Maundy Thursday



7:00 PM Worship

Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church April 17, 2014



Parts of the service designated "L" are for the Leader (Pastor). The Congregation is invited to join in the parts marked "G" for "Group."

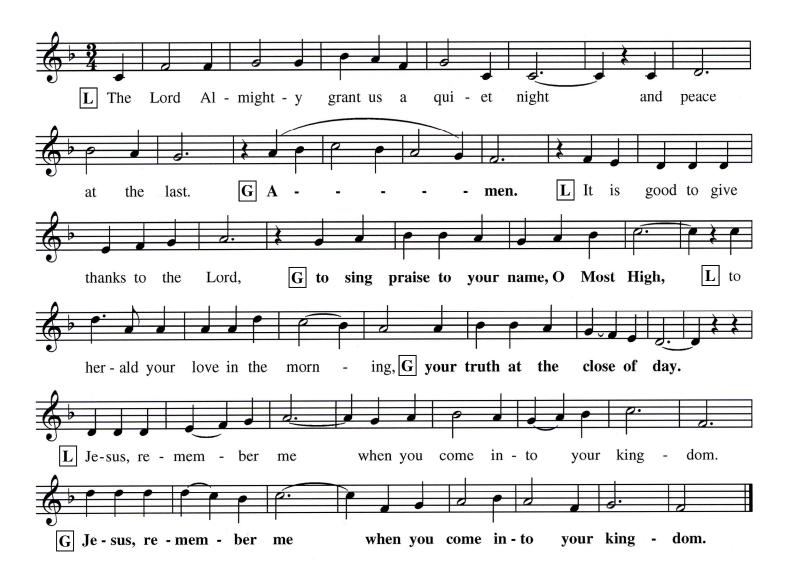
PRESERVICE MUSIC

Chief of Sinners

Arr. by Valerie Floeter Clarinet: Missy Wiechmann

WELCOME

STAND



CONFESSION OF SINS

- [L] Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- [G] who made heaven and earth.
- [L] Let us confess our sins in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence for self-examination

- [L] Almighty God, our heavenly Father,
- [G] we have sinned against you in our thoughts, in our words, in our deeds, and in all that we have not done. Forgive us in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. Deliver and restore us, that we may rest in peace.
- [L] By the mercy of God we are redeemed by Jesus Christ, and in him we are forgiven. Let us rest in his peace until the rising of the sun when we shall serve him in newness of life.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

- [L] Let us pray. Lord Jesus Christ, in the sacrament of Holy Communion you give us your true body and blood as a remembrance of your suffering and death on the cross. Grant us so firmly to believe your words and promise that we may always partake of this sacrament to our eternal good; for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- [G] Amen.

BE SEATED

HYMN

Draw Near and Take the Body of the Lord Christian Worship #309

FIRST LESSON Exodus 12:1-14 (NIV)

The LORD said to Moses and Aaron in Egypt, "This month is to be for you the first month, the first month of your year. Tell the whole community of Israel that on the tenth day of this month each man is to take a lamb for his family, one for each household. If any household is too small for a whole lamb, they must share one with their nearest neighbor, having taken into account the number of people there are. You are to determine the amount of lamb needed in accordance with what each person will eat. The animals you choose must be year-old males without defect, and you may take them from the sheep or the goats. Take care of them until the fourteenth day of the month, when all the people of the community of Israel must slaughter them at twilight. Then they are to take some of the blood and put it on the sides and tops of the doorframes of the houses where they eat the lambs. That same night they are to eat the

meat roasted over the fire, along with bitter herbs, and bread made without yeast. Do not eat the meat raw or cooked in water, but roast it over the fire—head, legs and inner parts. Do not leave any of it till morning; if some is left till morning, you must burn it. This is how you are to eat it: with your cloak tucked into your belt, your sandals on your feet and your staff in your hand. Eat it in haste; it is the LORD's Passover. On that same night I will pass through Egypt and strike down firstborn-both men and animals-and I will bring judgment on all the gods of Egypt. I am the LORD. The blood will be a sign for you on the houses where you are; and when I see the blood, I will pass over you. No destructive plague will touch you when I strike Egypt. This is a day you are to commemorate; for the generations to come you shall celebrate it as a festival to the LORD -a lasting ordinance."

RESPONSIVE READING OF PSALM 1

- [L] Blessed is the man who does not walk in the counsel of the wicked
- [G] or stand in the way of sinners or sit in the seat of mockers.
- [L] But his delight is in the law of the LORD,
- [G] and on his law he meditates day and night.
- [L] He is like a tree planted by streams of water, which yields its fruit in season
- [G] and whose leaf does not wither. Whatever he does prospers.
- [L] Not so the wicked!
- [G] They are like chaff that the wind blows away.
- [L] Therefore the wicked will not stand in the judgment,
- [G] nor sinners in the assembly of the righteous.
- [L] For the LORD watches over the way of the righteous,
- [G] but the way of the wicked will perish.

PSALM PRAYER

- [L] Lord God, you have planted us like trees beside streams of water. Grant that we may ever delight in your Word and yield abundant fruit in our lives; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord.
- [G] Amen.

SECOND LESSON

1 Corinthians 11:23-28 (NIV) remembrance of me." For whenever you eat

For I received from the Lord what I also passed on to you: The Lord Jesus, on the night he was betrayed, took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, "This is my body, which is for you; do this in remembrance of me." In the same way, after supper he took the cup, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood; do this, whenever you drink it, in

this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes. Therefore, whoever eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty of sinning against the body and blood of the Lord. A man ought to examine himself before he eats of the bread and drinks of the cup.

VOICES OF GRACE

View from the Upper Room

In the upper room I see a simple man and, unashamed to bend, He kneels to serve His friends. And in the upper room I see them as they dine upon the bread and wine, His life and death entwined.

From the upper room I see Gethsemane. I see His anguished plea beneath the olive trees. And from the upper room I see His arms stretched wide as He is lifted high against the blackened sky.

In the upper room I see a table there where one day I will share the feast He has prepared. And in the upper room I'll see the Savior's face. Beneath His loving gaze I'll drink the cup of grace, of grace.

My Jesus, I love Thee, I know Thou art mine; For Thee all the follies of sin I resign; My gracious Redeemer, my Savior art Thou: If ever I loved Thee, my Jesus, 'tis now.

It was just before the Passover Feast. Jesus knew that the time had come for him to leave this world and go to the Father. Having loved his own who were in the world, he now showed them the full extent of his love. The evening meal was being served, and the devil had already prompted Judas Iscariot, son of Simon, to betray Jesus. Jesus knew that the Father had put all things under his power, and that he had come from God and was returning to God; so he got up from the meal, took off his outer clothing, and wrapped a towel around his waist. After that, he poured water into a basin and began to wash his disciples' feet, drying them with the towel that was wrapped around him. He came to Simon Peter, who said to him, "Lord, are you going to wash my feet?" Jesus replied, "You do not realize now what I am doing, but later you will understand." "No," said Peter, "you shall never wash my feet." Jesus answered, "Unless I wash you, you have

no part with me." "Then, Lord," Simon Peter replied, "not just my feet but my hands and my head as well!" Jesus answered, "A person who has had a bath needs only to wash his feet; his whole body is clean. And you are clean, though not every one of you." For he knew who was going to betray him, and that was why he said not every one was clean. When he had finished washing their feet, he put on his clothes and returned to his place. "Do you understand what I have done for you?" he asked them. "You call me 'Teacher' and 'Lord,' and rightly so, for that is what I am. Now that I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also should wash one another's feet. I have set you an example that you should do as I have done for you."

"A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another."

BE SEATED

HYMN

Chief of Sinners Though I Be Christian Worship #385

SERMON

John 15:1-5 The Garden of Good Works

"I am the true vine, and my Father is the gardener. He cuts off every branch in me that bears no fruit, while every branch that does bear fruit he prunes so that it will be even more fruitful. You are already clean because of the word I have spoken to you. Remain in me, and I will remain in you. No branch can

bear fruit by itself; it must remain in the vine. Neither can you bear fruit unless you remain in me. I am the vine; you are the branches. If a man remains in me and I in him, he will bear much fruit; apart from me you can do nothing."

OFFERING Members of Grace respond to their Savior's love with offerings that are given joyfully, generously, regularly, and in a way that is proportionate to how the Lord has blessed them. Their cheerful gifts support the mission and ministry of our congregation. If you are a guest tonight, please know that we do not expect you to contribute to our congregation's work. However, if you would like to give an offering to the Lord in response to his love to you, we are happy to receive it and put it to work in God's kingdom.



If you prefer, use your smart phone to give online by scanning this QR code.

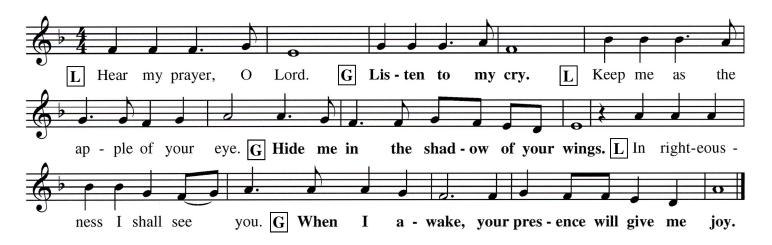
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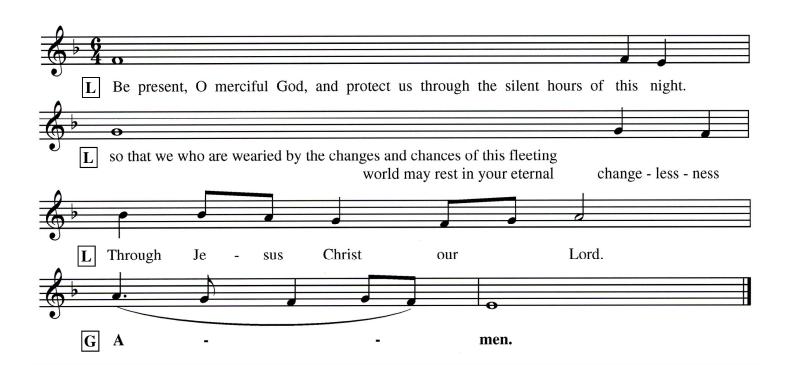
OFFERTORY MUSIC

Just as I Am, Without One Plea Arr. by Cindy Berry

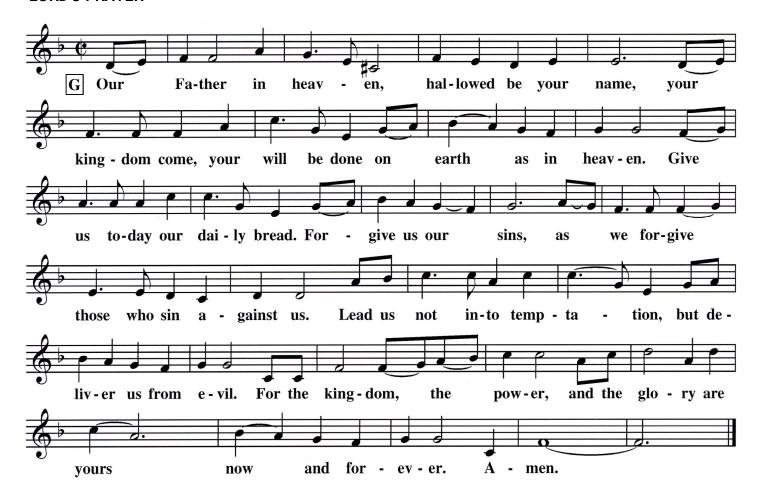
STAND

PRAYER





LORD'S PRAYER



THE LORD'S SUPPER

Tonight we celebrate the Lord's Supper. Jesus urges all who receive it to do so in a worthy manner in order to receive the blessings he promises. He also gives warning that no one receive it to their judgment. If you are a guest at Grace tonight, we would ask that you speak with one of the pastors about a time to discuss exactly what God says about Holy Communion before you come to the Lord's table. We look forward to that opportunity!

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

[L] 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."

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

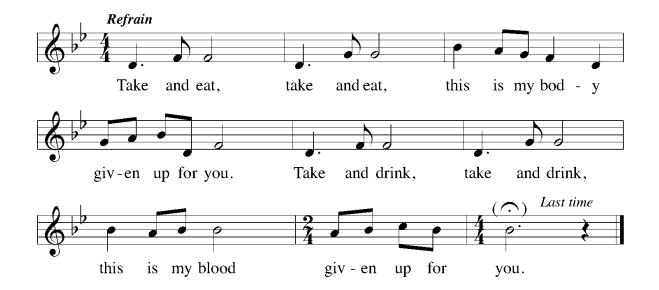
[G] Amen.

DISTRIBUTION HYMN

Take and Eat

Christian Worship Supplement #741 Clarinets: Beth Kassulke & Missy Wiechmann

Voices of Grace will sing the stanzas, the congregation may join in the refrains.



1 I am the Word that spoke and light was made; I am the seed that died to be reborn; I am the bread that comes from heav'n above; I am the vine that fills your cup with joy.

Refrain

I am the way that leads the exile home;
I am the truth that sets the captive free;
I am the life that raises up the dead;
I am your peace, true peace my gift to you.

Refrain

Refrain

I am the Lamb that takes away your sin;
I am the gate that guards you night and day.
You are my flock: you know the Shepherd's voice;
You are my own: your ransom is my blood.

4 I am the cornerstone that God has laid, A chosen stone and precious in his eyes. You are God's dwelling place; on me you rest Like living stones, a temple for God's praise.

Refrain

I am the Light that came into the world;
I am the Light that darkness cannot hide;
I am the Morning Star that never sets.
Lift up your face; in you my light will shine.

Refrain

6 I am the First and Last, the living One; I am the Lord who died that you might live; I am the Bridegroom, this my wedding song. You are my bride; come to the marriage feast.

Refrain

Martin Luther reminds us in his Small Catechism that the power of the Sacrament is not our "eating and drinking...but the words 'Given' and 'poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins.'" This hymn underscores the powerful and creative Word of our Savior.

STAND

GOSPEL CANTICLE: SONG OF SIMEON



CLOSING PRAYER

- [L] Lord we thank you for this hour of worship—for speaking to us in your Word, for refreshing us with the Sacrament and for giving us opportunity to praise your holy name. Be with us as we leave your house to live for you.
- [G] Amen.

BLESSING

- [L] The almighty and merciful Lord—the Father, the Son, (†) and the Holy Spirit—bless us and keep us.
- [G] Amen.

BE SEATED

CLOSING HYMN

Savior, Again to Thy Dear Name Christian Worship #321 Violin: Maya Parra

Those Assisting in Worship this Evening

Worship Leader	Pastor Nathan Kassulke
	Pastor Colin Rieke
Accompanist	Kathy Parra
Clarinets	Missy Wiechmann & Beth Kassulke
Violin	Maya Parra
	Beth Ќassulke
Sound and Recording Tech	Jeff Weinstein

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Holy Communion

There are before-communion and after-communion prayers in our Christian Worship hymnal on p. 11, and a personal preparation guide on p.156 to help prepare you to receive the Lord's Supper.

Holy Week Schedule at Grace-University

Good Friday

Friday, April 18, 7 PM at Grace-University

Tenebrae Service

(Service of Darkness)

Worshippers are asked to leave the Good Friday church service in silence, leaving in stillness and darkness until the dawn of a glorious Easter Day.

Please visit with friends and family prior to entering church for worship.



Easter Sunday

Sunday, April 20 at Grace-University

Sunrise Worship—7 AM

See the Risen Lord!

Easter Breakfast—8 AM

Members please bring fruit to share.

Easter Concert—9 AM

Festival Worship—10 AM

Look with Joy into the Garden of Glory!



Easter Invitations

Easter is a great time to invite others to share the joy of forgiveness and salvation in Jesus that you enjoy. Please pick up a few of the small Easter invitations to give away to family, friends or those you meet. They contain information on services at Grace-University and Grace-Vail. You'll find them at the exits and in the Fellowship Hall at Grace-University and on the welcome table at Grace-Vail.

Easter Breakfast at Grace-University

The Easter breakfast at Grace-University this year (April 20) will consist of pancakes, sausage, and orange juice, graciously made and served by the Lifeliners. If you have a spare griddle or electric skillet, please bring it to the kitchen. **Members are asked to bring fruit to share. If you have a few minutes** to help clean up following the breakfast it would be greatly appreciated! Please contact Laura Lipke with any questions at 742-0211.



Grace-Vail
Easter Schedule
At Cottonwood Elementary
(9950 E. Rees Loop)

Easter Breakfast—9 AM
Festival Worship—10 AM