

	<p>Maundy Thursday March 28, 2024 Noon and 7 p.m.</p>	
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***The Maundy Thursday Service** is one of endings and beginnings. What was begun on Ash Wednesday is brought to a close here tonight. What begins tonight does not end until the resurrection of Easter. It is the ancient Triduum, “The Three Sacred Days,” which lead us to Easter: Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, and Holy Saturday with its Vigil of Easter.*

7 p.m. worship is livestreamed especially to include our home-centered members who cannot join us in person. Given recent advances in artificial intelligence (A.I.) on the Internet, children’s faces are protected from being livestreamed as is everyone going forward for Holy Communion.

Sign the worship slip and place it in the offering plate so that hospitality, prayer, and pastoral care may be kept up to date.

Prelude ♦ “Jesus Christ, Our Blessed Savior” –David N. Johnson

Welcome

Confession and Forgiveness

The assembly stands.

Friends in Christ, in this Lenten season we have heard our Lord’s call to struggle against sin, death, and the devil—all that keeps us from loving God and each other. This is the struggle to which we were called at baptism.

Within the community of the church, God never wearies of forgiving sin and giving the peace of reconciliation. Let us confess our sin against God and our neighbor, and enter the celebration of the great Three Days reconciled with God and with one another.

Silence is kept for reflection. The people may kneel.

Most merciful God, **we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.**

God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of ✠ Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith. **Amen.**

The assembly is seated. People may come forward and kneel for the laying on of hands.

The minister, laying both hands on each person's head, addresses each in turn:

In obedience to the command of our Lord Jesus Christ, I announce to you the forgiveness of all your sins. Amen.

The assembly stands.

Hymn ♦ ACS 1041: **God Is Love**

GOD IS LOVE

The hymn will be sung twice.

God is love. God is love; let us love one an -

oth-er as God first loved us. God is love.

God is love. God is love.

Text: Mark Mummert, b. 1965, based on 1 John 4:11, 16, 19
Music: GOD IS LOVE, Mark Mummert
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Greeting

The grace of our Lord 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

Let us pray.

Eternal God, in the sharing of a meal your Son established a new covenant for all people, and in the washing of feet he showed us the dignity of service. Grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit these signs of our life in faith may speak again to our hearts, feed our spirits, and refresh our bodies, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

First Reading ♦ Exodus 12:1–4, 11–14

A reading from Exodus.

¹The LORD said to Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt: ²This month shall mark for you the beginning of months; it shall be the first month of the year for you. ³Tell the whole congregation of Israel that on the tenth of this month they are to take a lamb for each family, a lamb for each household. ⁴If a household is too small for a whole lamb, it shall join its closest neighbor in obtaining one; the lamb shall be divided in proportion to the number of people who eat of it.

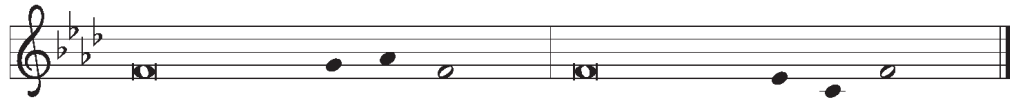
¹¹This is how you shall eat it: your loins girded, your sandals on your feet, and your staff in your hand; and you shall eat it hurriedly. It is the passover of the LORD. ¹²For I will pass through the land of Egypt that night, and I will strike down every firstborn in the land of Egypt, both human beings and animals; on all the gods of Egypt I will execute judgments: I am the LORD. ¹³The blood shall be a sign for you on the houses where you live: when I see the blood, I will pass over you, and no plague shall destroy you when I strike the land of Egypt.

¹⁴This day shall be a day of remembrance for you. You shall celebrate it as a festival to the LORD; throughout your generations you shall observe it as a perpetual ordinance.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm ♦ Psalm 116:1-2, 12-19

Antiphon: *(sung by choir)* I will lift the cup of salvation and call on the name of the Lord.



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Bold verses are sung by all using the tone above.

¹I love the LORD, who has | heard my voice,
and listened to my | supplication,

²for the LORD has given | ear to me
whenev- | er I called.

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

¹³I will lift the cup | of salvation
and call on the name | of the LORD. *Antiphon*

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

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

¹⁶O LORD, truly I | am your servant;

I am your servant, the child of your handmaid; you have freed me | from my bonds.

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

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

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

Second Reading ♦ 1 Corinthians 11:23–26

A reading from First Corinthians.

²³For I received from the Lord what I also handed on to you, that the Lord Jesus on the night when he was betrayed took a loaf of bread, ²⁴and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, “This is my body that is for you. Do this in remembrance of me.” ²⁵In the same way he took the cup also, after supper, saying, “This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.” ²⁶For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord’s death until he comes.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

3 Re - joic - ing in God's prom - ise strong, our

trea - sure and our song, in faith we

cling, and glad - ly sing: to Christ we now be - long.

In Christ a - bide, in Christ be - hold the

world be - loved and whole. In love re -

main, by love pro - claim God's won - ders still un -

told, God's won - ders still un - told.

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The holy gospel according to John. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

¹Now before the festival of the Passover, Jesus knew that his hour had come to depart from this world and go to the Father. Having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end. ²The devil had already put it into the heart of Judas son of Simon Iscariot to betray him.

And during supper ³Jesus, knowing that the Father had given all things into his hands, and that he had come from God and was going to God, ⁴got up from the table, took off his outer robe, and tied a towel around himself. ⁵Then he poured water into a basin and began to wash the disciples' feet and to wipe them with the towel that was tied around him. ⁶He came to Simon Peter, who said to him, "Lord, are you going to wash my feet?" ⁷Jesus answered, "You do not know now what I am doing, but later you will understand." ⁸Peter said to him, "You will never wash my feet." Jesus answered, "Unless I wash you, you have no share with me." ⁹Simon Peter said to him, "Lord, not my feet only but also my hands and my head!" ¹⁰Jesus said to him, "One who has bathed does not need to wash, except for the feet, but is entirely clean. And you are clean, though not all of you." ¹¹For he knew who was to betray him; for this reason he said, "Not all of you are clean."

¹²After he had washed their feet, had put on his robe, and had returned to the table, he said to them, "Do you know what I have done to you? ¹³You call me Teacher and Lord—and you are right, for that is what I am. ¹⁴So if I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another's feet. ¹⁵For I have set you an example, that you also should do as I have done to you. ¹⁶Very truly, I tell you, servants are not greater than their master, nor are messengers greater than the one who sent them. ¹⁷If you know these things, you are blessed if you do them.

^{31b}"Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. ³²If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. ³³Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, 'Where I am going, you cannot come.' ³⁴I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. ³⁵By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

The gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

The assembly is seated.

Hymn of the Day/Hand Washing • ELW 358: **Great God, Your Love Has Called Us**

RYBURN

The early Christian church introduced the custom of foot washing to imitate the humility and selfless love of Jesus, who washed the feet of the disciples at the Last Supper, the night before his Crucifixion. The practice of foot washing was originally an act of hospitality in Palestinian homes, performed for guests (by servants or the wife of the host) who wore sandals and walked on dusty roads.

Today we continue this custom by washing hands rather than feet of those who come forward for this Maundy Thursday practice. We now wear shoes and don't regularly walk on dusty roads but do regularly wash our hands (which can be a matter of life and health). Please come forward and allow Pastor Gail or Pastor Caitlin to wash and bless your hands observing this Holy Week practice of servant-leadership.



1 Great God, your love has called us here, as we, by love, for
 2 We come with self - in - flict - ed pains of bro - ken trust and
 3 Great God, in Christ you call our name and then re - ceive us
 4 Then take the towel, and break the bread, and hum - ble us, and
 5 Great God, in Christ you set us free your life to live, your



love were made. Your liv - ing like - ness still we bear,
 cho - sen wrong, half - free, half - bound by in - ner chains,
 as your own, not through some mer - it, right, or claim,
 call us friends. Suf - fer and serve till all are fed,
 joy to share. Give us your Spir - it's lib - er - ty



though marred, dis - hon - ored, dis - o - beyed. We come, with all our
 by so - cial forc - es swept a - long, by pow'rs and sys - tems
 but by your gra - cious love a - lone. We strain to glimpse your
 and show how grand - ly love in - tends to work till all cre -
 to turn from guilt and dull de - spair, and of - fer all that



heart and mind your call to hear, your love to find.
 close con - fined, yet seek - ing hope for hu - man - kind.
 mer - cy seat and find you kneel - ing at our feet.
 a - tion sings, to fill all worlds, to crown all things.
 faith can do while love is mak - ing all things new.

Text: Brian A. Wren, b. 1936

Music: RYBURN, Norman Cocker, 1889–1953

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Peace

The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.**

The assembly is seated.

Offering

Thank you for supporting Augustana's mission to worship, grow and go in our community and across the world!



Noon “Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service” –Randall Davidson

Lord, whose love in humble service bore the weight of human need,
who upon the cross, forsaken, worked your mercy's perfect deed:
we, your servants, bring the worship not of voice alone, but heart;
consecrating to your purpose every gift which you impart.

Still your children wander homeless; still the hungry cry for bread;
still the captives long for freedom; still in grief we mourn our dead.
As you, Lord, in deep compassion healed the sick and freed the soul,
by your Spirit send your power to our world to make it whole.

As we worship, grant us vision, till your love's revealing light
in its height and depth and greatness dawns upon our quickened sight,
making known the needs and burdens your compassion bids us bear,
stirring us to ardent service, your abundant life to share.

–Albert E. Bayly

7 p.m. “Give Me Jesus” –spiritual arr. Jester Hairston
Augustana Vocal Ensemble

In the morning when I rise, give me Jesus.
You may have all this world, give me Jesus.

Just about the break of day, give me Jesus.
You may have all this world, give me Jesus.

O when I come to die, give me Jesus.
You may have all this world, give me Jesus.

Offering Response ♦ Create in Me a Clean Heart

Create in me a clean heart, O God,
 Cast me not away from thy sal-va-ence;
 Restore unto me the joy of thy sal-va-tion;

and renew a right spirit with in me.
 and take not thy Ho-ly free-ly in Spir-it from me.
 and uphold me with thy free-ly in Spir-it from me.

Offering Prayer

Jesus, you are the bread of life and the host of this meal.

Bless these gifts we freely give so that all people may know your goodness. Feed us with this holy food and with your kindness, justice, and humility. We pray this in your name. Amen.

Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you. And al-so with you.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Eucharistic Prayer

Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord,
In your great love for the world,
you sent Jesus the beloved,
who reached out in hope and healing,
who preached good news to the poor,
and who, on the cross, opened his arms to all.

In the night in which he was betrayed,
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,
and gave it for all to drink, saying:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Pour out upon us the Spirit of your love, O Lord,
and unite the wills of all who share this heavenly food,
to the glory of your holy name,
Amen.

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.
For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
forever and ever. Amen.**

Holy Communion

The assembly is seated.

All are welcome to receive Holy Communion this morning. We share this meal with confidence in Christ's real presence with us in this sacrament. All the bread used is gluten-free, and both wine and grape juice are available in the tray of glasses. If you prefer to receive a blessing instead of the sacrament, please cross your arms when you come forward. (If you are worshipping with us on livestream, you may use bread or crackers and wine or juice from your home.)

If you have difficulty coming forward, please tell an usher, and Communion will be brought to you. We will receive Communion together after the singing of the Lamb of God.

At 7 p.m. worship, the First Communion family will be invited to come forward first.

7 p.m. **Sidney Paul**, child of Barb Gueldner and Brian Paul



Noon "My Song is Love Unknown" –Donald Busarow
Augustana Singers

My song is love unknown, my Savior's love to me,
love to the loveless shown, that they might lovely be.
Oh who am I that for my sake the Lord should take frail flesh and die?
He came from His blest throne, salvation to bestow;
but men made strange, and none the longed for Christ would know.
But oh my Friend, my Friend indeed, who at my need His life did spend!
Sometimes they strew His way and His sweet praises sing;
resounding all the day hosannas to their King.
Then "Crucify!" is all their breath, and for His death they thirst and cry.
Why, what hath my Lord done? What makes this rage and spite?
He made the lame to run, He gave the blind their sight.
Sweet injuries! Yet they at these themselves displease, and against Him rise.
They rise, and needs will have my dear Lord made away;
a murderer they save, the Prince of Life they slay.
Yet cheerful He to suffering goes that He His foes from thence might free.
Here might I stay and sing, no story so divine;
never was love, dear King, never was grief like Thine.
This is my Friend, in whose sweet praise I all my days could gladly spend.

–Samuel Crossman

7 p.m. "Stay With Us" – arr. David Cherwien
LyNette Rasmussen, piano

7 p.m. "O Vos Omnes" –Tomas Luis de Victoria
Augustana Vocal Ensemble

O vos ómnes qui transítis per víam, attendite et vidéte si est dólór símilis sícút dólór méus.
Atténdite, unívérsi pópuli, et vidéte dolórem méum.

All you who pass by, stop and see if you have witnessed any sorry like mine.

All you nations, stay and look upon my sorrow.

Blessing after Communion

The assembly stands.

May the body and blood of Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in God's grace. **Amen.**

Prayer after Communion

Generous God, **at this table you give us a feast of immeasurable grace and gather us by your promises for the sake of the world, send us forth in the name of Jesus. Amen.**

Blessing

Beloved, may God shower you with mercy, fill you with courage, and ✠ give you peace.
Amen.

Hymn • ELW 347: Go to Dark Gethesemane

GETHSEMANE

1 Go to dark Geth-sem - a - ne, all who feel the tempt - er's pow'r;
2 Fol - low to the judg - ment hall, view the Lord of life ar - rained;
3 Cal - v'ry's mourn - ful moun - tain climb; there, a - dor - ing at his feet,
your Re - deem - er's con - flict see. Watch with him one bit - ter hour;
oh, the worm - wood and the gall! Oh, the pangs his soul sus - tained!
mark that mir - a - cle of time, God's own sac - ri - fice com - plete.
turn not from his griefs a - way; learn from Je - sus Christ to pray.
Shun not suf - f'ring, shame, or loss; learn from him to bear the cross.
"It is fin - ished!" hear him cry; learn from Je - sus Christ to die.

Text: James Montgomery, 1771–1854
Music: GETHSEMANE, Richard Redhead, 1820–1901

Noon *At the close of Holy Communion, the people will leave in silence.*

Stripping of the Chancel by Augustana's Altar Guild

7 p.m. *The assembly is invited to be seated during the stripping of the altar.*

Oftentimes the service for Maundy Thursday concludes with the stripping of the sanctuary, which is done in absolute silence and in an unhurried, orderly fashion. The practice dates from the seventh century and originally served the practical purpose of cleaning the sanctuary in preparation for Easter, when all things are made new. In time, however, the practice became ceremonial in its own right. In silence and in shadows, communion vessels, tablecloths, pulpit and lectern hangings, banners, candles, and all other decorative and liturgical objects are sensitively removed, thus dramatizing the desolation, abandonment and darkness of the passion and death of our Lord. The sanctuary remains bare until the beginnings of the Easter celebration. Ordinarily there is neither a blessing nor a postlude at the conclusion of the service. The church remains in semi-darkness, and all exit in silence. Symbolically, Christ, stripped of his power and glory, is now in the hands of his captors.



Welcome!

- How good to have you here! Thanks for signing the worship registration slip and placing it in the offering plate.
- Large-print copies of the service bulletin are available from Augustana's ushers.
- Hearing assistance headphones are available for worship in the sanctuary. Ask an usher for an easy-to-use device for enhanced listening.
- You are welcome to have your water bottles with you during worship.
- Children are welcome in worship! Children's bulletins and crayons are available on Augustana's entrance tables. On either side of the sanctuary there are activity bags for children. Please return the bags when worship is finished. The Cozy Corner is available to parents at the west sanctuary entrance. Changing tables are available in the men's bathroom and in the family bathroom on this floor.
- Secure online gifts may be made through the [Giving page at Augustana's website, augustanadenver.org](https://www.augustanadenver.org/giving). You can also text message your offering to 303-653-9592.
- Restrooms and water stations are located downstairs beneath the west entrance; handicapped accessible restrooms are on the east side of the sanctuary in the hallway behind the chancel.
- An elevator is available at the Fairfax Street entrance.
- Handicapped parking and entrances are available at the Fairfax Street and Elm Street entrances. Additional parking is available on the south side of the building.
- Please make sure your cell phones are silenced during worship.
- Parents, for the safety and well-being of all our children, we ask that you attend your children at all times.
- If you would like to leave your bulletin for recycling, please place it at the end of the pew.

Worship Ministries

Altar Guild:

Lisa Boe-Sims
Bill Crossen
Sonja Engebretson
John Flory
Grant Lutz
Tracy Lutz
Pat Miller
Paul Whitehurst

Cantor:

Noon Susan Patterson

Communion:

Noon Jim Dierker
Julie MacDougall
7 p.m. Jordan Hainey
Robin Hoffman

Communion Bread:

March Robin Hoffman

Communion Linens:

March Mark Caldwell

Livestream Assistant:

7 p.m.

Readers:

Noon Don Troike
7 p.m. Matt Miller

Ushers:

Noon Greg Bickle
Jim Gustad
Roger Lipker
Rosalee Wanchisen
7 p.m. Wil Crook
Bill Crossen
James Kastens
Craig Tamminga
Miles Tamminga

Holy Week and Easter Worship

Good Friday, March 29

Spoken worship and hymns at noon, and 7 p.m. worship in the sanctuary with readings and anthems. Both services will be livestreamed.

Easter Sunday, March 31

Worship at 8 a.m., 9:15 a.m. and 11 a.m. in the sanctuary with Holy Communion, festival brass, timpani, choirs, handbells, organ, and Augustana's Easter Garden. An Easter egg hunt will be held at 10:45 a.m. Worship at 9:15 a.m. will be livestreamed, and nursery care will be available for 9:15 a.m. worship.

Mission Statement

Celebrating God's grace, we welcome everyone to worship Jesus, grow in faith, and go serve in the world.

Worship

- Worship in person at 8 a.m. in Christ Chapel or at 10:30 a.m. in the sanctuary.
- Join Augustana on our Facebook page or YouTube channel for worship livestreamed every Sunday at 10:30 a.m. Visit Augustana's website ([augustanadenver.org](https://www.augustanadenver.org)) for links, downloadable worship resources, and past worship recordings.

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