



**Our Savior's Lutheran Church- ELCA  
Melo Lutheran Church- ELCA**

*Mission Statement of Our Savior's Lutheran Church*

*Our Savior's Lutheran Church is a community of believers in Jesus Christ who are willing to take risks to serve and worship God. We exist to inspire each other in reaching out to others in God's love through worship, youth ministry, ecumenical cooperation and stewardship of all our resources.*

***Our Savior's/ Melo Lutheran Churches***  
***Warren and Rural Angus, Minnesota***  
***Pastor David Peterson***

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*Maundy Thursday*

*8 & 9 April 2008*

*Every Sunday in worship the church celebrates the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ. The Holy Spirit gathers us to receive again the gifts of God that come to us through Christ, the saving Word. On several key days at the center of the church year, however, worship takes a particular shape. These central days have come to be known as the Three Days, recalling Jesus' own words to his disciples that he would be handed over to death, and that "after three days he will rise again" (Mark 10:34). The Three Days encompass the time from Maundy Thursday evening through the evening of Easter Day. In particular, the services of Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, and the Vigil of Easter unfold in a single movement, as the church each year makes the passage with Christ through death into life.*

**ORDER OF SERVICE**

**PRELUDE**

**DeeDee Carlson (Melo)**  
**Joan Peterson (OSL)**

**GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**HYMN**

**“Healer of Our Every Ill”**

**ELW # 612**

*Please stand if you are able*

**CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

**ELW p 258**

**GREETING**

**ELW p 259**

**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

**C: 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.**

*Sit*

**HYMN**

**“Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross”**

**ELW # 335**

**WORD**

**FIRST READING**

**Exodus 12:1-14**

The LORD said to Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt: <sup>2</sup>This month shall mark for you the beginning of months; it shall be the first month of the year for you. <sup>3</sup>Tell the whole congregation of Israel that on the tenth of this month they are to take a lamb for each family, a lamb for each household. <sup>4</sup>If a household is too small for a whole lamb, it shall join its closest neighbor in obtaining one; the lamb shall be divided in proportion to the number of people who eat of it. [<sup>5</sup>Your lamb shall be without blemish, a year-old male; you may take it from the sheep or from the goats. <sup>6</sup>You shall keep it until the fourteenth day of this month; then the whole assembled congregation of Israel shall slaughter it at twilight. <sup>7</sup>They shall take some of the blood and put it on the two doorposts and the lintel of the houses in which they eat it. <sup>8</sup>They shall eat the lamb that same night; they shall eat it roasted over the fire with unleavened bread and bitter herbs. <sup>9</sup>Do not eat any of it raw or boiled in water, but roasted over the fire, with its head, legs, and inner organs. <sup>10</sup>You shall let none of it remain until the morning; anything that remains until the morning you shall burn.]

<sup>11</sup>This is how you shall eat it: your loins girded, your sandals on your feet, and your staff in your hand; and you shall eat it hurriedly. It is the passover of the LORD. <sup>12</sup>For I will pass through the land of Egypt that night, and I will strike down every firstborn in the land of Egypt, both human beings and animals; on all the gods of Egypt I will execute judgments: I am the LORD.

<sup>13</sup>The blood shall be a sign for you on the houses where you live: when I see the blood, I will pass over you, and no plague shall destroy you when I strike the land of Egypt. <sup>14</sup>This day shall be a day of remembrance for you. You shall celebrate it as a festival to the LORD; throughout your generations you shall observe it as a perpetual ordinance.

**L: The Word of the Lord**

**C: Thanks be to God**

**PSALM**

**Psalm 116:1-2, 12-19**

I love the LORD, who has heard my voice, and listened to my supplication,

<sup>2</sup>**for the LORD has given ear to me whenever I called.**

<sup>12</sup>How shall I repay the LORD for all the good things God has done for me?

<sup>13</sup>**I will lift the cup of salvation and call on the name of the LORD.**

<sup>14</sup>I will fulfill my vows to the LORD in the presence of all God's people.

<sup>15</sup>**Precious in your sight, O LORD, is the death of your servants.**

<sup>16</sup>O LORD, truly I am your servant; I am your servant, the child of your handmaid; you have freed me from my bonds.

<sup>17</sup>**I will offer you the sacrifice of thanksgiving and call upon the name of the LORD.**

<sup>18</sup>I will fulfill my vows to the LORD in the presence of all God's people,

<sup>19</sup>**in the courts of the LORD's house, in the midst of you, O Jerusalem.**

## SECOND READING

## 1 Corinthians 11:23-26

For I received from the Lord what I also handed on to you, that the Lord Jesus on the night when he was betrayed took a loaf of bread, <sup>24</sup>and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, "This is my body that is for you. Do this in remembrance of me." <sup>25</sup>In the same way he took the cup also, after supper, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me." <sup>26</sup>For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

L: The word of the Lord

**C: Thanks be to God**

## THE GOSPEL

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

Now before the festival of the Passover, Jesus knew that his hour had come to depart from this world and go to the Father. Having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end. <sup>2</sup>The devil had already put it into the heart of Judas son of Simon Iscariot to betray him. And during supper <sup>3</sup>Jesus, knowing that the Father had given all things into his hands, and that he had come from God and was going to God, <sup>4</sup>got up from the table, took off his outer robe, and tied a towel around himself. <sup>5</sup>Then he poured water into a basin and began to wash the disciples' feet and to wipe them with the towel that was tied around him. <sup>6</sup>He came to Simon Peter, who said to him, "Lord, are you going to wash my feet?" <sup>7</sup>Jesus answered, "You do not know now what I am doing, but later you will understand." <sup>8</sup>Peter said to him, "You will never wash my feet." Jesus answered, "Unless I wash you, you have no share with me." <sup>9</sup>Simon Peter said to him, "Lord, not my feet only but also my hands and my head!" <sup>10</sup>Jesus said to him, "One who has bathed does not need to wash, except for the feet, but is entirely clean. And you are clean, though not all of you." <sup>11</sup>For he knew who was to betray him; for this reason he said, "Not all of you are clean." <sup>12</sup>After he had washed their feet, had put on his robe, and had returned to the table, he said to them, "Do you know what I have done to you? <sup>13</sup>You call me Teacher and Lord and you are right, for that is what I am. <sup>14</sup>So if I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another's feet. <sup>15</sup>For I have set you an example, that you also should do as I have done to you. <sup>16</sup>Very truly, I tell you, servants are not greater than their master, nor are messengers greater than the one who sent them. <sup>17</sup>If you know these things, you are blessed if you do them. <sup>31b</sup>Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. <sup>32</sup>If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. <sup>33</sup>Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, 'Where I am going, you cannot come.' <sup>34</sup>I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. <sup>35</sup>By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

P The gospel of the Lord.

**C Praise to you, O Christ.**

**HYMN**

**“Go to Dark Gethsemane”**

**ELW # 347**

**SERMON** *Sit*

**Pastor Dave**

**HYMN**

**“Ah, Holy Jesus”**

**ELW # 349**

## PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

P: With a holy mandate to love one another as Christ has loved us, let us pray for the needs of the world, the church, and all creation so beloved of God.

*A brief silence.*

P: Source of all love, as your beloved Son Jesus has given the whole world an example of

how to love one another, so now let this love be made known in word and deed to the uttermost ends of the earth. Hear us, O God.

**C: Your mercy is great.**

P: Source of all mercy, as your church enters into these holy days marking the mysteries of our salvation, make them for us a time of renewed faith and deepened love for one another and for all you have made. Hear us, O God.

**C: Your mercy is great.**

P: Source of all life, as Jesus washed the feet of his disciples in a sign of humble service, so let us serve the needs of future generations through our care for your creation. Hear us, O God.

**C: Your mercy is great.**

P: Source of all compassion, as many this night have no bread to eat nor a place to call home, so grant us your vision to see Christ in all persons, and give us the will to serve all in any need. Hear us, O God.

**C: Your mercy is great.**

P: Source of all goodness, as you have called us into the community where your word is faithfully preached and your sacraments freely celebrated, draw us closer to your heart as we learn to serve. Hear us, O God.

**C: Your mercy is great.**

*Here other intercessions may be offered.*

P: Source of all holiness, as your word reminds us that the death of your faithful ones is precious in your sight, we give thanks for all our beloved who are now at rest in you. Hear us, O God.

**C: Your mercy is great.**

P: Immerse us in your grace and lead us into service, for the sake of the one whose command is to love one another as we have been loved, Jesus Christ our Lord.

**C: Amen.**

*OFFERING sit*

### **OFFERTORY PRAYER**

P: Merciful God, we cry out for the hope and healing you offer. Guide us continually to your service. Make us your hands to feed the hungry and prepare us to receive the bread of life, Jesus Christ, your Son, our Savior.

**C: Amen.**

### **SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION**

*We celebrate communion with an open table. All are invited and welcome at the Lord's Table who are members of the body of Christ through Baptism, having confessed their sin, trusting that Jesus is truly present in the bread and wine, and believing that to receive him is to receive forgiveness. Children not having received instruction are invited to come forward for a blessing. Grape juice is available upon request.*

**THE GREAT THANKSGIVING**

**ELW p 144**

**THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION** *(in silence)*

### **POST COMMUNION PRAYER**

P Generous God, you have fed and renewed us in your holy meal. Send us into the world you love. Through our fasting and devotion draw us to you and to our neighbors, that we may break bonds of injustice, feed the hungry, and set the oppressed free. In Jesus' name we pray.

**C Amen**

**PSALM 22** *(as the psalm is read responsively the altar is stripped. When this is completed the congregation is asked to leave in silence.)*

<sup>1</sup> My God, my God, why have you forsaken me? Why are you so far from helping me, from the words of my groaning?

<sup>2</sup> **O my God, I cry by day, but you do not answer; and by night, but find no rest.**

<sup>3</sup> Yet you are holy, enthroned on the praises of Israel.

<sup>4</sup> **In you our ancestors trusted; they trusted, and you delivered them.**

<sup>5</sup> To you they cried, and were saved; in you they trusted, and were not put to shame.

<sup>6</sup> **But I am a worm, and not human; scorned by others, and despised by the people.**

<sup>7</sup> All who see me mock at me; they make mouths at me, they shake their heads;

<sup>8</sup> "Commit your cause to the LORD; let him deliver-- let him rescue the one in whom he delights!"  
<sup>9</sup> Yet it was you who took me from the womb; you kept me safe on my mother's breast.  
<sup>10</sup> **On you I was cast from my birth, and since my mother bore me you have been my God.**  
<sup>11</sup> Do not be far from me, for trouble is near and there is no one to help.  
<sup>12</sup> **Many bulls encircle me, strong bulls of Bashan surround me;**  
<sup>13</sup> they open wide their mouths at me, like a ravening and roaring lion.  
<sup>14</sup> **I am poured out like water, and all my bones are out of joint; my heart is like wax; it is melted within my breast;**  
<sup>15</sup> my mouth is dried up like a potsherd, and my tongue sticks to my jaws; you lay me in the dust of death.  
<sup>16</sup> **For dogs are all around me; a company of evildoers encircles me. My hands and feet have shriveled;**  
<sup>17</sup> I can count all my bones. They stare and gloat over me;  
<sup>18</sup> **they divide my clothes among themselves, and for my clothing they cast lots.**  
<sup>19</sup> But you, O LORD, do not be far away! O my help, come quickly to my aid!  
<sup>20</sup> **Deliver my soul from the sword, my life from the power of the dog!**  
<sup>21</sup> Save me from the mouth of the lion! From the horns of the wild oxen you have rescued me.  
<sup>22</sup> **I will tell of your name to my brothers and sisters; in the midst of the congregation I will praise you:**  
<sup>23</sup> You who fear the LORD, praise him! All you offspring of Jacob, glorify him; stand in awe of him, all you offspring of Israel!  
<sup>24</sup> **For he did not despise or abhor the affliction of the afflicted; he did not hide his face from me, but heard when I cried to him.**  
<sup>25</sup> From you comes my praise in the great congregation; my vows I will pay before those who fear him.  
<sup>26</sup> **The poor shall eat and be satisfied; those who seek him shall praise the LORD. May your hearts live forever!**  
<sup>27</sup> All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the LORD; and all the families of the nations shall worship before him.  
<sup>28</sup> **For dominion belongs to the LORD, and he rules over the nations.**  
<sup>29</sup> To him, indeed, shall all who sleep in the earth bow down; before him shall bow all who go down to the dust, and I shall live for him.  
<sup>30</sup> **Posterity will serve him; future generations will be told about the Lord,**  
<sup>31</sup> and proclaim his deliverance to a people yet unborn, saying that he has done it.

**Participants for Sunday's Worship, April 12**

Acolyte: Emilie Nelson  
 Ushers: Kenny Palm, Maynard Laymon, Carol Anderson  
 Lector: Bev Clausen  
 Psalm Readers:  
 Nursery:  
 Coffee Hosts: Breakfast served by youth

April 5	
<u>Offering</u>	<u>Attendance</u>
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**This Week in the Parish**

Friday, April 10- Good Friday Service at OSL 7:00pm  
Sunday, April 12- Easter Sunrise Service 7:00am  
 Breakfast served by the youth 8:00am  
 Melo Worship 9:00am with Holy Communion  
**NO SUNDAY SCHOOL**  
**NO ADULT BIBLE STUDY**  
 Our Savior's Worship 10:30am with Holy Communion  
Monday, April 13- Weight Watchers 5:00pm  
 Youth and Family Committee Meeting 7:00pm  
Tuesday, April 14- ODC Bible Study 9:00am  
 Quilting 1:00pm  
Wednesday, April 15- **NO CONFIRMATION**  
 Choir Practice 7:00pm

Please note that Pastor Dave will be on vacation April 13<sup>th</sup>-16<sup>th</sup>.

**Prayer list**

Those in need: Mitchel Benson, LaVerne Owens, Phyllis Stinar, Vicki Polchow, Catie Blanchard, Cameo Folz, Larry Johnson, Joe Yeado, Leah Hamre, Brittany Dvorak, Terry Edgar, Emilie Holland

Those who mourn: The Family of Ray Edgar

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Good Friday Morning Breakfast Buffet will be served Friday, April 10<sup>th</sup> at 9:00am at the Warren Community Center. Buffet includes sausage links, scrambled eggs, pancakes, hash browns, biscuits, and sausage gravy.

The Knights of Columbus will be holding their annual Tootsie Roll Drive after church on Sunday, April 26<sup>th</sup>. All proceeds will be donated to the ODC.

Warren Aglow A Community Lighthouse will host Sandy Ebertowski and Kathy Heemstra on Saturday, April 18<sup>th</sup> at the Warren Community Center. Refreshments start at 9am, meeting 9:30am.

The New Hope Lutheran WELCA invites you to their Annual Prayer Breakfast on Saturday, April 18<sup>th</sup> at 9:30am with guest speaker Colonel Barbara E. Chine, USAF (retired).

Please note: Names will remain on the prayer list for two weeks. If someone should remain on for longer than two weeks please contact Pastor Dave or Emily in the office to make arrangements.

**Easter Sunday Schedule**

**Sunrise Service 7:00am** Put on by the youth of Our Savior's and Melo

**Breakfast** after sunrise service- served by the youth. Menu includes Egg Bake, Muffins, Fruit, Coffee and Juice

**Melo Worship 9:00am** with Holy Communion

**NO** Sunday School

**Our Savior's Worship 10:30** with Holy Communion

