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The Holy Week Prophecies of Zechariah



April 2, 2026

Maundy Thursday

Welcome, guests! We're delighted you could join us. If you have any questions or want more information about our church, any member of Grace would be happy to speak with you. This folder contains all the information about our services, and the congregational responses are indicated by indented and bolded letters. Please also take a moment to fill out the guest register at the church's entrance; this is used only by the pastor and elder. Restrooms are located to the left as you exit the sanctuary. May the Lord bless this service as Christ comes to you!

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ANNOUNCEMENTS AND INSTRUCTIONS FOR MAUNDY THURSDAY AND GOOD FRIDAY

END OF LENT

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, (†) and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.


In this Lenten season, we have once again heard how our Lord walked the path of suffering that led Him to the cross for our salvation. We have also heard our Lord's call to intensify our struggle against sin, death, and the devil—all that keeps us from loving God and one another. This is the struggle to which we committed ourselves at Baptism; God's forgiveness and the power of His Spirit to amend our lives continue with us because of His love for us in Jesus, our Savior.

Within the family of the Church, God never grows tired of giving peace and new life. Through absolution, we receive forgiveness directly from God Himself. We should not doubt His absolution, but instead firmly believe that our sins are forgiven before God in heaven, as it comes to us in the name and by the command of our Lord. Those who receive God's love in Jesus Christ are called to love one another and serve each other, just as Jesus became our servant.

In Holy Communion, the members of Christ's body participate most intimately in His love. Remembering our Lord's Last Supper with His disciples, we eat the bread and drink the cup of this meal. Together, we receive the Lord's gift of His body and blood for forgiveness and participate in that new covenant that makes us one with Him and one another. The Lord's Supper is the promise of the great banquet we will share with all the faithful when our Lord returns, the joyous culmination of our reconciliation with God and each other.

OPENING HYMN:

#112

THERE IS A FOUNTAIN


1 There is a fountain filled with blood— Im -
 2 The dy - ing thief re - joiced to see That
 3 Dear dy - ing Lamb, your pre - cious blood Shall
 4 E'er since by faith I saw the stream Your
 5 When this poor lisp - ing, stam - m'ring tongue Lies

man - u - el was slain— And sin - ners
 fountain in his day; And there have
 nev - er lose its pow'r Till all the
 flow - ing wounds sup - ply, Re - deem - ing a
 si - lent in the grave, Then in a

who are washed there - in Lose ev - 'ry
 I, as vile as he, Washed all my
 ran - somed Church of God Be saved and
 love has been my theme And shall be
 no - bler, sweet - er song I'll sing your

guilt - y stain, Lose ev - 'ry guilt - y stain.
 sins a - way, Washed all my sins a - way.
 sin no more, Be saved and sin no more.
 till I die, And shall be till I die.
 pow'r to save, I'll sing your pow'r to save.

Text: William Cowper, 1731–1800. abr., alt.
 Tune: COWPER (CM) Lowell Mason, 1792–1872.

SERMON TEXT**ZECHARIAH 13: 1 – 3**

On that day a fountain will be opened for the house of David and for the inhabitants of Jerusalem, for sin and for uncleanness.

In that day, declares the Lord of Armies, I will cut off the names of the idols from the land, and they will no longer be remembered. I will also remove the prophets and the impure spirit from the land. If anyone still prophesies, his father and his mother who gave birth to him will tell him, "You shall not live, because you have spoken lies in the name of the Lord!" Then his father and his mother who gave birth to him will stab him when he prophesies.

SERMON:**A CLEANSING FOUNTAIN**

RESPONSE HYMN:

#106

COME TO CALVARY'S HOLY MOUNTAIN

1 Come to Cal - v'ry's ho - ly moun-tain, Sin - ners, ru - ined
 2 Come in pov - er - ty and mean-ness, Come de - filed, with -
 3 Come in sor - row and con - tri - tion, Wound-ed, par - a -
 4 He that drinks shall live for - ev - er; 'Tis a soul - re -



by the fall; Here a pure and heal - ing foun-tain
 out, with - in; From in - fec - tion and un - clean-ness,
 lyzed, and blind; Here the guilt - y, free re - mis - sion,
 new - ing flood. God is faith - ful; God will nev - er



Flows to you, to me, to all, In a full, per -
 From the lep - ro - sy of sin, Wash your robes and
 Here the trou - bled, peace may find. Health this foun - tain
 Break his cov - e - nant of blood, Signed when our Re -



pet - ual tide, O - pened when our Sav - ior died.
 make them white; You shall walk with God in light.
 will re - store; He that drinks shall thirst no more.
 deem - er died, Sealed when he was glo - ri - fied.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Let us confess our sins to God and ask for his forgiveness.

Almighty God, merciful Father, I confess to you that I have not loved you with all my heart. In what I have done and left undone, I have pursued my own ways instead of your ways. I have not loved my brothers and sisters as myself. For this, I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. I am truly sorry for my sins; I repent of them. I beg for your mercy, O Lord.

*****Silence for Meditation*****

Forgive us for the sake of Jesus Christ, who suffered and died for us.

Cleanse me from my sins. Release me from my guilt. Grant me your Holy Spirit to amend my sinful life.

Upon your confession, come forward to the altar of the Lord and receive the declaration of the forgiveness of all your sins.

**** At the Usher's Direction, Come Forward as in Communion****

By the authority of God and my holy office, I declare to you the gracious forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father and of the (†) Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

**** Dismissal of those at the Altar****

May God who has begun the good work in you perform it until the day of Jesus Christ. Peace be with you.

Amen.

**** Blessing to all the congregation****

The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you. The Lord (†) look upon you with His favor and give you His peace.

Amen.

Let us pray.

Lord Jesus Christ, in the Sacrament of Holy Communion, you give us your true body and blood as a remembrance of your suffering and death on the cross. Grant us the strength to firmly believe your words and promise so that we may always partake of this Sacrament for our eternal good, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

HYMN:

#337

DELAY NOT! DELAY NOT



1 De - lay not! De - lay not! O sin - ner, draw near!
2 De - lay not! De - lay not, O sin - ner, to come,
3 De - lay not! De - lay not! The Spir - it of grace,
4 De - lay not! De - lay not! The hour is at hand;
5 De - lay not! De - lay not! Why long - er a - buse



The wa - ters of life are now flow - ing for you.
For mer - cy still lin - gers and calls you to - day.
Long grieved and re - sist - ed, may take his sad flight
The earth will dis - solve, and the heav - ens will fade.
The love and com - pas - sion of Je - sus, your God?



No price is de - mand - ed; the Sav - ior is here.
Its voice is not heard in the vale of the tomb;
And leave you in dark - ness to fin - ish your race,
The dead, small and great, in the Judg - ment must stand—
A foun - tain is o - pened—how can you re - fuse?



Re - demp - tion is pur - chased; God's prom - ise is true.
Its mes - sage, un - heed - ed, will soon pass a - way.
To sink in the gloom of e - ter - ni - ty's night.
What pow'r, then, O sin - ner, can lend you its aid?
Come, wash and be cleansed in his par - don - ing blood.

Text: Thomas Hastings, 1784–1872, alt.
Tune: MALDWYN (11 11 11 11) Welsh melody, 17th century.

FIRST LESSON:

EXODUS 24: 1 – 11

Then the Lord said to Moses, “Come up to the Lord, you and Aaron, along with Nadab and Abihu and seventy of the elders of Israel, and worship me from a distance. Only Moses is allowed to come near the Lord, but the others are not to come near, and the people are not to go up with him.” Moses came and reported to the people all the words of the Lord and all the ordinances. Then all the people answered with one voice and said, “All the words which the Lord has spoken we will do.” Moses wrote down all the words of the Lord.

He got up early in the morning and built an altar at the foot of the mountain. He set up twelve memorial stones for the twelve tribes of Israel. He sent young Israelite men, who offered whole burnt offerings and sacrificed fellowship offerings of cattle to the Lord. Moses took half of the blood and put it in bowls, and he splashed half of the blood on the altar. He took the Book of the Covenant and read it out loud to the people and they said, “All that the Lord has spoken we will do. We will obey.”

Moses took the blood and splashed it on the people. He said, “Look, here is the blood of the covenant, which the Lord made with you by means of all these words.” Then Moses, Aaron, Nadab, Abihu, and seventy of the elders of Israel went up. They saw the God of Israel. Under his feet they saw what looked like a pavement of sapphire as clear as the sky. The Lord did not lay his hand on the dignitaries of the people of Israel. They gazed at God, and they ate and drank.

LENTEN PSALM:

(SPOKEN RESPONSIVELY FOLLOWED BY THE PSALM PRAYER)

PSALM 116

Refrain: I will walk in the presence of the Lord, in the land of the living.

I love the LORD, for he heard my voice;*

he heard my cry for mercy.

Because he turned his ear to me,*

I will call on him as long as I live.

The LORD is gracious and righteous;

when I was in great need, he saved me.

Refrain: I will walk in the presence of the Lord, in the land of the living.

For you, O LORD, have delivered my soul from death,*

my eyes from tears, my feet from

stumbling.

How can I repay the LORD*

for all his goodness to me?

I will lift up the cup of salvation*

and call on the name of the LORD.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son*

and to the Holy Spirit,

as it was in the beginning,*
is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Refrain: I will walk in the presence of the Lord, in the land of the living.

PSALM PRAYER

Lord Jesus, as I face death, turn my thoughts to your body, broken for me, and your blood, spilled for me. Let me rise as you have risen from the dead, to walk with you forever in the land of the living. I call on your name, for you have promised to be with me. Amen.

SECOND LESSON:

1 CORINTHIANS 11: 23 – 28

For I received from the Lord what I also delivered to you: The Lord Jesus, on the night when he was betrayed, took bread, 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." In 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." For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

Therefore, 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. Instead, let a person examine himself and after doing so, let him eat of the bread and drink from the cup.

GOSPEL LESSON

JOHN 13: 1 – 15, 34

Before 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. By 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. Jesus knew that the Father had given all things into his hands, and that he had come from God and was going back to God. He got up from the supper and laid aside his outer garment. He took a towel and tied it around his waist. Then he poured water into a basin and began to wash his disciples' feet, drying them with the towel that was wrapped around him. He came to Simon Peter, who asked him, "Lord, are you going to wash my feet?" Jesus answered him, "You do not understand what I am doing now, but later you will understand." Peter told him, "You will never, ever, wash my feet!" Jesus replied, "If I do not wash you, you have no part with me."

"Lord, not just my feet," Simon Peter replied, "but also my hands and my head!" Jesus 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." Indeed, he knew who was going to betray him. That is why he said, "Not all of you are clean." After 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. "You call me Teacher and Lord. You are right, because I am. Now if I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another's feet. Yes, I have given you an example so that you also would do just as I have done for you.

“A new commandment I give you: Love one another. Just as I have loved you, so also you are to love one another.

OFFERING – Paul tells us in 2 Corinthians 9: 7: “Each one should give as he has determined in his heart, not reluctantly or under pressure, for God loves a cheerful giver.” This service is our gift to our guests; should you feel obliged to give, we thank you for your generosity.

THE GREAT LITANY

*****Please Stand*****

PRAYER OF APPROACH TO GOD

O God the Father, Creator of heaven and earth,	Have mercy on us.
O God the Son, Redeemer of the world,	Have mercy on us.
O God the Holy Spirit, advocate and guide,	Have mercy on us.
Holy, blessed, and glorious Trinity, three persons in one God,	Have mercy on us.

PRAYER OF DELIVERANCE

Lord Jesus Christ remember not our offenses nor the offenses of our forebears. Spare us, good Lord; spare your people, whom you have redeemed with your precious blood.

Spare us, good Lord.

From all spiritual blindness; from pride, vain glory, and hypocrisy; from envy, hatred, and malice; and from all lack of charity,

Good Lord, deliver us.

From all deadly sin and from the deceits of the world, the flesh, and the devil,

Good Lord, deliver us.

From all false doctrine, heresy, and schism; from hardness of heart and contempt for your Word and your will,

Good Lord, deliver us.

From earthquake and tempest; from drought, fire, and flood; from civil strife and violence; from war and murder; and from dying suddenly and unprepared,

Good Lord, deliver us.

PRAYER OF RECALLING CHRIST’S SAVING WORK

By the mystery of your holy incarnation; by your baptism, fasting, and temptation; and by your proclamation of the kingdom,

Good Lord, deliver us.

By your bloody sweat and bitter grief, by your cross and suffering, and by your precious death and burial,

Good Lord, deliver us.

By your mighty resurrection, by your glorious ascension, and by the coming of the Holy Spirit,

Good Lord, deliver us.

In our times of trouble, in our times of prosperity, in the hour of death, and on the day of judgment,

Good Lord, deliver us.

Receive our prayers, O Lord our God.

Hear us, good Lord.

PRAYER FOR THE CHURCH

Govern and direct your holy Church, fill it with love and truth, and grant it unity which is according to your will.

Hear us, good Lord.

Enlighten all ministers with true knowledge and understanding of your Word, that by their preaching and living they may clearly declare it and show its truth.

Hear us, good Lord.

Encourage and prosper your servants who spread the gospel in all the world and send out laborers into the harvest. **Hear us, good Lord.**

Bless and keep your people, that all may find and follow their true vocation and ministry. **Hear us, good Lord.**

Give us hearts to love and revere you, that we may diligently live according to your commandments. **Hear us, good Lord.**

To all your people, give grace to hear and receive your Word and to bring forth the fruits of the Spirit. **Hear us, good Lord.**

Strengthen those who stand firm in the faith, encourage the fainthearted, raise up those who fall, and finally give us the victory. **Hear us, good Lord.**

PRAYER FOR OUR COUNTRY

Rule the hearts of your servants, *the president of the United States*, and all others in authority, that they may do justice, love mercy, and walk in the ways of truth. **Hear us, good Lord.**

Bless and defend all who strive for our safety and protection and shield them in all dangers and adversities. **Hear us, good Lord.**

Grant wisdom and insight to those who govern us and to judges the grace to execute justice with mercy. **Hear us, good Lord.**

PRAYER FOR ALL PEOPLE

To all nations grant unity, peace, and concord, and to all people give clothing, food, and shelter. **Hear us, good Lord.**

Grant us abundant harvests, strength and skill to conserve the resources of the earth, and wisdom to use them well. **Hear us, good Lord.**

Enlighten with your Spirit all who teach and all who learn. **Hear us, good Lord.**

Come to the help of all who are in danger, necessity, and trouble; protect all who travel by land, air, or water; and show your pity on all prisoners and captives. **Hear us, good Lord.**

Strengthen and preserve all women who are in childbirth and all young children, and comfort the aged, the bereaved, and the lonely. **Hear us, good Lord.**

Defend and provide for the widowed and the orphaned, the refugees and the homeless, the unemployed, and all who are desolate and oppressed. **Hear us, good Lord.**

Heal those who are sick in body or mind, and give skill and compassion to all who care for them. **Hear us, good Lord.**

Grant us true repentance, forgive our sins, and strengthen us by your Holy Spirit to amend our lives according to your Holy Word. **Hear us, good Lord.**

CONCLUDING PRAYER

Son of God, we ask you to hear us.

Son of God, we ask you to hear us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;

Have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;

Have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;

Grant us peace.

Lord, have mercy on us.

Christ, have mercy on us.

Lord, have mercy on us.

Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication to you, and you have promised through your beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his name, you will be with them. Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions as may be best for us, granting us in this world knowledge of your truth and in the ages to come, life everlasting. **Amen.**

LORD'S PRAYER

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

The Lord be with you.

C: And al - so with you.

Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them up un - to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

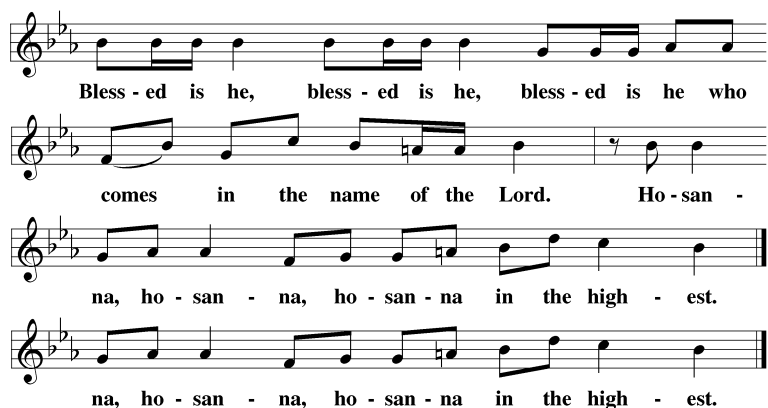
C: It is good and right so to do.

Praise to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In love he has blessed us with every spiritual blessing. He made his Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not only for ours but also for the sins of the whole world. Now have come the salvation and the power and the kingdom of our God and the authority of his Christ. To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be praise and thanks and honor and glory for ever and ever:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

SANCTUS

C: Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of heav - en - ly hosts:
 heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san -
 na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.



Bless - ed is he, bless - ed is he, bless - ed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san -
na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.
na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, “Take and eat; this is my (†) body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.”

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, “Drink from it, all of you; this is my (†) blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me.”



C: A - men.

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

Please Be Seated

DISTRIBUTION

DISTRIBUTION – Please come forward at the direction of our usher. We do practice close communion according to Paul’s guidance in 1 Corinthians 11:27: “For if anyone eats and drinks in an unworthy manner because he does not recognize the Lord’s body, he eats and drinks judgment upon himself.” Therefore, if you are not a member of the ELS or WELS, please talk to Pastor Emmons before communing. Thank you for respecting our practices.

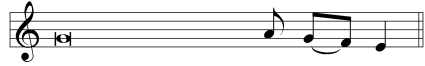
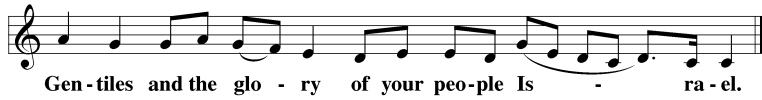
Please Stand

SONG OF SIMEON

NUNC DIMITTIS



C: Lord, now you let your servant de - part in peace ac-cord-ing
to your word. For my eyes have seen your salvation, which you have pre-
pared be - fore the face of all people, a light to light - en the



O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good.

C: And his mercy endures for - ev - er.

STRIPPING OF THE ALTAR

** Please join in singing the first three verses. Pastor Emmons will sing the final two verses, during which the altar is solemnly stripped to symbolize the Lord's abandonment by His disciples and to prepare for Good Friday.*

HYMN

#714

THE LAMB

First Verse

**The Lamb, the Lamb, O Father, where's the sacrifice?
Faith sees, believes God will provide the Lamb of price! *Refrain***

The Refrain

**Worthy is the Lamb whose death makes me his own!
The Lamb is reigning on his throne.**

Second Verse

**The Lamb, the Lamb, One perfect final offering.
The Lamb, the Lamb, let earth join heav'n his praise to sing. *Refrain***

Third Verse

**The Lamb, the Lamb, as wayward sheep their shepherd kill.
So still, his will, on our behalf, the law to fill. *Refrain***

****Please remain for prayer and meditation. When you are ready, quietly depart. On your return tomorrow, Good Friday, the sanctuary will be silent in meditation, remembering our Lord's death.****