



APRIL 1, 2021

WELCOME

MAUNDY THURSDAY

HYMN: "Crown Him with Many Crowns" (LSB #525)

Crown Him with many crowns, The Lamb upon His throne;
Hark how the heav'nly anthem drowns All music but its own.
Awake, my soul, and sing Of Him who died for thee,
And hail Him as thy matchless king Through all eternity.

Crown Him the Lord of love. Behold His hands and side,
Rich wounds, yet visible above, In beauty glorified.
No angels in the sky Can fully bear that sight,
But downward bend their wond'ring eyes At mysteries So bright

Crown Him the Lord of heav'n, Enthroned in worlds above.
Crown Him the king to whom is giv'n The wondrous name of Love.
Crown Him with many crowns As thrones before Him fall;
Crown Him, ye kings, with many crowns, For He is king of all.
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INVOCATION

PSALM: (From Psalm 116:12-19)

Pastor: How can I repay the Lord for all his goodness to me?

People: I will lift up the cup of salvation and call on the name of the Lord. I will fulfill my vows to the Lord in the presence of all His people.

Pastor: Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of His saints.

People: O Lord, truly I am Your servant; You have freed me from my chains. I will sacrifice a thank offering to You and call on the name of the Lord. I will fulfill my vows to the Lord in the presence of all His people.

Pastor: In the courts of the house of the Lord,

People: Praise the Lord. So be it! Amen

PRAYER: (Spoken together)

Father of mercies and God of all consolation, come to the aid of Your people, turning us from our sin to live for You alone. Give us the power of Your Holy Spirit, that we may attend to Your Word, confess our sins, receive Your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Your Son Jesus Christ, our Lord and our Redeemer. Amen.



HYMN: “Just As I Am, without One Plea” (LSB #570)

**Just as I am, without one plea
But that Thy blood was shed for me
And that Thou bidd’st me come to Thee
O Lamb of God, I come, I come.**

**Just as I am and waiting not
To rid my soul of one dark blot,
To Thee, whose blood can cleanse each spot,
O Lamb of God, I come, I come.**

**Just as I am, poor, wretched, blind;
Sight, riches, healing of the mind,
Yea, all I need, in Thee to find,
O Lamb of God, I come, I come.**

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OLD TESTAMENT READING: Exodus 24:3-11

³When Moses went and told the people all the LORD’s words and laws, they responded with one voice, “Everything the LORD has said we will do.” ⁴Moses then wrote down everything the LORD had said. He got up early the next morning and built an altar at the foot of the mountain and set up twelve stone pillars representing the twelve tribes of Israel. ⁵Then he sent young Israelite men, and they offered burnt offerings and sacrificed young bulls as fellowship offerings to the LORD. ⁶Moses took half of the blood and put it in bowls, and the other half he sprinkled on the altar. ⁷Then he took the Book of the Covenant and read it to the people. They responded, “We will do everything the LORD has said; we will obey.” ⁸Moses then took the blood, sprinkled it on the people and said, “This is the blood of the covenant that the LORD has made with you in accordance with all these words.” ⁹Moses and Aaron, Nadab and Abihu, and the seventy elders of Israel went up ¹⁰and saw the God of Israel. Under his feet was something like a pavement made of sapphire, clear as the sky itself. ¹¹But God did not raise his hand against these leaders of the Israelites; they saw God, and they ate and drank.

EPISTLE READING: 1 Corinthians 10:16-21

¹⁶Is not the cup of thanksgiving for which we give thanks a participation in the blood of Christ? And is not the bread that we break a participation in the body of Christ? ¹⁷Because there is one loaf, we, who are many, are one body, for we all partake of the one loaf. ¹⁸Consider the people of Israel: Do not those who eat the sacrifices participate in the altar? ¹⁹Do I mean then that a sacrifice offered to an idol is anything, or that an idol is anything? ²⁰No, but the sacrifices of pagans are offered to demons, not to God, and I do not want you to be participants with demons. ²¹You cannot drink the cup of the Lord and the cup of demons too; you cannot have a part in both the Lord’s table and the table of demons.

RESPONSE: (Adapted from Hebrews 9, Psalm 111, & 1 Cor 11)

Pastor: Christ entered the Most Holy place once for all,

People: By his own blood, having obtained eternal redemption.

Pastor: He is the mediator of a new covenant

People: That those who are called may receive the promise eternal inheritance.

Pastor: He provided redemption for his people;

People: He ordained his covenant forever.

Pastor: And whenever we eat of the bread and drink of the cup,

People: We proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

GOSPEL READING: Mark 14:12-26

¹² 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?"
¹³ 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. ¹⁴ 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?' ¹⁵ He will show you a large upper room, furnished and ready. Make preparations for us there." ¹⁶ The disciples left, went into the city and found things just as Jesus had told them. So they prepared the Passover. ¹⁷ When evening came, Jesus arrived with the Twelve. ¹⁸ 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."
¹⁹ They were saddened, and one by one they said to him, "Surely not I?" ²⁰ "It is one of the Twelve," he replied, "one who dips bread into the bowl with me. ²¹ 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." ²² 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." ²³ Then he took the cup, gave thanks and offered it to them, and they all drank from it. ²⁴ "This is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many," he said to them. ²⁵ "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." ²⁶ When they had sung a hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives.

HYMN: "O Christ, Our True and Only Light" (LSB #839)

**O Christ, our true and only light,
Enlighten those who sit in night;
Let those afar now hear Your voice
And in Your fold with us rejoice.**

**Fill with the radiance of Your grace
The souls now lost in error's maze;
Enlighten those whose inmost minds
Some dark delusion haunts and blinds.**

**Shine on the darkened and the cold;
Recall the wand'ers to Your fold.
Unite all those who walk apart;
Confirm the weak and doubting heart.**

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SERMON: Rev 3:14-22 "Spiritual Self-Delusion"

OFFERING

PRAYERS

THE LORD'S PRAYER

People: 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.

CONFESSIONAL ADDRESS:

Pastor: People, loved of the Lord, since it is our intention to come to the Holy Supper of our Lord Jesus Christ,

People: It is proper that we diligently examine ourselves as St. Paul tells us to do.

Pastor: For this Holy Sacrament has been instituted for the special comfort and strengthening of those who humbly confess their sins and hunger and thirst for righteousness.

People: But if we examine ourselves, we shall find nothing in us but sin and death, from which we cannot set ourselves free.

Pastor: Therefore our Lord Jesus Christ has had mercy on us and has taken on himself our nature,

People: That He might fulfill for us the whole will and law of God, and for us and our deliverance suffer death and all that we by our sins have deserved.

Pastor: That we should the more confidently believe this and be strengthened by our faith in cheerful obedience to his holy will,

People: He has instituted the holy Sacrament of His Supper, in which He feeds us with His body and gives us to drink of His blood.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

Pastor: Whoever eats of this bread and drinks of this cup, firmly believing the words of Christ,

People: Dwells in Christ, and Christ in him, and has eternal life. Amen.

SONG: "Feed Us Now" (*Robin Mann*)

Feed us now, Bread of life, In this holy meal;
Let us know your love anew; We hunger for you.
Feed us now, Bread of life, come and live within;
Let your peace be ours today, Lord Jesus we pray.

Piece of bread, glass of wine: Lord, this food is good!
Love and mercy come to us; Your promise we trust.
Piece of bread, glass of wine; Who can understand
How His mercy works in these? Yet, Lord we believe.

God is here, O so near; Nearer than our thoughts.
Stay with us where'er we go; Lord, help us to grow.
God is here, O so near, In this heaven's meal.
May we always feed on you - On bread that is true.
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IN THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION WE BELIEVE *our Lord Jesus Christ comes to us with His body and blood given and shed for the forgiveness of sins (Matt 26:26-28). In it we are united with him and with the whole Church. Baptized and confirmed Christians who believe, by the guidance of the Holy Spirit, that Christ's body and blood are present in the bread and wine of the Sacrament, who acknowledge their sin, set aside any refusal to forgive (Matt 6:15), are sorry, repent (Mark 1:15) and look to Christ alone for forgiveness and strength to live the new life, are welcome to eat and drink at the Lord's table in remembrance of Him. (1 Cor 11:25-25) You may register for Communion as the Friendship Folder is passed to you in the pew. If you have any questions, please speak to the Pastor or a Lay Minister before communing.*

DISTRIBUTION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

(Instrumental music)

STRIPPING OF THE ALTAR: (Psalm 51 read together)

(The stripping of the altar is an ancient feature of Maundy Thursday, symbolic of the humiliation of Jesus at the soldiers' hands.)

¹...Have mercy on me, O God, according to your unfailing love; according to your great compassion blot out my transgressions. ²Wash away all my iniquity and cleanse me from my sin. ³For I know my transgressions, and my sin is always before me. ⁴Against you, you only, have I sinned and done what is evil in your sight, so that you are proved right when you speak and justified when you judge. ⁵Surely I was sinful at birth, sinful from the time my mother conceived me. ⁶Surely you desire truth in the inner parts; you teach me wisdom in the inmost place. ⁷Cleanse me with hyssop, and I will be clean; wash me, and I will be whiter than snow. ⁸Let me hear joy and gladness; let the bones you have crushed rejoice. ⁹Hide your face from my sins and blot out all my iniquity. ¹⁰Create in me a pure heart, O God, and renew a steadfast spirit within me. ¹¹Do not cast me from your presence or take your Holy Spirit from me. ¹²Restore to me the joy of your salvation and grant me a willing spirit, to sustain me. ¹³Then I will teach transgressors your ways, and sinners will turn back to you. ¹⁴Save me from bloodguilt, O God, the God who saves me, and my tongue will sing of your righteousness. ¹⁵O Lord, open my lips, and my mouth will declare your praise. ¹⁶You do not delight in sacrifice, or I would bring it; you do not take pleasure in burnt offerings. ¹⁷The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit; a broken and contrite heart, O God, you will not despise. ¹⁸In your good pleasure make Zion prosper; build up the walls of Jerusalem. ¹⁹Then there will be righteous sacrifices, whole burnt offerings to delight you; then bulls will be offered on your altar.

(We leave in silence. Our worship continues tomorrow with Good Friday service at 6:30pm)

BIBLE STUDY OPPORTUNITIES

Sunday Morning at 10:45 in the Sanctuary

LOOKING AHEAD IN OUR SUNDAY BIBLE CLASS: "The End and Revelation!"

To access via Zoom.

Topic: Holy Emmanuel - Sunday Bible Study

Time: This is a recurring meeting Sunday's 10:45am

Join Zoom Meeting

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Missional Living Learning Group:Next Session Moving to 2021:

Wednesday check the bulletin for dates at 6:00PM

Our goal will be to continue the discovery process as to what missional living means; or, how do we become more Christ like in our own zip code. In the meantime, if you have any questions please let me know. Blessings, Chuck Squires (612-799-5315 Cell) or squir008@msn.com

ATTENTION HOLY EMMANUEL FRIENDS: With the advent of digital data we find ourselves with 100's of choral sheet music titles that we will no longer use. If you are interested in copies for your personal use please contact Randy Marko or Anna VanVleet. All items that remain will be recycled in mid-April. Thank you.

ECC Volunteer Opportunity: Join us on April 6th from 7-9am to give the ECC Parent's a **Tuesday Pick Me Up!** We will be handing out breakfast and an invite to Holy Emmanuel services and upcoming events. Please feel free to join us that morning or call Dawn at 952-888-5116 with any questions

Dear Holy Emmanuel Members & friends:

With warmer days ahead of us, VEAP is pleased to officially kick off our annual springtime March Food & Fund Drive!

Please consider donating the following items..

- Personal care and household items: shampoo, toothpaste, soap, shaving cream, toiletries, etc.
- Paper bags (We'll always take your extra paper grocery bags).

Note that financial contributions allows VEAP to respond the most flexibly to changing needs. Every \$30 donated allows us to feed an individual for an entire month (a total of 90 meals!). Please consider making a donation in support of this critical drive.

Thank you and best wishes for a warm spring!

Thank You for your continued support of VEAP.

Gayle Cedergren

VEAP Representative



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“For I was hungry and you fed me. I was thirsty and you gave me a drink. I was a stranger and you invited me into your home.”

Hopefully, Covid 19 is better under control, but many neighbors in our area still struggle to put food on their table. We should, and can, help solve this problem for many of them.

How? Join Holy Emmanuel’s donation drive to help VEAP. We named the drive, OPERATION MATTHEW 25 and it will run from March 21st to April 18th. During this time, we will encourage donations to Holy Emanuel which will be forwarded to VEAP on April 20th. In addition to the donations collected, Outreach will match the first \$1,000 from the Outreach budget.

Any questions, please ask or call Chuck Squires or John Carlson or Gayle Cedergren

Thank you for your support.

John and Chuck and Gayle



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Revelation 3:14-22

“Spiritual Self-Delusion”

14 “To the angel of the church in Laodicea write: These are the words of the Amen, the faithful and true witness, the ruler of God’s creation. 15 I know your deeds, that you are neither cold nor hot. I wish you were either one or the other! 16 So, because you are lukewarm—neither hot nor cold—I am about to spit you out of my mouth. 17 You say, ‘I am rich; I have acquired wealth and do not need a thing.’ But you do not realize that you are wretched, pitiful, poor, blind and naked. 18 I counsel you to buy from me gold refined in the fire, so you can become rich; and white clothes to wear, so you can cover your shameful nakedness; and salve to put on your eyes, so you can see. 19 Those whom I love I rebuke and discipline. So be earnest, and repent. 20 Here I am! I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears my voice and opens the door, I will come in and eat with him, and he with me. 21 To him who overcomes, I will give the right to sit with me on my throne, just as I overcame and sat down with my Father on his throne. 22 He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches.”

1. Why is Jesus the “Amen?”
2. How is Jesus the “ruler” or “beginning of creation?”
3. Why do we confess that the Father is the maker of heaven and earth?
4. What were we created for as humans?
5. What breaks the Creator’s heart?
6. When do we become spiritually lukewarm?
7. What leads to spiritual self-delusion?
8. How can living well-off be dangerous for us spiritually?
9. What’s the right way to evaluate ourself spiritually?
10. Why was there hope for the church in Laodicea?
11. Why was Jesus willing to lay his life down as the Savior?
12. How is Jesus “knocking at the door” to help us?
13. Why does Jesus give us the promise of dining and reigning with him?