

**BULLETIN FOR TRINITY MARBURG, ST JOHN'S MINDEN,
OUR SAVIOUR LOWOOD.
Good Friday 30th March 2018.**

Closed Communion

The A.E.L.C upholds the historical, biblical and Lutheran practice of closed communion. Therefore we ask that only A.E.L.C members come forward for communion.

**LSB Hymns:426, 454, [447 The Third Word,]
439 v's 1-5, and 10, 622, 922.**

Introit: Psalm 22

P My God, My God, why have You forsaken Me? Why are You so far from saving Me, from the Words of My groaning?

C **O My God, I cry out by day, but You do not answer, and by night, and I am not silent.**

P Nevertheless, You are holy, enthroned on the praises of Israel.

C **Our fathers trusted in You. They trusted and You delivered them.**

P They cried to You and were rescued. They trusted in You and were not ashamed.

C **However, I am a worm and not a man, scorned by human beings and despised by the people.**

P All those who see Me ridicule Me. They open their lips wide. They shake their heads, saying,

C **“Commit it to the LORD! Let Him rescue Him! Let Him deliver Him! For He takes pleasure in Him.”**

P Nevertheless, You are the One who brought Me out of the womb, the One who made Me trust while on My mother’s breasts.

C **I have been cast on You from the womb. From My mother’s womb You have been My God.**

P Do not be far from Me! For trouble is near, for there is no one to help.

C **Many bulls have surrounded Me. Strong bulls of Bashan have encircled Me.**

P They have opened their mouths against Me like a mangling and roaring lion.

C **I have been poured out like water, and all My bones have separated from each other. My heart has become like wax. It has melted inside my chest.**

P My strength has dried up like baked clay. My tongue clings to My palate, and You are putting Me on the dust of death.

C For dogs have surrounded Me. A gang of evil-doers has encircled Me. Like a lion they have pierced My hands and My feet.

P I can count all My bones. People look and stare at Me.

C They divide My garments among them, and they cast lots for My clothing.

P However, You, O LORD, do not be far away! O My Strength, come quickly to help Me!

C Rescue My soul from the sword! Rescue My lonely soul from the power of the dog!

P Save Me from the lion's mouth! You have answered Me from the horns of wild oxen.

C Let Me declare Your name to My brothers! I shall praise You in the middle of the assembly.

P You who fear the LORD, praise Him! All you descendants of Jacob, glorify Him! Be afraid of Him, all you descendants of Israel!

C For He has not despised or detested the misery of the Wretched One, and He has not hidden His face from Him. Rather, when He cried to Him for help, He heard.

P My praise comes from You in the great assembly. I shall fulfil My vows in the presence of those who fear Him.

C Humble people will eat and be satisfied. Those who seek the LORD will praise Him. May your hearts live for ever!

P All the ends of the earth will remember and turn to the LORD. All the families of the nations will worship before You.

C For the kingship belongs to the LORD, and He rules over the nations.

P All the prosperous people of the earth have been eating and worshipping. All those who go down to the dust will kneel before Him, even the one who could not keep himself alive.

C Descendants will serve Him. The coming generation will be told about the Lord.

All They will come and tell about His righteousness to a people yet to be born. For He has accomplished it.

Collect: A; mighty God, Graciously behold this your family for whom our Lord Jesus Christ was willing to be betrayed and delivered into the hands of sinful men to suffer death upon the cross; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

Old Testament: Isaiah 52:13-53:12.

Epistle: Hebrews 4:14-16, 5:7-9.

Gospel: John 19:17-30.

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all. Amen.

The text for the sermon is the Gospel heard before, John 19:17-30.

17 Jesus went out, carrying His own cross, to the place that was called “the Place of the Skull,” which is called “Golgotha” in Aramaic. 18 There they crucified Him with two other men, one on each side, with Jesus in the middle. -19 Pilate also wrote a notice and put it on the cross. It read: “Jesus of Nazareth, the King of the Jews.”

20 Therefore many Jews read this notice, because the place where Jesus was crucified was near the city. The notice had been written in Aramaic, Latin, and Greek. -21 Therefore the high priests of the Jews told Pilate, “Do not write: ‘The King of the Jews,’ but: ‘He said, “I am the King of the Jews”!” - 22 Pilate answered, “What I have written I have written.” - 23 So when the soldiers had crucified Jesus, they took His outer garments and divided them into four parts, one part for each soldier, and also the undergarment. The undergarment was without a seam, woven from the top in one piece. 24 Therefore they said to one another, “Let us not tear it, but let us throw dice for it, to decide who will get it!” This happened in order that the Scripture might be fulfilled that says: “They divided My outer garments among them, and they cast lots for My clothing.” So that is what the soldiers did.

25 Jesus’ mother, His mother’s sister, Mary, the wife of Clopas, and Mary Magdalene were standing near the cross of Jesus. 26 Therefore, when Jesus saw His mother and the disciple whom He loved standing nearby, He said to His mother, “Woman, there is your son.” 27 Then He said to the disciple, “There is your mother.”

From that time on, this disciple took her into his own home. - 28 After this, knowing that everything had now been finished, in order that the Scripture might be fulfilled, Jesus said, “I am thirsty.” - 29 A jar full of sour wine had been placed there. So they put a sponge full of the sour wine on hyssop and lifted it to His mouth.

30 When Jesus had taken the sour wine, He said, “It is finished.” Then He bowed His head and gave up His spirit.

Lord God, heavenly Father, sanctify us in your truth. Your Word is truth.

Amen.

>Divine Service 1st April [White]
Readings: Psalm 16
Old Testament: Isaiah 25:6-9
Epistle: 1 Corinthians 15:1-11
Gospel: Mark 16:1-8.

9am Our Saviour Lowood HC
EASTER SUNDAY

Hymns: 105, 89, 92, 100, (283, 286,) 88.

>Divine Service 8th April [White]
Readings: Psalm 148
First Reading: Acts 4:32-35
Epistle: 1 John 1:1-2:2
Gospel: Mark 20:19-31.

9am Trinity Marburg HC
2nd Sunday of Easter
Hymns: 321, 327, 100, 103, 286, 514.

>Divine Service 15th April [White]
Readings : Psalm 4
First Reading: Acts 3:11-21
Epistle: 1 John 3:1-7
Gospel: Luke 24:36-49.

9am St John's Minden HC
3rd Sunday of Easter
LSB Hymns : 483, 531, 459, 830, 642, 920.

> Just a reminder to those who have copies of the LSB hymnal to bring them to the Minden Service' to help out with numbers..

> MARBURG AGM AFTER SERVICE at MARBURG the 29th aPRIL.

> Next Mid week Bible Study Thursday the 19th of April at 10am back at the Lowood Church with a bring and share morning tea.

> Confirmation Class is on every Friday afternoon at MARBURG 4.15pm to start by 4.30 except Good Friday and School Holidays.

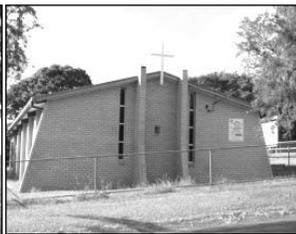
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