

## St. John's Ev. Lutheran Church & School

(Wisconsin Ev. Lutheran Synod)

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Maundy Thursday

3:15 & 7:00 p.m.

March 29, 2018

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**Prayer:** “For Your consoling Supper, Lord, Be praised throughout all ages! Preserve it, for in ev’ry place, The world against it rages. Grant that this sacrament may be, A blessed comfort unto me, When living and when dying.” Amen.

### **The Service of Word and Sacrament**

(The Hymnal, page 26.)

**The Hymns:** 714 – 109 – 126, v. 5 – 135 – 123.

Organist: Donna Schmitz.

**The Old Testament Reading:** Exodus 12:21-30.

**Psalm 116**, page 107.

**The Epistle Reading:** I Corinthians 10:16-17.

**Special Music:** Grades 5K-8 will sing “Glory Be To Jesus” in the early service and the Ladies’ Choir will sing “Remember Me” in the late service.

**The Gospel Reading/Sermon:** Mark 14:12-26.

### **“This Is My Body – This Is My Blood”**

I. A miracle we believe.

II. Blessings to be treasured and enjoyed.

III. A most gracious invitation.

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**Please be sure** to pick up a Christian Worship – Supplement on your way into church. **On Maundy Thursday** Hymn #714 is in the Supplement. **On Good Friday** hymn #748 is in the Supplement.

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Good Friday

1:00 p.m.

March 30, 2018

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**Prayer:** “What language shall I borrow, To thank You, dearest Friend, For this, Your dying hour, Your pity without end? Oh, make me Yours forever, And keep me strong and true; Lord, let me never, never, Outlive my love for You.” Amen.

### **The Common Service**

(The Hymnal, page 15.)

**The Hymns:** 748 – 99 – 126, v. 5 – 100/114 – 319.

Organist: Linda Nottling.

**The Old Testament Reading:** Leviticus 16:11-19.

**Psalm 22**, page 71. We will read the psalm responsively.

**The Epistle Reading:** Hebrews 7:26-28.

**Special Music:** The Ladies Choir will sing “My Savior Jesus.”

**The Gospel Reading:** John 19:17-30.

**Confession of Faith:** We will use Luther’s explanation to the Second Article to confess our faith in our dear Lord Jesus:

“I believe that Jesus Christ, true God, begotten of the Father from eternity, and also true man, born of the Virgin Mary, is my Lord.

“He has redeemed me, a lost and condemned creature, purchased and won me from all sins, from death, and from the power of the devil, not with gold or silver, but with His holy, precious blood and with His innocent sufferings and death.

“All this He did that I should be His own, and live under Him in His kingdom, and serve Him in everlasting righteousness, innocence and blessedness; just as He has risen from death, lives and rules eternally. This is most certainly true.”

**The Sermon:** Luke 23:46 –

### **“Father, Into Your Hands I Commit My Spirit”**

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**Holy Communion** will be celebrated. Since the Sacrament is also a public declaration of a unity of faith we practice Communion Fellowship. We ask that only members of our congregation or the Wisconsin Synod receive the Sacrament. Thank you.

**Easter worship** is at 7:00 and 9:30 a.m.

## **GOOD FRIDAY – RESPONSIVE PRAYER**

**M:** Heavenly Father, You are a just God who accepts nothing less than perfection. All too often we fail to realize how much our sins offend You. We forget that the wages of sin truly is death. We forget that there actually is a hell. Lead us to recognize the seriousness of our sinfulness. Lead us also to admit our inability to make things right with You.

**C: Teach us to look to You as the only one who can make us just and right.**

**M:** Today we are reminded of Your justice but also of Your love. You did not spare Your own Son but gave Him as a ransom for each one of us. Comfort us with the knowledge of this great love. Give us the peace that Your forgiveness of our sins brings.

**C: When we feel our guilt, point us to the cross, where our guilt was washed away in Jesus' blood.**

**M:** Lord Jesus, we thank You for paying the debt that we could not pay. We thank You for coming to earth so that we could be with You forever in heaven.

**C: For being our perfect substitute, we thank You, Lord Jesus.**

**M:** Son of God, You offered up Your body as an unblemished sacrifice for sin and commended Your spirit into the hands of Your Father. Teach us to cast the cares of this brief life on our heavenly Father and commit our bodies and souls to His love.

**C: Give us the courage to face death, knowing that it is now the gate to our home in heaven.**

**M:** Hear us, Lord, as we offer our personal thanks for the forgiveness that You have given us and for the home that You have won for us.

*Silent prayer.*

**M:** Bless us as we now come to Your Holy Supper to receive with the bread and wine the very same body and blood that You gave into death on the cross. With this sacrament forgive our sins, strengthen our faith in You and help us to live our lives to You.

**C: Dear Savior, we humbly kneel at the cross in awe of Your power and of Your love. Amen.**

*(Lord's Prayer) (over)*

**We will celebrate** our Lord's resurrection from the dead with festival services at 7:00 and 9:30 a.m. on Sunday. We will serve an Easter breakfast of scrambled eggs, ham, French toast, pancakes, etc. between the services. There will be additional seating in the gym so there will be room for everyone. We can use YOUR help Saturday at 9:00 a.m. setting up for our Easter breakfast and cleaning up after the meal on Sunday morning. Also, if you have an Easter lily/plant that we can use for our altar please have it here by Saturday at 1:00 p.m. Thank you.

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