



MIDWEEK OF LENT 1

THE UPPER ROOM

Immanuel Lutheran Church – LCMS

Lakefield, Minnesota

March 1, 2023

AS WE GATHER

Tonight, we gather and listen to Jesus. In the Upper Room with His disciples, He takes an argument about glory and turns it into an invitation for service.

Jesus knows that His people often get things wrong. From the Israelites who elevated their worship of God over the God they worshiped, to the disciples who placed their following of the Lord over the Lord they followed, God's people frequently struggle with glory and service.

Tonight, Jesus has gathered His disciples for the Passover, and yet, as He looks over the room, He witnesses division and strife. The disciples are broken apart by arguments over greatness and glory.

Into this place of broken discipleship, Jesus brings the wholeness of salvation. His body and blood, His betrayal and death, transform the Upper Room from a place of strife over glory to a place of glorious service.

HYMN: “Lord, Help Us Walk Your Servant Way” (*LSB* 857)

LENTEN SENTENCES

- P** From the rising of the sun to its setting,
C **the name of the Lord is to be praised.**
- P** Rend your hearts and not your garments.
C **Return to the Lord, your God, for He is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.**
- P** Jesus said, “If any man would come after Me,
C **let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow Me.”**
- P** Christ was wounded for our transgressions.
C **He was bruised for our iniquities.**
- P** From the rising of the sun to its setting,
C **the name of the Lord is to be praised.**

CANTICLE: “Sing Praise to the God of Israel” (*LSB* 936)

PRAYER

- P** The Lord be with you.
C **And also with you.**
- P** Let us pray. . . Almighty God, You seek not our death or destruction but our life and salvation. Speak Your Word of rescue to our sin-sick hearts and fearful souls. Call us forth from the darkness of our guilt and shame. Bring us into the light of Your presence where Your forgiveness dwells. Restore us to Your people that our wandering ways may end. Direct us to the path Your Son has made that we may walk in it by faith and never depart from its hope. Through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C Amen.

P Again let us pray. . . Blessed Lord, in the quiet of an Upper Room You revealed the Passover as Your own table and fulfilled its ancient promise with Your own life-giving flesh in bread and Your own blood as the cup of salvation. As once You knelt in humility to wash Your disciples' feet, we pray You to give to us a heart of humility and a desire to love our neighbor with works of mercy and service. Through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C Amen.

READING

Isaiah 66:1–2

¹Thus says the LORD:

“Heaven is My throne,

and the earth is My footstool;

what is the house that you would build for Me,

and what is the place of My rest?

²All these things My hand has made,

and so all these things came to be,

declares the LORD.

But this is the one to whom I will look:

he who is humble and contrite in spirit

and trembles at My word.

PSALM 123

¹To You I lift | up my eyes,*

O You who are enthroned in the | heavens!

**²Behold, as the eyes of servants look to the
hand of their master, as the eyes of a
maidservant**

to the hand of her | mistress,*

so our eyes look to the Lord our God,

till He has mercy up- | on us.

³Have mercy upon us, O LORD, have mercy up- | on
us,*

for we have had more than enough | of contempt.

⁴**Our soul has had more than enough of the
scorn of those who | are at ease,*
of the contempt | of the proud.**

**Glory be to the Father and | to the Son*
and to the Holy | Spirit;
as it was in the be- | ginning,*
is now, and will be forever. | Amen.**

READING

Luke 22:14–38

¹⁴And when the hour came, He reclined at table, and the apostles with Him. ¹⁵And He said to them, “I have earnestly desired to eat this Passover with you before I suffer. ¹⁶For I tell you I will not eat it until it is fulfilled in the kingdom of God.” ¹⁷And He took a cup, and when He had given thanks He said, “Take this, and divide it among yourselves. ¹⁸For I tell you that from now on I will not drink of the fruit of the vine until the kingdom of God comes.” ¹⁹And He took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to them, saying, “This is My body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of Me.” ²⁰And likewise the cup after they had eaten, saying, “This cup that is poured out for you is the new covenant in My blood. ²¹But behold, the hand of him who betrays Me is with me on the table. ²²For the Son of Man goes as it has been determined, but woe to that man by whom He is

betrayed!” ²³And they began to question one another, which of them it could be who was going to do this.

²⁴A dispute also arose among them, as to which of them was to be regarded as the greatest. ²⁵And He said to them, “The kings of the Gentiles exercise lordship over them, and those in authority over them are called benefactors. ²⁶But not so with you. Rather, let the greatest among you become as the youngest, and the leader as one who serves. ²⁷For who is the greater, one who reclines at table or one who serves? Is it not the one who reclines at table? But I am among you as the one who serves.

²⁸“You are those who have stayed with Me in My trials, ²⁹and I assign to you, as my Father assigned to Me, a kingdom, ³⁰that you may eat and drink at My table in My kingdom and sit on thrones judging the twelve tribes of Israel.

³¹“Simon, Simon, behold, Satan demanded to have you, that he might sift you like wheat, ³²but I have prayed for you that your faith may not fail. And when you have turned again, strengthen your brothers.” ³³Peter said to Him, “Lord, I am ready to go with You both to prison and to death.” ³⁴Jesus said, “I tell you, Peter, the rooster will not crow this day, until you deny three times that you know Me.”

³⁵And He said to them, “When I sent you out with no moneybag or knapsack or sandals, did you lack anything?” They said, “Nothing.” ³⁶He said to them, “But now let the one who has a moneybag take it, and likewise a knapsack. And

let the one who has no sword sell his cloak and buy one. ³⁷For I tell you that this Scripture must be fulfilled in Me: ‘And He was numbered with the transgressors.’ For what is written about Me has its fulfillment.” ³⁸And they said, “Look, Lord, here are two swords.” And He said to them, “It is enough.”

HYMN: “Lord, Whose Love through Humble Service”
(LSB 848)

SERMON: “The Upper Room: A Place of Service” (*Luke*
22:14–38)

CONFESSION

P Behold, the dwelling place of God is with man.

C He will dwell with them, and they will be His people, and God Himself will be with them as their God.

P Take off the sandals from your feet,

C for the place where you are standing is holy ground.

P Fallen, fallen is Babylon the great!

C She has become a dwelling place for demons, a haunt for every unclean spirit, a haunt for every unclean bird, a haunt for every unclean and detestable beast.

P Woe is me! For I am lost; for I am a man of unclean lips,

C and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips; for my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts!”

P But in the very place where it was said to them, ‘You are not my people,’

C there they will be called ‘sons of the living God.’ ”

P I said, “I will confess my transgressions to the LORD,” and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

C You are a hiding place for me; You preserve me from trouble; You surround me with shouts of deliverance.

P Lord, open their eyes, so that they may turn from darkness to light

C and from the power of Satan to God,

P that they may receive forgiveness of sins

C and a place among those who are sanctified by faith in Christ.

P O Lord,

C have mercy upon us and forgive us all our sins.

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. To those who believe in Jesus Christ He gives the power to become the children of God and bestows on them the Holy Spirit. May the Lord, who has begun this good work in us, bring it to completion in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ.

C Amen.

PRAYER

P I desire then that in every place the people should pray,

C lifting holy hands without anger or quarreling.

P Hear my prayer, O Lord;

C let my cry come to You.

P In the day of trouble I call upon You,

C And You answer me.

P Save Your people and bless Your heritage!

C Be their shepherd and carry them forever.

P Give ear, O Lord, to my prayer;

C listen to my plea for grace.

P Let us pray. . . O Lord, our God, we acknowledge Your great goodness toward us and praise You for the mercy and grace that our eyes have seen, our ears have heard, and our hearts have known.

C We sincerely repent of the sins of this day and those in the past. Pardon our offenses, correct and reform what is lacking in us, and help us to grow in grace and in the knowledge of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

P Inscribe Your Law upon our hearts, and equip us to serve You with holy and blameless lives. May each day remind us of the coming of the night when no one can work.

C In the emptiness of this present age keep us united by a living faith through the power of Your Holy Spirit with Him who is the resurrection and the life, that we may escape the eternal bitter pains of condemnation.

P By Your Holy Spirit bless the preaching of Your Word and the administration of Your Sacraments.

C Preserve these gifts to us and to all Christians. Guard and protect us from all dangers to body and soul.

P Grant that we may with faithful perseverance receive from You our sorrows as well as our joys, knowing that health and sickness, riches and poverty, and all things come by permission of Your fatherly hand. Let us pray for . . . [individual names

may be mentioned]. . . and for all people as they have need.

C Keep us this day under Your protective care and preserve us, securely trusting in Your everlasting goodness and love, for the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

P Help us, O Lord, this night

C To live without sin.

P O Lord, have mercy on us.

C Have mercy on us.

P O Lord, let Your mercy be on us.

C As our trust is in You.

P Hear our prayer, O Lord.

C And let our cry come to You.

P O Lord Jesus Christ, Son of the living God, who at this hour gathered with Your disciples, washing their feet and bidding them to serve You and their neighbor, give us the will and desire to serve others in Your name and the courage to serve without fear, that we may learn true humility and godliness by Your example and may so manifest Your saving love to the world; whom with the Father and the Holy Spirit You live and reign, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us bless the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

P The almighty and merciful Lord, the Father, the †

Son, and the Holy Spirit bless and preserve you.

C Amen.

HYMN: “Rise! To Arms! With Prayer Employ You”
(LSB 668)

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Assisting with the Service

Preacher Pastor Phil Beukema
Elder Jim Berkevich (7:00)
Organist LaDonna Peterson (1:00)
Lori Kruger (7:00)
Acolyte 7th-8th Graders (1:00)
Kason Farmer (7:00)
Usher Merle Hendricksen (1:00)

We Remember in our Prayers

*Pastor Beukema and Brandi as Pastor considers a Call
to Risen Savior Lutheran Church in Franklin,
Wisconsin*

*Principal Jason Roslansky and family as he has accepted
a K-12 Principal position in Tanana, Alaska for the
2023-20214 school year*

*Dean Jennissen and family as he considers the
Principal/Teacher position here at Immanuel
Lutheran School*

*Rod and Shirley Larsen and family on the death of
Shirley's mother, Millie Bieber*

*The family of Pearl Swanson on her passing away
including her children (Kurt and Myleen Swanson,
Lee and Rhonda Swanson, Dave and Jean Bass,
Joel and Deb Burmeister) and brother (Mel Grein)*

*Our residents at Colonial Manor, Valley View, Meadows
and Golden Horizons in Worthington, Keelson
Harbour and Accura HealthCare in Spirit Lake,
Pathstone in Mankato, Good Sam in Jackson,
Temperance Lake Ridge in Sherburn, Accura
HealthCare in Milford*

*Clyde Daberkow, Dave Ackermann, Doug Hansen, Albert
Henning, Betty Hage, Lila Voehl, Adrian Connell,
Ines Henning, Don Schulz, Chuck Bergmann,*

*Berniece Kolander, Joyce Rossow, Bev Hall,
Darlene Stender, dealing with health issues
Stacey Dunker, mother of ILS student Janessa Dunker;
Lori Koerselman, friend of Amy Altman; Pastor
Ben Rucker; Mitch Voehl, son of Lila Voehl;
Marcus Lere, grandson of Joyce Bretzman; Carol
Olson, from Wisconsin; Denny Daberkow;
Duwayne Hoffman, father of Tracey Beeck; Jim
Salentiny, uncle of Mark Freking; dealing with
cancer*

*Bill Tusa, brother of Marie Kruse; Rieny Rossow, brother
of Betty Hage and brother-in-law of LaNell
Rossow; Presley Hansen, granddaughter of Dave
and Carolyn Hansen; Ava Zyskowski, sister of
Pastor Phil Beukema; Mike Conro, friend of
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daughter of David and Inez Kosen; Pastor Travis
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of Ken Pohlman; Jacob Boe, son of Rose
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All those affected by COVID-19

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