

PSALMODY Psalm 116: A Psalm of Deliverance & Praise - Please READ along!

P: ¹ I love the LORD, for He heard my voice; He heard my cry for mercy.

C: ² Because He turned His ear to me, I will call on Him as long as I live.

³ *The cords of death entangled me, the anguish of the grave came upon me; I was overcome by trouble and sorrow.*

⁴ **Then I called on the Name of the LORD: "O LORD, save me!"**

⁵ *The LORD is gracious and righteous; our God is full of compassion.*

⁶ **The LORD protects the simplehearted; when I was in great need, He saved me.**

⁷ *Be at rest once more, O my soul, for the LORD has been good to you.*

⁸ **For You, O LORD, have delivered my soul from death, my eyes from tears, my feet from stumbling,**

⁹ *That I may walk before the LORD in the land of the living.*

¹⁰ **I believed; therefore I said, "I am greatly afflicted."**

¹¹ *And in my dismay I said, "All men are liars."*

¹² **How can I repay the LORD for all His goodness to me?**

¹³ *I will lift up the cup of Salvation and call on the Name of the LORD.*

¹⁴ **I will fulfill 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, truly I am Your servant; I am Your servant, the son of Your maidservant; You have freed me from my chains.**

¹⁷ *I will sacrifice a thank offering to you and call on the Name of the LORD.*

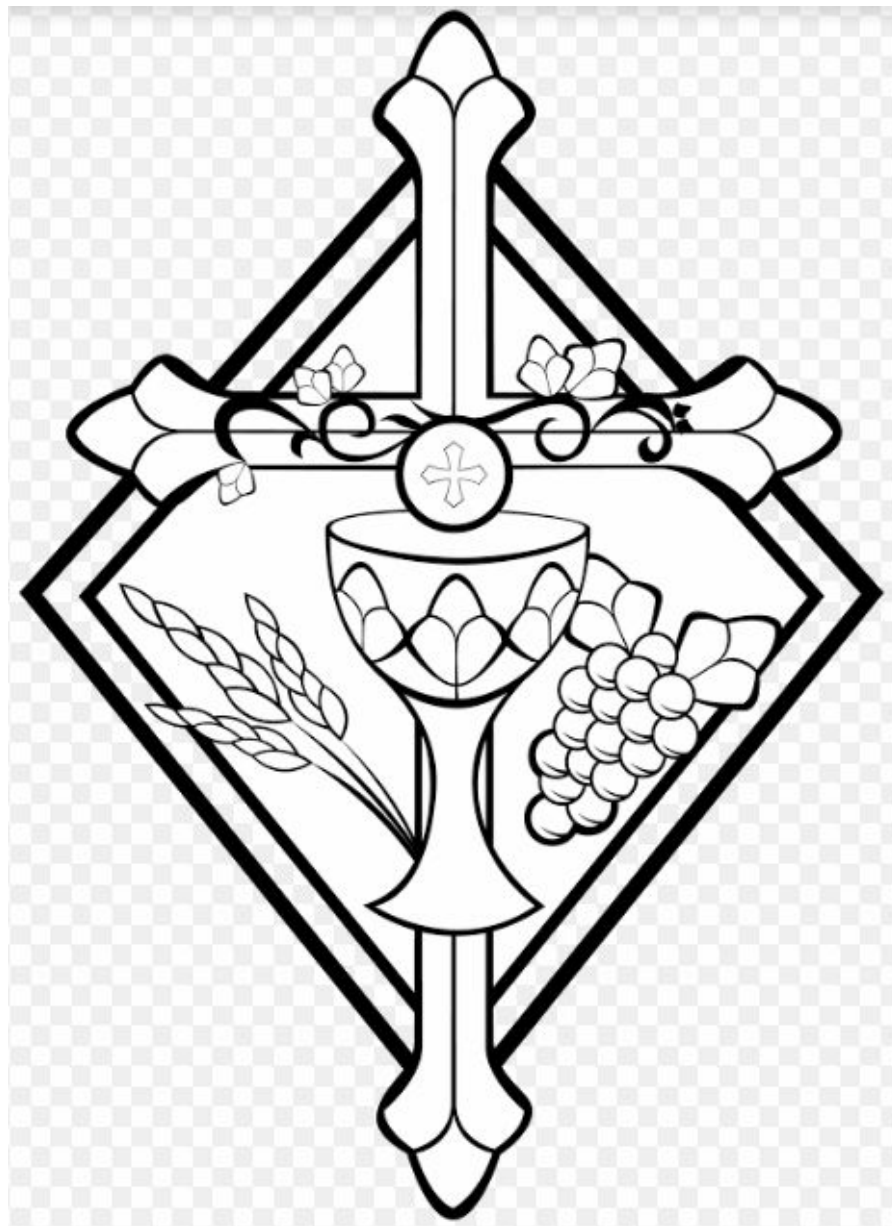
¹⁸ **I will fulfill my vows to the LORD in the presence of all His people,**

¹⁹ *In the courts of the House of the LORD, in your midst, O Jerusalem. Praise the LORD.*

**(All) Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost,
One True God, now and forever. Amen.**

OLD TESTAMENT Exodus 12:1-14 NIV The LORD said to Moses and Aaron in Egypt, 2 "This month is to be for you the first month, the first month of your year. 3 Tell the whole community of Israel that on the tenth day of this month each man is to take a lamb for his family, one for each household. 4 If any household is too small for a whole lamb, they must share one with their nearest neighbor, having taken into account the number of people there are. You are to determine the amount of lamb needed in accordance with what each person will eat. 5 The animals you choose must be year-old males without defect, and you may take them from the sheep or the goats. 6 Take care of them until the fourteenth day of the month, when all the people of the community of Israel must slaughter them at twilight. 7 Then they are to take some of the blood and put it on the sides and tops of the doorframes of the houses where they eat the lambs. 8 That same night they are to eat the meat roasted over the fire, along with bitter herbs, and bread made without yeast. 9 Do not eat the meat raw or cooked in water, but roast it over the fire - head, legs and inner parts. 10 Do not leave any of it till morning; if some is left till morning, you must burn it. 11 This is how you are to eat it: with your cloak tucked into your belt, your sandals on your feet and your staff in your hand. Eat it in haste; it is the LORD's Passover. 12 "On that same night I will pass through Egypt and strike down every firstborn - both men and animals - and I will bring judgment on all the gods of Egypt. I Am the LORD. 13 The blood will be a sign for you on the houses where you are; and when I see the blood, I will pass over you. No destructive plague will touch you when I strike Egypt. 14 "This is a day you are to commemorate; for the generations to come you shall celebrate it as a festival to the LORD - a lasting ordinance.

Our Savior Lutheran Church  Lakeland, FL 
Lent ~ Maundy Thursday  (The LORD's Supper)
A New Commandment April 13th, 2017  7:00 pm



*Historic Church Year Symbol Maundy Thursday (The Sacrament)– Luke 22:11-20
Jesus institutes The Sacrament of the Altar while celebrating the Passover.*

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April 13th, 2017 ✕ Maundy Thursday (LORD's Supper)

WELCOME to Our Savior! We are so happy to have you worship with us today. If you are visiting us for the first time (or in a long time), we ask that that you please fill out a visitor card found in the pew cardholder and place it in the offering plate. Come and worship with us again! **God bless you**

TONIGHT WE CELEBRATE THE LORD'S SUPPER: If you are new to the area or our worship and have never communed with us before, please speak with the pastor before the service. If you are not currently a member of an ELS or WELS congregation, we ask that you please **wait to take communion until you can speak with our pastor.** Out of Christian love and consideration to you the guest, we want you to have the opportunity to learn what our church teaches about the Bible and Sacraments before you unite with us in taking Holy Communion. Thank you for your understanding. LORD's blessings.

ORDER OF WORSHIP On insert sheets or in the red (TLH) Hymnal at **p.15**

| Service | | |
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| Opening Hymn | 145 (3v) | Jesus, Refuge of the Weary |
| Gloria Hymn Verse | 309 (2v) | <i>Sing v.1 O Jesus, Blessed LORD, to Thee</i> |
| Hymn of the Day | 307 (3v) | Draw Nigh & Take the Body of the LORD |
| Offertory Verse | 309 (2v) | <i>Sing v2 Break forth my soul for joy & say</i> |
| Distribution Hymn | 163 (9v) | The Death of Jesus Christ, Our LORD |
| Closing Hymn | 313 (3v) | O LORD, We Praise Thee, Bless Thee... |

PROPERs for MAUNDY THURSDAY APRIL 13TH, 2017

INTROIT God forbid that I should glory except in the Cross of our LORD Jesus Christ. In Him is salvation, life, and Resurrection from the dead. By Him we are Redeemed and set at liberty. God be merciful to us and bless us and cause His face to shine on us. ...from Psalm 67

COLLECT O LORD God, You have left for us in a wonderful Sacrament a memorial of Your Passion, grant, we beseech You, that we may use this Sacrament of Your Body and Blood that the fruits of Your Redemption may continually be manifest in us; You, who live, and reign with... **C: ♪ A- -men.**

GRADUAL C: Christ has humbled Himself and become obedient unto death, even the death of the Cross. Wherefore God also has highly exalted Him and given Him a Name which is above every name. ...from Psalm 22

SCRIPTURE LESSONS (printed on outside back page of bulletin)

O.T. Exodus 12:1-14 Jehovah God institutes the Passover meal.
 Epi. 1 Corinthians 11:23-32 Examine yourselves before eating the Supper.
 Gos. Luke 22:14-20 Jesus institutes the LORD's Supper.

SERMON (Psalm 116) THEME: **DELIVERANCE: DO THIS IN REMEMBRANCE OF ME**

Christian Questions & Answers by Dr. Martin Luther for all who intend to go to the Supper

- Do you believe that you are a sinner? **Yes, I believe it. I am a sinner.**
- How do you know this? **From the Ten Commandments, which I have not kept.**
- Are you sorry for your sins? **Yes, I am sorry that I have sinned against God.**
- What have you deserved from God because of your sins? **(Romans 6:21, 23) His wrath and displeasure, temporal death, and eternal damnation.**
- Do you hope to be saved? **Yes, that is my hope.**
- In Whom then do you trust? **In my dear Lord Jesus Christ.**
- Who is Christ? **The Son of God, True God and true man.**
- How many Gods are there? **There is only One God, but there are Three Persons: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.**
- What has Christ done for you that you trust in Him? **He died for me and shed His Blood for me on the Cross for the forgiveness of my sins.**
- Did the Father also die for you? **He did not. The Father is God only, as is the Holy Spirit; but the Son is both True God and true man. He died for me and shed His Blood for me.**
- How do you know this? **From the Holy Gospel, from the Words instituting the Sacrament, and by His Body and Blood given me as a pledge in the Sacrament.**
- What are the Words of Institution? **Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take eat; this is My Body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me." In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the New Testament in My Blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this as often as you drink It, in remembrance of Me."**
- Do you believe then that the true Body and Blood of Christ are in the Sacrament? **Yes, I believe it.**
- What convinces you to believe this? **The Word of Christ: Take, eat, this is My Body; drink of It, all of you, this is My Blood.**
- What should we do when we eat His Body and drink His Blood, and in this way receive His pledge? **We should remember and proclaim His death and the shedding of His Blood, as He taught us: This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me.**
- Why should we remember and proclaim His death? **First, so that we may learn to believe that no creature could make satisfaction for our sins. Only Christ, true God and man, could do that. Second, so we may learn to be horrified by our sins, and to regard them as very serious. Third, so we may find joy and comfort in Christ alone, and through faith in Him be saved.**
- What motivated Christ to die and make full payment for your sins? **His great love for His Father and for me and other sinners, as it is written in Holy Scripture.**
- Finally, why do you wish to go to the Sacrament? **That I may learn to believe that Christ, out of great love, died for my sin, and also learn from Him to love God and my neighbor.**
- What should admonish and encourage a Christian to receive the Sacrament frequently? **First, both the command and the promise of Christ the Lord. Second, his own pressing need, because of which the command, encouragement, and promise are given.**
- But what should you do if you are not aware of this need and have no hunger and thirst for the Sacrament?

To such a person no better advice can be given than this: **First**, he should touch his body to see if he still has flesh and blood. Then he should believe what the Scriptures say of it in Galatians 5 and Romans 7. **Second**, he should look around to see whether he is still in the world, and remember that there will be no lack of sin and trouble, as the Scriptures say. **Third**, he will certainly have the devil also around him, who with his lying and murdering day and night will let him have no peace, within or without, as the Scriptures picture him.

L.MT LENT MAUNDY THURSDAY Psalm 116 "DELIVERED!" 04.13.17 OSL

INTRODUCTION Our text for tonight is **Psalm 116**, which we prayed earlier in the service. We will also be once more examining part of the Catechism (but this time *not* the Keys & **Confession and Absolution** but) **The Lord's Supper**.

Why is this night different from every other night? Jewish boys ask this question of their fathers every Passover. It begins the **Seder meal**, that meal where Jewish people recount everything God had done for the Israelites in **delivering them from the hand of Pharaoh and the Egyptians**.

It is unlikely that anyone asked this exact question on the night our Lord was betrayed in that Upper Room, but it is a very good question, nonetheless. **What makes this night so different?** Why gather here on a Thursday night in the middle of the week? Because tonight is the night of nights **for us, the big night**, because of **our need for deliverance**, because of the **price** for our deliverance, and because of the **Means** (of Grace) that God uses to deliver us.

In order to understand our need, we first have to look back to Israel. **Israel on the night of the first Passover had been in bondage for four hundred years**. They had slowly but surely moved from being guests of Pharaoh's house to being feared slaves. There were so many of them that Pharaoh was not sure what to do with them. What if they sought to overthrow him? Out of fear he put them in bondage. And that bondage only got worse as time went on. Their bondage got to the point where life itself was really at stake for them. Nine times through Moses God had begged and commanded and urged Pharaoh to let His people go, and nine times Pharaoh refused. Finally, God sent the angel of death to come and take the firstborn of all Egypt, to crush Pharaoh and his armies, and to release God's people from their slavery.

This, of course, is **not unlike our bondage to sin, death, and the power of the devil**. Our slavery may not always seem too hard. There certainly are times when the slavery of sin seems more appealing than the freedom of the Cross. But make no mistake about it - **it is slavery**.

Your slavery is such that death itself surrounds you. The enemies around you are so great that it is impossible for you to escape on your own. **Like the Israelites so many years ago, only God Himself can deliver you from this bondage**.

This Deliverance **does not come easy**. Your deliverance has a price. On that first Passover night the Israelites sacrificed a lamb and put its blood on the doorposts. That lamb was but a shadow and a picture of the one great Lamb who was to come. This Lamb is Christ, our soul's great friend. This Lamb offers Himself up this night for you, and even prepares to

suffer the pangs of Sheol = Hell itself. In a few short hours He will cry out with the Psalmist, "**My God, My God, why have You forsaken Me?**"

So on the night when our Lord is betrayed, the night when He makes **this one, great sacrifice for all people and all time**, He meets with His disciples. He **serves** them, **washing** their feet as a sign of humility. He acts as their slave. He then **delivers the greatest of all gifts** to them. He delivers them Himself. He gives them His Body and His Blood to eat and to drink. The Israelites of old ate of the Passover lamb to remind them of God's deliverance from the Egyptians. But now, all of God's people eat and drink of the **One, great Passover Lamb** without spot or blemish. He is the true and perfect Sacrifice not made with hands.

So, (as the Catechism says) **What does this mean FOR YOU**, dearly beloved? What this means for you is simple, profound, and beautiful. It means that this night we remember that **Jesus' Sacrifice is once and for all**. But when we remember, it is **NOT** something **that we do**. We remember because Jesus gives Himself to us. It is His work, this holy remembering. **He sacrifices Himself on the Cross**, and now delivers that one, great Sacrifice to you in His Body and Blood. This is, quite literally, how we remember His death. This is how we are delivered. We remember His death by participating in it. By eating His body and His blood, we show the world that Jesus died, that He rose again from the dead, and that He now sits at the right hand of God, where He gives Himself for the life of the world.

God Himself actually gives you this deliverance tonight. As we pray in the **Catechism**: **What is the benefit of this eating and drinking?**

These Words "*Given and shed for you for the forgiveness of sins,*" show us that in the Sacrament forgiveness of sins, Life, and Salvation are given us through these Words. For where there is forgiveness of sins, there is also Life and Salvation.

This night is unlike any other night. This is the night when Jesus delivers you from the great enemies of sin, death, and the power of the devil. This night God delivers His people. **The angel of death passes over you and rests on Jesus, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world**. He pours His own Blood into the cup of Salvation, so that you may drink of His deliverance to the full. Come, repent of your sins. Come, feast upon the Lamb who was slain. Come, lift up the cup of Salvation, and rejoice in His mighty Salvation **for you**. Our God delivers.. **JJ'N, Amen. SDG**

HYMN PRAYER VERSE (*My Heart to You I Gladly Bring*)

3. *Today I am my Savior's guest; - My soul, consider this great Feast; He bids you now to sit at meet - With Him—and of Himself to eat.*
9. *How this can be I do not know; - He has not willed the way to show; Such streams my reason need not ford; - I only need to trust His Word.*
Amen. (ELH 324, 10 verses)