



## Maundy Thursday

### Holy Shepherd Zoom Communion Service

*Thank you for joining us for this service of Holy Communion. All Zoom participants will be on mute during the service except for the Pastors. We ask that you have your communion elements ready at the beginning of the service (bread/crackers and wine/juice/water).*

*Prelude music will play as we gather, please take time to center your hearts and prepare your minds.*

#### Opening Prayer

Jesus, our Messiah,

You spent the last evening with your disciples in celebration and blessing.

Tonight, we gather with you, hungry for the same. Fill us with your presence and your love. Amen.

#### Scripture Reading: John 6:25-35

<sup>25</sup> When they found him on the other side of the sea, they said to him, “Rabbi, when did you come here?” <sup>26</sup> Jesus answered them, “Very truly, I tell you, you are looking for me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the loaves. <sup>27</sup> Do not work for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures for eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. For it is on him that God the Father has set his seal.”

<sup>28</sup> Then they said to him, “What must we do to perform the works of God?” <sup>29</sup> Jesus answered them, “This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent.” <sup>30</sup> So they said to him, “What sign are you going to give us then, so that we may see it and believe you? What work are you performing? <sup>31</sup> Our ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written, ‘He gave them bread from heaven to eat.’”

<sup>32</sup> Then Jesus said to them, “Very truly, I tell you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven, but it is my Father who gives you the true bread from heaven. <sup>33</sup> For the bread of God is that which<sup>[a]</sup> comes down from heaven and gives life to the world.” <sup>34</sup> They said to him, “Sir, give us this bread always.”

<sup>35</sup> Jesus said to them, “I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.

Reader: Word of God, Word of Life

People: Thanks be to God.

## **Invitation to the Table**

The Lord be with you, **and also with you**  
Lift up your hearts, **we lift our hearts to the Lord**  
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God; **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

## **Words of Institution**

In the night in which he was betrayed,  
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;  
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:  
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.  
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,  
and gave it for all to drink, saying:  
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,  
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.  
Do this for the remembrance of me.

## **The Lord's Prayer:**

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.  
Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever.  
Amen.**

## **Invitation to Communion**

Beloved: here is the Bread of Life; here is wine. Here is Jesus.  
Come and be fed.

## **Communion**

*You will be invited to eat the bread with the words “The body of Christ, given for you,” and to drink with the words “The blood of Christ shed for you.” If you are participating in communion by yourself, you can serve yourself at the pastors’ invitation. If there are members of your household with you, we invite you to serve one another.*

## **Prayer After Communion**

Christ Jesus,  
at this table you have served us  
and we have feasted on your very life.  
Strengthened for our journey,  
Lead us into a life of service and love  
As you have served and loved us.  
**Amen.**

## **Blessing**

God the creator strengthen you;  
Jesus the messiah, fill you;  
and the Holy Spirit the comforter ✠ keep you in peace.  
**Amen.**

## **Sending**

Go in peace. Following Christ who leads us and invites us into a life of service and love or our neighbor.  
**Thanks be to God.**