Prince of Peace Lutheran Church Maundy Thursday April 14, 2022

As We Gather

One of the enduring legends from medieval times relates to the cup used by our Lord at the supper He shared with His disciples in the Upper Room on this evening. Known as the Holy Grail, the cup was said to have been passed into the safekeeping of Joseph of Arimathea, who kept it safely somewhere. Locating it has become a life-long quest for many people through the ages. Luke tells us simply what Jesus did at that meal: "Likewise [He took] the cup after they had eaten" (Luke 22:20). What eventually happened to that blessed cup, we do not know. But we do know that Jesus said, "This cup that is poured out for you is the new covenant in My blood" (Luke 22:20). By His grace, that pouring out continues among us this day as we receive His blood shed for the forgiveness of our sins.

+ PREPARATION +

HYMN LSB #445 "When You Woke That Thursday Morning"

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PSALM Psalm 116:12-19 (Responsively by whole verse)

What shall I render to the Lord for all his benefits to me?

[13] I will lift up the cup of salvation and call on the name of the Lord,

[14] I will pay my vows to the Lord in the presence of all his people.

[15] Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of his saints.

[16] O Lord, I am your servant;

I am your servant, the son of your maidservant.

You have loosed my bonds.

[17] I will offer to you the sacrifice of thanksgiving and call on the name of the Lord.

[18] I will pay my vows to the Lord in the presence of all his people,

[19] in the courts of the house of the Lord,

in your midst, O Jerusalem.

Praise the Lord!

Glory be to the Father and to the Son

and to the Holy Spirit;

as it was in the beginning,

is now, and will be forever. Amen.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- And also with you.
- Let us pray. 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.
- C Amen.



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." And likewise the cup after they had eaten, saying, "This cup that is poured out for you is the new covenant in My blood." Luke 22.19–20

OLD TESTAMENT Jeremiah 31:31-34 (The Lord promises a new covenant.)

P This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

HYMN LSB #547 "The Lamb"

EPISTLE Hebrews 10:15–25 (Jesus is our great High Priest.)

P This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

HOLY GOSPEL *Luke 22:7–20* (The Lord's Supper is instituted by Jesus.)

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 22nd chapter.

Glory to You, O Lord.

(The Gospel is read.)

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to You, O Christ.

HYMN OF THE DAY LSB 446 "Jesus, Greatest at the Table"

Sermon: "Convenant"

Text: Jeremiah 31:31-34 (The Old Testament Reading)

CREED Nicene Creed (as found in the hymnal)

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

OFFERING (The offerings previously collected are brought forward)

+ SACRAMENT +

PREFACE

P The Lord be with you. 2 Timothy 4:22

C And also with you.

P Lift up your hearts. Colossians 3:1

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. Psalm 136

It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

PROPER PREFACE

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

SANCTUS

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD *Matthew 26:26-28; Mark 14:22-24; Luke 22:19-20; 1 Corinthians 11:23-25* LORD'S PRAYER

PAX DOMINI (The Peace of the Lord)

P The peace of the Lord be with you always. *John 20:19*

C Amen.

AGNUS DEI

DISTRIBUTION

DISTRIBUTION HYMN #637 "Draw Near and Take the Body of the Lord"

THANKSGIVING

Let us pray. We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us with the body and blood of Your Son, given and shed for the remission of our sins. We ask that it strengthen our faith so that it may remain

constant throughout time until we join saints and angels to praise Him for His innocent suffering and death; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

+ STRIPPING OF THE ALTAR + [the lights are dimmed.]

PSALM 22 [As Psalm 22 is read the altar is stripped of its adornments symbolizing Christ's humiliation and the abuse our Lord endured this night.]

(There is no Benediction; our worship continues with the Good Friday Service tomorrow at 10:00am.)

(Please observe silence while departing the sanctuary.)