

## Historic Scripture Lessons for ✠ Maundy Thursday (Lord's Supper)

### 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.

### Epistle

**I Corinthians 11:23-32** For I received from the Lord what I also passed on to you: The Lord Jesus, on the night He was betrayed, took bread, 24 and when He had given thanks, He broke it and said, "This is My Body, which is for you; do this in remembrance of Me." 25 In the same way, after supper He took the cup, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in My Blood; do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of Me." 26 For whenever you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes. 27 Therefore, whoever eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty of sinning against the Body and Blood of the Lord. 28 A man ought to examine himself before he eats of the bread and drinks of the cup. 29 For anyone who eats and drinks without recognizing the body of the Lord eats and drinks judgment on himself. 30 That is why many among you are weak and sick, and a number of you have fallen asleep. 31 But if we judged ourselves, we would not come under judgment. 32 When we are judged by the Lord, we are being disciplined so that we will not be condemned with the world.

### Gospel

**Luke 22:14-20** When the hour came, Jesus and His apostles reclined at the table. 15 And He said to them, "I have eagerly desired to eat this Passover with you before I suffer. 16 For I tell you, I will not eat it again until it finds fulfillment in the Kingdom of God." 17 After taking the cup, He gave thanks and said, "Take this and divide it among you. 18 For I tell you I will not drink again of the fruit of the vine until the Kingdom of God comes." 19 And He took bread, gave thanks and broke it, and gave it to them, saying, "This is My Body given for you; do this in remembrance of Me." 20 In the same way, after the supper He took the cup, saying, "This cup is the New Covenant in My Blood, which is poured out for you."

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March 29<sup>th</sup>, 2018  
Maundy Thursday  
The Passover

7:00 PM  
A New Commandment  
The LORD's Supper

### GLORIA SUBSTITUTE VERSE #309

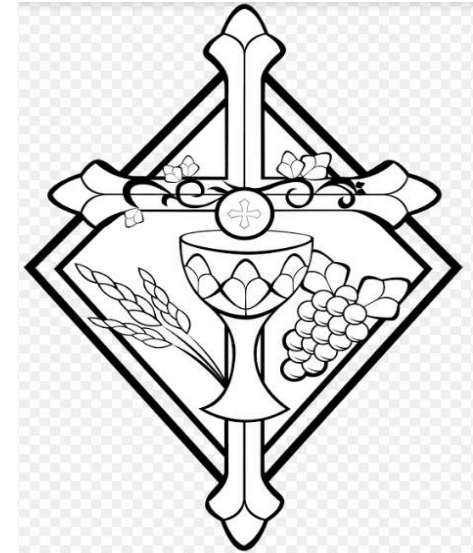
1. *O Jesus, blessed LORD, to Thee  
My heartfelt thanks forever be,  
Who hast so lovingly bestowed  
On me Thy body and Thy blood.*

### OFFERTORY BRING-UP VERSE #309

2. *Break forth my soul for joy and say  
What wealth is come to me this day!  
My Savior dwells within my heart:  
How blest am I! How good Thou art!*



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26. *As the drops of Blood are drying  
As His Heart doth beating cease  
Jesus unto Heav'n is crying  
Through death's bitter stormy seas:  
Father, in My dying end  
Soul and spirit I commend  
In Thy hands, and thus He dying  
Bows His head, God satisfying.*

27. *Jesus dies and earth is trembling,  
O my heart, learn righteous fear  
Die then, all my wicked grumbling!  
Die and get thee far from here!  
God and Man has died for me  
Since my Adam ate the tree  
Bringing all men condemnation  
But now Christ has won salvation.*

28. *Jesus, I Thy death am grieving  
For I caused Thy Passion deep  
Yet Thy death is my relieving  
Even when in death I sleep.  
For Thy death my life doth make  
Though I oft Thy heart did break  
Still in grace Thy love doth brace me  
Sweetly unto life shall raise me.*

29. *O my Jesus, in my dying,  
Grant that it may ever be  
That I speak Thy words and sighing  
Which Thou spoke upon the Tree.  
Bow Thy head in grace to me  
When in sweat of death I be;  
Kiss my soul, sweet grace imparting,  
Even in my last departing. A-men.*

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**March 29<sup>th</sup>, 2018 ✽ 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		
Opening Hymn	314 (5v)	LORD Jesus Christ, We Humbly Pray
Gloria Hymn Verse	309 (2v)	<i>Sing v.1 O Jesus, Blessed LORD, to Thee</i>
Hymn of the Day	179+ (209)	On My Heart Imprint Thine Image
Offertory Verse	309 (2v)	<i>Sing v2 Break forth my soul for joy &amp; 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 MARCH 29<sup>TH</sup>, 2018**

**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. **1Corinthians 11:23-32** Examine yourselves before eating the Supper.  
 Gos. **Luke 22:14-20** Jesus institutes the LORD's Supper.

**SERMON (6<sup>th</sup> & Final Passion History Reading) JESUS' CRUCIFIXION & DEATH**

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

1. Do you believe that you are a sinner? **Yes, I believe it. I am a sinner.**
2. How do you know this? **From the Ten Commandments, which I have not kept.**
3. Are you sorry for your sins? **Yes, I am sorry that I have sinned against God.**
4. What have you deserved from God because of your sins? **(Romans 6:21, 23) His wrath and displeasure, temporal death, and eternal damnation.**
5. Do you hope to be saved? **Yes, that is my hope.**
6. In Whom then do you trust? **In my dear Lord Jesus Christ.**
7. Who is Christ? **The Son of God, True God and true man.**
8. How many Gods are there? **There is only One God, but there are Three Persons: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.**
9. 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.**
10. 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.**
11. 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.**
12. 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."**
13. Do you believe then that the true Body and Blood of Christ are in the Sacrament? **Yes, I believe it.**
14. 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.**
15. 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.**
16. 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.**
17. 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.**
18. 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.**
19. 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.**
20. 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.



**Harmonized History of the Suffering & Death of our Lord Jesus Christ according to the Four Evangelists ✠ by Dr. Johannes Bugenhagen**

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**6<sup>TH</sup> READING: Jesus' Crucifixion**

Then the soldiers took Jesus, they took the robe off Him, put His own clothes on Him, and led Him away to crucify Him and He carried His Cross. And as they came out, they found a man, who was coming out of the country, Simon of Cyrene by name, who was the father of Alexander and Rufus; they compelled him to carry the Cross for Him, and laid the Cross on him that he might bear it after Jesus.

And a great multitude of the people followed Him, and women who also mourned and lamented Him. But Jesus, turning to them, said: *Daughters of Jerusalem, do not weep for Me, but weep for yourselves and for your children. For, indeed, the days are coming in which they will say: Blessed are the barren, the wombs that never bore, and the breasts which never nursed. Then they will begin to say to the mountains: Fall on us! and to the hills: Cover us! For if they do these things in the green wood, what will be done in the dry?*

And there were also two others, criminals, led with Him to be put to death. And they brought Him to the place, which is called in Hebrew Golgotha, that is to say, the Place of a Skull, and they gave Him sour wine mingled with myrrh to drink. And when He had tasted it, He would not drink.

And they crucified Him at the place Golgotha and the two criminals with Him, one on the right hand and the other on the left, and Jesus in the center. And the Scripture was fulfilled, which says: And He was numbered with the transgressors. And it was the third hour, when they crucified Him.

And Jesus said: **Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they do.**



And Pilate wrote a title, the accusation against Him, the reason for His death, and they put in on the

Cross over His Head. And the writing was: JESUS OF NAZARETH, THE KING OF THE JEWS. Then many Jews read this title, for the place where Jesus was crucified was near the city; and it was written in Hebrew, Greek, and Latin. Then the chief priests of the Jews said to Pilate: Do not write The King of the Jews, but He said: I am King of the Jews. Pilate answered: What I have written, I have written.

The soldiers, when they had crucified Jesus, took His garments and made four parts, to each soldier a part, and also His tunic. Now the tunic was without seam, woven from the top in one piece. They said therefore among themselves: Let us not tear it, but cast lots for it, whose it shall be, that the Scripture might be fulfilled which says: They divided My garments among them, and for My clothing they cast lots. And sitting down, they kept watch over Him there.

Now there stood by the cross of Jesus His mother, and His mother's sister Mary the wife of Clopas, and Mary Magdalene. When Jesus therefore saw His mother, and the disciple whom He loved standing by, He said to His mother: **Woman, behold your son!** Then He said to the disciple: **Behold your mother!** And from that hour that disciple took her to his own home.

And those who passed by blasphemed Him, wagging their heads and saying: You who destroy the Temple and build it in three days, save Yourself! If You are the Son of God, come down from the Cross. Likewise the chief priests also, mocking with the scribes and elders along with the people, said: He saved others; Himself He cannot save. If He is the king of Israel, the chosen of God, let Him save Himself and now come down from the Cross, that we may see and believe Him. He trusted in God; let Him deliver Him now if He will have Him; for He said: I am the Son of God. Even the robbers who were crucified with Him reviled Him with

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the same thing. And the soldiers also mocked Him, coming and offering Him sour wine, saying: If You are the King of the Jews, save Yourself.

And one of the criminals who were hanged blasphemed Him, saying: If You are the Christ, save Yourself and us. But the other, answering, rebuked him, saying: Do you not fear God, seeing you are under the same condemnation? And we indeed justly, for we receive the due reward of our deeds; but this Man has done nothing wrong. And he said to Jesus: LORD, remember me when You come into Your Kingdom. And Jesus said to him: **Assuredly, I say to you, today you will be with Me in Paradise.**

And it was about the sixth hour, and there was darkness over all the earth until the ninth hour. And the sun was darkened. And about the ninth hour Jesus cried out with a loud voice, saying: **Eli, Eli, lama sabachthani?**, that is, **My God, My God, why have You forsaken Me?** Some of those who stood there, when they heard that, said: This Man is calling for Elijah! After this, Jesus, knowing that all things were now accomplished, that the Scripture might be fulfilled, said: **I thirst.** Now a vessel full of sour wine was sitting there; and immediately one of them ran, took a sponge and filled it with sour wine, put it on hyssop, and put it to His mouth for Him to drink. But the others said: Let Him alone; let us see if Elijah will come and take Him down.

So when Jesus had received the sour wine, He said: **It is finished!** And again He cried out with a loud voice, saying: **Father, into Your hands I commend My spirit.** And when He had said that, He bowed His head and gave up His spirit.

And behold, the curtain of the temple was torn in two from the top to the bottom; and the earth quaked, and the rocks were split, and the graves were opened; and many

bodies of the saints who had fallen asleep were raised; and coming out of the graves after His Resurrection, they went into the holy city and appeared to many.

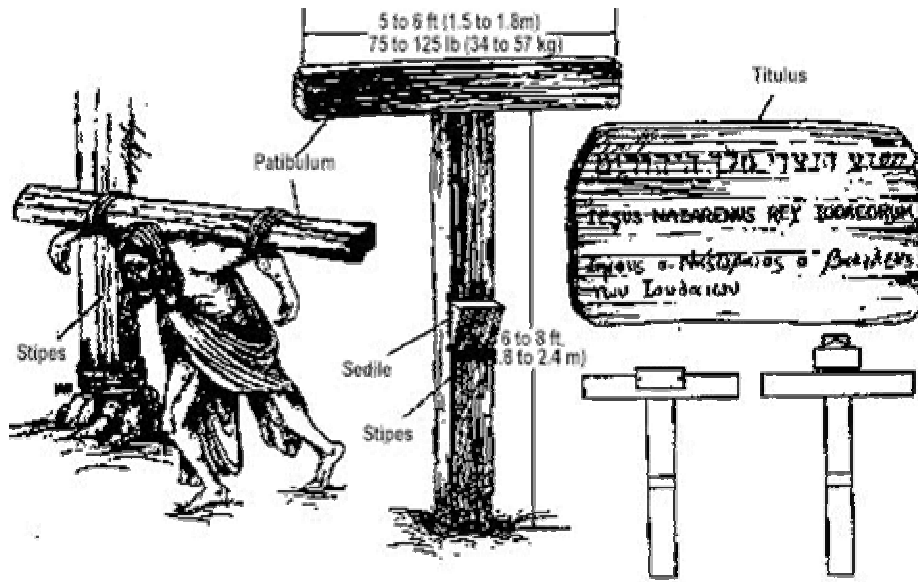
Now when the centurion, who stood opposite Him, and those with him, who were guarding Jesus, saw that He cried out like this and saw the earthquake and the things that had happened, they feared greatly and praised God, saying: Certainly this was a righteous Man! Truly this was the Son of God! And all the multitude who came together to that sight, seeing the things which were done, beat their breasts and returned.

And all His acquaintances, and the women who followed Him from Galilee, stood at a distance, watching these things, among whom were Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James and Joseph, and Salome the mother of Zebedee's sons, who followed Him when He was in Galilee, ministering to Him, and many other women who came up with Him to Jerusalem.

Therefore, because it was the Preparation Day, that the bodies should not remain on the Cross on the Sabbath (for that Sabbath was a high day), the Jews asked Pilate that their legs might be broken, and that they might be taken away. Then the soldiers came and broke the legs of the first and of the other who was crucified with Him. But when they came to Jesus and saw that He was already dead, they did not break His legs, but one of the soldiers pierced His side with a spear, and immediately blood and water came out.

And he who saw it bore witness, and his witness is true; and he knows that he is telling the truth, that you may believe. For these things were done that the Scripture should be fulfilled: Not one of His bones shall be broken. And again another Scripture says: They will look on Him whom they pierced. (*End of Passion*)

## SIXTH & FINAL READING ❖ ❖ ❖ ❖ ❖ ❖ COMMENTS



Dear fellow redeemed, who have died with Christ by faith,

We saw in the reading that the Chief Priests and Pharisees were not content to kill Jesus, not at all content. They were not satisfied or comforted yet. In fact, they were downright nervous. The claims that Jesus had made about Himself troubled them. They didn't believe that Jesus could do what He promised by rising again on the third day, they didn't *believe* it, but still they were afraid. Why were they afraid?

Surely they weren't afraid of Jesus' disciples. The account we read doesn't even mention most of Jesus' disciples, because they weren't doing anything. We find out later in the Gospel accounts that they were hiding out in locked rooms, afraid that they were going to be killed too. The disciples were nothing to fear. They had scattered when Jesus was arrested, they had denied that they even knew Jesus, and now they were hiding in the deepest, darkest holes they could find.

The only people we see attending to Jesus' death at all were the secretive, self-preserving believers who had been afraid to even acknowledge their faith in Jesus while He was alive. This man named Joseph of Arimathea was too concerned about his career on the Council to even speak up for Jesus. He was the one who stepped up to procure a tomb for Jesus. A man named Nicodemus was also along with him, but he certainly wasn't going to do anything bold. He had been afraid to even meet Jesus in the daylight, coming to Him when no one else would see. They were taking the responsibility of burying Jesus, but they were still trying to fly under the radar and not do anything that would necessarily associate them with Jesus.

The women who were looking for an opportunity to see properly to Jesus' burial, they watched His crucifixion and burial only from a safe distance. No, there was nothing for the Chief Priests and Pharisees to fear from this bunch. But they were afraid. They went to Pilate and warned him breathlessly that all was still in jeopardy. Pilate agreed to send a guard, but you can tell that he wasn't really worried. "Go, make the tomb as secure as you know how." Surely, he thought, that will suffice to keep these cowering men and women from making any trouble. ...and he would've been right if the disciples were all he had to worry about.

Neither Pilate nor the Jewish leaders, however, had properly estimated what they were up against. God's Redemption Plan was all-but-complete, the pieces were falling into place, and the best efforts of Jesus' enemies were working the exact opposite of what they intended. They were hoping to stamp out the faith that people were putting in Jesus by killing Him and locking Him securely in a tomb. But we are sitting here tonight as living proof of their failure, since we are those who still believe in Jesus. For us, His death is of supreme comfort. Jesus went to the grave. He truly died. He was as dead as you and I will be someday when our lives here on earth are over.

Death has always been evil's ally of fear and doubt in this world because it's so strange, so foreign, and yet so certain. Everyone dies, and no one ever comes back from death. But Christ's death has destroyed the power of death so that even death is now in doubt. Death tried to swallow up Christ, but, in Him, death met an enemy which it could not defeat. And so we see that those who tried to use death as a way to get rid of Christ wound up showing His power all the more. Even though no one was around to help Him, Christ overcame the power of death because of His righteousness and innocence.

So now, whenever we consider our own death, we can know that Christ has been where we are going. He was overcome with the weariness that accompanies sin in this world. He felt the life slip away from His Body. His lifeless Body was arranged for burial. And, finally, He lay in a tomb. But, as we know, and as we shall see again this Easter morning, the tomb was unable to hold Him. And, because of our faith in Him, the tomb will not be able to hold us either. We saw in the reading that His body was pierced and that a mixture of blood and water flowed from His side. That blessed stream flows to this day when we receive the Holy Sacraments. When we receive the water of Baptism or the Body and Blood of Holy Communion, we receive the righteousness, the innocence, of this Passover Lamb.

The disciples were secretive and frightened, just as we often are. But Christ still died for them – and He died for us as well. The vain powers of this world thought they had won a victory, but their hopes are dashed by the very humiliation and suffering of Christ that they helped bring about. Christ's death overcomes death. All of us, who are afraid, can pick up our heads and lift up our hearts. Grim death is defeated. Thanks be to You, O Christ. Amen.