sup>But you, O LORD, be not | far away;
  O my help, hasten | to my aid.
<sup>20</sup>Deliver me | from the sword,
  my life from the power | of the dog.
<sup>21</sup>Save me from the | lion's mouth!
  From the horns of wild bulls you have | rescued me.
<sup>22</sup>I will declare your name <sup>1</sup> to my people;
  in the midst of the assembly | I will praise you.
<sup>23</sup>You who fear the LORD, give praise! All you of Jacob's | line, give glory.
  Stand in awe of the LORD, all you off- | spring of Israel.
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²⁴For the LORD does not despise nor abhor the poor in their poverty; neither is

the LORD's face hid- $^{\mid}$ den from them;

but when they cry out, I the LORD hears them.

- ²⁵From you comes my praise in the [|] great assembly; I will perform my vows in the sight of those who [|] fear the LORD.
- ²⁶The poor shall eat [|] and be satisfied, Let those who seek the LORD give praise! May your hearts [|] live forever!
- ²⁷All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn ¹ to the LORD; all the families of nations shall bow ¹ before God.
- ²⁸For dominion belongs | to the LORD, who rules o- | ver the nations.
- ²⁹Indeed, all who sleep in the earth shall bow [|] down in worship; all who go down to the dust, though they be dead, shall kneel be- [|] fore the LORD.
- ³⁰Their descendants shall | serve the LORD, whom they shall proclaim to genera- | tions to come.
- ³¹They shall proclaim God's deliverance to a people | yet unborn, saying to them, "The | LORD has acted!"

We depart in silence.



The communion bread this evening is gluten free and made by the first communion students. Receiving their first communion this evening are: Landon Weber son of Marla Weber & Pravin Ajmeri, son of Katherine Ajmeri. Congratulations to you and your families!

Remainder of Holy Week services

March 29– Services for Good Friday will be at 11:00am and 6:15pm

March 31– EASTER

7:00am Sunrise Service Memorial Garden 8:00am Easter Brunch FH 9:00am Contemporary Worship Sanctuary 10:00am Easter Brunch FH 11:15am Traditional Worship Sanctuary Members & Guests are reminded to bring fake flowers on Easter Sunday to put them in the Lenten cross.

Grace's Mission Statement

Led by the Holy Spirit, we are called to worship God, Love our neighbors as ourselves, and Inspire others to seek Jesus and Experience God's grace in their lives.

Serving Today

Preaching and Presiding Pastor: Rev. Rosalina Rivera

Reader: 11:00am Donna Hoglund 6:15pm Nancy Munro

Assistant: 11:00am Donna Hoglund

Stripping of the Altar: 11:00am Donna Hoglund, Judy Rosenberg

6:15pm Ruth Smiley, Kathy Olsen

Offering Stewards: Loraine Huynh, Pam Williams

Altar Guild: Nahida Jallouk, Donna Hoglund

Invitation

Please join us again in worship and fellowship! You have an open invitation to be a part of our ministries. Speak with the members and pastor to learn more about our family of Grace and visit our website at www.graceoakridge.org.

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