

  
*Maundy*  
Thursday 

April 1st, 2021

7:00 pm

Miller's Lutheran Church

Hickory, NC

# Maundy Thursday

*Ash Wednesday began with an extended confession of sins; the absolution was deferred until Maundy Thursday. The service for the Thursday in Holy Week therefore begins in an unusual way—with the sermon, which concludes with an invitation to confession and with the absolution and the sharing of the peace.*

\* THE HYMN ..... *O Living Bread* ..... LBW No. 197

THE SERMON

THE INSTRUCTION ..... Pastor Todd

\* THE CONFESSION

P: In the name of the Father, and of the †Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen**

P: 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.

**C: Amen. Glory 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.**

P: Let us make confession to God.

**C: Almighty God, merciful Father: I, a troubled and penitent sinner, confess to you all my sins and iniquities with which I have offended you and for which I justly deserve your punishment. But I am sorry for them and repent of them, and pray for your boundless mercy. For the sake of the suffering and death of your Son, Jesus Christ, be gracious and merciful to me, a poor sinful being; forgive my sins, give me your Holy Spirit for the amendment of my sinful life, and bring me to life everlasting. Amen.**

P: Almighty God in his mercy has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. Through his Holy Spirit he cleanses us and give us power to proclaim the mighty deeds of God who called us out of darkness into the splendor of his light. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the †Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen.**

\* THE EXCHANGE OF PEACE

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**C: And also with you.**

(*We greet those near us: "Peace be with you."*)

\* THE PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Holy God, source of all love, on the night of his betrayal, Jesus gave his disciples a new commandment: To love one another as he had loved them. By your Holy Spirit write this commandment in our hearts; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

THE HOLY SCRIPTURES

The First Reading.....Exodus 24:3-11

The Psalm..... Psalm 116:12-19

The Second Reading .....1 Corinthians 10:16-17

\* Gospel Acclamation.....*Return to the Lord ....* LBW Page 83

\* P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the 14th chapter.

\* **C: Glory to you, O Lord.**

\* The Gospel Lesson..... Mark 14:12-26

\* P: The Gospel of the Lord.

\* **C: Praise to you, O Christ.**

\* THE HYMN .....*Lord Jesus, Think on Me ....* LBW No. 309

\* THE PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

(After each petition:)

A: Lord, in your mercy.

**C: Hear our prayer.**

\* OFFERTORY HYMN .....*Let the Vineyards ....*LBW Page 86

\* OFFERTORY PRAYER .....*Merciful Father ....*LBW Page 88

- \* THE GREAT THANKSGIVING ..... LBW Page 88
- \* THE PREFACE & SANCTUS ..... LBW Page 89
- \* EUCHARISTIC PRAYER ..... Pastor Todd
- \* THE LORD'S PRAYER..... LBW Page 91

**THE DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION**

*Ushers will direct the congregation to the front of the church to receive Communion. Anyone baptized and instructed in Holy Communion is welcome to receive the Lord's Supper. Unless your child normally receives Communion, they are welcome to accompany their parents and receive a blessing from the pastor. If you need to have the pastor bring Communion to you, please notify an usher.*

**HYMNS DURING DISTRIBUTION**

- Lamb of God* ..... LBW Page 92
- Let Us Break Bread Together* .....LBW No. 212
- \* POST-COMMUNION BLESSING ..... LBW Page 92
- \* POST-COMMUNION PRAYER..... LBW Page 94

*(Silence for reflection)*

*Kneel/Sit*

**STRIPPING OF THE ALTAR**

*The linens, paraments, ornaments, and candles are removed from the altar and chancel.  
As this is done, Psalm 22 is sung by the Cantor(s).*

\* *Denotes congregation standing as able*

† *Scripture readings are from the English Standard Version (ESV) of the Bible. Order of Worship is found in the green Lutheran Book of Worship (LBW); page numbers refer to pages in the front of the hymnal, bottom of page. Hymns are found in the LBW or the blue With One Voice (WOV) hymnal, annotated at top of page in bold type.*

*There is no benediction. All leave the church **in silence.***

