

**Hymn of the Day** 617

“O Lord, We Praise Thee”  
*Choir sings stanza 2 (7pm only)*

**Sermon**

**Nicene Creed**

**Offertory and Communion Liturgy** p. 194ff.

**Distribution Hymns**

*Hymns during the distribution aid in meditation and reinforce both the themes of the day and what Christ accomplished for us in His Passion. You are encouraged to bring your hymnal with you to the communion rail so that you might sing the hymns as you wait to receive Christ’s body and blood.*

“The Death of Jesus Christ, Our Lord” 634  
*Choir sings stanzas 3 and 6 (7pm only)*

“Just as I Am, without One Plea” 570

“Not All the Blood of Beasts” 431  
*Choir sings stanza 3 (7pm only)*

**Closing Hymn** 436

“Go to Dark Gethsemane”

**The Stripping of the Altar** (7 pm service only)

*As a sign of the total humiliation of Christ in His suffering and death, the altar and chancel are stripped of all appointments in preparation for the solemn services of Good Friday. Psalm 22, the psalm our Lord prayed from the cross, will be sung as the vessels and sacred appointments are removed.*

**Maundy Thursday**

March 28, 2024, at 2:30 and 7:00

**Divine Service Setting Three  
Lutheran Service Book p. 184**

*Please follow the order of service printed in the hymnal beginning on page 184. The propers for the day (readings, hymns) are listed below.*

**Pastoral Care and Guests at the Lord’s Supper.** We are concerned about the spiritual welfare of all who commune at the Lord’s Table. If you are a guest and desire to commune, please speak to the pastor before the service. Our altar is open to those who confess oneness with us in doctrine, are members of our congregation or sister congregations of the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod and are not under church discipline in another congregation. In Christ, Pastor Bender

**Hymn of Invocation** 421

“Jesus, Grant That Balm and Healing”  
*Choir sings stanza 3 (7pm only)*

**Confessional Address Precedes the Confession of Sins, p. 184**

*The pastors will absolve all baptized penitents individually at the kneeling stations. Penitents approach the kneelers down the side aisle as directed.*

*All baptized Christians of every age are welcome to come forward for individual absolution. This practice reminds us of how our Lord absolved His baptized disciples in the act of washing their feet. Meditate upon Psalm 116 during the distribution of the absolution.*

**Choral Anthem** *Sung during the reception of absolution (7pm only)*

“Create in Me” by John Leavitt

**Salutation and Collect for Maundy Thursday**

**Old Testament Reading** Exodus 12:1-14

The Institution of the Passover

**Epistle** 1 Corinthians 11:23-32

The Apostle Paul catechizes on the Lord’s Supper.

**Holy Gospel** John 13:1-15, 34-35

Jesus washes the disciples’ feet.