

**Psalm 116 (Refrain 1)**

Mark Mummert

The image shows two staves of musical notation in G major, 4/4 time. The first staff contains the melody for the first line of the refrain: "I will lift up the cup of sal - va - tion; I will". The second staff contains the melody for the second line: "call on the name of the LORD." The lyrics are written below the notes.

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**April 2, 2026 – Maundy Thursday**

HAND AND FOOT WASHING (Prior to service.)

PSALM 116 (Psalm Response on back page)

\*CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS (p. 258)

\*OPENING HYMN

“Three Holy Days Enfold Us Now”

\*GREETING

\*PRAYER OF THE DAY

FIRST READING: Exodus 12:1-14 (Red Bible p. 51)

SECOND READING: Hebrews 10:16-25 (Red Bible p. 976)

CHILDREN’S SERMON (Artwork by Patrick Boe)

\*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

“Return to the Lord”

\*GOSPEL: John 19:23-30 (Red Bible p. 882)

SERMON (Artwork by Patrick Boe)

Pastor Jeanette

\*HYMN OF THE DAY

ELW 666, “What Wondrous Love Is This”

\*PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

\*PEACE (p. 261)

OFFERING AND CGC MOMENT/CHOIR ANTHEM

Sanctuary Choir, “Tis finish’d!” (arr. Parker/Shaw; G Schirmer, Inc.)

OFFERING SONG

ELW 186, “Create in Me A Clean Heart”

OFFERING PRAYER

\*GREAT THANKSGIVING/DIALOGUE

\*PREFACE/HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

\*THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

\*LORD’S PRAYER

BLESSING FOR FIRST COMMUNION STUDENTS

\*LAMB OF GOD (ELW 190)

\*INVITATION TO COMMUNION

\*COMMUNION

COMMUNION HYMNS

ELW 485, “I Am the Bread of Life”

ELW 336, “Lamb of God: Your Only Son”

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

STRIPPING OF THE ALTAR (p. 261)

DEPART IN SILENCE

## MAUNDY THURSDAY SERVANTS

<b>PIANIST:</b>	Cindy Anderson
<b>CHOIR DIRECTOR:</b>	Eric Parrish
<b>ASSISTING MINISTER/LECTOR:</b>	Lonnie Myrom
<b>SOUND:</b>	Pat Demuth
<b>POWERPOINT:</b>	Pam Fleming
<b>GREETER:</b>	Diana White
<b>LIVESTREAM:</b>	Carrie Adams
<b>ACOLYTE:</b>	Braelynn Schroeder

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Why we sing** *What Wondrous Love Is This?* as we hear the Gospel of John 19:23–30 is because the hymn gives voice to the astonishment at the heart of the crucifixion story. Typically sung on Good Friday, the narrative lectionary brings us the crucifixion one day earlier, and as Christ breathes his final words from the cross the question the hymn asks becomes our own: what kind of love would endure such suffering for the sake of the world? First published in 1811 and rooted in the camp meeting tradition of the early nineteenth century, the text is anonymous and was later carried widely through shape note singing. The tune itself may come from an older folk melody once associated with the ballad of the pirate William Kidd, yet in Christian worship it was transformed into a meditation on Christ’s self-giving love. The hymn’s simple, repeated question does not try to explain the cross but invites us to dwell in its mystery. In the quiet gravity of Maundy Thursday, as we remember Christ’s final hours and the love poured out even unto death, the song teaches us to respond not with certainty but with wonder, joining the wider church in singing, “What wondrous love is this, O my soul.”



### Congratulations to the 1<sup>st</sup> Communion Class

**Adlyn Hein**

Parents: Josh & Ashley Hein

**Emersyn Nixon**

Parents: Clinton & Alison Nixon

**Tinleigh Ober**

Parent: Jasmine Ober

## **CHOIR ANTHEM** – “Tis finish'd!” (arr. Parker/Shaw; G Schirmer, Inc.)

*'Tis finish'd! 'Tis finish'd!  
So the Saviour cried,  
And meekly bowed His head and died:  
'Tis finish'd! Yes, the race is run,  
The battle's fought, the vict'ry's won.  
'Tis finish'd! 'Tis finish'd!  
So the Saviour cried,  
And meekly bowed His head and died.*



The office will be closed on Friday, April 3 & Monday, April 6 for the Easter holiday.

**SAVE THE DATES** – 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration of First Lutheran Church will be on Saturday, June 27 & Sunday, June 28. More information coming soon.

