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THE THREE DAYS – MAUNDY THURSDAY

April 2, 2026 - 7:00 PM

Evangelical Lutheran Worship, Holy Communion LCC Liturgy

Worship in-person and livestream

GATHERING

Prelude

Welcome, acknowledgement of lands and words of instruction.

Confession and Forgiveness

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Those present in-person are invited to receive individual forgiveness and the sign of the cross as you feel comfortable.

Song *My Song is Love Unknown* red book **No. 343**

Greeting The grace of Jesus Christ, the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

WORD

First Reading **Exodus 12:1-14** ...Thanks be to God.

Psalm 116:1-2, 12-19 *on the back page*

Gospel Acclamation *I give you a / new commandment
that you love one another as I / have loved you*

Gospel Reading **John 13:1-17, 31b-35** ...Thanks be to God.

All are invited to share in or observe foot washing.

Songs *When Twilight Comes* red book **No. 566**

Take, Oh, Take Me As I Am red book **No. 814**

Prayers of Intercession – Loving God, **hear our prayer.**

Sharing the peace The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

MEAL

Offering Song *Love Consecrates the Humblest Act* red book **No. 360**

Those present in-person gather around the Communion Table.

God be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to God.

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Reading **1 Corinthians 11:23-26**

The Lord's Prayer

Communion Songs *U-bi ca-ri-tas et a-mor,* **No. 642**

u-bi ca-ri-tas, De-us i-bi est. - repeated

Stay with me, remain here with me, **No. 348**

watch and pray. Watch and pray. - repeated

Prayer

SENDING

Psalm 22 Solo

The worship area is cleared of all ornamentation. All may assist at the direction of the assisting ministers. Worship ends in quiet. You may remain for meditation.

Worship Assistants

Assisting Minister Jeanie Stann

Kantor Nathan McDonald

Musician Carolyn Hoekstra

Choral Scholars DJ McGrath

Livestream Christopher McDonald

Communion Dana McKee, Christopher McDonald

Usher Don Storch

Our worship continues over the Great Three Days:

Good Friday, April 3 – 11 AM PT (in-person and online)

Easter Vigil, April 4 – 7:30 PM PT (in-person only)

Easter Sunrise Worship, April 5 – 7:30 AM PT (Mt. Tolmie, in-person only)

Easter Breakfast, April 5 – 8:30 AM PT (at Church of the Cross)

Easter Sunday Festival, April 5 – 10 AM PT (in-person and online)

Psalm 116:1-2, 12-19

I will lift the cup of salvation and call on the name of the LORD. (Ps. 116:13)

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
whenev- ¹ er I called.**

¹²How shall I re- ¹ pay the LORD
for all the good things God has ¹ done for me?

¹³**I will lift the cup ¹ of salvation
and call on the name ¹ of the LORD. R**

¹⁴I will fulfill my vows ¹ to the LORD
in the presence of ¹ all God's people.

¹⁵**Precious in your ¹ sight, O LORD,
is the death ¹ of your servants.**

¹⁶O LORD, truly I ¹ am your servant;
I am your servant, the child of your handmaid;
you have freed me ¹ from my bonds.

¹⁷**I will offer you the sacrifice ¹ of thanksgiving
and call upon the name ¹ of the LORD.**

¹⁸I will fulfill my vows ¹ to the LORD
in the presence of ¹ all God's people,

¹⁹**in the courts of ¹ the LORD's house,
in the midst of you, ¹ O Jerusalem. R**



Livestream Text

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Maundy Thursday April 2, 2026



THE THREE DAYS MAUNDY THURSDAY

On this night, we begin the Three Days during which we participate once again in the saving power of Jesus' "passing over" from death into life. Maundy Thursday worship includes the word of Jesus' new commandment (Mandatum, from which *Maundy* comes) to love one another. As a sign of our calling to follow Jesus' example of humility and service, we are invited to wash one another's feet as Jesus washed the disciples' feet. On this night in which Jesus was handed over to death, we also gather for Jesus' meal of Holy Communion. At tonight's conclusion, the worship area is stripped of decoration as a sign of Jesus' abandonment. Worship continues tomorrow with Good Friday and the story of Jesus' passionate suffering, death, and the procession and adoration of the cross.