



* Please stand as you are comfortable
Congregational responses in **bold**

All gather in silence for prayer and reflection on the mystery of our salvation.

GATHERING MUSIC

Meditations on Wondrous Love
arr. Wayne Wold and David Paxton

WELCOME

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Almighty God, your love abounds and grace overflows beyond any reasonable end. Look with mercy on your family of followers, for whom our Lord Jesus was betrayed, handed over to the authorities, and suffered death on the cross. In his holy name, we pray. Amen.

ANTHEM

Jesus, Remember Me

Taizé Community/Jacques Berthier

SILENT PROCESSION OF THE CROSS

GOSPEL

The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to John.

FIRST READING

Reader: The Passion of our Lord.

All: **Have mercy on us.**

John 18:1-11

Reader: When we fight, are unkind, or hate each other, the world becomes a scarier place. Still...

All: **Jesus' love is stronger than our hate. Jesus' kindness brings us mercy. God's great love remains.**

HYMN

What Wondrous Love Is This
(stanzas 1, 2, and 4)

ELW 666

SECOND READING

Reader: The Passion of our Lord.

All: Have mercy on us.

John 18:12-24

Reader: When we are embarrassed and lie, and when we are grabby and want everything for ourselves, the world seems a frantic place. Still...

All: Jesus' love is stronger than our wants. Jesus' gifts surpass all our needs. God's great love remains.

HYMN

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

ELW 803

THIRD READING

Reader: The Passion of our Lord.

All: Have mercy on us.

John 18:25-40

Reader: When we freeze up, or turn against others, the world becomes more discouraging. Still...

All: Jesus' love is stronger than our fears. Jesus' presence is peace. God's great love remains.

HYMN

Ah, Holy Jesus (stanzas 1 and 2)

ELW 349

FOURTH READING

Reader: The Passion of our Lord.

All: Have mercy on us.

John 19:1-16

Reader: When we are jealous of others, and are angry because they don't do what we want, the world seems like a frustrating place. Still...

All: Jesus' love is stronger than our anger. Jesus' healing teaches us care. God's great love remains.

HYMN

O Sacred Head, Now Wounded (stanza 1)

ELW 351

FIFTH READING

Reader: The Passion of our Lord.

All: Have mercy on us.

John 19:17-22

Reader: When we ignore the truth, make fun of, or abandon each other, the world becomes a lonely place. Still...

All: Jesus' love is stronger than distance. Jesus' truth renews our hearts. God's great love remains.

HYMN

Ah, Holy Jesus (stanza 5)

ELW 349

SIXTH READING

Reader: The Passion of our Lord.

All: **Have mercy on us.**

John 19:23-30

Reader: Because of people's hatred, greed, untrustworthiness, jealousy, and dishonesty, Jesus died on the cross. Still...

All: **Jesus' love claims our life. Jesus laid down his whole life for us.
And God's great love remains.**

ANTHEM

The Walk to Calvary

Norma Anderson

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Pastor Hans Lee

ADORATION OF THE CROSS

*You are invited to touch the cross or drop a nail in one of the buckets near the cross
as we gather around it to meditate on the love of Jesus Christ our Lord.*

HYMN

Were You There (stanzas 1-3 and 5)

ELW 353

Were you there when they crucified my Lord?
Were you there when they crucified my Lord?
Oh, sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble.
Were you there when they crucified my Lord?

Were you there when they nailed him to the tree?
Were you there when they nailed him to the tree?
Oh, sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble.
Were you there when they nailed him to the tree?

Were you there when they pierced him in the side?
Were you there when they pierced him in the side?
Oh, sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble.
Were you there when they pierced him in the side?

Were you there when they laid him in the tomb?
Were you there when they laid him in the tomb?
Oh, sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble.
Were you there when they laid him in the tomb?

*Please leave the worship space in silence.
Offering plates are located outside the sanctuary doors.*

WELCOME TO NORMANDALE



Led by the Holy Spirit and living in God's grace, Normandale Lutheran Church is a community of believers who love, learn, worship, and serve as we walk in relationship with Jesus Christ and others. We hope you find in us a place of welcome, a place of worship, a place for you.

Welcoming Statement

We affirm that all people are created in the image of God, and as beloved children of God, all are worthy of God's love and grace. We welcome all people into full participation in the life and ministries of Normandale Lutheran Church.

We celebrate that there are differences among us, and believe that we can love one another, even though we may not think alike. We proclaim this statement of welcome to all who have known the pain of exclusion or discrimination in the church and society.

Normandale Lutheran Church is committed to a ministry of reconciliation. We welcome and affirm our human family's diversity of sexual orientation, gender identity, race, ethnicity, age, faith, history, socioeconomic status, physical and mental ability. We embrace this diversity as a gift from God, and invite all into a faithful journey toward greater love, understanding, and reconciliation.



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HOLY WEEK WORSHIP

THE THREE DAYS | TRIDUUM: On Thursday we begin the Triduum which means THE THREE DAYS. The Triduum includes Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, and Darkness to Light: The First Service of Easter which includes elements of the Easter Vigil. These three days are one liturgy. No benediction separates them as they share our celebration of the great mystery of our salvation.

MAUNDY THURSDAY: We gather for confession and absolution to mark the end of our Lenten observance which began on Ash Wednesday with the marking of ashes and our confession of sin. On this night we receive absolution, and after hearing Jesus' command to love one another, come forward to be strengthened by his own body and blood given "for you." As Psalm 22 is sung, we strip the altar as we are reminded that Christ walked from the meal to his suffering and death.

GOOD FRIDAY: We gather in silence to hear of Christ's suffering on the cross. We lift up prayers for the church, the world, and for those of other faiths and no faith, remembering the encompassing love of Jesus for all this fallen world.

DARKNESS TO LIGHT | THE FIRST SERVICE OF EASTER: We gather early on Easter morning to celebrate this most holy day break as we make passage with Christ from darkness to light, from death to life. This service will include elements of Easter vigil and marks the end of the Three Days liturgy. Gather before 8:00am at Trinity Commons for the kindling of the new fire. From there, we'll move into the sanctuary.

Easter Worship at 8:00, 9:30 & 11:00am



Easter EGG HUNT

SATURDAY, APRIL 19

**10:00AM:
TREATS, CRAFTS & STORYTELLING**

**11:00AM:
EGG HUNT**

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Preacher: Pastor Hans Lee
Liturgist: Pastor Rebecca Gamble
Organist: Lorna Wolthoff
Choir: Cherub Choir, Children's Choir
Director: Lily Askegaard
Accompanist: Angela Anderson

Greeters: Norm Teigen, Judy Teigen
Ushers: Kim Sannerud, Lynn Lakksonen, Ben Leadholm, Rich & Jori Lovdal