

HOLY WEDNESDAY

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✠ Hymns ✠

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This evening we will celebrate Holy Communion.

Visitors who have not before received communion from Pastor McCall are kindly asked to speak with him before Divine Service begins and before approaching the altar for the first time. Because Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar and because those who eat and drink our Lord's body and blood unworthily do so to their great harm, it is very important to speak with pastor before service if you desire the Lord's Body and Blood. If you have not had the opportunity to speak with him, we kindly ask that you abstain from seeking the Sacrament until you have spoken with Pastor McCall. Those not communing with us today are welcome to come to the altar during The Distribution to receive a blessing, crossing the arms over the chest once knelt to indicate such a desire.

Individuals needing pastoral care including private confession and absolution can contact **Pastor Jonathan McCall at (216) 618-1811 or rev.mccall@pm.me**

PASSIONTIDE

The final stage in our symbolic journey toward Easter is *Passiontide*. Passiontide (the *time* of the *Passion*) begins with Judica, the fifth Sunday in Lent. The crosses are now covered at the conclusion of the Holy Gospel and even the *Gloria Patri* disappears for a while.

A common question is, "Why do we drape and cover the crosses as we get closer to Good Friday, as our attention upon the last hours and the sufferings of Our Lord increases?"

We do this because we do not deserve to look upon them. We are not worthy of the sacrifice. The cross is our greatest and most cherished symbol. So it is partially taken away from us for a short time, that we might better appreciate it when it returns.

The crosses are not taken away completely. They are not removed. They are only covered. We can see outlines of the crosses, but their beauty and details are fuzzy. This symbolizes the reality that our grief prevents us from seeing clearly until the Good Friday liturgy and, of course, Easter. Faith always views the cross in the light of the empty tomb.

The veiling also reminds us of Our Lord's actions in response to the violence of the people in the Judica Gospel. There we are told that "Jesus hid Himself." That is why the crucifixes in the sanctuary are

veiled during the service, after the reading of the Gospel, and not before.

The idea of removing the *Gloria Patri* is much the same. The Triune name given at the Ascension is the fullest revelation of God's name given to men. To take away the *Gloria Patri* for two weeks is a bit jarring. It is particularly awkward to not sing it at the end of the *Nunc Dimittis*. But, again, its short-term removal serves to draw attention to it and highlight our privilege for the other fifty weeks of the year.

All of this is that we would learn to mortify the flesh and to depend more and more upon the grace of God in Christ. For never, even in our most somber of ceremonies, is the Church in doubt about the end. Jesus died, but He is not dead. Jesus lives. Easter is coming. Our *Alleluias*, *Gloria Patri*, crucifixes, fatty foods, and the like shall all return. But even better than that, we shall have them forever in the life of the world to come when our own resurrections occur.

Passiontide extends through Holy Week and the Triduum ("three holy days"—which includes Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, and Holy Saturday). At the conclusion of the Maundy Thursday service the altar will be stripped, the sanctuary decorations, such as the candelabra, paraments, etc., will be removed. Even the altar crucifix will be carried out. All that will be left in the sanctuary are the pieces of furniture, laid bare. The intensity builds from now until the Easter Vigil when we finally arrive at the empty tomb but not at an empty altar.

✠ HOLY WEEK ✠

Thursday, 14 April

Maundy Thursday

7:00 pm Divine Service, Stripping of the Altar

Friday, 15 April

Good Friday

7:00 pm The Chief Service

Saturday, 16 April

Holy Saturday

8:00 pm The Easter Vigil

Sunday, 17 April

Easter Day

9:00 am Easter Breakfast

10:30 am Divine Service

✠ **THE DIVINE SERVICE** ✠

7:00pm

THE PRELUDE

The bell tolls three times to signify the beginning of service in reverence of the Holy Trinity. After the tolls, the Processional Hymn will begin.

Please STAND and face the Procession (beginning at the rear of the nave).

THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN 531 *Hail, Thou Once Despised Jesus*

✠ **THE PREPARATION** ✠

In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

ST. MATTHEW 28:19B; [18:20]

Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God, our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

[HEBREWS 10:22]

KNEEL IF YOU DESIRE AND ARE ABLE

Our help is in the name of the Lord,
who made heaven and earth.

PSALM 124:8

I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the LORD,
and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

PSALM 32:5

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination. The pastor will resume...

O almighty God, merciful Father, I a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

[ST. JOHN 20:19–23]

☩ THE SERVICE OF THE WORD ☩

THE INTROIT PHILIPPIANS 2:10, 8B, 11B; PSALM 102:1, 3–4, 12



|At the| name of Jesus / every knee should bow,
of things in heaven, and things in earth,
and things / under the earth;—

**He became obedient unto death,
even the death / of the crôss.**

Therefore, he is Lord, to the glory / of God the Father.

Hear my / prayer, O LÔRD,
And let my cry / come unto thee.—

**For my days are con- / sumed like smôke,
And my bones are / burned as an hearth.—**

My heart is smitten, and wi- / thered like grâss;
So that I / forget to eat my bread.

**But thou, O LORD, shalt en- / dure for ever;
And thy remembrance unto / all generations.**

The Gloria Patri is omitted during Passiontide.

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of things in heaven, and things in earth,
and things / under the earth;—

**He became obedient unto death,
even the death / of the crôss.**

Therefore, he is Lord, to the glory / of God the Father.

THE KYRIE

ST. MARK 10:47



Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -



on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

THE GLORIA IN EXCELSIS *is omitted during Lent*

THE SALUTATION

2 TIMOTHY 4:22

The Lord be with you.

And with thy spirit.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Let us pray. Merciful and everlasting God, You did not spare Your only Son but delivered Him up for us all to bear our sins on the cross. Grant that our hearts may be so fixed with steadfast faith in Him that we fear not the power of sin, death, and the devil; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

SIT

THE OLD TESTAMENT

ISAIAH 62:11—63:7

In those days, the prophet Isaiah said:

- 11 Behold, the LORD has proclaimed
to the end of the earth:
Say to the daughter of Zion,
“Behold, your salvation comes;
behold, his reward is with him,
and his recompense before him.”
- 12 And they shall be called The Holy People,
The Redeemed of the LORD;
and you shall be called Sought Out,
A City Not Forsaken.

- 1 Who is this who comes from Edom,
in crimsoned garments from Bozrah,
he who is splendid in his apparel,
marching in the greatness of his strength?
“It is I, speaking in righteousness,
mighty to save.”
- 2 Why is your apparel red,
and your garments like his who treads in the winepress?
- 3 “I have trodden the winepress alone,
and from the peoples no one was with me;
I trod them in my anger
and trampled them in my wrath;
their lifeblood spattered on my garments,
and stained all my apparel.
- 4 For the day of vengeance was in my heart,
and my year of redemption had come.
- 5 I looked, but there was no one to help;
I was appalled, but there was no one to uphold;
so my own arm brought me salvation,
and my wrath upheld me.
- 6 I trampled down the peoples in my anger;
I made them drunk in my wrath,
and I poured out their lifeblood on the earth.”
- 7 I will recount the steadfast love of the LORD,
the praises of the LORD,
according to all that the LORD has granted us,
and the great goodness to the house of Israel
that he has granted them according to his compassion,
according to the abundance of his steadfast love.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

THE GRADUAL

PSALM 69:17, 1-2A



Hide not your face / from your servant,
for I am in distress; / make haste to answer me.

Save me, O God!

For the waters have / come up to my neck.

I sink in deep mire, where / there is no foothold.

THE EPISTLE

REVELATION 1:5B-7

Dearly Beloved: To him who loves us and has freed us from our sins by his blood and made us a kingdom, priests to his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen. Behold, he is coming with the clouds, and every eye will see him, even those who pierced him, and all tribes of the earth will wail on account of him. Even so. Amen.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

STAND

THE TRACT

PSALM 102:1-2, 13



Hear my / prayer, O LÔRD,
And let my cry / come unto thee.—

Hide not thy face from me

in the day when I / am in trouble;

incline thine ear unto me:

in the day when I call / answer me speedily.

Thou shalt arise, and have mercy / upon Zion:

For the time to favour her, yea, the / set time, is come.—

SIT

*The usual responses for the Holy Gospel are omitted.
The majority of the text is omitted from the bulletin.*

The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

✠ Now the Feast of Unleavened Bread drew near, which is called the Passover. ...



... Then Jesus, calling out with a loud voice, said, "Father, into your hands I commit my spirit!" And having said this he breathed his last.

*After the words "...breathed his last," **KNEEL** if you desire and are able. A pause is taken for all to silently pray the Lord's Prayer.*

The bell is then tolled 33 times for the years of Our Lord's humiliation.

STAND (for the remainder of the Holy Gospel.)

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 worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven *and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of 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 in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the ✠ life of the world to come. Amen.

SIT

THE HYMN OF THE DAY 451 *Stricken, Smitten, and Afflicted*

THE SERMON

STAND

THE OFFERTORY

PSALM 51:10-12

Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -
new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -
way from Thy pres - ence, and take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it
from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of Thy sal - va -
tion, and up - hold me with Thy free spir - it. A - men.

SIT

THE OFFERING

STAND (OR KNEEL IF YOU DESIRE AND ARE ABLE)

THE LITANY (*see insert*; it is THE PRAYER OF THE CHURCH for Lent)
[1 TIMOTHY 2:1-4]

STAND

THE SERVICE OF ✠ THE SACRAMENT OF THE ALTAR ✠

THE PREFACE

The Lord be with you. 2 TIMOTHY 4:22
And with thy spirit.

Lift up your hearts. [COLOSSIANS 3:1]
We lift them up unto the Lord.

Let us give thanks unto the LORD our God. [PSALM 136]
It is meet and right so to do.

It is truly meet, right, and salutary... praising You and saying:

THE SANCTUS ISAIAH 6:3; ST. MATTHEW 21:9



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth;



heav'n and earth are full of Thy glo - ry. Ho - san - na,



ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est. ✠ Bless - ed is He,



bless - ed is He, bless - ed is He that com - eth in the name of the Lord.



Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

ST. MATTHEW 6:9-13

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

THE WORDS OF CHRIST'S TESTAMENT ST. MATTHEW 26:26-28; ST. MARK 14:22-24; ST. LUKE 22:19-20; 1 CORINTHIANS 11:23-25

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 PAX DOMINI

ST. JOHN 20:19

The ✠ peace of the Lord be with you always.
Amen.

THE AGNUS DEI

ST. JOHN 1:29

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the world, have mer-cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the world, have mer-cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the world, have mer-cy up - on us. world, grant us Thy peace. A - - men.

SIT

THE COMMUNION HYMNS

637 *Draw Near and Take the Body of the Lord*

432 *In Silent Pain the Eternal Son*

STAND

THE NUNC DIMITTIS

ST. LUKE 2:29-32

Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant de - part in peace ac-cord-ing to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation,

which Thou hast pre - pared be - fore the face of all people, a light to light - en the Gen - tles and the glo - ry of Thy peo-ple Is - ra - el.

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THE THANKSGIVING

PSALM 107: 1

Oh, give thanks unto the LORD for He is good.
And His mercy endureth forever.

Let us pray. O God the Father, the fountain and source of all goodness, who in loving-kindness sent Your only-begotten Son into the flesh, we thank You that for His sake You have given us pardon and peace in this Sacrament, and we ask You not to forsake Your children but always to rule our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that we may be enabled constantly to serve You; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

THE SALUTATION

2 TIMOTHY 4: 22

The Lord be with you.
And with thy spirit.

THE BENEDICAMUS

[PSALM 103: 1]

Bless we the LORD.
Thanks be to God.

THE BENEDICTION

NUMBERS 6: 24–26

The LORD bless you and keep you.

The LORD make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.

The LORD lift up His countenance upon you and ☩ give you peace.

Amen. Amen. Amen.

THE RETIRING PROCESSION WITH POSTLUDE

Please face the Procession as it passes.

Once the Procession reaches the narthex, you may depart in ☩ peace.

