The Order of the Divine Service for Maundy Thursday

HYMN

TLH #148 - Lord Jesus Christ, My Life My Light

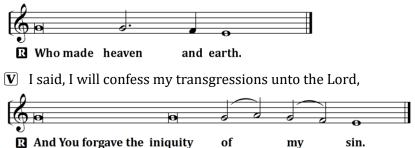
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THE CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION

For baptized and penitent Christians to make confession and receive absolution.

- Beloved in the Lord, having been baptized into the most holy name of the blessed Trinity, it is fitting and right that we should make confession of our sins before our merciful Father in heaven. Let us, therefore, draw near with a true heart, in sincere repentance and genuine faith, and confess our sins, seeking His mercy and forgiveness for the sake of His beloved Son, our Lord Jesus Christ.
- **V** Our help is in the name of the Lord,



- C O Almighty God, merciful Father, I confess to You that I am by nature sinful and unclean, and that I have sinned against You in my thoughts, words, and deeds. For this I deserve nothing but Your wrath and punishment. But I am truly sorry for all my sins, and trusting only in Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.
- God, our heavenly Father, gave His only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, to be the atoning sacrifice for the sins of the world, and has promised the forgiveness of sins to all who repent and believe in Jesus. Therefore, to all of you who are truly penitent and believing and intend to order your life according to God's commandments, I declare, as a called and ordained minister of the Christian Church:

Your sins are forgiven you, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

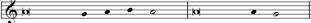


THE INTROIT

Galatians 6:14; Liturgical text

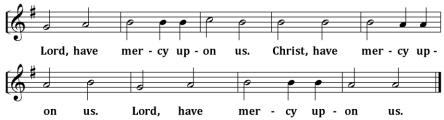
God forbid | that I should boast * Except in the cross of our Lord Jesus | Christ. In Him is salvation, life, and resurrect- | tion from the dead. *

By Him we are redeemed and set at liber- | ty.



C God be merciful to | us and bless us, * And cause His face to shine upon | us.

THE KYRIE



THE SALUTATION & THE COLLECT FOR THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.



And with your spir - it.

P Let us pray...one God, forever and ever.



Sit

THE EPISTLE

1 Corinthians 11:23-32

THE GRADUAL

Philippians 2:8, 9 paraphrase

- Christ humbled Himself and became obe- | dient unto death, * Even the death of the | cross.
- C Therefore God also has highly | exalted Him * And given Him the name which is above every | name.

Stand

THE GOSPEL

▶ The History of our Lord's Suffering according to the Four Evangelists, the Sixth Part.



THE NICENE CREED

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all ages, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one substance with the Father; through whom all things were made; who, for us men and for our salvation, came down from heaven, and was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary, and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried; and the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures; and ascended into heaven; and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead; whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and Giver of Life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the Prophets. And I believe one holy Christian and Apostolic Church. I acknowledge one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

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HYMN

TLH #163 - The Death of Jesus Christ, Our Lord

THE SERMON

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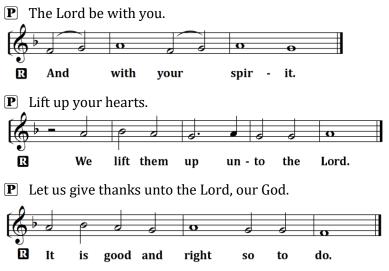
THE LITANY (in place of the General Prayer) The congregation responds after each line.



To curb all schisms and causes of offense: To restore the erring and those who are deceived: To trample Satan under our feet: To send faithful laborers into Your harvest: To accompany Your Word with Your Spirit and power: To raise up those who fall and to strengthen those who stand: To encourage and help those who are timid and distressed: To give peace and concord to all rulers: To prosper our nation in all righteous endeavors: To direct and defend our president and all in authority: To bless and keep our magistrates and all our people:	– Hear us, good Lord.
To regard and deliver the afflicted and those who are in danger: To grant safe delivery to pregnant women and to preserve their children in health: To strengthen and protect the little children and those who are sick: To set the captives free: To defend and provide for all widows and orphans: To have mercy upon all men: To forgive and convert our enemies, persecutors, and slanderers: To give and preserve the fruits of the earth: And graciously to hear our prayers:	– Hear us, good Lord.
Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God:	Hear us, good Lord.
0 Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world:0 Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world:0 Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world:	Have mercy upon us. Have mercy upon us. Grant us Your peace.
O Christ: O Lord: O Christ:	Hear us. Have mercy upon us. Have mercy upon us.

All: Lord, have mercy upon us. Amen.

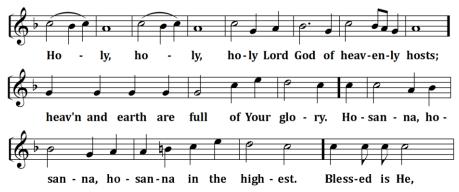
THE PREFACE

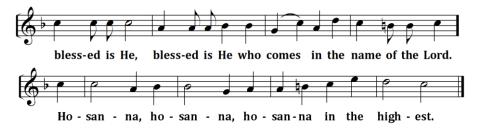


It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who with the bread of the Holy Supper gives us His true body and with the wine gives us His true blood, that, being thus united with Him in His sacrifice on the cross, we may by faith receive the forgiveness of all our sins.

Therefore, with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

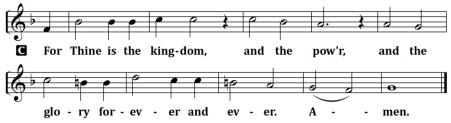
THE SANCTUS





THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.



THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

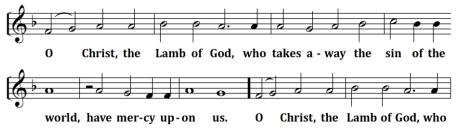
The Pastor shall consecrate the elements for Holy Communion, proclaiming the Words of our Lord Jesus Christ by which He instituted the Sacrament of the Altar.

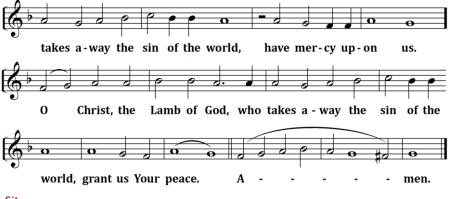
THE PAX DOMINI

P The peace of the Lord be with you always!



THE AGNUS DEI





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THE DISTRIBUTION

Communicant members of our congregation are invited to come forward to receive the Lord's body and blood. During the distribution, the congregation may sing the Distribution Hymn, as time permits.

DISTRIBUTION HYMN TLH #306 - Lord Jesus Christ, Thou Hast Prepared

POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

P Let us pray.

The collect is spoken, concluding..." one God, forever and ever."

C Amen.

Sit

STRIPPING OF THE ALTAR

Hymn

TLH #150 – Lord Jesus, Thou Art Going Forth

The Congregation sings stanzas 1,3 & 5 – the words of The Soul.

The Pastor sings stanzas 2 & 4 – the words of Jesus.

During the hymn the Communion vessels are removed and the altar is solemnly stripped as a picture of the Lord's abandonment by His disciples on Maundy Thursday. The pastor exits the chancel, carrying the Paschal candle.

The congregation may depart as the post-service music begins to play.