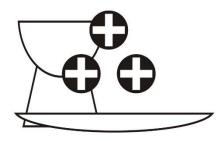
MAUNDY THURSDAY



APRIL 9, 2020

7:30PM



TRINITY EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

THE BRONX, NEW YORK

WELCOME TO TRINITY!

"Therefore welcome one another as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God." (Romans 15:7)

WELCOME TO TRINITY EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH. We are the "FAMILY OF FAITH" here in the Castle Hill section of the Bronx, New York. "Trinity exists to receive and share God's gifts."

IS TODAY YOUR FIRST TIME? Welcome once more! Thank you for being with us today. If you are interested in learning more about Trinity, joining our parish or speaking more about things going on in your life, please connect with Pastor Gonzalez. You can reach him at pastor@trinitylutheranbronx.org. We hope that this is not your last time with us & we that you'll continue to share in our joy as a Family of Faith!

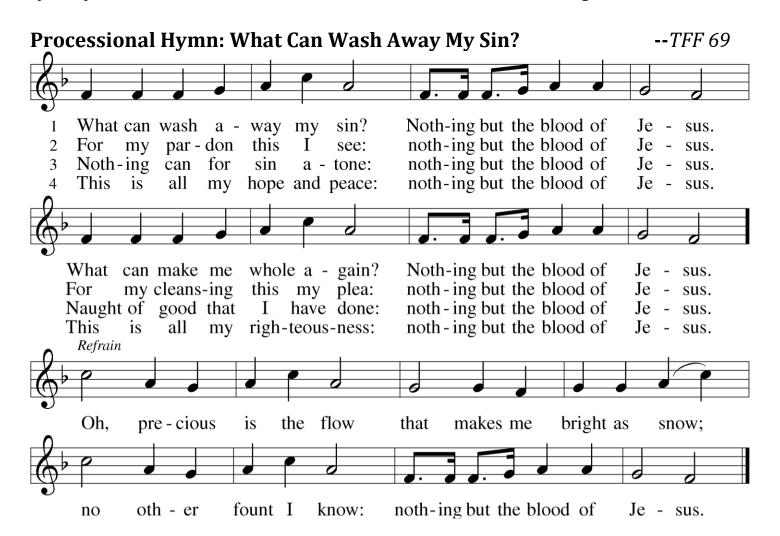
THE ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP SERVICE is printed in this booklet (which is also called the "bulletin."). LARGE PRINT EDITIONS of this are available at the entrance in the narthex (the back of the church). RESTROOMS are located in the side hallway of the sanctuary (the area of the church where we worship), which can be accessed through the side door, near the front of the church. A CHANGING TABLE is available in the women's restroom, along with a handicap-accessible stall.

A FEW REMINDERS FOR WORSHIP: If you are still finishing your breakfast, you are welcome to eat in the narthex on the opposite side of the "CITYtots" Play Area. We ask that you would refrain from eating in the sanctuary. Also, please feel free to take this bulletin home with you. It is filled with announcements about upcoming events. You can also use it to review & remember what you have received today throughout the week. During times in the worship service where we are reminded to sit quietly, please remember that many will use this as an opportunity to pray & reflect, so please show care & love to your neighbor, doing your best to remain quiet & respectful.

CHILDREN ARE WELCOME HERE AND ENCOURAGED TO BE IN WORSHIP! Trinity remembers what Jesus says in St. Matthew 18:13-16, "Let the children come" & we are not bothered by their noise or movement... it is a sign of a church that's alive! To make it more convenient for the little ones to receive the joys & benefits of worship, Trinity has provided our "CITYtots" Play Area for those who are not yet attending school. IF YOUR CHILD IS 4 YEARS OLD OR YOUNGER, feel free to sit with them in that area while following along with our worship service. You are even welcome to have a chair placed towards the middle of the narthex, allowing you to continue in worship while they play. FOR THOSE CHILDREN IN SCHOOL (AGES 5 & UP), we believe that it is a great benefit for them to participate in worship. As you enter, you will find coloring sheets & crayon packs for them to use in the sanctuary. Encourage them to sing & celebrate with you throughout our worship service. They will learn from your example & be joy-filled worshipping alongside those who love and care for them.

In the Name of Jesus

Maundy Thursday is the first day of the Holy Triduum (The Three Days). "Maundy" is from the Latin word for "mandate." Jesus gave us the mandate to love one another as He has loved us. This Liturgy continues with Good Friday and the Resurrection of Our Lord. Together, The Holy Triduum proclaims the mystery of our faith: "Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again."



5- Now, in Him, we'll overcome! Nothing but the blood of Jesus. Now, in Him, we live in love! Nothing but the blood of Jesus. Oh, precious is the flow that makes me bright as snow; No other fount I know: nothing but the blood of Jesus.

6- Loud Hosannas now we sing! Nothing but the blood of Jesus. All the glory to our King! Nothing but the blood of Jesus. Oh, precious is the flow that makes me bright as snow; No other fount I know: nothing but the blood of Jesus.

Text: Robert Lowry, 1826–1899 Music: PLAINFIELD. Robert Lowry, 1826–1899

Sermon (Followed by **Silence** for prayer & meditation)

Instruction

P: In this Lenten season we have heard our Lord's call to intensify our 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 committed at Baptism; God's forgiveness and the power of his Spirit to amend our lives continue with us because of His love for us in Jesus, our Savior.

Within the community of His Church, God never wearies of giving peace and new life. In the words of Holy Absolution we receive forgiveness as from God Himself. This Absolution we should not doubt, but firmly believe that thereby our sins are forgiven before God in heaven, for it comes to us in the Name and by the command of our Lord.

We who receive God's love in Jesus Christ are called to love one another, to be servants to each other as Jesus became our servant. It is, however, in the Holy Communion that the members of Christ's body participate most intimately in His love. Remembering our Lord's Last Supper with His disciples, we also remember that we are in the midst of a fast from eating the bread and sharing the cup of this Holy Meal. Together we receive the Lord's gift of Himself and we participate in that new covenant which makes us one in Him when we receive the meal. The Eucharist is the promise of the great banquet we will share with all the faithful when our Lord returns, the culmination of our reconciliation with God and each other.

Confession and Forgiveness

P: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid; cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen

P: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

(Together, we seek God's forgiveness, <u>quietly reflecting</u> upon those sins of which we are aware and those sins which we committed, yet cannot recall.)

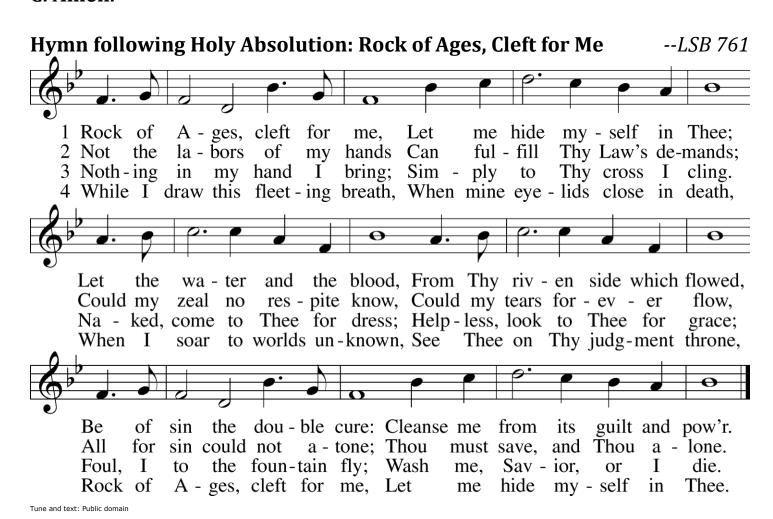
P: Most merciful God,

C: we confess that we are in bondage 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.

(Before hearing the words of Holy Absolution, we <u>meditate in SILENCE</u> once more, trusting that the promise of God's forgiveness is more than sufficient to remove the stain of sin.)

P: In obedience to the command of our Lord Jesus Christ, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ▼ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.



Pax Domini (Peace of the Lord)

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: And also with you.

(We greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace.)

Prayer of the Day

P: Let us pray...

C: Amen.

Old Testament Reading: Exodus 12:1-14

The LORD said to Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt: This month shall mark for you the beginning of months; it shall be the first month of the year for you. Tell 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. If 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. Your lamb shall be without blemish, a year-old male; you may take it from the sheep or from the goats. You shall keep it until the fourteenth day of this month; then the whole assembled congregation of Israel shall slaughter it at twilight. They shall take some of the blood and put it on the two doorposts and the lintel of the houses in which they eat it. They shall eat the lamb that same night; they shall eat it roasted over the fire with unleavened bread and bitter herbs. Do not eat any of it raw or boiled in water, but roasted over the fire, with its head, legs, and inner organs. You shall let none of it remain until the morning; anything that remains until the morning you shall burn. This 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. For 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. The 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. This 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.

Psalm 116:1-2, 12-19



I love the LORD, because he has heard the voice of my suppli- | cation,* because he has inclined his ear to me whenever I called up- | on him.

How shall I re- | pay the LORD

for all the good things he has | done for me?

I will lift up the cup of sal- | vation and call upon the name | of the LORD.

I will fulfill my vows | to the LORD in the presence of all his | people.

Precious in the sight | of the LORD is the death of his | servants.

O LORD, I am your | servant;

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

I will offer you the sacrifice of thanks- | giving and call upon the name | of the LORD.

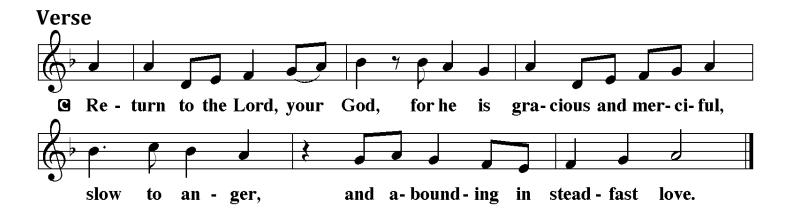
I will fulfill my vows | to the LORD in the presence of all his | people,

in the courts of the | LORD's house, in the midst of you, O Je- | rusalem.

Glory be to the Father and | to the ♣ Son and to the Holy | Spirit, as it was in the be | ginning is now and will be for | ever. Amen

Epistle (Letter) Reading: 1 Corinthians 11:23-26

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, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, "This is my body that is for you. Do this in remembrance of me." In 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." For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.



Holy Gospel: John 13:1-17, 31b-35

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. John the 13th chapter.

C: Glory to You, O Lord.

(after the reading)

P: The Gospel of the Lord. C: Praise to You, O Christ.

Hymn of the Day: Fiel (Faithful)

--Elevation Worship

Cuando el peso del mundo caía sobre mí Y mi alma abrumada temía el por venir No te apartaste de mí, siempre estabas allí

Eres fiel Dios, mi corazón no temerá Eres fiel Dios, sé que nunca cambiarás Eres fiel Dios, fiel Dios

Yo quería rendirme mas esperé en Ti Por el fuego cruzaste para llegar a mí Seguro estoy en Tu amor, bastarás mi Señor Eres fiel Dios, mi corazón no temerá Eres fiel Dios, sé que nunca cambiarás Eres fiel Dios, fiel Dios

O Dios, mi Padre, cuan grande es Tu fidelidad (6X)

Eres fiel Dios, mi corazón no temerá Eres fiel Dios, sé que nunca cambiarás (2X)

Eres fiel Dios, fiel Dios (2X)

Prayer of the Church

The Lord's Prayer

P: Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray:

C: 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.

Stripping of the Altar

(This is done in remembrance of Jesus' being stripped and humiliated on the night of his arrest.)

Psalm 22

My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?
Why are you so far from saving me, so far from the words of my groaning?
My God, I cry out by day, but you do not answer,
by night, but I find no rest.

Yet you are enthroned as the Holy One;
you are the praise of Israel.
In you our ancestors put their trust;
they trusted and you delivered them.
They cried to you and were saved;
in you they trusted and were not disappointed.

But I am a worm, not a human being;
I am scorned by everyone, despised by the people.
All who see me mock me;
they hurl insults, shaking their heads.
"He trusts in the LORD," they say, "let the LORD rescue him.
Let him deliver him, since he delights in him."

Yet you brought me out of the womb;
you made me feel secure on my mother's breast.
From birth I was cast on you;
from my mother's womb you have been my God.
Do not be far from me,
for trouble is near
and there is no one to help.

Many bulls surround me; strong bulls of Bashan encircle me. Roaring lions that tear their prey open their mouths wide against me.

I am poured out like water,
and all my bones are out of joint.
My heart has turned to wax;
it has melted within me.
My mouth is dried up like a potsherd,
and my tongue sticks to the roof of my mouth;
you lay me in the dust of death.

Dogs surround me,
a pack of villains encircles me;
they pierce my hands and my feet.
All my bones are on display;
people stare and gloat over me.
They divide my clothes among them
and cast lots for my garment.
But you, LORD, do not be far from me.
You are my strength; come quickly to help me.
Deliver me from the sword,
my precious life from the power of the dogs.
Rescue me from the mouth of the lions;
save me from the horns of the wild oxen.

I will declare your name to my people; in the assembly I will praise you. You who fear the LORD, praise him! All you descendants of Jacob, honor him! Revere him, all you descendants of Israel! For he has not despised or scorned the suffering of the afflicted one; he has not hidden his face from him but has listened to his cry for help.

From you comes the theme of my praise in the great assembly;
before those who fear you I will fulfill my vows.

The poor will eat and be satisfied;
those who seek the LORD will praise him—
may your hearts live forever!

All the ends of the earth
will remember and turn to the LORD,
and all the families of the nations
will bow down before him,
for dominion belongs to the LORD
and he rules over the nations.

All the rich of the earth will feast and worship;
all who go down to the dust will kneel before him—
those who cannot keep themselves alive.
Posterity will serve him; future generations will be told about the Lord.
They will proclaim his righteousness, declaring to a people yet unborn:
He has done it!

Silence

You may remain in worship as long as you wish for silent prayer. We return tomorrow for Good Friday, as we remember the Son of Man is glorified on the throne of the Holy Cross.

JOIN US ONLINE FOR THE REST OF THE HOLY TRIDUUM (The Three Days):

April 10	Good Friday	7:30PM Worship Service
April 11	The Great Vigil of Easter	7:30PM Worship Service
April 12	The Resurrection of our Lord (Easter)	10:30AM Worship Service

ALL EVENTS & ACTIVITIES ARE CURRENTLY SUSPENDED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE! AS WE CONTINUE WORKING THROUGH THE CHALLENGES OF COVID-19, WE WILL KEEP YOU UPDATED.

THANKS! PEACE & LOVE IN JESUS!!!

ABOUT HOLY WEEK

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Instruction: On Maundy Thursday, following the Liturgy and moving into Good Friday, we strip the altar and leave all things bare to remind us of the sacrifice of our Lord Jesus and his betrayal and arrest.

During this time, we will hear the reading of Psalm 22 and meditate on the Word. <u>Following the stripping of the altar is</u>

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GOOD FRIDAY

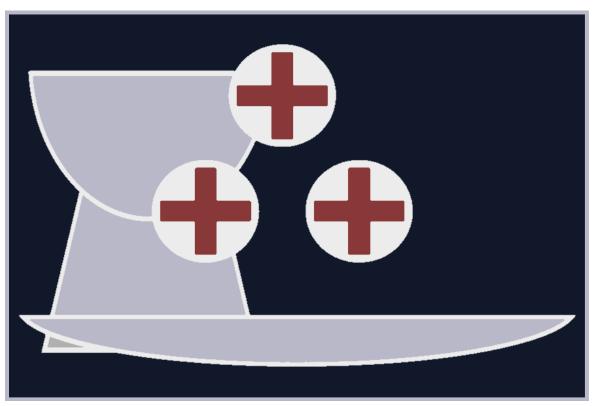
On this day the Church gathers to hear the proclamation of the Passion, to pray for the life of the world, and to meditate on the lifegiving cross. The ancient title for this day—THE TRIUMPH OF THE CROSS—reminds us that the Church gathers to offer thanksgiving for the ultimate sacrifice of Jesus, for upon the wood of the tree hung the salvation of the whole world. The Church reflects upon our Lord's Passion on this second of the Three Days, contemplating the mystery of our salvation.

<u>Instruction:</u> We remember the solemnity of this day as <u>WE</u> <u>GATHER AND DEPART IN SILENCE.</u>

THE GREAT VIGIL OF EASTER

This Liturgy's Easter Proclamation announces, "This is the night in which all who believe in Christ are resurrected from evil and the gloom of sin, are renewed by grace, and are restored to holiness." Jesus' resurrection is the very foundation of our Christian faith, and it is what makes this the crowning moment of the Church's year. On this night, the Church celebrates the presence of the risen Lord as He brings us to new life in Holy Baptism, speaks His Word of promise, and comes to us in the Christian community.

<u>Instruction:</u> At the Great Vigil, we begin our service <u>OUTSIDE</u>, in front of the church. There, we light the great fire of the Easter Vigil, celebrating the light that illumined brightly, burst open the tomb, and shone from our Risen Savior. From there, we process inside and continue the wonderful celebration.



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SUNDAY LITURGY (ONLINE WORSHIP SERVICE): 10:30 AM SIGHT (ONLINE RELIGIOUS EDU.): ZOOM BIBLE STUDY AT 9:30AM CITYKIDS (ONLINE SUNDAY SCHOOL): SUNDAYS AT 1 1:30AM

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