

Trinity Lutheran Church
Brewster, NY



Maundy Thursday

April 1st 2021

Welcome as we gather together in the name of God! Whether we are physically present with one another or gathering remotely, we know that Christ is truly present in our midst

Each Sunday, we will gather at 9:30am via Facebook Live on Trinity's Facebook page (<https://www.facebook.com/Trinity-Lutheran-Church-Brewster-NY-160570420670756>)

The service will be posted on our YouTube page (https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCEBfzqqPTuf8fe3PjPr21gA?view_as=subscriber)

If you know of others who are in need of **signs of God's love and grace**, who are curious and/or questioning, who would like to experience the peace of Christ – please invite them to join us “live” and/or to visit our Facebook page or YouTube channel.

If anyone needs to talk to someone amidst this time of anxiety, please feel free to contact Pastor Jen via the church office (trinlutheranoffice@yahoo.com) and/or her personal email (revjedyer1@yahoo.com).

Our weekly emails are also posted on our website <http://trinitybrewsterny.org/wordpress/>.

Listed here is the order of worship so that you are able to follow along. We have included links to the hymns and an anthem picked by Franklyn that you may listen to in addition to our online service

Setting up: Set aside some sacred space where you are to worship and prayer. Light a candle (or more), set out your Bible and/or a cross. Spend a few moments in silence before you begin.

Check in: Please make sure that you have checked in with the usher that we may maintain our contact tracing list if it becomes needed.

HYMNS: While we gather for in-person worship, we will not be singing any of the hymns. We will either speak the words responsively and/or listen to the accompaniment. All the words have been included for devotional use.

Introduction: When Jesus celebrated the Passover with his disciples, he prepared them the best he could for what was coming next. For now, they would feast and celebrate.

Prelude: "Herzlich tut mich mit verlangen" Johann Philipp Kirnberger

Preparing for Worship

Today begins the Great Three days marking Christ's passion, death and resurrection

We follow Christ's path with thanksgiving, knowing that he endured all because of his great love for us

Today is the night when Jesus gathered with his disciples in the upper room

Lord, bless us as we gather in a new way

Today is the night when Jesus washed his disciples' feet

Lord, teach us to love and serve one another

Today is the night that Jesus gathered at the table with those closest to him

Lord, we gather at our own tables, mindful of what unites us

Today is the night of Jesus betrayal and arrest, the night which leads to the cross and unimaginable suffering and death

Lord, help us to remain faithful disciples

Tonight we remember again that death did not have the final word,

the cross was followed with resurrection joy

Tonight we affirm again that because Christ lives, we too shall live, and with the great cloud of witnesses we say, **"Amen, Come to us,**

Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.

Confession and Forgiveness

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. On this night 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 for reflection and self-examination

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.**

Receive the grace of Christ that is given to all people. God offers the fullness of his love in the person of Jesus the Christ who bore the sin of the world for our sake. Carry this abundant love and grace with you, knowing that we are forgiven in the name of the Father, and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

HYMN Gathering A New Commandment WOV

664 <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yy7W8avIXIY>

INSTRUMENTAL INTERLUDE

A new commandment I give unto you,
that you love one another as I have loved you,
that you love one another as I have loved you.
By this shall all know that you are my disciples,
if you have love one for another;
by this shall all know that you are my disciples:
if you have love one for another.

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The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you always **and also with you**

Prayer of the Day

Merciful God, **Jesus spent the last evening with his disciples in celebration and blessing, knowing what lay ahead. Gather us now in remembrance of what he went through, and count us among the faithful, for the sake of our Lord and savior. Amen.**

Reading: Psalm 34:8-10

O taste and see that the Lord is good;
happy are those who take refuge in him.
O fear the Lord, you his holy ones,
for those who fear him have no want.
The young lions suffer want and hunger,
but those who seek the Lord lack no good thing.

Word of God, Word of life **Thanks be to God!**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

“Return to the Lord”

**Return to the Lord
your God
For he is gracious and merciful
slow to anger
and abounding in steadfast love.**

Holy Gospel: Luke 22:1-27

The Gospel according to Luke, the 22nd chapter **Glory to you, O Lord**

Now the festival of Unleavened Bread, which is called the Passover, was near. The chief priests and the scribes were looking for a way to put Jesus to death, for they were afraid of the people. Then Satan entered into Judas called Iscariot, who was one of the twelve; he went away and conferred with the chief priests and officers of the temple police about how he might betray him to them. They were greatly pleased and agreed to give him money. So he consented and

began to look for an opportunity to betray him to them when no crowd was present.

Then came the day of Unleavened Bread, on which the Passover lamb had to be sacrificed. So Jesus sent Peter and John, saying, "Go and prepare the Passover meal for us that we may eat it." They asked him, "Where do you want us to make preparations for it?" "Listen," he said to them, "when you have entered the city, a man carrying a jar of water will meet you; follow him into the house he enters and say to the owner of the house, 'The teacher asks you, "Where is the guest room, where I may eat the Passover with my disciples?'" He will show you a large room upstairs, already furnished. Make preparations for us there." So they went and found everything as he had told them; and they prepared the Passover meal. When the hour came, he took his place at the table, and the apostles with him. He said to them, "I have eagerly desired to eat this Passover with you before I suffer; for I tell you, I will not eat it until it is fulfilled in the kingdom of God." Then he took a cup, and after giving thanks he said, "Take this and divide it among yourselves; for I tell you that from now on I will not drink of the fruit of the vine until the kingdom of God comes." Then he took a loaf of 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 he did the same with the cup after supper, saying, "This cup that is poured out for you is the new covenant in my blood.

But see, the one who betrays me is with me, and his hand is on the table. For the Son of Man is going as it has been determined, but woe to that one by whom he is betrayed!" Then they began to ask one another, which one of them it could be who would do this. A dispute also arose among them as to which one of them was to be regarded as the greatest. But he said to them, "The kings of the Gentiles lord it

over them; and those in authority over them are called benefactors. But not so with you; rather the greatest among you must become like the youngest, and the leader like one who serves. For who is greater, the one who is at the table or the one who serves? Is it not the one at the table? But I am among you as one who serves.

The Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you, O Christ

Sermon

HYMN HOD Eat This Bread ELW

472 <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bN41WG1qKxk>

INSTRUMENTAL INTERLUDE

Eat this Bread, drink this Cup.

Come to Me and never be hungry.

Eat this Bread, drink this Cup.

Trust in Me and you will not thirst.

*Text: John 6; adapt. by Robert J. Batastini, © 1984, Les Presses de Taizé, GIA Publications, Inc., agent
REPORT*

Apostle's creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to

the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Prayers of Intercession

Creator of all,
on this, the night he was betrayed,
your Son Jesus Christ washed his disciples' feet.
We commit ourselves to follow his example
of love and service.
Lord, hear us
and humble us.

On this night, he prayed for his disciples to be one.
We pray for the unity of your Church...
Lord, hear us
and unite us.

On this night, he prayed for those who were to believe
through their ministry.
We pray for the mission of your Church...
Lord, hear us
and renew our zeal.

On this night, he commanded them to love,
but suffered rejection himself.

We pray for the rejected and unloved...

Lord, hear us

and fill us with your love.

On this night, he reminded them that if the world hated them
it hated him first.

We pray for those who are persecuted for their faith...

Lord, hear us

and give us your peace.

*Additional prayers may be offered silently, aloud or in the comments
online*

Pastor: Into your hands, O Lord, we entrust all these prayers to You
who is the author and giver of all life. **Amen.**

OFFERING *(You are invited to listen to this song as our “anthem” for
this week. You are also encouraged to continue to share your
offering with Trinity by mailing them to the church office or by
donating online via our website: www.trinitybrewsterny.org)*

ANTHEM "If Ye Love Me" Thomas

Tallis <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Y1WwNSfCom8>

INVITATION OF STEWARDSHIP/OFFERING PRAYER

During this Lenten season, we are encouraged to live into the faith
practices of prayer, almsgiving and fasting. May our gifts this day
reflect these practices and bear witness to our trust in You, Creator &
Savior of all.

Offerings of gratitude; tributes of love. Accept them, bless them, and use them for your loving purpose in the world, in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

When the time was right,
God sent Jesus to be among us.

Born into this life,
seeing Your grace revealed in all things,
**Jesus laughed with those who laughed,
and mourned with those who mourned.**

Through Your love, Jesus healed the sick,
welcomed the outcast,
challenged those in power,
and the structures that kept them there.

And Jesus called us back to Your love.

In the power of the Holy Spirit,
the Christ laughs and cries,
heals and welcomes,
**challenges and loves,
again and again and again.**

We have been told that,
on the night before he was taken
to be tortured to death on a cross,
Jesus sat with his disciples,

and ate with them, in a meal of remembrance.

Jesus took a loaf of bread,
asked Your blessing upon it, broke it,
and gave it to his disciples saying:

“Take this – all of you – and eat it.
This is me. My Body. Given for you.
Each time you eat it, remember me.”

Close to the meal’s end,
he took a cup filled with wine,
asked Your blessing upon it,
and gave it to his disciples saying:

Take this – all of you – and drink it.
This is me. This is my promise in my life’s blood -
poured out for you and for the world.”

Each time you drink it, remember me.
So we, his disciples,
eat bread and drink wine – and remember.

**We remember and seek to follow
where Christ leads**

Lord’s prayer

***We let these familiar words sink into our hearts and rise before us
as we pause after each phrase.***

**Our Father, who art in heaven, (pause)
hallowed be Thy name, (pause)**

Thy kingdom come, *(pause)*
Thy will be done *(pause)*
on earth as it is in heaven. *(pause)*
Give us this day our daily bread; *(pause)*
and forgive us our trespasses *(pause)*
as we forgive those who trespass against us; *(pause)*
and lead us not into temptation, *(pause)*
but deliver us from evil. *(pause)*
For thine is the kingdom *(pause)*
and the power *(pause)*
and the glory *(pause)*
forever and ever. *(pause)*
Amen.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

On this night when you first celebrated this sacrament with those closest to you, we are privileged to be invited to that same table to break the bread and take the wine with you, our Lord and master. May we come forth in gratitude for the call to live life as your beloved children.

Distribution of Communion: *You are invited to come forward to receive the Body & blood of Christ (pre-filled cups). Please return to your seat before partaking of the bread & wine.*

The Body & Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and keep in his grace. **Amen**

Stripping of Altar (symbolic)

Psalm 22

My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?

Why 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 the Holy One,
enthroned on the praises of Israel.

**Our ancestors put their trust in you,
they trusted, and you rescued them.**

They cried out to you and were delivered;
they trusted in you and were not put to shame.

**But as for me, I am a worm and not human,
scorned by all and despised by the people.**

All who see me laugh at me to scorn;
they curl their lips; they shake their heads.

**“Trust in the LORD; let the LORD deliver;
let God rescue him if God so delights in him.”**

Yet you are the one who drew me forth from the womb,
and kept me safe on my mother's breast.

**I have been entrusted to you ever since I was born;
you were my God when I was still in my mother's womb.**

Be not far from me, for trouble is near,
and there is no one to help.

SENDING

No further words are said: no benediction, no postlude. The church is left in semi-darkness and all leave in silence. Thus the continuity with

the services of Good Friday is suggested. Join us tomorrow for Good Friday worship at 12 noon (Stations of the Cross) and/or at 7pm (Tenebrae service on zoom)

Scheduled to Serve Today, Sunday, April 1 st		
Time	Assisting Ministers	Ushers
12:00pm	Don Icken	Dorothy Kafalas

Worship notes: Portions of the worship service has been adapted by Pastor Jen from the following resources: Introduction, Prayer of the Day, Offering prayer, Invitation to communion (Clergy Stuff); Eucharistic prayer (Richard Bott's "Communion Liturgy for Advent." Posted website. http://www.bibleclaret.org/liturgy/CycleA/june05/26_hugh.htm); Prayer of Intercession (posted on the website. <http://www.oremus.org/>); Invitation of stewardship (Pastor Jen Boyd)