

Maundy Thursday
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**WEEKLY WORSHIP
BULLETIN FOR
ST. JOHN'S
LUTHERAN CHURCH
OF THE ERIE LUTHERAN PARISH**

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We welcome you to our congregation this weekend! We are glad to have you with us. We celebrate Holy Communion at every service. We believe that Christ is present in this meal of forgiveness and unconditional love. We welcome all to join us at the Lord's Table. If you choose not to commune, we welcome you to come forward for a blessing.

If you are new to us, everything you need for worship is projected on the screen and in this bulletin. Please feel free to use the red hymnal found in your pew, if you are more comfortable. The pages and hymn numbers are to the left of this bulletin.

Please join us for coffee after worship in the lobby.

Should you need a restroom, they are through the glass doors in the back of the nave (sanctuary) and down the hallway on your left. A family/handicap accessible restroom with baby changing station is available in the front lobby (Peach Street entrance).

TODAY'S THEME

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. As Jesus washed his disciples' feet, so we are called to give and receive love in humble service to one another. 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.

Today's Bible Readings

Isaiah 25:6-8	Pew Bible p. 568
1 Corinthians 11:23-26	Pew Bible p. 933
Psalm 116:1-2, 12-19	Pew Bible p. 491
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Today's Message

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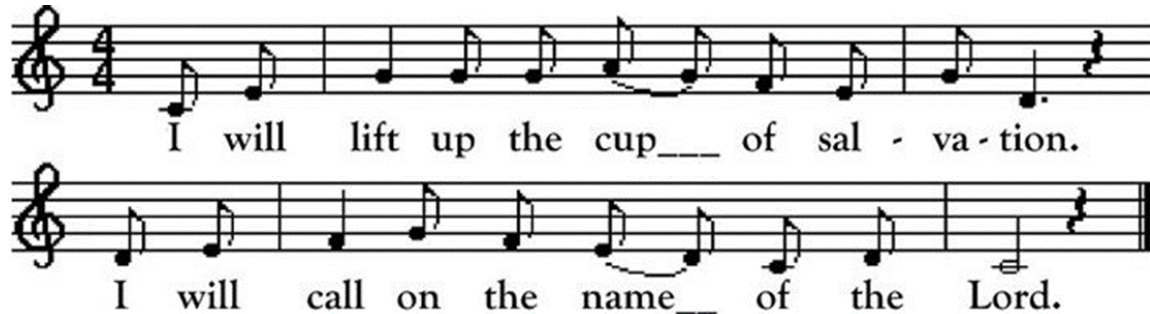
by Rev. Ralph Mineo

PRAYER OF THE DAY:

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.

PSALM REFRAIN:



OUR PRAYER LISTS:

Members: Barb Huff, Tom Tell, Nancy Varner, Janel Anderson, Carol Snippert, Cathy Goellner, Carolyn Sturtevant

Cancer treatments:

Friends of the congregation: Michelle, Baby Easton, Matt, Mary Bemis, Derf Hopsecger, Jonathan B., Joe Mineo, Heidi Sturtevant, Jill Eichner, Walter Ang, Charles Schlaufman, Rev. Bill Cox

Cancer Friends: Canda, Chris, Denny Hetrick

Pray for those who grieve: Pray for the family of Willow West, two-months old, who died February 25th of SIDS. Pray for Skyler and Jacob, and Rose West, and grandparents Matt Sanders and Brenda Wurst.

Prayer Requests/Names will be removed on the 1st of each month unless otherwise requested. If you would like a name on the prayer list, please use the "Prayer Request" link on our church website, email or phone the church office.

HOLY WEEK WORSHIP SCHEDULE:

Good Friday Worship

Friday, April 18th, Noon & 7:00 pm

Easter Worship

Saturday, April 19th, 5:00 pm Sunday, April 20th, 10:00 am

Easter Sunday Morning Festival Worship:

Instrumentalists from the Gem City Band and St. John's Chancel & Youth Choirs.

Thank you: We would like to thank the Chancel Choir for their gift of music this evening.