



CHRIST Lutheran Church

"Our hope in Jesus is an anchor for the soul." Hebrews 6:19

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Organist: Amy Cook Thank you to Choir members for singing

M: In the name of our God, to whom all hearts are open and from whom no secrets are hidden. Amen.

**C: O Lord, hear my prayer, listen to my cry for mercy,
and in your faithfulness, come to my relief.
Do not bring your servant into judgment,
for no one living is righteous before you.
Answer me quickly, O Lord; my spirit fails.
Do not hide your face from me, for I have put my trust in you.
Show me the way I should go,
for to you I lift up my soul.
Teach me to do your will, for you are my God.**

**Almighty God, merciful Father,
I, a troubled and repentant sinner,
confess that I have sinned against you
in my thoughts, my words, and my actions.
I have not loved you with my whole heart.
I have not loved others as I should.
I am distressed by the sins that trouble me
and am deeply sorry for them.**

Silence for private confession

M: Jesus says to his people, "If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven." His death paid for the guilt of your sins and the sins of the whole world. Do you believe this?

C: Yes, I believe.

M: Because of the promise of our Savior Jesus, I forgive you all your sins. Be assured that you are a dear child of God and an heir of eternal life.

C: Amen.

PRAYER

M: Lord God, we thank you for this day of grace now drawing to a close. Stay with us and warm our hearts with your forgiving love in Christ. May your word keep our faith burning brightly, and we may walk in the light of your presence through the darkness of this world. Come and bless us as we worship you: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

First Lesson

Exodus 12:1-14

¹²The LORD told Moses and Aaron this in the land of Egypt: ²This month is to be the beginning of your calendar. It is to be the first month of the year for you. ³Tell the entire Israelite community that on the tenth day of this month, they are to take a lamb or a young goat for themselves, according to their fathers' households, one lamb per household. ⁴But if the household is too small for a whole lamb, then that person and his neighbor next door to him must select one, based on the number of people. Determine what size lamb is needed according to how much each person will eat. ⁵Your lamb must be unblemished, a year-old male. You may take it from the sheep or the goats. ⁶You are to keep it until the fourteenth day of this month. Then the whole assembly of the Israelite community is to slaughter the lambs at sunset. ⁷They shall take some of the blood and put it on the two doorposts and the lintel of the houses where they eat the lamb. ⁸That night they shall eat the meat that has been roasted over a fire, along with unleavened bread. They shall eat it with bitter herbs. ⁹Do not eat it raw or boiled in water, but roasted over a fire—with its head, its legs, and its internal organs. ¹⁰You shall not leave any of it until the morning. Whatever remains until the morning, you shall burn in the fire. ¹¹This is how you are to eat it: with your cloak tucked into your belt ready for travel, your sandals on your feet, and your staff in your hand. Eat it in haste. It is the LORD's Passover. ¹²For on that night I will pass through the land of Egypt. I will strike down every firstborn in the land of Egypt, both people and animals. Against all the gods of Egypt I will execute judgment. I am the LORD. ¹³The blood will be a sign for you on the houses where you are. When I see the blood, I will pass over you. There will be no plague among you to destroy you when I strike down the land of Egypt. ¹⁴This day shall be a memorial for you, and you are to celebrate it as a festival to the LORD. Throughout your generations you must celebrate it as a permanent regulation.

Second Lesson

1 Corinthians 11:23-28

²³For I received from the Lord what I also delivered to you: The Lord Jesus, on the night when he was betrayed, took bread, ²⁴and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, "This is my body, which is for you. Do this in remembrance of me." ²⁵In the same way, after the meal, he also took the cup, saying, "This cup is the new testament 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.²⁷Therefore whoever eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty of sinning against the Lord’s body and blood.²⁸Instead, let a person examine himself and after doing so, let him eat of the bread and drink from the cup.

Gospel

John 13: 1-15, 34

¹³Before the Passover Festival, Jesus knew that the time had come for him to leave this world and go to the Father. Having loved those who were his own in the world, he loved them to the end.²By the time the supper took place, the Devil had already put the idea into the heart of Judas, son of Simon Iscariot, to betray Jesus.³Jesus knew that the Father had given all things into his hands, and that he had come from God and was going back to God.⁴He got up from the supper and laid aside his outer garment. He took a towel and tied it around his waist.⁵Then he poured water into a basin and began to wash his disciples’ feet, drying them with the towel that was wrapped around him.⁶He came to Simon Peter, who asked him, “Lord, are you going to wash my feet?”⁷Jesus answered him, “You do not understand what I am doing now, but later you will understand.”⁸Peter told him, “You will never, ever, wash my feet!” Jesus replied, “If I do not wash you, you have no part with me.”⁹“Lord, not just my feet,” Simon Peter replied, “but also my hands and my head!”¹⁰Jesus told him, “A person who has had a bath needs only to wash his feet, but his body is completely clean. And you are clean, but not all of you.”¹¹Indeed, he knew who was going to betray him. That is why he said, “Not all of you are clean.”¹²After Jesus had washed their feet and put on his outer garment, he reclined at the table again. “Do you understand what I have done for you?” he asked them.¹³“You call me Teacher and Lord. You are right, because I am.¹⁴Now if I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another’s feet.¹⁵Yes, I have given you an example so that you also would do just as I have done for you.³⁴“A new commandment I give you: Love one another. Just as I have loved you, so also you are to love one another.¹

¹ *Holy Bible: Evangelical Heritage Version*. (2019). (Jn 13:34). Milwaukee, WI: Northwestern Publishing House.

Through Jesus' Blood and Merit



1 Through Je - sus' blood and mer - it I am at
 2 There's noth - ing that can sev - er Me from the
 3 Yes, nei - ther life's temp - ta - tion Nor death's so
 4 Nor an - y crea - ture ev - er Shall from the



peace with God; What, then, can daunt my spir - it,
 love of God, No want, no pain what - ev - er,
 try - ing hour, Nor an - gels of high sta - tion,
 love of God This child of heav - en sev - er,



How - ev - er dark my road? My cour - age shall
 No fam - ine, dan - ger, sword. Though thou - sand foes
 Nor an - y oth - er pow'r, Nor things that now
 For in my Sav - ior's blood This love has its



not fail me, For God is on my side;
 sur - round me, For slaugh - ter mark his sheep,
 are pres - ent, Nor things that are to come,
 foun - da - tion— God hears my faith - ful prayer—



Though hell it - self as - sail me,
 They nev - er shall con - found me—
 Nor height, how - ev - er pleas - ant,
 And as his new cre - a - tion



Its rage I may de - ride.
 The vic - t'ry I shall keep!
 Nor depth of deep - est gloom,
 Keeps me his child and heir.

SERMON: John 13:34

ALL THIS IS NEW!

I. Jesus' love

II. Our love

OFFERING *(Thank you all who have mailed, dropped off or electronically given your gifts to our Lord. May God continue to bless you with all you need, just as he promised.)*

PRAYERS

LORD'S PRAYER

M/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.

The Sacrament of the Altar – Formula of Concord, Article VII

⁷⁹ In the administration of Communion the words of institution are to be spoken or sung distinctly and clearly before the congregation and are under no circumstances to be omitted.

⁸⁰ Thereby we render obedience to the command of Christ, 'This do.'

⁸¹ Thereby the faith of the hearers in the essence and benefits of this sacrament (the presence of the body and blood of Christ, the forgiveness of sins, and all the benefits which Christ has won for us by his death and the shedding of his blood and which he gives to us in his testament) is awakened, strengthened, and confirmed through his Word.

⁸² And thereby the elements of bread and wine are hallowed or blessed in this holy use, so that therewith the body and blood of Christ are distributed to us to eat and to drink, as Paul says, "The cup of blessing which we bless," which happens precisely through the repetition and recitation of the words of institution.

⁸³ But this blessing or recitation of Christ's words of institution by itself, if the entire action of the Lord's Supper as Christ ordained it is not observed (if, for instance, the blessed bread is not distributed, received, and eaten but is locked up, offered up, or carried about), does not make a sacrament.

⁸⁴ But the command of Christ, "Do this," which comprehends the whole action or administration of this sacrament (namely, that in a Christian assembly we take bread and wine, consecrate it, distribute it, receive it, eat and drink it, and therewith proclaim the Lord's death), must be kept integrally and inviolately, just as St. Paul sets the whole action of the breaking of bread, or of the distribution and reception, before our eyes in 1 Cor. 10:16.

⁸⁵ To maintain this true Christian doctrine concerning the Holy Supper and to obviate and eliminate many kinds of idolatrous misuse and perversion of this testament, the following useful rule and norm has been derived from the words of institution: Nothing has the character of a sacrament apart from the use instituted by Christ, or apart from the divinely instituted action (that is, if one does not observe Christ's institution as he ordained it, it is no sacrament). This rule dare not in any way be rejected, but it can and should be profitably urged and retained in the church of God.

⁸⁶ In this context "use" or "action" does not primarily mean faith, or the oral eating alone, but the entire external and visible action of the Supper as ordained by Christ: the consecration or words of institution, the distribution and reception, or the oral eating of the blessed bread and wine, the body and blood of Christ.²

LUTHER'S EVENING PRAYER

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

I thank you, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, your dear Son, that you have graciously kept me this day. Forgive me all my sins, and graciously keep me this night. Into your hands I commend my body and soul and all things. Let your holy angel be with me, that the wicked foe may have no power over me. Amen.

BLESSING

M: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.

C: Amen

² Tappert, T. G. (Ed.). (1959). *The Book of Concord the confessions of the Evangelical Lutheran Church*. (pp. 584–585). Philadelphia: Mühlenberg Press.

447 Who Trusts in God, a Strong Abode



1 Who trusts in God, A strong a - bode In heav'n
 2 Though Sa - tan's wrath Be - set our path And world -
 3 In all the strife Of mor - tal life Our feet



and earth pos - sess - es; Who looks in love To
 ly scorn as - sail us, While you are near, We
 will stand se - cure - ly. Temp - ta - tion's hour Will



Christ a - bove— No fear his heart op - press - es.
 will not fear; Your strength will nev - er fail us.
 lose its pow'r, For you will guard us sure - ly.



In you a - lone, Dear Lord, we own Sweet hope
 Your rod and staff Will keep us safe And guide
 O God, re - new With heav'n - ly dew Our bod -



and con - so - la - tion, Our shield from foes, Our
 our steps for - ev - er; Nor shades of death Nor
 y, soul, and spir - it Un - til we stand At



balm for woes, Our great and sure sal - va - tion.
 hell be - neath Our souls from you will sev - er.
 your right hand Through Je - sus' sav - ing mer - it.

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