

ELM GROVE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

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MAUNDY THURSDAY

Thursday, April 2, 2026 - 6:30 p.m.

Divine Service 3

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

Lord Jesus Christ, We Humbly Pray – Johann Gottfried Walther

Hymn of Invocation

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Confession and Absolution

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Introit

Psalm 116:12–19, antiphon 17



P I will offer to you the sacrifice of thanks- | giving*
and call on the name | of the LORD.

**C What shall I render | to the LORD*
for all his bene- | fits to me?**

P I will lift up the cup of sal- | vation*
and call on the name | of the LORD,

**C I will pay my vows | to the LORD*
in the presence of all his | people.**

P Precious in the sight | of the LORD*
is the death | of his saints.

**C O LORD, I am your | servant;*
I am your servant, the son of your maidservant.
You have | loosed my bonds.**

P I will offer to you the sacrifice of thanks- | giving*
and call on the name | of the LORD.

**C I will pay my vows | to the LORD*
in the presence of all his | people,**

P in the courts of the house | of the LORD,*
in your midst, O Jerusalem. | Praise the LORD!



G Glo-ry be to the Fa-ther and to the Son and to the Ho-ly Ghost;



as it was in the be-gin-ning, is now, and ev-er shall be, world with-out end. A-men.

P I will offer to you the sacrifice of thanks- | giving*
and call on the name | of the LORD.

Kyrie – Collect of the Day

(No Hymn of Praise during Lent)

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Old Testament Reading

Job 41:1, 5, 10, 20-34

¹Can you draw out Leviathan with a fishhook
or press down his tongue with a cord?
⁵Will you play with him as with a bird,
or will you put him on a leash for your girls?
¹⁰No one is so fierce that he dares to stir him up.
Who then is he who can stand before me?
²⁰Out of his nostrils comes forth smoke,
as from a boiling pot and burning rushes.
²¹His breath kindles coals,
and a flame comes forth from his mouth.
²²In his neck abides strength,
and terror dances before him.
²³The folds of his flesh stick together,
firmly cast on him and immovable.
²⁴His heart is hard as a stone,
hard as the lower millstone.
²⁵When he raises himself up the mighty are afraid;
at the crashing they are beside themselves.
²⁶Though the sword reaches him, it does not avail,
nor the spear, the dart, or the javelin.
²⁷He counts iron as straw,
and bronze as rotten wood.
²⁸The arrow cannot make him flee;
for him sling stones are turned to stubble.
²⁹Clubs are counted as stubble;
he laughs at the rattle of javelins.
³⁰His underparts are like sharp potsherds;
he spreads himself like a threshing sledge on the mire.
³¹He makes the deep boil like a pot;
he makes the sea like a pot of ointment.
³²Behind him he leaves a shining wake;
one would think the deep to be white-haired.
³³On earth there is not his like,
a creature without fear.
³⁴He sees everything that is high;
he is king over all the sons of pride.”

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Choral Response

In the Garden – Karl J. Nygard, Jr.

Epistle

Revelation 12:1-11

¹And a great sign appeared in heaven: a woman clothed with the sun, with the moon under her feet, and on her head a crown of twelve stars. ²She was pregnant and was crying out in birth pains and the agony of giving birth. ³And another sign appeared in heaven: behold, a great red dragon, with seven heads and ten horns, and on his heads seven diadems. ⁴His tail swept down a third of the stars of heaven and cast them to the earth. And the dragon stood before the woman who was about to give birth, so that when she bore her child he might devour it. ⁵She gave birth to a male child, one who is to rule all the nations with a rod of iron, but her child was caught up to God and to his throne, ⁶and the woman fled into the wilderness, where she has a place prepared by God, in which she is to be nourished for 1,260 days. ⁷Now war arose in heaven, Michael and his angels fighting against the dragon. And the dragon and his angels fought back, ⁸but he was defeated and there was no longer any place for them in heaven. ⁹And the great dragon was thrown down, that ancient serpent, who is called the devil and Satan, the deceiver of the whole world—he was thrown down to the earth, and his angels were thrown down with him. ¹⁰And I heard a loud voice in heaven, saying, "Now the salvation and the power and the kingdom of our God and the authority of his Christ have come, for the accuser of our brothers has been thrown down, who accuses them day and night before our God. ¹¹And they have conquered him by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony, for they loved not their lives even unto death.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

(During Lent, the Alleluia is omitted)

Holy Gospel

Matthew 26:26–46

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the twenty-sixth chapter.

C Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

²⁶Now as they were eating, Jesus took bread, and after blessing it broke it and gave it to the disciples, and said, "Take, eat; this is my body." ²⁷And he took a cup, and when he had given thanks he gave it to them, saying, "Drink of it, all of you, ²⁸for this is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins. ²⁹I tell you I will not drink again of this fruit of the vine until that day when I drink it new with you in my Father's kingdom." ³⁰And when they had sung a hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives. ³¹Then Jesus said to them, "You will all fall away because of me this night. For it is written, 'I will strike the shepherd, and the sheep of the flock will be scattered.' ³²But after I am raised up, I will go before you to Galilee." ³³Peter answered him, "Though they all fall away because of you, I will never fall away." ³⁴Jesus said to him, "Truly, I tell you, this very night, before the rooster crows, you will deny me three times." ³⁵Peter said to him, "Even if I must die with you, I will not deny you!" And all the disciples said the same.

³⁶Then Jesus went with them to a place called Gethsemane, and he said to his disciples, "Sit here, while I go over there and pray." ³⁷And taking with him Peter and the two sons of Zebedee, he began to be sorrowful and troubled. ³⁸Then he said to them, "My soul is very sorrowful, even to death; remain here, and watch with me." ³⁹And going a little farther he fell on his face and prayed, saying, "My Father, if it be possible, let this cup pass from me; nevertheless, not as I will, but as you will." ⁴⁰And he came to the disciples and found them sleeping. And he said to Peter, "So, could you not watch with me one hour? ⁴¹Watch and pray that you may not enter into temptation. The spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak." ⁴²Again, for the second time, he went away and prayed, "My Father, if this cannot pass unless I drink it, your will be done." ⁴³And again he came and found them sleeping, for their eyes were heavy. ⁴⁴So, leaving them again, he went away and prayed for the third time, saying the same words again. ⁴⁵Then he came to the disciples and said to them, "Sleep and take your rest later on. See, the hour is at hand, and the Son of Man is betrayed into the hands of sinners. ⁴⁶Rise, let us be going; see, my betrayer is at hand."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.
C **Praise be to Thee, O Christ.**

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Prayer of the Church	
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A Let us pray.

O God the Father, the fountain and source of all goodness, who in loving-kindness sent Your only-begotten Son into the flesh, we thank You that for His sake You have given us pardon and peace in this Sacrament, and we ask You not to forsake Your children but always to rule our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that we may be enabled constantly to serve You; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

The Stripping of the Altar

The rite of stripping the altar is the church's preparation for Good Friday and the deep mystery of the death of God for the sins of the world. During the stripping Psalm 22 is read from the balcony. The sacred vessels and cloth paraments are removed from the altar, together with other chancel furnishings, as a reminder of our Savior's stripping, suffering, and death for the sins of the world. "For the joy that was set before Him He endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God" (Hebrews 12:2).

When the pastors leave the chancel, worshippers may leave in silence.

ALTAR PARAMENTS: White paraments today are the color of the Godhead and point us ahead to festive Easter white after the penitential purple of Lent.

Participants

Presiding Minister
Assisting Minister
Organist
Choir
Piano
Reader
Elder
Chancel Assistant
Usher Team on duty
Altar Guild

Pastor Teggatz
Pastor Skovgaard
Richard C. Ewert
Exultate Singers
Gene Traas
Samuel Ewert
Bruce Bessert
Steve Hipenbecker
Tom Brojanac, Ben Ewert, Emily Ewert, Peter Holzwart,
Ken Schuppner, Duane Wunsch
Sherri Bond, Meg Greik

SERVING THIS WEEK

GOOD FRIDAY, APRIL 3 (12:00 P.M.)

ELDER: Eric Thompson

CHANCEL ASSISTANT: Dan Berry

USHER TEAM 5: Sharon Boudro, Kirk Midtbo, Emily Krueger, Jason Krueger, Diane Olson, Jim Olson, Sam Thompson

GOOD FRIDAY, APRIL 3 (6:30 P.M.)

ELDER: John Wolck

CHANCEL ASSISTANT: Mattia Goldenstein

USHER TEAM 1: Anthony Bagwell, Pam Ganswindt, Andrea Kysely, Steve Nelson, Shelly Skovgaard, Cathy Tuttrup, Matt Zientek, Mikayla Zientek

EASTER SUNDAY, APRIL 5 (7:00 A.M.)

ELDER: Jason Krueger

CHANCEL ASSISTANT: Doug Grek

USHER TEAM 2: Chase Hipke, Connor Hipke, Rob Hipke, Thomas Hipke, Tyler Hipke, Carter Klein, Ian Klein, Michael Klein, Ann Wilcox, Christine Wilcox

EASTER SUNDAY, APRIL 5 (10:00 A.M.)

ELDER: Rick Wegner

CHANCEL ASSISTANT: Kirk Midtbo

USHER TEAM 3: Dan Berry, Caleb Nelson, Laura Traas, Aislyn Wegner, Jake Wegner, Randy Wegner, Rick Wegner, Ryan Wegner

