

ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH

April 17, 2025

Noon Service

*"A Mosaic Community  
Sharing the Grace of Christ with All"*



## Maundy Thursday Worship

PRELUDE

Red Hymnal #348

### Stay with Me

Stay with me, re - main here with me, watch and  
pray. Watch and pray.

#### CALL TO WORSHIP

We gather in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

**Amen**

Gracious Lord, you know our transgressions and our sin is ever before us.

**By His stripes, we are healed.**

Against you have we sinned and done what is evil in your sight.

All we are like sheep who have gone astray; have mercy on us.

**By His payment, we are freed.**

We have become unclean and lives are like rags; torn and tattered without your mercy.

**By his grace, we are forgiven.**

You know the secrets of our hearts and all our hidden thoughts.

**In Christ we have redemption through his blood; the forgiveness of our sins are found in his wounded side this night. Amen.**

## Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying



Lord, lis-ten to your chil-dren pray-ing, Lord, send your Spir-it in this place;



Lord, lis-ten to your chil-dren pray-ing, send us love, send us pow'r, send us grace.

### PRAYER OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you

**And also with you.**

Holy God, 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.**

LESSON Exodus 12:1-14

## Veni Sancte Spiritus *Holy Spirit, Come to Us*

*Ostinato (repeated continuously)*

Ve - ni San - cte Spi - ri - tus.      Ve - ni San - cte Spi - ri - tus.  
Ho - ly Spir - it, come to us.      Ho - ly Spir - it, come to us.

LESSON Psalm 116: 1-2; 12-19

# Dona nobis pacem

1 *Canon*



Do - na no - bis pa - cem, pa - cem. Do - na no - bis pa - cem.

2



Do - na no - bis pa - cem. Do - na no - bis pa - cem.

3




Do - na no - bis pa - cem. Do - na no - bis pa - cem.

LESSON 1 Corinthians 11:23-26

“Spirit of the Living God”


(from TFF #101)

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Spirit of the liv - ing God fall a - fresh on me

5




Spirit of the liv - ing God fall a - fresh on me

9



Melt me Mold me Fill me Use me

13



Spirit of the liv - ing God fall a - fresh on me

GOSPEL John 13:1-17, 31b-35

SERMON Pastor Michael Thomas

## Ubi caritas et amor

### *Where True Charity and Love Abide*

U - bi ca - ri - tas et a - mor,  
*Where true char - i - ty and love a - bide,*

u - bi ca - ri - tas, De - us i - bi est.  
*God is dwell - ing there; God is dwell - ing there.*

The musical score consists of two systems of staves. Each system has a treble clef staff on top and a bass clef staff on the bottom. The first system covers the first two lines of lyrics. The second system covers the last two lines of lyrics. The music is in a 4/4 time signature with a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The melody is primarily in the treble clef, with the bass clef providing harmonic support. There are some triplets in the second system.

### PRAYERS AROUND THE CROSS

Feel free to light a candle during this time  
 Please share any prayer requests written or out loud.

## O Lord, Hear My Prayer

O Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer: when I call, an - swer me.  
*OR The Lord is my song, the Lord is my praise: all my hope comes from God.*

O Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer: come and lis - ten to me.  
*The Lord is my song, the Lord is my praise: God, the well-spring of life.*

The musical score is written on a single treble clef staff. It is in a 4/4 time signature with a key signature of one sharp (F#). The melody is simple and repetitive, consisting of a series of chords and single notes. The lyrics are placed below the staff, with the first line of lyrics corresponding to the first line of music and the second line of lyrics corresponding to the second line of music.

## COMMUNION LITURGY

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

In the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread, and gave thanks; broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me. Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup,  
we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

**Christ has died. Christ has risen. Christ will come again!**

## LORD'S PRAYER

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.

## Lamb of God

Red Hymnal #195

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on  
us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the  
world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the  
sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

BLESSING AND PRAYER

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in His grace.

**Amen.**

Let us pray: Living God, you have greeted us in brokenness and nourished us with the body of Christ, broken for us. Risen to new life with you, send us now to bear your healing love into the wounded world, in the name of our risen Savior and Lord.

**Amen.**

BENEDICTION

Red Hymnal #814

## Take, Oh, Take Me As I Am

Take, oh, take me as I am; sum-mon out what I shall be;

The first system of musical notation consists of two staves. The upper staff is in treble clef and the lower staff is in bass clef. Both staves are in the key of B-flat major (two flats) and 4/4 time. The melody is primarily in the upper staff, with accompaniment in the lower staff. The lyrics are placed below the notes.

set your seal up - on my heart and live in me.

The second system of musical notation continues the melody and accompaniment from the first system. It also consists of two staves (treble and bass clef) in the same key and time signature. The lyrics are placed below the notes.

STRIPPING OF THE ALTAR

PSALM 22

## **Maundy Thursday**

Maundy comes from the same word as mandate, or law. The new mandate of loving as Jesus loved is ushered in on Maundy Thursday. With nightfall our Lenten observance comes to an end, and we gather with Christians around the world to celebrate the Three Days of Jesus' death and resurrection. At the heart of the Maundy Thursday liturgy is Jesus' commandment to love one another. As Jesus washed the feet of his disciples, we are called to follow his example as we humbly care for one another, especially the poor and the unloved. At the Lord's table we remember Jesus' sacrifice of his life, even as we are called to offer ourselves in love for the life of the world. All are welcome!

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## **GOOD FRIDAY WORSHIP**

Noon—Swedish Service

7:00pm—Tenebrae Service

Easter Sunday Worship

9:15am Worship Space

# EASTER SUNDAY WORSHIP

## Join us this Sunday April 20, 2025 for Easter Sunday Worship at 9:15am

### PROGRAMS AND MINISTRIES

April 19	1:00pm	Easter Egg Hunt with Patriots Gateway Center
April 22	Noon	Katie's Cup Conversation led by Pastor Denver Bitner "You Don't have to be Wrong for Me to Be Right"
April 22	6:00pm	Church Council Meeting
April 23	4:00pm	WOW Program until 6pm at Zion
April 26	1:00pm	Ruthie's Kitchen: Byron United Church of Christ
April 27	10:30am	Forum: Wabongo Leadership Council Joshua Patterson
April 28	1:00pm	Bag Fluffing
May 3	9:00am	Cars & Coffee Rockford: Parking Lot across from Katie's Cup Multicultural Committee Grilling Fundraiser
	1:00pm	Ruthie's Kitchen
May 8	9:00am	Rachel's Circle - Fellowship Hall
	9:00am	<i>Embracing Differences for A Change: 2025 Summit on Racism</i> Rockford Sports Factory event (tickets available)
May 10	1:00pm	Ruthie's Kitchen by United Church of Byron
May 13	11:00am	Memorial Committee
	5:00pm	Katie's Cup Open Mic Night
May 14	11:00am	Mission's Team—Multipurpose Room
May 15	11:30am	WOZ Salad Luncheon—Fellowship Hall
May 17	8:30am	Church Council Retreat
	1:00pm	Ruthie's Kitchen by Youth Service Day
May 18	10:30am	Forum: Alzheimer Speaking on Nutrition
May 29	5:00pm	Ruthie's Garden Party; Patriots event dedicating Gardens
May 31	8:00am	Baha'i Temple Trip
June 1	10:30am	Forum led by Pastor Thomas - Christian Nationalism—Part 2
June 8	10:30am	Forum led by Pastor Thomas - R.I.C. Synod Resolution
June 14	9:00am	Cars & Coffee Rockford: Parking Lot across from Katie's Cup
June 15	9:15am	Juneteenth Worship at Zion

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