

large upper room furnished; prepare it there.”¹³ And they went and found it just as he had told them, and they prepared the Passover.

¹⁴ And when the hour came, he reclined at table, and the apostles with him. ¹⁵ And he said to them, “I have earnestly desired to eat this Passover with you before I suffer. ¹⁶ For I tell you I will not eat it until it is fulfilled in the kingdom of God.” ¹⁷ And he took a cup, and when he had given thanks he said, “Take this, and divide it among yourselves. ¹⁸ For I tell you that from now on I will not drink of the fruit of the vine until the kingdom of God comes.” ¹⁹ And he took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to them, saying, “This is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.” ²⁰ And likewise the cup after they had eaten, saying, “This cup that is poured out for you is the new covenant in my blood.”

Apostles’ Creed (p. 192)

Homily: “The Body and Blood”

Offerings are not gathered this morning. While the pastor prepares the Table for the Holy Supper, you may spend time prayerfully preparing to receive the Blessed Sacrament (you may wish to read through Luther’s “Christian Questions . . .” on pp. 329-330).

Prayer of the Church

- ☐ Lord, in Your mercy,
☑ hear our prayer.

Preface - Agnus Dei (pp. 194-199)

Distribution (*Communicants are to be in full confessional fellowship with the LCMS*)

After you have received the Blessed Sacrament, you may make the sign of the ✠ cross and return to your pew. The dismissal (blessing) will be spoken after all have received.

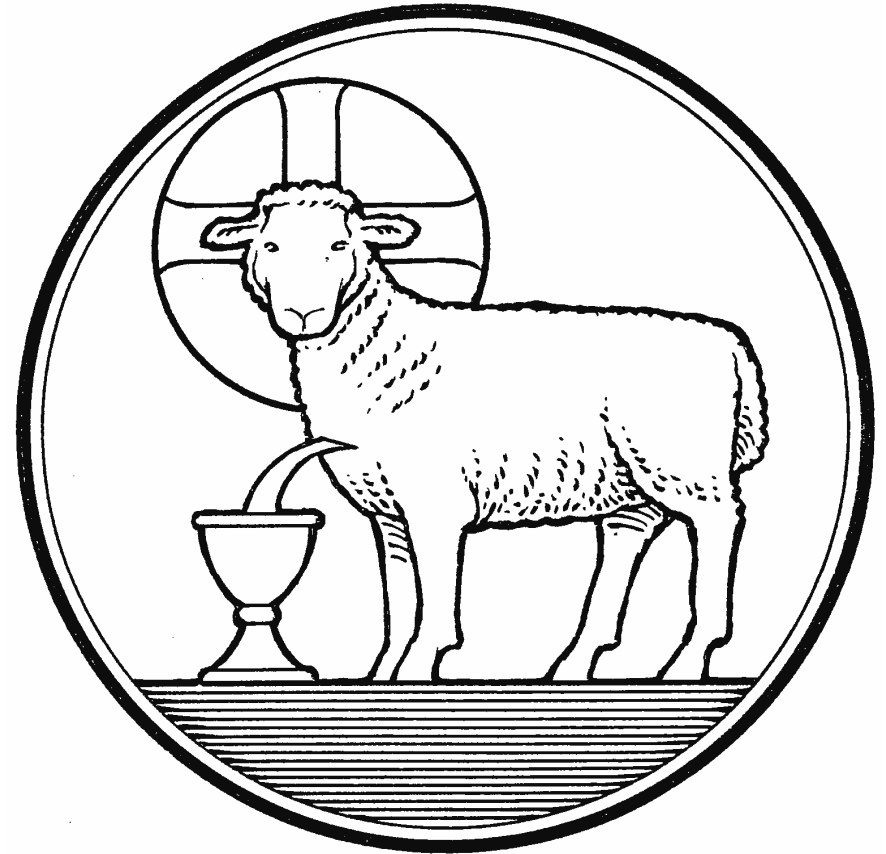
Nunc Dimittis - Benediction (pp. 199-202)

The Congregation Departs in Silence

Soli Deo Gloria!

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(Upon entering the nave, silence should be observed to allow all the opportunity to prayerfully prepare for the presence of the Lord and the reception of His gifts)

Note: All elements of the Divine Liturgy are spoken, not chanted or sung, during our Daily Holy Week Services. The Gloria Patri (usually found within the Introit), the Gloria in Excelsis, the Alleluia and Verse, the Offertory, and all Hymns are Omitted.

Confession and Absolution (pp. 184-185)

Introit *Ps. 116:1-4; antiphon: Ps. 116:5*
Gracious is the Lord, and righteous;
our God is merciful.

**I love the Lord, because he has heard
my voice and my pleas for mercy.**

Because he inclined his ear to me,
therefore I will call on him as long as I live.

**The snares of death encompassed me; the pangs of Sheol laid hold
on me;**

I suffered distress and anguish.

Then I called on the name of the Lord:
“O Lord, I pray, deliver my soul!”

**Gracious is the Lord, and righteous;
our God is merciful.**

Kyrie (p. 186)

Salutation and Collect of the Day (p. 189)

O Lord, in this wondrous Sacrament You have left us a remembrance of Your passion. Grant that we may so receive the sacred mystery of Your body and blood that the fruits of Your redemption may continually be manifest in us; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Old Testament Reading *Jeremiah 31:31-34*

³¹“Behold, the days are coming, declares the Lord, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah, ³²not like the covenant that I made with their fathers on the day when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt, my covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, declares the Lord. ³³But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after

those days, declares the Lord: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts. And I will be their God, and they shall be my people. ³⁴And no longer shall each one teach his neighbor and each his brother, saying, ‘Know the Lord,’ for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, declares the Lord. For I will forgive their iniquity, and I will remember their sin no more.”

Gradual *Heb. 9:12a, c, 15a; Ps. 111:9a*
[Christ] entered once for all into the holy places, by means of his own blood,
thus securing an eternal redemption.

**Therefore he is the mediator of a new covenant,
so that those who are called may receive the promised eternal inheritance.**

He sent redemption to his people;
he has commanded his covenant forever.

Epistle *Hebrews 10:15-25*

¹⁵The Holy Spirit also bears witness to us; for after saying, ¹⁶“This is the covenant that I will make with them after those days, declares the Lord: I will put my laws on their hearts, and write them on their minds,” ¹⁷then he adds, “I will remember their sins and their lawless deeds no more.” ¹⁸Where there is forgiveness of these, there is no longer any offering for sin.

¹⁹Therefore, brothers, since we have confidence to enter the holy places by the blood of Jesus, ²⁰by the new and living way that he opened for us through the curtain, that is, through his flesh, ²¹and since we have a great priest over the house of God, ²²let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. ²³Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who promised is faithful. ²⁴And let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works, ²⁵not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day drawing near.

Holy Gospel *Luke 22:7-20*

⁷Then came the day of Unleavened Bread, on which the Passover lamb had to be sacrificed. ⁸So Jesus sent Peter and John, saying, “Go and prepare the Passover for us, that we may eat it.” ⁹They said to him, “Where will you have us prepare it?” ¹⁰He said to them, “Behold, when you have entered the city, a man carrying a jar of water will meet you. Follow him into the house that he enters ¹¹and tell the master of the house, ‘The Teacher says to you, Where is the guest room, where I may eat the Passover with my disciples?’ ¹²And he will show you a