

MAUNDY THURSDAY

Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church

Tempe, AZ

April 2, 2026

6:30 PM

As we worship together, please respond to the Pastor (“P”) or the Reader (“R”) in the bolded sections labeled “C” for Congregational Response.

PRELUDE

"Lamb of God"

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PASTORAL WELCOME

P With nightfall our Lenten journey gives way to the Three Days, the holiest time of the Church year. Tonight, we gather with the disciples in the Upper Room. We will hear their questions, witness the moment of betrayal, and receive the meal that Christ gives for the forgiveness of sins. In this meal Jesus does not feed the worthy. He feeds sinners. He feeds doubters. He feeds betrayers. Tonight, we ask with the disciples: “Is it I, Lord?” Are we the reason you need to die? Yet even for us, Christ prepares His table.

OPENING HYMN

“Here I Am To Worship”

Verse 1

Light of the world

You stepped down into darkness

Opened my eyes let me see

Beauty that made

This heart adore You

Hope of a life spent with You

Chorus

**So here I am to worship
Here I am to bow down
Here I am to say that You're my God
And You're altogether lovely
Altogether worthy
Altogether wonderful to me**

Verse 2

**King of all days
Oh so highly exalted
Glorious in heaven above
Humbly You came
To the earth You created
All for love's sake became poor *Chorus***

Bridge

**And I'll never know how much it cost
To see my sin upon that cross
And I'll never know how much it cost
To see my sin upon that cross**

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INVOCATION

LSB 167

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 are called in baptism. On this night we are drawn to the

very night of Jesus' betrayal and how he established a new covenant promise with His people. Let us call upon God as we begin in the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

CONFESSION

LSB 167

P 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.

ABSOLUTION

LSB 167

P In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for you, and for his sake God forgives you all your 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.

SERVICE OF THE WORD

LSB 168-173

SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

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.**

P Let us pray together the prayer of the day,

C **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.**

THE LIVING LAST SUPPER

HOLY GOSPEL

Mark 14:12–21

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the fourteenth chapter.

C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

¹² And on the first day of Unleavened Bread, when they sacrificed the Passover lamb, his disciples said to him, “Where will you have us go and prepare for you to eat the Passover?”¹³ And he sent two of his disciples and said to them, “Go into the city, and a man carrying a jar of water will meet you. Follow him, ¹⁴ and wherever he enters, say to the master of the house, ‘The Teacher says, Where is my guest room, where I may eat the Passover with my disciples?’ ¹⁵ And he will show you a large upper room furnished and ready; there prepare for us.” ¹⁶ And the disciples set out and

went to the city and found it just as he had told them, and they prepared the Passover.

¹⁷ And when it was evening, he came with the twelve. ¹⁸ And as they were reclining at table and eating, Jesus said, “Truly, I say to you, one of you will betray me, one who is eating with me.”¹⁹ They began to be sorrowful and to say to him one after another, “Is it I?” ²⁰ He said to them, “It is one of the twelve, one who is dipping bread into the dish with me. ²¹ For the Son of Man goes as it is written of him, but woe to that man by whom the Son of Man is betrayed! It would have been better for that man if he had not been born.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God**

Nathaniel, Thaddeus, Andrew, Thomas, James the Lesser & Phillip

UPPER ROOM HYMN “Broken For Our Brokenness”

Chorus 1

Broken for our brokenness

You’ve become our righteousness

Perfect Lamb of God You took our place

And You were broken broken for our brokenness

Verse 1

Out of the realms of glory

Sweet perfection came

Mercy rewrote our story

When the Lamb was slain

Pre-Chorus

**We receive this gift of love
Your precious blood
Your body broken**

Verse 2

**Together at His table
We confess our sins
Open hands extended
With confidence**

Bridge

**We receive this gift of love
(*We receive this gift of love*)
We receive Your precious blood
(*We receive Your precious blood*)
We receive Your body broken
(*We receive Your body broken*)**

Chorus 2

**Broken for our brokenness
You've become our righteousness
Broken for our brokenness
You've become our righteousness
Perfect Lamb of God You took our place
And You were broken broken for our brokenness**

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***John, Simon the Zealot, Matthew, James, Judas
Iscairiot & Peter***

HOLY GOSPEL

John 13:22–30

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the thirteenth chapter.

C Glory to You, O Lord.

²² The disciples looked at one another, uncertain of whom he spoke. ²³ One of his disciples, whom Jesus loved, was reclining at table at Jesus' side, ²⁴ so Simon Peter motioned to him to ask Jesus of whom he was speaking. ²⁵ So that disciple, leaning back against Jesus, said to him, "Lord, who is it?" ²⁶ Jesus answered, "It is he to whom I will give this morsel of bread when I have dipped it." So when he had dipped the morsel, he gave it to Judas, the son of Simon Iscariot. ²⁷ Then after he had taken the morsel, Satan entered into him. Jesus said to him, "What you are going to do, do quickly." ²⁸ Now no one at the table knew why he said this to him. ²⁹ Some thought that, because Judas had the moneybag, Jesus was telling him, "Buy what we need for the feast," or that he should give something to the poor. ³⁰ So, after receiving the morsel of bread, he immediately went out. And it was night.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

P Holy Father, on this night we remember the Passover of Your ancient people, the children of Abraham, and Your Son's gift of the New Testament in His blood. We implore You to remember us, for we have not treated our brothers and sisters as we

ought, even those in Your Church. Forgive us, we implore You, and create in us new and contrite hearts. Wash us, restore us and unite us in the bond of charity. Lord, in Your mercy,

C Hear our prayer.

P Strengthen all of our sister churches throughout the world who celebrate the mystery of Your Son's Passover. Where there is strife, bring forgiveness; where there is suffering, bring help; and where there is persecution, bring joy. Lord, in Your mercy,

C Hear our prayer.

P Remember, Lord, all who suffer in body or soul. Most especially do we implore Your blessing on all those who have requested our prayers and also those we name on our lips and in our hearts including... Lord, in Your mercy,

C Hear our prayer.

P As Your Son took on the form of a slave and washed the feet of His disciples, so make us ready to serve our neighbors ahead of ourselves. Teach us to love each other and bear one another's burdens. Teach us to rejoice with those who rejoice and weep with those who weep. In Jesus name we pray.

C Amen.

SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

PREFACE

LSB 177

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 Him thanks and praise.

PROPER PREFACE

P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who accomplished the salvation of mankind by the tree of the cross that, where death arose, there life also might rise again and that the serpent who overcame by the tree of the garden might likewise by the tree of the cross be overcome. Therefore, with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You singing:

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

LSB 178

P Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth. In mercy You sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. On the night when He was betrayed, He gathered His disciples at the table, gave them His body and blood, and entrusted this holy meal of forgiveness, life, and salvation to His Church. Though we, like those first disciples, are weak in faith and often prone to wander, You still invite us to the table and feed us with the gift of His sacrifice. Strengthen us therefore through this meal, that we may trust in Your mercy. Keep us steadfast in this faith until that day when we join all the faithful at the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom which has no end. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, together with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My † body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: " Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My † blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me."

THE PROCLAMATION OF CHRIST

P As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.

C Amen. Come, Lord Jesus

P O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the father, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension into heaven, and Your coming for the final judgement. So remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray.

LORD'S PRAYER (*Spoken*)

LSB 179

C **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.

PAX DOMINI (*Spoken*)

LSB 180

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C Amen

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

“I Come, O Savior, to Thy Table”

LSB #618, v. 1-5

1 I come, O Savior, to Thy table,
For weak and weary is my soul;
Thou, Bread of Life, alone art able
To satisfy and make me whole: *Refrain*

Refrain Lord, may Thy body and Thy blood
Be for my soul the highest good!

2 Thy heart is filled with fervent yearning
That sinners may salvation see
Who, Lord, to Thee in faith are turning;
So I, a sinner, come to Thee. *Refrain*

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“Come Share The Lord”

Chorus 1

**We gather here in Jesus' name
His love is burning in our hearts like living flame
For through His loving Son the Father makes us one**

**Come take the bread come drink the wine
Come share the Lord**

Chorus 2

**We'll gather soon where angels sing
We'll see the glory of our Lord and coming King
Now we anticipate the feast for which we wait
Come take the bread come drink the wine
Come share the Lord**

Bridge

**For He will feed us with His presence here
This bread and wine will do us good
Our deepest hungers He will satisfy
For He is life and peace and rest and drink and food**

Chorus 3

**He joins us here He breaks the bread
The Lord who pours the cup is risen from the dead
The One we love the most is now our gracious host
Come take the bread come drink the wine
Come share the Lord**

Bridge

**No one is a stranger here
Ev'ryone belongs
Finding our forgiveness here
We in turn forgive all wrongs
We are now the family
Of which the Lord is head
Though unseen He meets us here
In the breaking of the bread**

Ending

**Come take the bread
Come drink the wine
Come share the Lord**

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POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

LSB 183

P Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, Your Son's body and blood. As we depart from this table and follow our Lord into the night of His betrayal and suffering, grant that we may remain steadfast in faith, trusting in His mercy and remembering the price of our redemption. Keep us watchful until we behold the victory of His resurrection; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

THE BETRAYAL

P After the meal, Jesus left the Upper Room with His disciples and went to a garden called Gethsemane. There Judas came with soldiers and betrayed Him with a kiss. That night Jesus was abandoned by His friends, falsely accused, beaten, and condemned. Yet even as His disciples fled, Jesus did not abandon them. And He does not abandon us.

Tonight, our service ends without a blessing, because the story is not yet finished. We leave in

silence as the altar is stripped, and the words of Psalm 22 are spoken—the very psalm Jesus would pray from the cross.

Tomorrow, we gather again at the foot of that cross. with services at 3:00pm and 6:30pm here at Beautiful Savior. ALL are welcome to join us.

At this time the communion vessels are reverently removed from the altar, the altar is stripped, and the chancel is cleared in preparation for the solemn services of Good Friday.

While this is done, Psalm 22 will be spoken responsively, with the congregation speaking the bold verses.

PSALM 22

My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?
Why are you so far from saving me, from the
words of my groaning?

**O my God, I cry by day, but you do not
answer, and by night, but I find no rest.**

Yet you are holy, enthroned on the praises of
Israel.

**In you our fathers trusted; they trusted,
and you delivered them.**

To you they cried and were rescued; in you they
trusted and were not put to shame.

**But I am a worm and not a man, scorned
by mankind and despised by the people.**

All who see me mock me; they make mouths at
me; they wag their heads;

**“He trusts in the Lord; let him deliver him;
let him rescue him, for he delights in**

him!"

Yet you are he who took me from the womb; you made me trust you at my mother's breasts.

On you was I cast from my birth, and from my mother's womb you have been my God.

Be not far from me, for trouble is near, and there is none to help.

Many bulls encompass me; strong bulls of Bashan surround me;

They open wide their mouths at me, like a ravening and roaring lion.

I am poured out like water, and all my bones are out of joint; my heart is like wax; it is melted within my breast;

my strength is dried up like a potsherd, and my tongue sticks to my jaws; you lay me in the dust of death.

For dogs encompass me; a company of evildoers encircles me; they have pierced my hands and feet

I can count all my bones; they stare and gloat over me;

they divide my garments among them, and for my clothing they cast lots.

But you, O Lord, do not be far off! O you my help, come quickly to my aid!

Deliver my soul from the sword, my precious life from the power of the dog!

Save me from the mouth of the lion! You have rescued me from the horns of the wild oxen!

I will tell of your name to my brothers; in the midst of the congregation I will praise you:

You who fear the Lord, praise him! All you offspring of Jacob, glorify him, and stand in awe of him, all you offspring of Israel!

For he has not despised or abhorred the affliction of the afflicted, and he has not hidden his face from him, but has heard, when he cried to him.

From you comes my praise in the great congregation; my vows I will perform before those who fear him.

**The afflicted shall eat and be satisfied;
those who seek him shall praise the Lord!
May your hearts live forever!**

All the prosperous of the earth eat and worship; before him shall bow all who go down to the dust, even the one who could not keep himself alive.

Posterity shall serve him; it shall be told of the Lord to the coming generation; they shall come and proclaim his righteousness to a people yet unborn, that he has done it.

We leave in silence, without a final blessing.

We have only just begun Holy Week, the sacred days which lead us to Easter.

The emptiness of the Church calls us to prayer and meditation; we depart in a solemn and prayerful manner. Please join us tomorrow at 3:00pm as we experience the sights and sounds of Good Friday and/or at 6:30pm as we worship together on Good Friday in the Tenebrae format.

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Members are also encouraged to complete a “Worship Information” card (you can update address and phone number, request a pastoral visit).

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Pastor Tim's Office Hours: He is available Monday through Thursday, 10am - 3pm as well as by appointment. Pastor Tim will use the rest of his time to attending to members, meetings, and creating connections for the church in our community. His cell phone number is 480-536-2256.

Prayer Cards: In the pews is a prayer card that can be filled out and placed in the offering plate. Please check the box at the bottom of the card if you want the prayer to be added to our Email Prayer Chain.



COMMUNION..... OUR UNDERSTANDING

It is the special joy of the baptized and instructed Christian to celebrate Christ in our very midst with the Sacrament of the Altar (Holy Communion). The Scripture clearly and carefully teaches that, in Holy Communion, the very Body and the very Blood of our Lord Jesus are really present in, with, and under the forms of bread and wine. It also teaches that "A man ought to examine himself before he eats of the bread and drinks of the cup. For anyone who eats and drinks without recognizing the body of the Lord (acknowledging the Real Presence of Jesus with the elements) eats and drinks judgment on himself." (1 Corinthians 11:28-29).

Communicants, then, are rightfully prepared and "worthy" when they:

- *are truly penitent of their sins;*
- *even now embrace Jesus as their Savior and recognize His Real Presence in the bread and the wine; and*
- *seek to amend their sinful lives, with the assistance of this Meal and the power of the Holy Spirit.*

If you have any further questions, please speak with the Pastor before the service.

Other notes on the distribution of Holy Communion:

- *1) Wine is the Biblical standard for all communicants. However, grape juice is in some glasses and available in the center of each tray for those who have an intolerance to alcohol.*
- *2) The Blood of Christ, in, with and under the wine, is served in individual glasses.*
- *3) Children and adults not instructed or confirmed are still encouraged to approach The Table to receive a blessing.*