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Joint Service on Maundy Thursday
Gemeinsamer Gottesdienst am Gründonnerstag
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Welcome to the service on Maundy Thursday. On this night we remember the final supper Jesus shared with his disciples in the context of the Passover.

The order below will help you to find your way through our service. We are using the Evangelical Lutheran Worship Book (red) and the Blue German hymnal.

Prelude

Dubravko Pajalic

Vancouver Swiss Choir: Lueget vo Baerge und Tal
Welcome

Gathering Hymn # 339: Christ, the Life of All the Living
Eingangslied # 86, 1 – 2 & 8: Jesu, meines Lebens Leben

Welcome

Words from Psalm 116:

P: I love the Lord, because he has heard my voice and my supplications.

C: Because he inclined his ear to me, therefore I will call on him as long as I live.

P: What shall I return to the Lord for all his bounty to me?

C: I will lift up the cup of salvation and call on the name of the Lord,

P: I will pay my vows to the Lord in the presence of all his people.

C: Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of his faithful ones.

P: O Lord, I am your servant; You have loosed my bonds.

C: I will offer to you a thanksgiving sacrifice and call on the name of the Lord.

Confession and Forgiveness

Most holy and merciful God, we confess to you and to one another, that we have sinned against you 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 fully loved our neighbors as ourselves.

Forgive us, we pray, and free us from our sin. Renew in us the grace and strength of your Holy Spirit, for the sake of Jesus Christ your Son, our Saviour and brother. Amen.

P: In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of God the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen**

Prayer of the Day

Reading from Exodus 12, 1 – 14 (selected verses)

Reading from Matthew 14 – 30 (in German):

On the first day of Unleavened Bread the disciples came to Jesus, saying, “Where do you want us to make the preparations for you to eat the Passover?” He said, “Go into the city to a certain man, and say to him, ‘The Teacher says, My time is near; I will keep the Passover at your house with my

disciples.” So the disciples did as Jesus had directed them, and they prepared the Passover meal. When it was evening, he took his place with the twelve; and while they were eating, he said, “Truly I tell you, one of you will betray me.” And they became greatly distressed and began to say to him one after another, “Surely not I, Lord?” He answered, “The one who has dipped his hand into the bowl with me will betray me. The Son of Man goes as it is written of him, but woe to that one by whom the Son of Man is betrayed! It would have been better for that one not to have been born.” Judas, who betrayed him, said, “Surely not I, Rabbi?” He replied, “You have said so.” While they were eating, Jesus took a loaf of bread, and after blessing it he broke it, gave it to the disciples, and said, “Take, eat; this is my body.” Then he took a cup, and after giving thanks he gave it to them, saying, “Drink from it, all of you; for this is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins. I tell you, I will never again drink of this fruit of the vine until that day when I drink it new with you in my Father’s kingdom.” When they had sung the hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives, to the Garden of Gethsemane.

347, 1 - 3: Go to Dark Gethsemane

Meditation

Vancouver Swiss Choir: Herr, Deine Güte (E. Grell)

Prayers of Intercession

The Meal

Words of Institution – Einsetzungsworte

The Lord’s Prayer – Das Vaterunser

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today 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.

Vaterunser im Himmel, geheiligt werde dein Name. Dein Reich komme, dein Wille geschehe, wie im Himmel also so auf Erden. Unser tägliches Brot gib uns heute. Und vergib uns unsere Schuld, wie auch wir vergeben unseren Schuldigern. Und führe uns nicht in Versuchung, sondern erlöse uns von dem Bösen. Denn dein ist das Reich und die Kraft und die Herrlichkeit in Ewigkeit. Amen.

Invitation to the Table – Einladung zum Abendmahl:

During communion: Hymn # 471: Let Us Break Bread together

Vancouver Swiss Choir: Ihr Berge lebt wohl

Postlude and Stripping of the Altar

All depart in silence