



Summerlin Evangelical Lutheran Church  
 Maundy Thursday Evening  
 March 29, 2018  
 Pastor Nathan Buch



Maundy Thursday Communion Service

Pastor Welcome

Opening Hymn: CW # 136 Twas on that Dark, that Doleful Night

This evening we celebrate the institution of the Lord's Supper. The Lord's Supper is a visible means by which our Savior brings to us the blessings he won for us on the cross. Through this Supper we receive faith, forgiveness of sins, life and salvation as Jesus promises when he said, *"This is my body which is given for you. This is my blood of the new covenant which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins."*

We come to the Lord's table at his invitation, *"Do this in remembrance of me,"* and according to his direction. We are instructed to examine ourselves before coming forward in order to see our sins and repent of them. We are instructed to examine our beliefs of the sacrament to see if we believe that we receive all that our Savior says and promises we receive. We are told to celebrate this sacrament with those believers who share our faith and confession of faith.

When we join together in Holy Communion we are not just proclaiming our faith in Jesus as our Savior, we are also raising our voice to proclaim our faith in all that our God has taught us in his Word.

In His Word, God tells us not to add to what he has given to us and not to subtract from it. This unity of faith that we share includes all that the Bible teaches us about our heavenly Father, our Savior, Jesus, and the Holy Spirit who works in us to bring to faith and to keep us in that faith.

The members of Summerlin Lutheran have made their unity of faith with Summerlin Lutheran and with the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod clear by being instructed in the teachings of the Bible and then giving a clear confession of faith. All the members of this congregation and the Wisconsin Synod have made this confession.

If you are not a member of Summerlin Lutheran (this congregation) or the Wisconsin Synod, we would kindly ask that before you come forward for the Lord's Supper, this evening, you would arrange to speak with our pastor in order to establish how this unity of faith can be established. We thank you for this courtesy and ask God's blessings on your worship this evening.

1 'Twas on that dark, that doleful night  
 When pow'rs of earth and hell arose  
 Against the Son, our God's delight,  
 And friends betrayed him to his foes.

2 Before the mournful scene began,  
 He took the bread and blessed and broke.  
 What love through all his actions ran!  
 What wondrous words of grace he spoke!

3 "This is my body, slain for sin;  
 Receive and eat the living food."  
 Then took the cup and blessed the wine:  
 "'Tis the new cov'nant in my blood."

4 "Do this," he said, "till time shall end,  
 In mem'ry of your dying friend;  
 Meet at my table and record  
 The love of your departed Lord."

5 Jesus, your feast we celebrate;  
 We show your death; we sing your name  
 Till you return and we shall eat  
 The marriage supper of the Lamb.



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Invocation

P: In the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. We have come to this hour of evening worship and meditation

C: Oh Lord be with us as we worship your Holy name

P: As we meditate on your Holy Supper we use the words of Luther’s Small Catechism as a confession of what we believe. *What is the Sacrament of the Holy Communion?*

C: **It is the true body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ together with the bread and wine, instituted by Christ for us Christians to eat and to drink.**

P: Where is this written?

C: **The holy Evangelists Matthew, Mark, Luke, and St Paul write:**

**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 the disciples and said: “Take, eat; this is My body, which is given for you. Do this, in remembrance of Me.”**

**In the same way after supper he took the cup, gave thanks, gave it to them and said “Drink from it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My blood, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of Me.”**

P: What blessings do we receive through this eating and drinking?

C: **That is shown by these words, “Given and poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins.” Through these words we receive forgiveness of sins, life, and salvation in this sacrament. For where there is forgiveness of sins, there is also life and salvation.**

P: How can eating and drinking do such great things?

C: **It is certainly not eating and drinking that does these things, but the Word of God which says: “Given and poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins.” This Word of God is the main thing in this sacrament along with the eating and drinking. And whoever believes these words has what they plainly say: the forgiveness of sins.**

P: 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 a cross. Grant us so firmly to believe your words and promise that we may always partake of this sacrament to our eternal good; for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: **Amen**

*Please be seated.*

**Sermonette # 1: Come and see the Perfect Passover Sacrifice**

**First Lesson: Exodus 12:1-14**

The LORD said to Moses and Aaron in Egypt, <sup>2</sup>“This month is to be for you the first month, the first month of your year. <sup>3</sup>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. <sup>4</sup>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. <sup>5</sup>The animals you choose must be year-old males without defect, and you may take them from the sheep or the goats. <sup>6</sup>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. <sup>7</sup>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. <sup>8</sup>That same night they are to eat the meat roasted over the fire, along with bitter herbs, and bread made without yeast. <sup>9</sup>Do not eat the meat raw or cooked in water, but roast it over the fire—head, legs and inner parts. <sup>10</sup>Do not leave any of it till morning; if some is left till morning, you must burn it. <sup>11</sup>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.

<sup>12</sup>“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. <sup>13</sup>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.

<sup>14</sup>“*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.*

The Congregation sings Hymn 128: Not All the Blood of Beasts

1 Not all the blood of beasts On Israel’s altars slain  
Could give the guilty conscience peace Or wash away the stain.

2 But Christ, the heav’nly Lamb, Takes all our sins away,  
A sacrifice of nobler name And richer blood than they.

3 In faith I place my hand On that dear head divine,  
As penitently here I stand And lay on him my sin.

4 My soul looks back to see The burden you did bear  
When hanging on the cursed tree—I know my guilt was there!

5 Believing, we rejoice To see the curse remove;  
We bless the Lamb with cheerful voice And sing his bleeding love.



## Sermonette #2: Come and See the Perfect Sacrifice

The Gospel: Mark 14:12-26

<sup>12</sup> On the first day of the Feast of Unleavened Bread, when it was customary to sacrifice the Passover lamb, Jesus' disciples asked him, "Where do you want us to go and make preparations for you to eat the Passover?"

<sup>13</sup> So he sent two of his disciples, telling them, "Go into the city, and a man carrying a jar of water will meet you. Follow him. <sup>14</sup> Say to the owner of the house he enters, 'The Teacher asks: Where is my guest room, where I may eat the Passover with my disciples?' <sup>15</sup> He will show you a large upper room, furnished and ready. Make preparations for us there."

<sup>16</sup> The disciples left, went into the city and found things just as Jesus had told them. So they prepared the Passover.

<sup>17</sup> When evening came, Jesus arrived with the Twelve. <sup>18</sup> While they were reclining at the table eating, he said, "I tell you the truth, one of you will betray me—one who is eating with me."

<sup>19</sup> They were saddened, and one by one they said to him, "Surely not I!"

<sup>20</sup> "It is one of the Twelve," he replied, "one who dips bread into the bowl with me. <sup>21</sup> The Son of Man will go just as it is written about him. But woe to that man who betrays the Son of Man! It would be better for him if he had not been born."

<sup>22</sup> While they were eating, Jesus took bread, gave thanks and broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take it; this is my body."

<sup>23</sup> Then he took the cup, gave thanks and offered it to them, and they all drank from it.

<sup>24</sup> "This is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many," he said to them. <sup>25</sup> "I tell you the truth, I will not drink again of the fruit of the vine until that day when I drink it anew in the kingdom of God."

<sup>26</sup> When they had sung a hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives.

Sermon Hymn: # 100 A Lamb Goes Uncomplaining Forth V. 1,2

1 A Lamb goes uncomplaining forth, Our guilt and evil bearing  
And, laden with the sins of earth, None else the burden sharing.  
Goes patient on, grows weak and faint, To slaughter led without complaint,  
That spotless life to offer, Bears shame and stripes and wounds and death,  
Anguish and mockery and says, "Willing all this I suffer."

2 This Lamb is Christ, the soul's great friend, The Lamb of God, our Savior;  
Him God the Father chose to send To gain for us his favor.

"Go forth, my Son," the Father said, "And free my children from their dread  
Of guilt and condemnation. The wrath and stripes are hard to bear,  
But by your passion they will share The fruit of your salvation."

Sermonette #3 Come and See Your Savior Given and Poured Out For You  
1 Corinthians 11:23-29

<sup>23</sup> For I received from the Lord what I also passed on to you: The Lord Jesus, on the night he was betrayed, took bread, <sup>24</sup> 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." <sup>25</sup> 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." <sup>26</sup> For whenever you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

<sup>27</sup> 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. <sup>28</sup> A man ought to examine himself before he eats of the bread and drinks of the cup.

<sup>29</sup> For anyone who eats and drinks without recognizing the body of the Lord eats and drinks judgment on himself.

*Please rise after the sermon is completed.*

Sermon Response: # 741 What is This Bread V 1-3 (on insert)

*We join to confess our Christian faith with the words of the Nicene Creed*

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.  
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,  
begotten, not made,  
of one being with the Father.

Through him all things were made.  
 For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven,  
 was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary,  
 and became fully human.  
 For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate.  
 He suffered death and was buried.  
 On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures.  
 He ascended into heaven  
 and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
 He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,  
 and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit,  
 the Lord, the giver of life,  
 who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
 who in unity with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,  
 who has spoken through the prophets.  
 We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church.  
 We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.  
 We look for the resurrection of the dead  
 and the life of the world to come. Amen.

**The Offering:** *We bring to our Lord our offerings of thanks for the great things he has done for us.*

### The Sacrament

**Confession of Sins:** *We confess our many sins to the Lord*

P: Most holy and merciful Father  
 C: We confess to you, Oh Lord, and to one another that we have sinned by our own fault,  
 by our grievous fault in thought, word and deed, by what we have done, and by what we  
 have left undone.

P: We have not loved you with our whole heart and mind and strength  
 We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.  
 We have not forgiven others as we have been forgiven.  
 C: Have mercy on us, Lord

P: We have been deaf to your call to serve as Christ served us.  
 We have not been true to mind of Christ.  
 We have grieved the Holy Spirit.  
 C: Have mercy on us, Lord.

P: We confess to you, Lord, all our past unfaithfulness.  
 The pride, hypocrisy, and impatience in our lives.  
 C: We confess to you, Oh Lord.

P: Our self-indulgent appetites and ways, our manipulation of other people,  
 C: We confess to you, O Lord.

P: Our anger when our selfish aims are denied and our envy of those more fortunate than  
 ourselves,  
 C: We confess to you, O Lord.

P: Our love of worldly good and comforts and our dishonesty in daily life and work,  
 C: We confess to you, O Lord.

P: Our negligence in worship and prayer and our failure to show the faith that is in us,  
 C: We confess to you, O Lord.

P: Forgive us, Lord, for the wrongs we have done. For our blindness to human need and  
 suffering and our indifference to injustice and cruelty,  
 C: Forgive us, O Lord.

P: For all false judgments, for uncharitable thoughts toward others, and for our prejudice and  
 contempt for those who differ from us,  
 C: Forgive us, O Lord.

P: For what he think or say or do that is at variance with you will,  
 C: Forgive us, O Lord.

P: Restore us, good Lord, and let your anger depart from us.  
 C: Hear us, Lord, for your mercy is great.



We take a moment for private and personal confession of sins.

### Absolution of Sins

**P:** Our heavenly Father, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, does not desire that sinners die but rather that they turn from their sinfulness, repent, and live.

On this evening, our Savior instituted the Lord's Supper in order that we might have a living reminder of the forgiveness that he gives to us now and forever. Our Savior wants us to live in the peace of that forgiveness.

Upon your confession, in the name of our loving Father, our Savior, Jesus Christ, and God the Holy Spirit, I can announce to you that your sins are forgiven now and forever.

Let us ask God to renew us through the Holy Spirit. May we continue to abide in the true faith and at last be received by him through the merits of Christ our Lord who taught us to pray:

**C:** 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.

*Through his body and blood, shed on the cross Jesus paid for our sins. Through the Gospel in the Sacrament of Holy Communion, Jesus gives to us all of the blessings that he won for us on the cross. We join together with him and our fellow members in proclaiming that all he has done, he has done for us.*

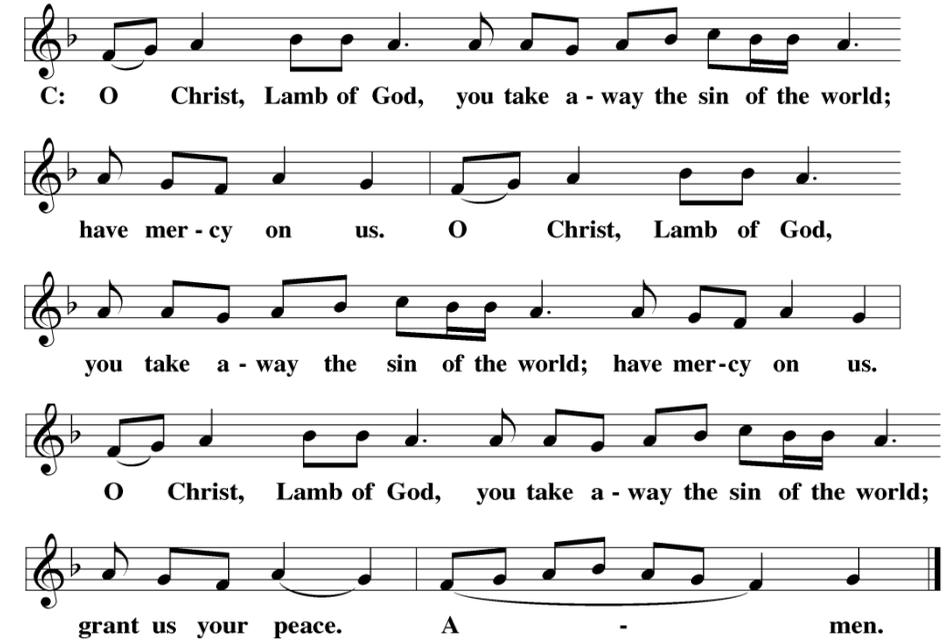
**We listen to the Words of Institution remembering what Jesus has done for us.**

**M:** 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."

**M:** The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**C:** Amen



**C:** O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world;  
have mer - cy on us. O Christ, Lamb of God,  
you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us.  
O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world;  
grant us your peace. A - men.

**Members:** We invite those who are members of our congregation or of the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod to come forward to the altar at this time.

**Guests and Visitors:** If you are not a member of the WELS, are visiting our congregation, or just don't know which church you are a member of, we ask you to observe communion, but not come forward until you can speak with our pastor. Please leave your information so that Pastor can follow up with you. Thank you for following our Communion practice.

*During the distribution of Holy Communion a small Choir will sing **Take and Eat**.  
The congregatiom is asked to join on the refrains.*

**Refrain:**

**Take and eat, take and eat, this is my body given up for you.**

**Take and drink, take and drink, this is my blood given up for you.**

*After Communion is completed please riase as we join together in the Song of Simean.*

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  
Gen - tiles and the glo - ry of your peo-ple Is - ra - el.

P: Oh Give thanks to the Lord for He is Good  
C: His mercy endures forever. Amen

**Prayer**

P: Lord God, all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works come from you. Give to us, your servants, that peace which the world cannot give, that our hearts may be set to obey your commandments. Defend us also from the fear of our enemies that we may live in peace and quietness, through the merits of Jesus Christ our Savior, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen

**Blessing**

P: Receive the blessing of the Lord.  
The Lord bless you and keep you,  
The Lord make his face to shine on you and be gracious to you.  
The Lord look of you with favor and give you peace.

C: A - men. A - men. A - men.

**Closing Hymn: # 588 Abide with Me**

1 Abide with me; fast falls the eventide.  
The darkness deepens; Lord, with me abide.  
When other helpers fail and comforts flee,  
Help of the helpless, oh, abide with me!

2 Swift to its close ebbs out life's little day;  
Earth's joys grow dim; its glories pass away.  
Change and decay in all around I see;  
O thou who changest not, abide with me!

6 I fear no foe with thee at hand to bless;  
Ills have no weight and tears no bitterness.  
Where is death's sting? Where, grave, thy victory?  
I triumph still if thou abide with me.

7 Hold thou thy cross before my closing eyes;  
Shine through the gloom and point me to the skies.  
Heav'n's morning breaks, and earth's vain shadows flee;  
In life, in death, O Lord, abide with me!



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Please come for the other Holy Week Services:  
Good Friday, March 30 at 7:00 PM.  
Easter Sunday, April 1 at 10:00 AM  
Easter Breakfast is before the service at 9:00 AM.

## What Is This Bread?



|   |      |      |      |        |          |          |
|---|------|------|------|--------|----------|----------|
| 1 | What | is   | this | bread? | Christ's | bod - y  |
| 2 | What | is   | this | wine?  | The      | blood of |
| 3 | So   | who  | am   | I,     | That     | I should |
| 4 | Yet  | is   | God  | here?  | Oh,      | yes! By  |
| 5 | Is   | this | for  | me?    | I        | am for - |



|          |      |            |        |      |          |            |        |
|----------|------|------------|--------|------|----------|------------|--------|
| ris - en | from | the        | dead:  | This | bread    | we         | break. |
| Je - sus | shed | for        | mine;  | The  | cup      | of         | grace  |
| live     | and  | he         | should | die  | Un - der | the        | rod?   |
| Word     | and  | prom - ise | clear. | In   | mouth    | and        | soul   |
| giv - en | and  | set        | free!  | I    | do       | be - lieve |        |



|        |       |            |        |         |          |            |      |                |     |      |
|--------|-------|------------|--------|---------|----------|------------|------|----------------|-----|------|
| This   | life  | we         | take   | Was     | crushed  | to         | pay  | for            | our | re - |
| Brings | his   | em - brace |        | Of      | life     | and        | love | un - til       | I   |      |
| My     | God,  | my         | God,   | Why     | have     | you        | not  | for - sak - en |     |      |
| He     | makes | us         | whole— | Christ, | tru - ly | pre - sent | in   | this           |     |      |
| That   | I     | re - ceive |        | His     | ver - y  | bod - y    | and  | his            |     |      |



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|--------|-----|-------|-----|------|-----|------|----|--------|
| lease. | Oh, | taste | and | see— | the | Lord | is | peace. |
| sing!  | Oh, | taste | and | see— | the | Lord | is | King.  |
| me?    | Oh, | taste | and | see— | the | Lord | is | free.  |
| meal.  | Oh, | taste | and | see— | the | Lord | is | real.  |
| blood. | Oh, | taste | and | see— | the | Lord | is | good.  |

*This hymn nicely summarizes Martin Luther's fine discussion on the institution and blessings of Holy Communion as outlined in his Small Catechism.*

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**On Good Friday evening you may want to arrive at church a few minutes early.** Everyone who enters church before the service begins may take a nail, which represents our sins, take it to the front of the church where the cross is, and place it into one of the holes in the cross. When we return to our seats we will take a few moments of personal prayer and meditation to reflect on our sins that Jesus was paying for and his love in willingly taking our pain, suffering and death on himself.



Come and See:  
The Savior Given For You

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