

March 28, 2024

An Explanation of Our Communion Practice

Today we are celebrating the Lord's Supper, which is a wonderful gift from our gracious God. In his Word, God teaches that Christians need a proper understanding of the Lord's Supper before receiving it (1 Corinthians 11:27-29). He also tells us that Christians should be completely united before communing together (1 Corinthians 10:17). Therefore, we ask that only members of our fellowship (The Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod and, worldwide, The Confessional Evangelical Lutheran Conference) commune at Trinity.

We do want everyone to commune with us. So that everything may be done decently and in good order (1 Corinthians 14:40), we ask for the opportunity to verify that we are united in our beliefs based on God's Word, and then to celebrate that unity publicly in the Sacrament. If you would like to learn more, please speak to Pastor. Thank you for your understanding of our belief and practice.





- Welcome! Thank you for joining us for worship! In our service we receive God's grace through his Word and sacraments. As he works to strengthen our faith in Jesus, we respond to his goodness with our prayers, praise, and offerings. We are glad to be here and glad that you have joined us today!
- Restrooms are located in the main hallway, narthex, and back classrooms.
- If you wish to step out of the service to calm your child, please feel welcome to use the Fellowship Hall or the Toddler Sunday School Room (located in the back-corner classroom of the building, connected to the Fellowship Hall). Both of these rooms have televisions showing the worship service. Also, please do not hesitate to ask an usher or any member if you need help locating anything. We want to make you feel welcome.

Serving the Lord and Serving Us:

Pastor: Paul Jenkins

Service Volunteers:

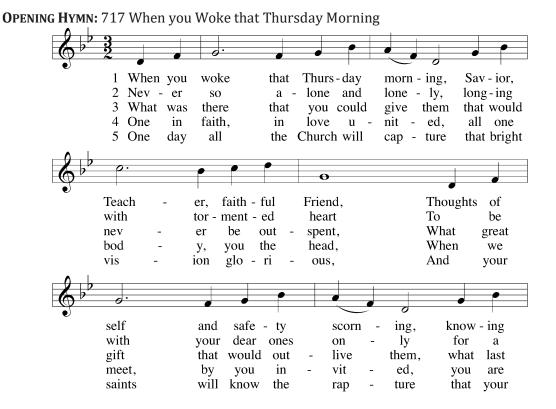
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Tonight's Focus: Jesus passes down the price of life eternal: not gold or silver, but the body and blood of his innocent suffering and death.

We Come into the Presence of God

MUSICAL INTRODUCTION

This is an opportunity to quiet your mind and heart and prepare for the joy of worshipping your God.



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The hymn writer Jaroslav Vajda vividly recounts the events of Maundy Thursday as they may have looked from the perspective of our Savior.

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 Tune: MAUNDY (87 87 D) David A. Schack, b. 1947 © 1992 David A. Schack. All rights reserved. Used by permission.

Stand

INVOCATION

Minister: In the name of the Father and of the (+) Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Congregation: Amen.

INSTRUCTION FOR MAUNDY THURSDAY

M: Our Savior, who entered Jerusalem in triumph, is determined to go in all humility to the cross in order to pay for the sins of all people. On the way, Jesus stops with his disciples to celebrate the Passover, the ancient remembrance of freedom from slavery in Egypt. He uses that celebration to institute a new one: the Sacrament of Holy Communion, which gives us freedom from sin. In Jesus' divine meal we receive under bread and wine his body and blood, given and shed for the forgiveness of our sins. Let us pray.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: O Lord, you give us your Supper so that we will remember in faith your suffering and death. Grant that we may so receive the sacred mystery of your body and blood that the fruits of your redemption may always show in us; for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Be Seated

THE WORD

FIRST LESSON

Exodus 12:21-30

The sacrificed Passover lamb saved the Israelites from death and the bondage of the Egyptians. The lamb of the Passover foreshadows Christ, our Lamb, who was sacrificed to save us from spiritual death and slavery to sin.

Then Moses summoned all the elders of Israel and said to them, "Go and take lambs for yourselves according to your family size, and slaughter the Passover lamb. ²² You shall take a bundle of hyssop, dip it in the blood that is in the basin, and paint the lintel and the two doorposts with the blood that is in the basin. None of you are to go out of the door of your house until morning. ²³ When the LORD passes through to strike Egypt and sees the blood on the lintel and the two doorposts, the LORD will pass over that door and will not allow the destroyer to enter your houses to strike you.

²⁴ "You shall observe these instructions as a perpetual regulation for you and your descendants. ²⁵ When you enter the land that the LORD will give you just as he said he would, you shall observe this ceremony. ²⁶ So when your children ask you, 'What does this ceremony mean to you?' ²⁷ you will say, 'It is the sacrifice of the Passover to the LORD, who passed over the houses of the Israelites in Egypt. When he struck the Egyptians, he spared our houses.'"

The people bowed down and worshipped. ²⁸ The Israelites went and did all this. They did just as the LORD had commanded Moses and Aaron.

²⁹ At midnight the LORD struck down all the firstborn in the land of Egypt, from the firstborn of Pharaoh, who sat on his throne, to the firstborn of the prisoner who was in the dungeon, even all the firstborn of the livestock. ³⁰ During the night Pharaoh got up—he, all his servants, and all the Egyptians—and there was a loud outcry in Egypt, for there was not a house where there was not someone dead.

M: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God!

SECOND LESSON

1 CORINTHIANS 10:16-17

The bread and wine of the Lord's Supper commune with our Savior's body and blood; when we receive them, we commune with him and with each other.

The cup of blessing that we bless, is it not a communion of the blood of Christ? The bread that we break, is it not a communion of the body of Christ? ¹⁷ Because there is one bread, we, who are many, are one body, for we all partake of the one bread.

M: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God!

Stand

GOSPEL AND SERMON TEXT

Mark 14:12-26

On the first day of the Festival of Unleavened Bread, when the Passover lamb is sacrificed, his disciples asked him, "Where do you want us to go and prepare for you to eat the Passover?" ¹³ He sent two of his disciples and said to them, "Go into the city, and there a man carrying a jar of water will meet you. Follow him. ¹⁴ Wherever he enters, tell the owner of the house that the Teacher says, 'Where is my guest room, where I may eat the Passover with my disciples?' ¹⁵ He will show you a large upper room, furnished and ready. Make preparations for us there."

¹⁶His disciples left and went into the city and found things just as he had told them; and they prepared the Passover.

¹⁷ When it was evening, he arrived with the Twelve.

¹⁸ While they were reclining and eating, Jesus said, "Amen I tell you: One of you will betray me, one who is eating with me."

¹⁹ They began to be sorrowful and said to him one by one, "Surely not I?"

²⁰ He said to them, "It is one of the Twelve, one who is dipping bread with me in the dish. ²¹ Indeed, the Son of Man is going to go just as it has been written about 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."

²² While they were eating, Jesus took bread. When he had blessed it, he broke it and gave it to them, saying, "Take it. This is my body."

²³ Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them. They all drank from it. ²⁴ He said to them, "This is my blood of the new testament, which is poured out for many. ²⁵ Amen I tell you: I will certainly not drink again of the fruit of the vine until that day when I drink it new in the kingdom of God." ²⁶ After they sang a hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives.

M: The Gospel of our Lord.

C: Praise be to you, O Christ!

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We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth. of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary. and became fully human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate. He suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who in unity with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Be Seated

HYMN: 106 Come to Calvary's Holy Mountain

1 Come to Cal-v'ry's ho ly moun-tain, Sin - ners, ru - ined 2 Come in and mean-ness, Come de - filed, with pov - er ty con - tri - tion, Wound-ed, par - a -3 Come in sor - row and 4 He that drinks shall live for - ev - er; 'Tis a soul - re fall: by the Here foun - tain а pure and heal ing in - fec - tion out, with - in; From and un clean-ness, lyzed, and blind: Here the guilt - y, free mis - sion. re faith - ful; new - ing flood. God is God will nev - er Flows all, full, to you, to me, to In а per lep - ro - sy From the of sin. Wash your robes and Here the trou-bled, peace may find. Health this foun tain Break his cov - e - nant of blood, Signed when our Re ð pet - ual tide, pened when died. O our Sav - ior make them white; You shall walk with God light. in will re - store; He that drinks shall thirst no more. deem - er died, Sealed when he was glo - ri - fied.

Text: James Montgomery, 1771–1854, alt. Tune: NAAR MIT ÖIE (87 87 77) Ludvig M. Lindeman, 1812–87.

SERMON

TEXT:	Mark 14:12-26
THEME:	Jesus Passes Down the Best Inheritance

OFFERING

Please take a moment to sign the Friendship Register in the pew.

The members of Trinity make joyful offerings to support this church's ministry. A portion of our offerings is also used for the training of future pastors and teachers, and the worldwide mission work carried out by our fellowship, the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod. Our guests are under no obligation to give, but any gifts freely given are welcome and will be put to work in service to God's kingdom.

Stand

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH (1 TIMOTHY 2:1-4)

- M: Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, and for all people according to their needs.
- M: We pray for the Church, both clergy and laity, that the Holy Spirit will move us all to greater devotion in our thoughts, words, and actions. Let us pray to the Lord:

C: Sovereign Lord, hear our prayer.

M: For all nations, that God in heaven would raise up leaders endowed with compassion and the sense of true justice, that peace and harmony may prevail within and beyond our borders, let us pray to the Lord:

C: Sovereign Lord, hear our prayer.

M: For all who do not know the love of God in Christ, who still languish in their sins and have no hope, that God would use us to spread the news of his grace through the sacrifice of Christ our King, let us pray to the Lord:

C: Sovereign Lord, hear our prayer.

M: For all who struggle with illness of body or mind, addictions, poverty, or broken relationships, that our heavenly Father would visit them in his mercy, let us pray to the Lord:

C: Sovereign Lord, hear our prayer.

M: Into your hands, eternal God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy for the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

C: 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. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

CHRISTIAN QUESTIONS

Prepared by Dr. Martin Luther for those who intend to go to the Lord's Supper.

- M: Do you believe that you are a sinner?
 C: Yes, I believe that I am a sinner.
- 2. M: How do you know this?C: I know this from the Ten Commandments, which I have not kept.
- M: Are you sorry for your sins?
 C: Yes, I am sorry that I have sinned against God.
- 4. M: What have you deserved from God because of your sins?
 C: I deserve his wrath and displeasure, temporal death, and eternal damnation.
- 5. M: Are you convinced that you are saved?C: Yes, such is my confidence.
- 6. M: In whom, then, do you trust?C: I trust in my dear Lord Jesus.
- 7. M: Who is Jesus Christ?C: Jesus Christ is the Son of God, true God and true man.
- 8. M: How many Gods are there?C: There is only one God, but there are three persons: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
- 9. M: What has Christ done for you that you trust in him?C: He died for me and shed his blood for me on the cross for the forgiveness of sins.
- **10.** M: Did the Father also die for you?
 - C: He did not; for the Father is God only, the Holy Spirit likewise. But the Son is true God and true man. He died for me and shed his blood for me.

- 11. M: How do you know this?
 - C: I know this from the holy gospel and from the words of the Sacrament of Holy Communion.
- **12.** M: Which are these words?
 - C: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

- 13. M: Do you believe then, that the true body and blood of Christ are in the Sacrament?C: Yes, I believe it.
- **14.** M: What moves you to believe this?
 - C: I am moved to believe it by the words of Christ, "Take and eat; this is my body...Drink from it all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant."
- **15.** M: What does Christ want you to do when eat his body and drink his blood in the Lord's Supper?
 - C: Christ wants me to remember and proclaim his death and the pouring out of his blood as he taught me: "Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."
- 16. M: Why does Christ want you to remember and proclaim his death?
 - C: He wants me to do this so that I learn to believe that no creature could make satisfaction for my sins, but only Christ, who is true God and man, could and did do that; I learn to look with terror upon my sins and regard them as great indeed; I find joy and comfort in Christ alone and believe that I have salvation through faith in him.
- **17.** M: What moved him to die and make a complete payment for your sins?
 - C: He was moved to do this by his great love for his Father and for me and other sinners, as the Scriptures teach.
- 18. M: Finally, why do you desire to receive Holy Communion?
 - C: I desire to do this so that I learn to believe that Christ out of great love died for my sins and that I also learn from him to love God and my neighbor.
- 19. M: What admonishes and moves you to receive the Lord's Supper frequently?
 - C: The command and the promise of Christ my Lord admonish and move me. Also, the burden of my sin that lies heavy upon me causes me to feel a hunger and thirst for Holy Communion.

- 20. M: But what can a person do if he or she is not aware of the burden of sin and does not feel hunger and thirst for Holy Communion?
 - C: To such a person no better advice can be given than that, in the first place, he put his hand on his chest and feel if he still has flesh and blood, and that he by all means believe what Scriptures say about this.

Secondly, that he look around to see whether he is still in the world and keep in mind that there is no lack of sin and trouble, as the Scriptures say.

Thirdly, that person will certainly have the devil about him. With his lying and murdering, day and night, the devil will let him have no peace. So the Scriptures picture the devil.

- 21. M: What can you do if you are sick and are unable to come to Holy Communion?
 - C: Then I can send for my pastor to pray with me and to give me Holy Communion privately.
- 22. M: When is the proper time to do this?
 - C: The time to do this is not only when death is at hand, but earlier before all physical or mental power is gone.
- 23. M: Why would you want to do this?
 - C: I would want to do this to receive the assurance through Holy Communion that my sins are forgiven and that salvation is mine.

THE SACRAMENT

PREFACE

M: The Lord be with you. (1 Timothy 4:22)

C: And also with you.

M: Lift up your hearts. (Colossians 3:1)

C: We lift them up to the Lord.

M: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. (*Psalm 136*)

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

M: As Jesus taught his disciples the true meaning of this Supper and the real presence of his body and blood before they received it, we hear the words he spoke, and set apart the bread and wine for his Holy Supper:

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

(Matthew 26:26-28; Mark 14:22-24; Luke 22:19-20; 1 Corinthians 11:23-25)

M: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this (+) is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this (+) is my blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

- M: The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C: Amen.

Be seated

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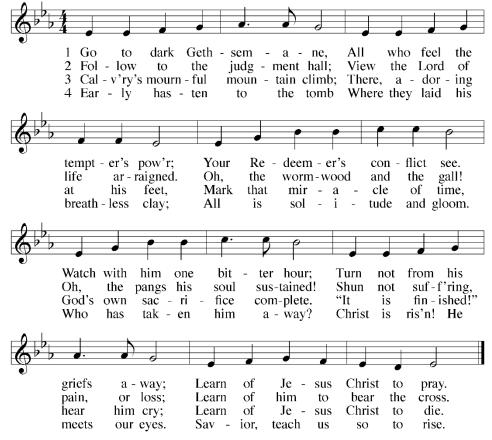
- M: Let us pray. We give thanks to you, almighty God, that you have refreshed us with the body and blood of your Son, given and shed for the remission of our sins. We ask that it strengthen our faith so that it may remain constant throughout time until we join saints and angels to praise him; we pray through Jesus Christ, our Son, our Lord.
- C: Amen.

BLESSING

- M: The grace of our Lord Jesus (+) Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- C: Amen.

Be seated

CLOSING HYMN: 104, "Go to Dark Gethsemane"



Text: James Montgomery, 1771-1854, alt.

Tune: GETHSEMANE (77 77 77) Richard Redhead, 1820-1901.

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Worship Notes

Good Friday worship is tomorrow night at 7. On Easter Sunday, worship will be at the usual times of 8:30 and 11:00. Between services there will be a potluck breakfast and Easter egg hunt for kids; there will be no Bible class or Sunday School on Easter.

Vacation Bible School Registration OPEN!

Registration is now open for this year's VBS, which will be held July 15-19 from 9:00-11:30 am. Come join us for Scuba VBS where we will dive into an amazing undersea adventure and experience the ever-flowing, never-ending love of God. We look forward to sharing God's Word, singing songs, making crafts, playing games, and of course, having some awesome snacks together! VBS is for kids ages 3 (and potty trained) to those entering 6th grade in the fall. Kids entering 7th grade and older may volunteer as helpers. Please register here: <u>https://vbspro.events/p/events/trinity24</u> or scan this QR Code!



Wine and Word Bible Study – April 18

The Wine and Word Bible Study meets at the home of Bruce and Dawn Knox. Their home is located just 5 minutes from the church in Old Bridge Estates. We meet the 1st and 3rd Thursdays from 7-8:30 pm. We are studying the book of Revelation with Larry Kovaciny as our guide. Those who wish can bring a bottle of wine and a small bite appetizer. Come and join us whether you drink wine or not! Contact Dawn at 703-615-9320 or <u>dawn.f.knox@gmail.com</u> to RSVP.

Women's Bible Study on Esther

The remaining dates for the Women's Bible Study on Esther are:

April 13 at 9:00 am (Chapter 6)

May 11 at 9:00 am (Chapter 7)

The Women's Bible Study meets at Trinity. We are discussing the book "Esther: Providential Persian Queen" by Lou Ann Mokwa. Please join us anytime!

Save the date!

Trinity's annual church-wide yard sale will be held Saturday, May 4. Start gathering up your clothing, shoes, housewares, books, and other items that you would like to donate! Watch for more details in April. All proceeds go to the Sunday School mission offering.

Trinity Book Club will meet again on Saturday, April 27, at 9:30 am at Cuppi Coffee in Dumfries to discuss *Up from Dust* by Heather Kaufman. Any questions? Ask Rachel Kovaciny.

Small Choir

Trinity's small choir sings about once a month during worship. Anyone is welcome to join! We'll sing hymns from our hymnal, Christian Worship. If you are interested in joining, please let John or Erika Ohlendorf know.

Ushers and Usher Assistants Needed

A sign-up sheet is sent via email through Sign-up Genius. You are welcome to fill in as many Sundays as you are available. If you would like to become part of the regular rotation of ushers, or even just fill in once in a while when needed, please speak to Worship Elder Matt Popelier. If you are not getting the emails for Sign-Up Genius, please email <u>admin@trinityofwoodbridge.org</u>

Lord's Supper Available to All Members

If you are a confirmed member of Trinity, Pastor would be happy to commune you at home, or anywhere else you would like to meet. Just contact him at (309) 433-5807 or <u>revpauljenkins@yahoo.com</u> with a date, time, and place, and he will make it work

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to glorify God

by growing in His Word and by going with His Word

to Woodbridge and to the world.



Trinity Lutheran Church is part of a group of nearly 1,300 churches called the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod or WELS. The WELS is a world-wide church with congregations serving in all fifty of the United States, as well as in Mexico and Canada. The WELS also serves over 26 foreign countries through world mission work. We are united in faith and teaching with the other churches of the WELS as well as the members of the Confessional Evangelical Lutheran Conference, consisting of 21 confessional Lutheran church bodies throughout the world.