

comforting presence and know they are not alone. Lord, in your mercy...

**C: Hear our prayer.**

L: Lord, grant us the grace to separate your voice from the noises of the world. Help us to be present, to notice, and to respond to your call in our lives.

**C: Amen.**

**OFFERING** **Dolce Bells**

**OFFERING PRAYER**

L: Let us pray, O God, maker of heaven and earth, your steadfast love embraces all creation. You send rain and sunshine to nourish the earth and bring forth its bounty. Through these gifts of bread and wine, draw us into the death and life of your Son, who calls us to bear witness to his saving work. We ask this in Jesus' name.

**C: Amen.**

**HOLY COMMUNION**

**LORD'S PRAYER**

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is 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**

**COMMUNION SONG**

**POST COMMUNION BLESSING**

L: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ bless you and keep you forever. Amen.

**POST COMMUNION PRAYER**

L: Lord Jesus,  
**C: In a wonderful sacrament you strengthen us with the saving power of your suffering, death, and resurrection. May this sacrament be honored in our living, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

**STRIPPING OF THE ALTAR**

**PSALM 22**

Reader: Ron Letnes  
My God, my God, why have you forsaken me? Why are you so far from helping me, from the words of my groaning? O my God, I cry by day, but you do not answer; and by night, but find no rest. Yet you are holy, enthroned on the praises of Israel. In you our ancestors trusted; they trusted, and you delivered them. To you they cried, and were saved; in you they trusted, and were not put to shame. But I am a worm, and not human; scorned by others, and despised by the people. All who see me mock at me; they make mouths at me, they shake their heads; 'Commit your cause to the Lord; let him deliver—let him rescue the one in whom he delights!' Yet it was you who took me from the womb; you kept me safe on my mother's breast. On you I was cast from my birth, and since my mother bore me you have been my God. Do not be far from me, for trouble is near and there is no one to help. Many bulls encircle me, strong bulls of Bashan surround me; they open wide their mouths at me, like a ravening and roaring lion. I am poured out like water, and all my bones are out of joint; my heart is like wax; it is melted within my

breast; my mouth is dried up like a potsherd, and my tongue sticks to my jaws; you lay me in the dust of death. For dogs are all around me; a company of evildoers encircles me. My hands and feet have shrivelled; I can count all my bones. They stare and gloat over me; they divide my clothes among themselves, and for my clothing they cast lots. But you, O Lord, do not be far away! O my help, come quickly to my aid! Deliver my soul from the sword, my life from the power of the dog! Save me from the mouth of the lion! From the horns of the wild oxen you have rescued me. I will tell of your name to my brothers and sisters; in the midst of the congregation I will praise you: You who fear the Lord, praise him! All you offspring of Jacob, glorify him; stand in awe of him, all you offspring of Israel! For he did not despise or abhor the affliction of the afflicted; he did not hide his face from me, but heard when I cried to him. From you comes my praise in the great congregation; my vows I will pay before those who fear him. The poor shall eat and be satisfied; those who seek him shall praise the Lord. May your hearts live for ever! All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the Lord; and all the families of the nations shall worship before him. For dominion belongs to the Lord, and he rules over the nations. To him, indeed, shall all who sleep in the earth bow down; before him shall bow all who go down to the dust, and I shall live for him. Posterity will serve him; future generations will be told about the Lord, and proclaim his deliverance to a people yet unborn, saying that he has done it.

*Please depart in silence*



**Holy Week continues — and tonight we gather at the table.**

**Together we pause, reflect, and walk through the story of Jesus—from the table, to the cross, and soon to the empty tomb. This sacred week invites us into grace, honest reflection, and the promise of new life.**

**Whether this is your first visit, you come every week, or you haven't been in a while, you are welcome here. No pressure, no expectations—just space to show up, hear the Word, and be reminded of God's love for you.**

**Holy Week Worship:**

- ⇒ Palm Sunday, March 29 – Thank you to all who came!
- ⇒ Maundy Thursday, April 2 – 7:00 PM
- ⇒ Good Friday, April 3 – 7:00 PM

**Easter Sunday Celebration on April 5:**

- ⇒ 8:45 AM & 10:45 AM

**Come as you are. Bring your people. There's a place for you here.**

**HOLY WEEK WORSHIP**

**April 2nd, 2026 †**



**Maundy Thursday | 7:00PM WORSHIP**

**SERVING AT WORSHIP TODAY**

Rev. Leland Armbricht  
Rev. Susie Modrow  
Doreen Hutchings, Accompanist  
Ellie Lehn, Accompanist  
Dolce Bells

**PRELUDE**

**WELCOME**

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

L: We are gathered to recall the night when Jesus was betrayed. Are you ready to come to the feet of Christ, whose life was poured out for you?  
**C: By the grace of God, we are.**  
L: Can you watch while Jesus prays in the garden?  
**C: By the grace of God, we can.**  
L: Will you follow Jesus, even into the night of betrayal?  
**C: By the grace of God, we will.**  
L: Then let us praise God, even in the hours of darkness.  
**C: God of all grace and steadfast love, great is your name, worthy to be praised in all the earth.**

**GATHERING HYMN** *Just as I Am Without One Plea* **ELW#592**  
verses 1 + 4

**GREETING**

L: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.  
**C: And also with you.**

**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

L: Let us pray. Holy God,  
**C: source of all love, on the night of his betrayal, Jesus gave us a new commandment, to love one another as he loves us. Write this commandment in our hearts, and give us the will to serve others as he was the servant of all, your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

**CONFESSION AND PARDON**

Siblings in Christ, our Lord shows us his love by becoming a humble servant. Let us draw near to God and confess our sin in the truth of God's Spirit.

L: Most merciful God,  
**C: we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.**  
L: God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By

grace you have been saved. In the name of + Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.

**C: Amen.**

**HYMN** *In the Cross of Christ I Glory* **ELW#324**  
verses 1 + 4

**SCRIPTURE READING**

*Reader: Aleshia Armbricht*

**JOHN 19:23-30**

When the soldiers had crucified Jesus, they took his clothes and divided them into four parts, one for each soldier. They also took his tunic; now the tunic was seamless, woven in one piece from the top. So they said to one another, "Let us not tear it but cast lots for it to see who will get it." This was to fulfill what the scripture says, "They divided my clothes among themselves, and for my clothing they cast lots." And that is what the soldiers did. Meanwhile, standing near the cross of Jesus were his mother, and his mother's sister, Mary the wife of Clopas, and Mary Magdalene. When Jesus saw his mother and the disciple whom he loved standing beside her, he said to his mother, "Woman, here is your son." Then he said to the disciple, "Here is your mother." And from that hour the disciple took her into his own home. After this, when Jesus knew that all was now finished, he said (in order to fulfill the scripture), "I am thirsty." A jar full of sour wine was standing there. So they put a sponge full of the wine on a branch of hyssop and held it to his mouth. When Jesus had received the wine, he said, "It is finished." Then he bowed his head and gave up his spirit.

L: The Gospel of the Lord!  
**C: Praise to you, O Christ!**

**MESSAGE** **Pr. Leland Armbricht**

**HYMN** *Beneath the Cross of Jesus* **ELW#338**  
verses 1 + 2

**PRAYER**

L: Ever watchful Lord, Your steadfast love never ceases, and your mercies are new every morning. As we gather this evening under your watchful presence, we pray for grace to be more attentive to your presence in our lives. For the whole church, we pray that our leaders may be attuned to the whispers of your spirit, Lord, in your mercy...  
**C: Hear our prayer.**  
L: For the world and its leaders, that they may be attentive to the needs of the neglected and act with justice and compassion. Lord, in your mercy...  
**C: Hear our prayer.**  
L: For our community, that we may notice and respond with kindness and empathy. Lord in your mercy...  
**C: Hear our prayer.**  
L: For ourselves, that we may be fully present in each moment, aware of your persistent love and guidance. Lord, in your mercy...  
**C: Hear our prayer.**  
L: For those who are suffering, that they may feel your