

*St. John's Lutheran Church*  
3220 Columbus Street, Grove City, OH

*Maundy Thursday*

April 14, 2022  
7:00 pm

**PRELUDE:** Ah, Holy Jesus

arr by Mark Meuser

**INVOCATION**

**P:** In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**C:** Amen.

**CONFESSION and FORGIVENESS**

**P:** Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.  
Most merciful God,

**C:** **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**

**P:** In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**C:** Amen.

## **APOSTOLIC GREETING**

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

**C:** **And also with you.**

## **HYMN 347 "Go to Dark Gethsemone"**

## **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

**P:** Lord Jesus, You left to us a wonderful sacrament, a memorial of Your passion. Grant, we beseech You, that we may so partake of this sacrament 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.**

## **FIRST READING: Exodus 12:1-4, 11-14**

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.

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. The Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

### **SECOND READING: I Corinthians 11:23-26**

For 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. The Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

### **LENTEN GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**



Re - turn to the Lord, your God, for he is gra - cious and mer - ci - ful,



slow to an - ger, and a - bound - ing in stead - fast love.

**P: The Holy Gospel according to the thirteenth chapter of John**

**C: Glory to You, O Lord.**

### **THE HOLY GOSPEL: John 13:1-17**

Now before the festival of the Passover, Jesus knew that his hour had come to depart from this world and go to the Father. Having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end. The devil had

already put it into the heart of Judas son of Simon Iscariot to betray him. And during supper Jesus, knowing that the Father had given all things into his hands, and that he had come from God and was going to God, got up from the table, took off his outer robe, and tied a towel around himself. Then he poured water into a basin and began to wash the disciples' feet and to wipe them with the towel that was tied around him. He came to Simon Peter, who said to him, "Lord, are you going to wash my feet?" Jesus answered, "You do not know now what I am doing, but later you will understand." Peter said to him, "You will never wash my feet." Jesus answered, "Unless I wash you, you have no share with me." Simon Peter said to him, "Lord, not my feet only but also my hands and my head!" Jesus said to him, "One who has bathed does not need to wash, except for the feet, but is entirely clean. And you are clean, though not all of you." For he knew who was to betray him; for this reason he said, "Not all of you are clean." After he had washed their feet, had put on his robe, and had returned to the table, he said to them, "Do you know what I have done to you? You call me Teacher and Lord—and you are right, for that is what I am. So if I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another's feet. For I have set you an example, that you also should do as I have done to you. Very truly, I tell you, servants are not greater than their master, nor are messengers greater than the one who sent them. If you know these things, you are blessed if you do them. When he had gone out, Jesus said, "Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, 'Where I am going, you cannot come.' I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

P: The Gospel of Our Lord.

C: Praise to You, O Christ

# CHANCEL CHOIR ANTHEM

“Where Jesus Knelt to Pray”

by Robert Graham

## SERMON

Pastor Seth Jersild

## HYMN 494 “For the Bread Which You Have Broken”

## PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

### GREAT THANKSGIVING

P: The Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

P: Lift up your hearts.

**C: We lift them to the Lord.**

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

### HOLY, HOLY, HOLY



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might,



heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry.



Ho - san-na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes



in the name of the Lord. Ho - san-na in the high - est.

### WORDS OF INSTITUTION

## **THE LORD'S PRAYER (in unison)**

**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.**

## **DISTRIBUTION**

*Believing in the real presence of Christ's body and blood in the bread and wine of the Holy Communion for the forgiveness of sin, we practice Eucharistic hospitality. All baptized persons are welcomed to the Lord's Table.*

**PRAYER: (said by all) O God, we give You thanks that You have set before us this feast, the body and blood of Your Son. By Your Spirit strengthen us to serve all in need and to give ourselves away as bread for the hungry, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## **BLESSING**

### **THE STRIPPING OF THE ALTAR – Psalm 22**

*As our service concludes, the chancel is stripped of linens, paraments, banners, and stoles in preparation for the solemnities of Good Friday. Psalm 22 is read during this action. There is no benediction or closing organ piece.*

*At the conclusion, you are asked to leave the sanctuary in reverent silence and return tomorrow in remembrance of our Savior's death.*

Serving this evening:

Stripping Altar: Betty Lewis and Lynda Berry

Stripping Pulpit: Gloria Biggs

Stripping Lectern: Sarah Schmitz

Carriers: Carol Penrod, Lynne Ehrlich, Lisa Stallard

Candelabras: David Sweeley and David Stallard

Cross Carrier: Hunter Thompson

Banner: Dave Grossman

Black Cloth on Cross: David Grossman and Betty Lewis

Choir Stoles: Barb Sweeley

Christ Candle: Jo Dimond

Altar Guild Room: Barb Sweeley and Linda Vozel