## The Three Days—2023 Worship Bulletin

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**EASTER VIGIL** 



## **Grace Lutheran Church**

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#### **Our Mission Statement:**

We are a community of believers in Christ called to be servants to all people.

### THREE DAYS—ONE WORSHIP SERVICE—ONE BULLETIN

THERE IS NO END TO OUR WORSHIP THROUGHOUT THE TRIDUUM (LATIN FOR "THREE DAYS"). WE GREET ONE ANOTHER THURSDAY EVENING, BUT DO NOT DISMISS THE CONGREGATION UNTIL THE END OF THE EASTER VIGIL ON SATURDAY NIGHT—

WE SIMPLY DEPART AND REGATHER IN SILENCE.

THE THREE SERVICES REALLY ARE PARTS OF ONE WHOLE, WHICH TELLS AND ENACTS THE WHOLE CHRISTIAN STORY: MEAL TO CROSS TO TOMB TO NEW LIFE!

#### Holy Week & Easter Schedule

Maundy Thursday—April 6th at 7pm

Worship with Holy Communion

Good Friday—April 7th at 7pm

Worship with adoration of the cross

Easter Vigil—Saturday, April 8th at 7pm at First Lutheran Church, 1301 Colley Avenue, Norfolk, VA

Worship with readings, remembrance of Baptism, Holy Communion, & celebratory Easter reception

Easter Sunday—April 9th

8:30am—Contemporary Worship Service 9:45am—Potluck Brunch 10:15am—Egg Hunt 11am—Traditional Worship Service

Page numbers (p.) are in front half of hymnal Hymn numbers (#) are in back half of hymnal All are invited to join in **bolded responses.**+ Please stand, as able

#### MAUNDY THURSDAY

#### + Gathering +

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

**Prelude** Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love arr. Carol Wahl

+ Confession and Forgiveness ELW p.258

+ Greeting ELW p.259

+ Prayer of the Day ELW p.30

#### +Word+

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

First Reading Exodus 12:1-4, 11-14

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

Second Reading 1 Corinthians 11:23-26

+ Gospel Acclamation ELW p.205

**+ Gospel** John 13:1-17, 31b-35

Young at Heart Message & Sermon The Rev. Leslie D. Weber

+ Hymn of the Day ELW #358

#### Hand Blessing & Blessing Bag Packing

Those present onsite may come forward to have their hands blessed for works of service and/or help pack Blessing Bags as a way of living out Jesus' commandment: "to love one another."

+ Prayers of Intercession ... Merciful God, receive our prayer.

+ Peace

#### +Meal+

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

+ Offering Prayer

+ Great Thanksgiving ELW p.206

+ Proper Preface

+ Sanctus ELW p.207

+ Thanksgiving at the Table

+ Lord's Prayer ELW p.208

+ Invitation to Communion

Agnus Dei ELW p.208

#### Notes about Communion Distribution at Grace

When we're gathered around the table, there is enough food, drink, blessing, space and time for all to share in Holy Communion! GLC practices Eucharistic hospitality since we trust that God welcomes all who come to the table where Christ is both host and meal.

Wine (red) and grape juice (white) are distributed in individual cups. Gluten-free wafers are available upon request.

If you prefer to stay in the pew, there are prepackaged kits (wine, juice, and gluten free options) available at the sanctuary doors. If you prefer not to receive the wafer and wine/grape juice, you may kneel or stand at the rail with arms folded across your chest to receive a blessing.

Distribution Hymn ELW #461

+ Prayer after Communion

#### Stripping of the Altar

The assembly sits or kneels as the sacramental elements, vessels, linens, paraments, banners, and books are removed from the worship space.

#### All depart in silence.

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#### GOOD FRIDAY

#### All gather in silence

+ Prayer of the Day ELW p.31

First Reading Isaiah 52:13—53:12

**Psalm 22** ELW #22

Second Reading Hebrews 10:16-25

+ Gospel Acclamation ELW p.205

**Gospel** John 18:1—19:42

**Sermon** The Rev. Leslie D. Weber

+ Hymn of the Day ELW #803

**Bidding Prayer** ELW p.263

During this last part of the service, worshipers may come to the large cross to make a sign of reverence. Reverencing the cross may include actions such as pausing before the cross, bowing, kneeling before it for prayer, or touching it.

#### **Solemn Reproaches**

ELW p.264-5 & #160

The Solemn Reproaches are sung with the refrain each time the Cantor sings "but you have prepared a cross for your Savior".

**+ Hymn** ELW #342

All depart in silence.

If they have not done so earlier,
worshipers may reverence the cross as they depart.

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# **EASTER VIGIL**

SATURDAY APRIL 8TH 7:00 PM







at First Lutheran Church, 1301 Colley Avenue, Norfolk, VA 23517

# EASTER SUNDAY April 9, 2023

8:30AM ~ CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP
9:45AM ~ EASTER BREAKFAST
10:15AM ~ EGG HUNT
11:00AM ~ TRADITIONAL WORSHIP

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