



*Fueled by Christ's redeeming love,
St. John's is called into a joyful life of
welcoming hospitality, grace-filled
worship, transformational relationships,
and Gospel-driven service in the world.
St. John's is an RIC congregation.*

A vibrant community living faith boldly through Welcoming, Worshiping, Healing, and Serving

SERVICE OF WORD AND SACRAMENT

Maundy Thursday

March 28, 2024

This evening 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. Tonight we remember Christ's last meal with his disciples, but the central focus is his commandment that we live out the promise embodied in this meal. Formed into a new body in Christ through this holy meal, we are transformed by the mercy we have received and carry it into the world. Departing worship in solemn silence, we anticipate the coming days.

PRELUDE

WELCOME

PSALM 116:12-29

Minister: What shall I return to the LORD
for all his goodness

I will lift up the cup of salvation
and call on the name of the LORD.

**People: I will fulfill my vows to the LORD
in the presence of all his people.
Precious in the sight of the LORD
is the death of his faithful servants.**

Minister: Truly I am your servant, LORD;
I serve you just as my mother did;
you have freed me from my chains.
I will sacrifice a thank offering to you
and call on the name of the LORD.

**People: I will fulfill my vows to the LORD
in the presence of all his people,
in the courts of the house of the LORD—
in your midst, Jerusalem.**

ALL: Praise the LORD.

CONFESSION OF SIN

In the name of the Father, and of the ✝ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Let us pray:

Most holy and merciful God, we confess to you and to one another, and before the whole company of heaven, that we have sinned by our fault, by our own fault, by our own most grievous fault, 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, and mind, and strength. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.

Accomplish in us, O God, the work of your salvation,

that we may show forth your glory in the world.

By the cross and passion of your Son, our Savior,

bring us with all your saints to the joy of his resurrection.

Have mercy on us, forgive us all our sins

through our Lord Jesus Christ,

strengthen us in all goodness,

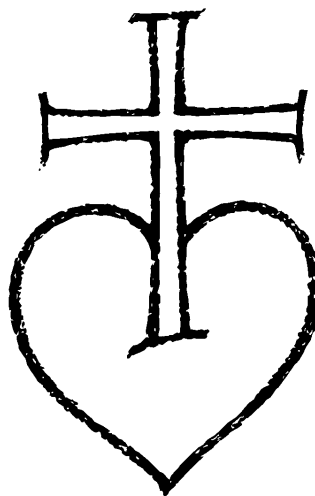
and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep us in eternal life.

Amen.

PRONOUNCEMENT OF FORGIVENESS

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.

Amen.



GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

Holy Jesus, the bread and wine of your last supper have become your body and blood, given for us. Transform us with your holy presence. Cleanse us, forgive us, and renew us in your word. Amen.

LENTEN ACCLAMATION

ELW p. 142

Please rise as you are able during the singing of the Acclamation for the reading of the Gospel.

Re - turn to the Lord, your God, for he is gra - cious and
mer - ci - ful, slow to an - ger, and a - bound - ing in
stead - fast love, and a - bound - ing in stead - fast love.

GOSPEL READING

Mark 14:22-42

The holy gospel according to St. Mark, the fourteenth chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

²²While they were eating, he took a loaf of bread, and after blessing it he broke it, gave it to them, and said, "Take; this is my body." ²³Then he took a cup, and after giving thanks he gave it to them, and all of them drank from it. ²⁴He said to them, "This is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many. ²⁵Truly I tell you, I will never again drink of the fruit of the vine until that day when I drink it new in the kingdom of God."

²⁶When they had sung the hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives. ²⁷And Jesus said to them, "You will all become deserters; for it is written,

'I will strike the shepherd, and the sheep will be scattered.'

²⁸But after I am raised up, I will go before you to Galilee." ²⁹Peter said to him, "Even though all become deserters, I will not." ³⁰Jesus said to him, "Truly I tell you, this day, this very night, before the cock crows twice, you will deny me three times." ³¹But he said vehemently, "Even though I must die with you, I will not deny you." And all of them said the same. *(continued)*

³²They went to a place called Gethsemane; and he said to his disciples, "Sit here while I pray."
³³He took with him Peter and James and John, and began to be distressed and agitated. ³⁴And he said to them, "I am deeply grieved, even to death; remain here, and keep awake." ³⁵And going a little farther, he threw himself on the ground and prayed that, if it were possible, the hour might pass from him. ³⁶He said, "Abba, Father, for you all things are possible; remove this cup from me; yet, not what I want, but what you want."
³⁷He came and found them sleeping; and he said to Peter, "Simon, are you asleep? Could you not keep awake one hour? ³⁸Keep awake and pray that you may not come into the time of trial; the spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak." ³⁹And again he went away and prayed, saying the same words. ⁴⁰And once more he came and found them sleeping, for their eyes were very heavy; and they did not know what to say to him. ⁴¹He came a third time and said to them, "Are you still sleeping and taking your rest? Enough! The hour has come; the Son of Man is betrayed into the hands of sinners. ⁴²Get up, let us be going. See, my betrayer is at hand."

The gospel of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

MEDITATION

Pastor Mark Tiede

Silence for reflection

HYMN

Stay with Me
 (repeat 3x)

ELW 348

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

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 Music: STAY WITH ME, Jacques Berthier, 1923-1994
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PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Trusting in Jesus who gave his life for the world, let us pray for the church, the world, and all in need.

A brief silence.

God who kneels to wash our feet, gather your church around the world during this holy week. Humble the powerful and lift up all who are marginalized. Renew our faith and make us bold in service and love to our neighbors. Merciful God,

receive our prayer.

God who blesses the grain of the soil and the fruit of the vine, inspire within us a reverent care for the earth. Sustain fields, gardens, and wild places, that all people are fed and every living thing flourishes. Merciful God,

receive our prayer.

God whose greatest commandment is love, guide all who govern by the principle of your love. Transform unjust human systems that oppress some for the gain of others. Restore communities as places of justice and concern for those who are vulnerable. Merciful God,

receive our prayer.

God who was betrayed and abandoned, comfort people everywhere who have suffered abuse at the hands of someone they knew and trusted. Heal the bodies, minds, and hearts of victims of exploitation. Help all in pain to know that you are near, especially Kathy Cashin, Brian Conrad, Bruce Walker, Lana Tiede, Debbie Tuvey, George Tuvey, Nels Tuvey, Debra Jacobs, Sandy Rader, Kris Schepers, Karen O., Jeannie C, Michelle Dehn, Marlys Goebel, Nancy Johnson, Darrell Christoferson, and others we name in our hearts *An intentional moment of silence*

Merciful God,

receive our prayer.

God who sits at the table with us, grant the joy of your presence to people celebrating their first communion tonight: Elsa, Grace, Dylan, and Nora, and to all who share this heavenly meal. Strengthen communities of faith with your grace and courage. Merciful God,

receive our prayer.

God who brings new life out of death, we pray with thanks for the lives of those who have joined the communion of saints. In our holy meal, connect us to the faithful who have gone before us, and nourish us as your people living today. Merciful God,

receive our prayer.

Receive these prayers, loving God, for the sake of the One who loved us to the end, Jesus Christ, our redeemer.

Amen.

MOMENT OF SILENCE

A moment of silence will begin and end with the tolling of a bell.

Sharing of the Peace is omitted on this night—reminiscent of the scattering of the disciples.

OFFERING

Musical Offering

Peace I Leave With You

Walter Pelz

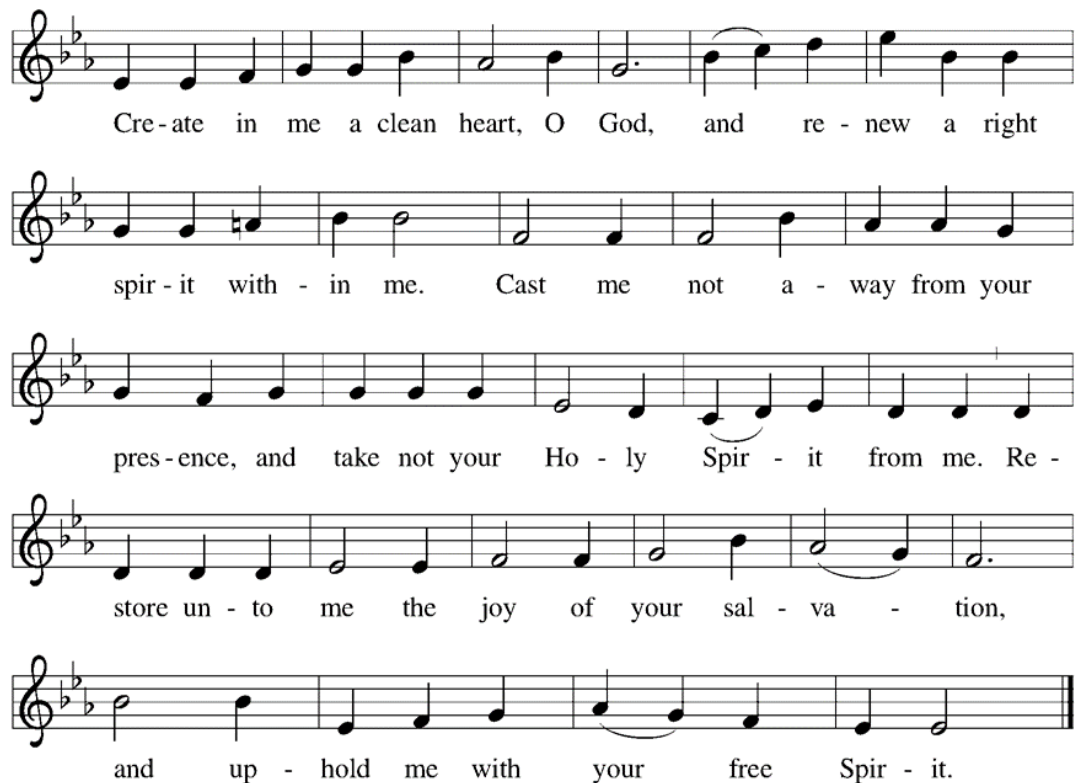
St. John's Choir

A word about 'The Offering' *The offering is an important part of Christian worship. In all other parts of the liturgy we receive from God forgiveness, love, peace and hope. In the offering we actively participate in God's grace by giving an offering. The Offering Cards available in the pew racks are intended to represent both your non-financial generosity and the financial contributions you may have made electronically during the week. Your offerings, offering cards, and pledge cards may be placed in the offering plates set near the sanctuary entrances.*

OFFERTORY

Create in Me a Clean Heart

ELW 188



Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re - new a right
spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a - way from your
pres - ence, and take not your Ho - ly Spir - it from me. Re -
store un - to me the joy of your sal - va - tion,
and up - hold me with your free Spir - it.

Music: J. A. Freylinghausen, 1670-1739

OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray.

Bless these gifts that we have gathered that all people may know your goodness. Feed us not only with your holy food but with hunger for justice and peace. We pray this in your name. Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

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 our thanks and praise.

It is right, Loving God,
that we lift up to you all thanks and praise
for the self-giving love that you lavish upon us.
Tonight we remember, with reverence,
the unshakeable love your Son had for his followers;
how he lovingly washed their feet,
demonstrating the kind of love that we are called to show one another.
Love is your supreme act of creation,
a force that is unstoppable even in the face of betrayal and death.
Together, we declare your praise saying:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

This night, on which he was betrayed,
Jesus gathered his friends for a meal.
He took bread, gave thanks, broke it,
gave it to them and said,
take and eat, this is my body, broken for you;
do this in remembrance of me.

Again, after supper he took the cup;
gave thanks and gave it to all to drink
saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood
given and shed for you for the forgiveness of your sins;
do this in remembrance of me.

Together we proclaim the mystery of faith:
Christ has died, Christ has risen, Christ will come again.

Let us pray.

Gracious God, you call us to love one another, just as you have loved us. May this meal be a source of inspiration and courage that we might follow your example and lavish love upon one another, not just in the moments when it is easy, but especially during the times when it is hard. Send your Spirit to abide with us, that we might be transformed by your presence, and be nourished for the journey ahead.

All are welcome at the Lord's Table.

We rejoice with Elsa, Dylan, Grace and Nora, who are receiving their first communion this evening.

Communion will be served from the kneelers at the front of the sanctuary. Ushers will direct you forward for distribution. You will receive the host to eat and then wine (red) or juice (white) from an individual communion cup. Gluten-free wafers are available. Please indicate your need to the server.

Anyone choosing to not commune is welcome to come forward and receive a blessing. If you would like communion brought to you in the pew, please let an Usher know.

Let us together pray the prayer our Lord is teaching us:

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

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

Though we are many, we are one body, because we all share in one bread.

The gifts of God for the people of God. All are welcome. The ushers will guide you.

COMMUNION SONG

Lamb of God, Pure and Sinless

ELW 111



Lamb of God, pure and sin - less, once on the cross an of - f'ring,



pa - tient, meek, though guilt - less, for - sak - en in your suf - f'ring!



You died our guilt to ban - ish that none in sin need per - ish!



1 Grant us your mer - cy, O Je - sus!
2 Grant us your mer - cy, O Je - sus!
3 Your peace be with us, O Je - sus! A - men

Text: Nikolaus Decius, c. 1485–c.1550; tr. Joel W. Lundeen, 1918–1990
Music: O LAMM GOTTES, UNSCHULDIG, Nikolaus Decius, c. 1485–c.1550

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- 1 Seed that in earth is dying
grows into ears of grain.
Grapes that are crushed in the vessel
turn into golden wine.
God, through this mystery grant us
faith in our deepest darkness,
life in our night and death.
- 2 We were baptized in Jesus,
into his death and grave,
to resurrection's promise:
praise and eternal life.
Heaven's own praises begin here
where you yourself are near us,
deep in our night and death.
- 3 Seed that in earth is dying
rises to bear much fruit.
Christ, as we meet at your table,
give us the bread of life.
Lord, we do thank and adore you!
Unceasing praise of the ages
rises from night and death.

Text: Svein Ellingsen, b. 1929; tr. Hedwig T. Durnbaugh, b. 1929
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POST COMMUNION BLESSING

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ nourish you, strengthen you and keep you in God's grace. **Amen.**

Let us pray.

Lord Jesus, stay with us, for evening is at hand and the day is past; be our companion in the way, kindle our hearts, and awaken hope, that we may know you as you are revealed in Scripture and the breaking of bread. Grant this for the sake of your love. Amen.

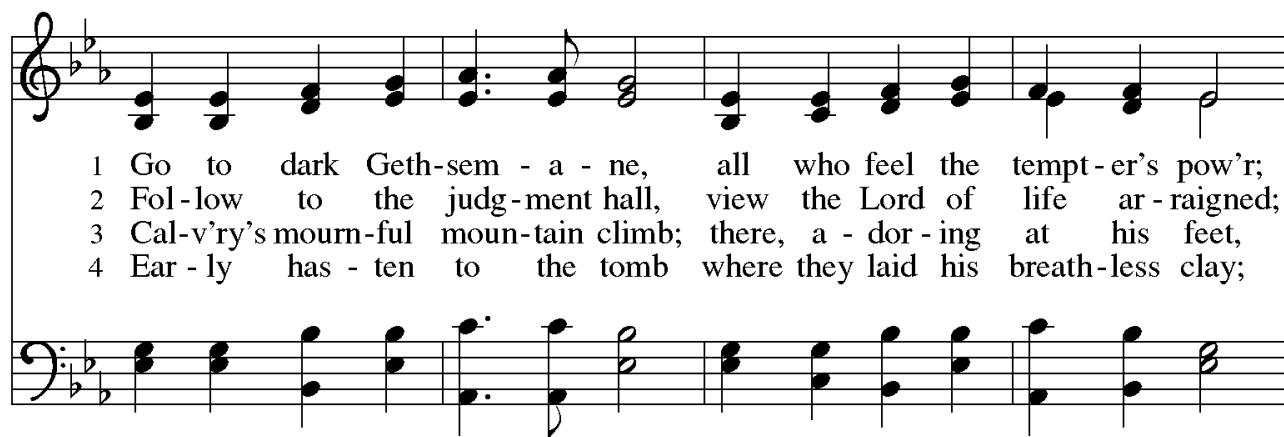
DISMISSAL

Let us depart in peace.

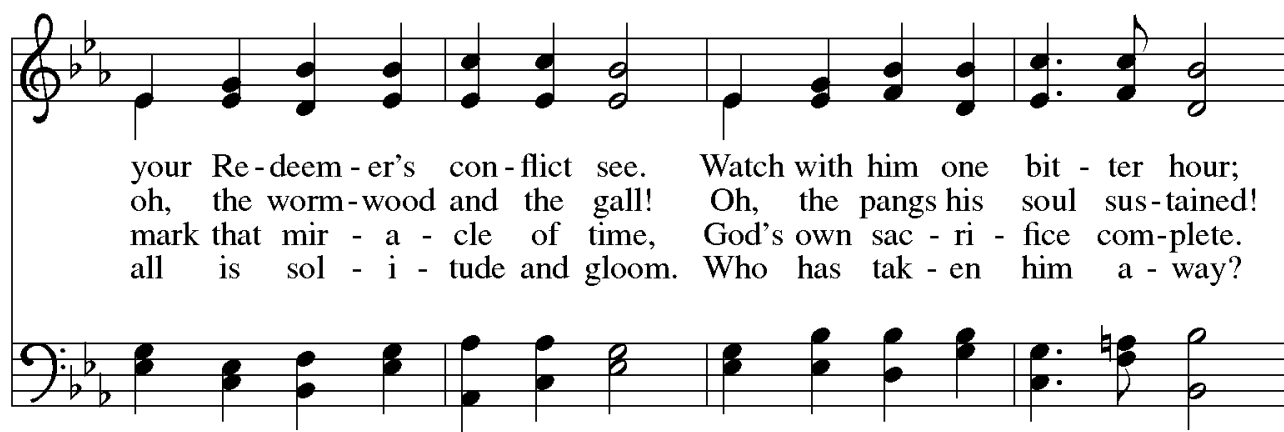
Amen

All depart in silence.

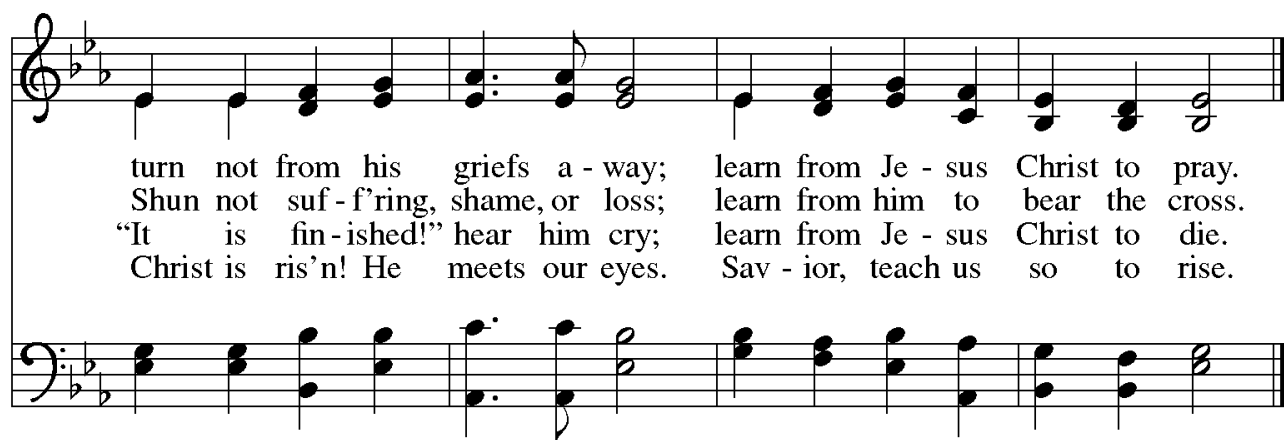
Go to Dark Gethsemane



1 Go to dark Geth-sem - a - ne, all who feel the tempt - er's pow'r;
2 Fol - low to the judg - ment hall, view the Lord of life ar - raigned;
3 Cal - v'ry's mourn - ful moun - tain climb; there, a - dor - ing at his feet,
4 Ear - ly has - ten to the tomb where they laid his breath - less clay;



your Re - deem - er's con - flict see. Watch with him one bit - ter hour;
oh, the worm - wood and the gall! Oh, the pangs his soul sus - tained!
mark that mir - a - cle of time, God's own sac - ri - fice com - plete.
all is sol - i - tude and gloom. Who has tak - en him a - way?



turn not from his griefs a - way; learn from Je - sus Christ to pray.
Shun not suf - f'ring, shame, or loss; learn from him to bear the cross.
"It is fin - ished!" hear him cry; learn from Je - sus Christ to die.
Christ is ris'n! He meets our eyes. Sav - ior, teach us so to rise.

Text: James Montgomery, 1771–1854

Music: GETHSEMANE, Richard Redhead, 1820–1901

WORSHIP NOTES

- **Sunday morning worship is at 10 a.m. in person and online**
 - ◊ Live on YouTube (link posted on St. John's Facebook page and website)
- Holy Communion is celebrated each Sunday.
- Grace Place Nursery will be open 9:30 a.m.—12:30 p.m. on Sundays.
- Activities for children are available at the back of the sanctuary in Grace Space.
- Fellowship time will be offered following worship each Sunday.

The Offering is an important part of Christian worship. In addition to placing your offering in the plate, you may also contribute offerings to the ministries of St. John's by:

- **TEXT** the word 'Give' to 612-800-0444 and follow the prompts,
- **GIVE** through our website or your Breeze member app, or
- **MAIL** your check to: St. John's Lutheran Church
4842 Nicollet Ave,
Minneapolis, MN 55419

- **USE this QR code:**
Point phone camera at code
and tap the yellow bar



Videos on our YouTube channel include:

- Worship services
- 'God's Work · Our Hands' recap



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Readings for March 29 - Good Friday

Mark 15:16-39 (Psalm 22:1-2, 14-21)

Readings for March 31 - Easter Sunday

Mark 16:1-8 (Psalm 118:21-27)

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Our Life Together

GOOD FRIDAY

Worship at St John's, 7 p.m. *Service of Tenebrae*

EASTER SUNDAY

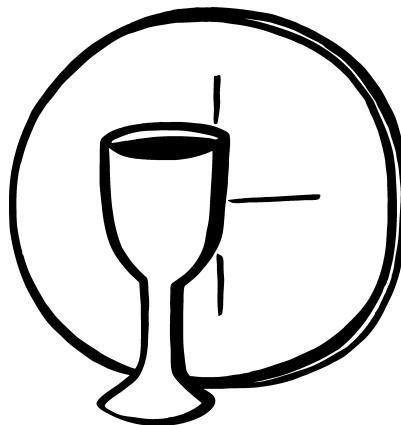
Easter Breakfast, 8—9:30 a.m. (Fellowship Hall)

Pancakes, fruit, sausages, coffee, juice and milk served. Free will donations will support the ministry of St John's Chi Rho Center.

Easter Egg Hunt, 9:15 a.m. (children gather in office lobby)

Festival Worship, 10 a.m. in person & online;

nursery available for age 3 and younger, 9:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.



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A Reconciling in Christ (RIC) congregation of the
Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA).

Our Mission:

Fueled by Christ's redeeming love, St. John's is called into a joyful life of welcoming hospitality, grace-filled worship, transformational relationships, and Gospel-driven service in the world.

Our Core Values:

Welcoming

Celebrating and caring for all people. Our doors are open.
You belong. Come as you are.

Worshiping

Gathering together to joyfully thank God in prayer and praise for Jesus, who calls us, centers us, and sends us into the world.

Healing

Reflecting God's unconditional grace and love by walking together through the joys and pains of life.

Serving

Gratefully responding to the needs of the world with the abilities God has gifted us.

Our Vision for the Future:

A vibrant community living faith boldly