

# MAUNDY THURSDAY

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## *Go and Prepare*



And he sent Peter and John, saying,  
go and prepare us the passover,  
that we may eat.

LUKE 22:8

# Friedens Evangelical Lutheran Church

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## Welcome to Worship!

Maundy Thursday Service: 7:00 p.m.

### *Prayer Before Worship*

*O Lord, you promise that in all things you work for the good of those who love you. Help me see your loving hand in this time of trouble. Save me from doubt, relieve my anguish, and lead me through these dark days with the light of your presence.*  
*Amen.*

### Notes About Your Visit

- **Worship programs are available in large print.** They are located in the basket with the regular programs.
- **Restrooms** are in the north hallway, by the double glass entry doors, as well as in the basement. **The church park has restrooms north of the Pavilion.**
- If needed, for your convenience, you can also view and hear the service in our Fellowship Hall.

Maundy Thursday | March 28, 2024

EVENING PRAYER & THE SERVICE—*Setting One*

OPENING HYMN

Congregation Sings Verses 1, 3 & 5  
Choir Sings Verses 2 & 4

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Christ, the Life of All the Living



1 Christ, the Life of all the liv - ing, Christ, the Death of  
2 Thou, ah, thou hast tak - en on thee Bonds and stripes, a  
3 Thou hast borne the smit - ing on - ly That my wounds might  
4 Heart - less scof - fers did sur - round thee, Treat - ing thee with  
5 Thou hast suf - fered men to bruise thee That from pain I



death, our foe, Who, thy - self for me once giv - ing  
cru - el rod; Pain and scorn were heaped up - on thee,  
all be whole; Thou hast suf - fered, sad and lone - ly,  
cru - el scorn, And with pierc - ing thorns they crowned thee.  
might be free; False - ly did thy foes ac - cuse thee—



To the dark - est depths of woe— Through thy suf - f'ings,  
O thou sin - less Son of God! Thus didst thou my  
Rest to give my wea - ry soul; Yea, the curse of  
All dis - grace thou, Lord, hast borne That as thine thou  
Thence I gain se - cu - ri - ty. Com - fort - less thy



death, and mer - it I e - ter - nal life in - her - it.  
soul de - liv - er From the bonds of sin for - ev - er.  
God en - dur - ing, Bless - ing un - to me se - cur - ing.  
might - est own me And with heav'n - ly glo - ry crown me.  
soul did lan - guish Me to com - fort in my an - guish.



Thou - sand, thou - sand thanks shall be, Dear - est Je - sus, un - to thee.  
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*Evangelical Lutheran Hymn-Book*, St. Louis, 1912, st. 3-4, 6.

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Stand

## Opening Sentences (Spoken)

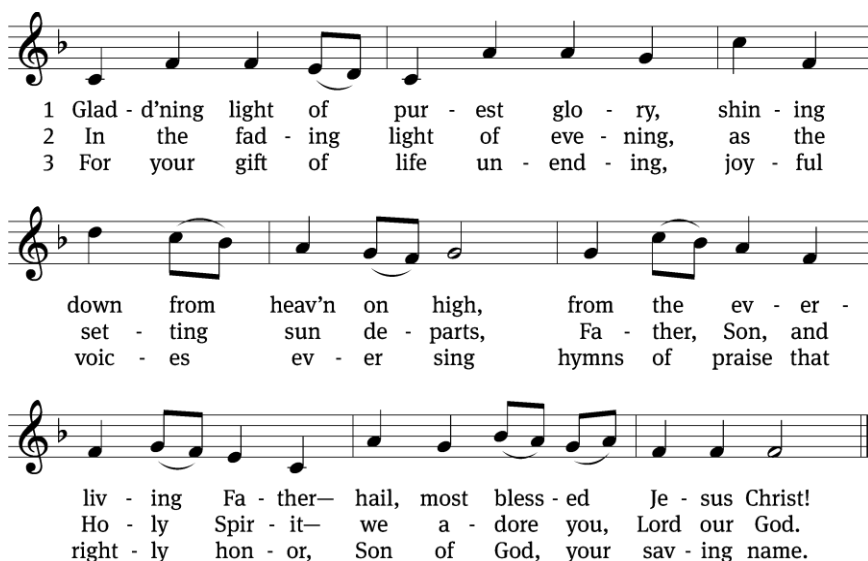
Jesus Christ is the light of the world,  
**the light no darkness can overcome.**

Stay with us, Lord, for it is evening,  
**and the day is almost over.**

Be our light and scatter the darkness,  
**and hear our evening prayer and praise.**

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## Hymn of Light



1 Glad - d'ning light of pur - est glo - ry, shin - ing  
2 In the fad - ing light of eve - ning, as the  
3 For your gift of life un - end - ing, joy - ful

down from heav'n on high, from the ev - er -  
set - ting sun de - parts, Fa - ther, Son, and  
voic - es ev - er sing hymns of praise that

liv - ing Fa - ther— hail, most bless - ed Je - sus Christ!  
Ho - ly Spir - it— we a - dore you, Lord our God.  
right - ly hon - or, Son of God, your sav - ing name.

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## Prayer

Blessed are you, O Lord our God, King of the universe, who led your people Israel with a pillar of cloud by day and a pillar of fire by night. Enlighten our darkness by the light of your Christ. May his Word be a lamp to our feet and a light to our path, for you are merciful and you love your whole creation. We, your creatures, glorify you—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

**Amen.**

### Psalm 141A Let My Prayer Rise before You

Let my prayer rise be - fore you as in - cense,  
the lift - ing up of my hands as the eve - ning sac - ri - fice.  
O LORD, I call to you; come to me quick - ly; hear my voice  
when I cry to you. Let my prayer rise be - fore you as in - cense,  
the lift - ing up of my hands as the eve - ning sac - ri - fice.

Let the incense of our prayers rise before you, O Lord,  
and let your mercy descend on us, that we may sing your  
praises with the Church on earth and forever in heaven;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

*Be Seated*

## Psalm

### Psalm 116

*Refrain*

I will walk in the pres-ence of the Lord,  
in the land of the liv - ing.

*Psalm tone*

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I love the LORD, for he heard my voice;\*  
he heard my cry for mercy.

Because he turned his ear to me,\*  
I will call on him as long as I live.

The LORD is gracious and righteous;\*  
when I was in great need, he saved me.

*Refrain*

For you, O LORD, have delivered my soul from death,\*  
my eyes from tears, my feet from stumbling.

How can I repay the LORD\*  
for all his goodness to me?

I will lift up the cup of salvation\*  
and call on the name of the LORD.

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son\*  
and to the Holy Spirit,  
as it was in the beginning,\*  
is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

### *Refrain*

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### **Psalm Prayer**

Lord God, grant us your Holy Spirit that we may hear and believe your Word. Cleanse our minds and renew our hearts that we may live for you here and hereafter; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

# THE PASSION HISTORY OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST

## LESSON SIX

Two other men, who were criminals, were led away with Jesus to be executed. They brought Jesus to the place called Golgotha, which means, "The place of a skull." They offered him wine to drink, mixed with gall; but when he tasted it, he would not drink it. They crucified him there with the criminals, one on his right and the other on his left.

Jesus said, "Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they are doing."

Now it was the third hour<sup>[1]</sup> when they crucified him.

Pilate also had a notice written and fastened on the cross. It read, "Jesus the Nazarene, the King of the Jews."

Many of the Jews read this notice, because the place where Jesus was crucified was near the city, and it was written in Aramaic, Latin, and Greek.

So the chief priests of the Jews said to Pilate, "Do not write, 'The King of the Jews,' but that 'this man said, 'I am the King of the Jews.''"

Pilate answered, "What I have written, I have written."

When the soldiers crucified Jesus, they took his clothes and divided them into four parts, one part for each soldier. They also took his tunic, which was seamless, woven in one piece from top to bottom. So they said to one another, "Let's not tear it. Instead, let's cast lots to see who gets it." This was so that the Scripture might be fulfilled which says:

They divided my garments among them  
and cast lots for my clothing.<sup>[2]</sup>

So the soldiers did these things. Then they sat down and were keeping watch over him there.



People who passed by kept insulting him, shaking their heads and saying, “You who were going to destroy the temple and rebuild it in three days, save yourself! If you are the Son of God, come down from the cross!”

Those who were crucified with him also insulted him. In the same way the chief priests, experts in the law, and elders kept mocking him. They said, “He saved others, but he cannot save himself. If he’s the King of Israel, let him come down now from the cross, and we will believe in him. He trusts in God. Let God rescue him now, if he wants him, because he said, ‘I am the Son of God.’”<sup>[3]</sup>

One of the criminals hanging there was blaspheming him, saying, “Aren’t you the Christ? Save yourself and us!”

But the other criminal rebuked him. “Don’t you fear God, since you are under the same condemnation? We are punished justly, for we are receiving what we deserve for what we have done, but this man has done nothing wrong.” Then he said, “Jesus, remember me<sup>[4]</sup> when you come in<sup>[5]</sup> your kingdom.”

Jesus said to him, “Amen I tell you: Today you will be with me in paradise.”<sup>[6]</sup>

Jesus’ mother, his mother’s sister, Mary the wife of Clopas, and Mary Magdalene were standing near the cross.

When Jesus saw his mother and the disciple whom he loved standing nearby, he said to his mother, “Woman, here is your son!” Then he said to the disciple, “Here is your mother!” And from that time this disciple took her into his own home.<sup>[7]</sup>

It was now about the sixth hour,<sup>[8]</sup> and darkness came over the whole land until the ninth hour,<sup>[9]</sup> while the sun was darkened.

At the ninth hour Jesus shouted with a loud voice, “Eloi, Eloi, lama sabachthani?” which means, “My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?”<sup>[10]</sup>

When some of those standing there heard this, they said, "Listen, he's calling Elijah!"

After this, knowing that everything had now been finished, and to fulfill the Scripture, Jesus said, "**I thirst.**"

A jar full of sour wine was sitting there. Immediately one of them ran, took a sponge, and soaked it with sour wine. Then he put it on a stick and gave him a drink.

When Jesus had received the sour wine, he said, "**It is finished!**"

Jesus cried out with a loud voice, "**Father, into your hands I commit my spirit!**"<sup>[11]</sup> When he had said this, he bowed his head and gave up his spirit.

Suddenly the temple curtain was torn in two from top to bottom. The earth shook and rocks were split. Tombs were opened, and many bodies of saints who had fallen asleep were raised to life. Those who came out of the tombs went into the holy city after Jesus' resurrection and appeared to many people. When the centurion and those who were guarding Jesus with him saw the earthquake and how he cried out with a loud voice and breathed his last, they were terrified and began to glorify God, saying, "This man really was righteous. Truly this was the Son of God."

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

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<sup>[1]</sup> 9 AM

<sup>[2]</sup> Psalm 22:18

<sup>[3]</sup> Matthew 27:33-43; Mark 15:20-32; Luke 23:26-38; John 19:16-24

<sup>[4]</sup> Some witnesses to the text read *Then he said to Jesus, "Remember me, Lord. . . ."*

<sup>[5]</sup> A few witnesses to the text read *into*.

<sup>[6]</sup> Luke 23:39-43

<sup>[7]</sup> John 19:25-27

<sup>[8]</sup> Jewish time began with sunrise, so the sixth hour was about noon.

<sup>[9]</sup> 3 PM

<sup>[10]</sup> Psalm 22:1

<sup>[11]</sup> Psalm 31:5

# HYMN

## 436 The Seven Words



1 Their nails were fresh - ly driv - en, their ha - tred  
 2 On you, my King, de - pend - ing, I'm rid of  
 3 A Sav - ior like no oth - er, all self - con -  
 4 Con - demned, cut off, for - sak - en, out - side the  
 5 My Lord, in death's dark val - ley, both soul and



clear - ly shown, when, "Let them be for - giv - en," was  
 all my sins! My fi - nal day here end - ing, my  
 cern de - nied, you served your griev - ing moth - er while  
 Fa - ther's care, by ter - ror o - ver - tak - en, no  
 bod - y drained, one drink would help you ral - ly what



heard at heav - en's throne. Your en - e - mies, O  
 first in heav'n be - gins. As you have tru - ly  
 you were cru - ci - fied. My sin had made me  
 ear would hear your prayer. On you God's wrath was  
 lit - tle strength re - mained to raise your voice in



Je - sus, you loved be - yond de - gree, a  
 spo - ken, in par - a - dise I'll be, with  
 filth - y, but you, the per - fect child, were  
 vent - ed, on you his fu - ry fell, when,  
 vic - t'ry, to sound your foe's de - feat— the



love so pure and pre - cious it e - ven par-doned me.  
 you in bliss un - bro - ken— you will re - mem - ber me.  
 des - ig - nat - ed guilt - y, and I am rec - on - ciled.  
 on the cross tor - ment - ed, you took my place in hell.  
 high - est point in his - t'ry— my res - cue was com - plete.

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# Sermon

## PRAYER FOR MAUNDY THURSDAY—RESPONSIVE

M: Lord God, heavenly Father, author of the everlasting covenant and giver of the cup of salvation,

**C: We gather in your courts to offer you our sacrifice of thanksgiving.**

M: For fulfilling your promise to establish a new covenant through the blood of your Son, Jesus Christ,

**C: We give you humble and hearty thanks.**

M: As our Lord Jesus Christ gave thanks to you when he broke the bread, as he gave thanks to you when he took the cup,

**C: We also give you thanks.**

M: Precious Savior, both Priest and offering, awe and wonder fill our hearts as we partake of your body, broken for us, and your blood, shed for us.

**C: We praise you, bless you, and adore you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

M: In our poverty of righteousness, we have nothing to offer. Without your tremendous sacrifice, we would still be in our sins,

**C: But through your sacrament of the New Testament, we are assured that our iniquities are forgiven and our sins are no longer remembered.**

M: O Holy Spirit, dwell within us as we remember our Lord's death in this sacrament. Enter our hearts to strengthen our faith and fill us with gratitude for your great mercy.

**C: Move us to encourage one another to love and to do good works.**

*Special prayers and intercessions may follow.*

M: Hear us, Lord, as we bring you our private petitions.

*Silent prayer.*

M: As our Lord served his disciples by washing their feet, so may we also humbly serve one another.

**C: Help us live our lives as sacrifices of thanksgiving to him who first loved us. Amen.**

OFFERING (Please fill out the red Friendship Registers. Thanks.)

Stand

## **Prayer of Thanksgiving**

We give thanks to you, O God, through your dear Son, Jesus Christ, whom you sent to be our Savior, our Redeemer, and the messenger of your grace. Through him you made all things; in him you are well pleased. He is the incarnate Word, conceived by the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. To fulfill your promises, he stretched out his hands on the cross and released from eternal death all who believe in you.

As we remember Jesus' death and resurrection, we thank you that you have gathered us together to receive your Son's body and blood. Send us your Spirit, unite us as one, and strengthen our faith so that we may praise you in your Son, Jesus Christ. Through him, we glorify and honor you, O God our Father, with the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

## **Lord's Prayer**

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day 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.**

## Words of Institution

Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, “Take and eat; this is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.”

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, “Drink from it, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me.”

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**Amen.**

## O Christ, Lamb of God



O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world;

have mer-cy on us. O Christ, Lamb of God,

you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us.

O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world;

grant us your peace. A - men.

# Distribution

## 659 Jesus Christ, Our Blessed Savior



1 Je - sus Christ, our bless - ed Sav - ior, turned a - way God's  
2 As his pledge of love un - dy - ing, he, this pre - cious  
3 Je - sus here him - self is shar - ing; take heed how you  
4 Use - less would be Je - sus' pas - sion if sal - va - tion



wrath for - ev - er; by his bit - ter grief and woe  
food sup - ply - ing, gives his bod - y with the bread  
are pre - par - ing, for if you do not be - lieve,  
you could fash - ion. Do not come if you sup - pose



he saved us from the e - vil foe.  
and with the wine the blood he shed.  
judg - ment in - stead you shall re - ceive.  
you need not him who died and rose.

5 Christ says, "Come, all you that labor,  
and receive my grace and favor;  
those who feel no pain or ill  
need no physician's help or skill."

6 Then hold fast with faith unshaken  
that this food is to be taken  
by the souls who are distressed,  
by hearts that long for peace and rest.

7 Praise the Father, who from heaven  
unto us such food has given  
and, to mend what we have done,  
gave into death his only Son.

8 If your heart this truth professes  
and your mouth your sin confesses,  
surely you will be his guest  
and at his banquet ever blest.

## *Stand*

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;  
**His mercy endures forever.**

Whenever we eat this bread and drink this cup,  
**We proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.**

We give thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us with this saving gift. We pray that through it you will strengthen our faith in you and increase our love for one another. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Amen.**

## **Blessing**

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and give you peace.

**Amen.**

## **436 The Seven Words**

6    Though sin's most lethal wages  
      to me, O Christ, were due,  
      the guilt of all the ages  
      came crashing down on you.  
Most surely, "It is finished"—  
      my debt is fully paid;  
      my joy is undiminished;  
      my heart is unafraid.

7    My death will be triumphant  
      no matter how I die;  
      Lord Jesus, in that instant  
      escort my soul on high  
      into my Father's keeping,  
      all-blameless and all-blest,  
      like waking up from sleeping,  
      his hands my place of rest.



# Ladies Aid Drives



Baby Shower for Central Africa Medical Mission (Camm)

Now through April 21



We are inviting the congregation to participate in our "Baby Shower of Gifts" for the Central Africa Medical Mission (Camm). If you'd like to donate a gift, we are hoping for diapers, clothing (such as infant caps, onesies, etc.) or money. There is a collection box on a table in the Welcome Area for your gift. We are accepting gifts now through April 21. Thank you!



## Diaper and Wipe Drive

Now through April 21

**Make Checks Payable to:**  
**"Christian Life Ministries"**

**(For New Day Pregnancy and Family Resource Center)**

Ladies Aid is supporting a Diaper and Wipe Drive! Please drop off any size diaper and wipe donations under the Literature Table. You may also write out a check to "Christian Life Ministries". There will be a free-will donation on April 21.

Did you know that 1 in 2 families struggle to provide clean diapers for their baby? In 2023, New Day Center gave out more than 1,600 packages of diapers. That is 48,000 diapers for low-income families who are struggling to meet expenses. If you have any questions, please ask Pam Tietz or Cindy Koch.

"Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, before you were born I set you apart; I appointed you as a prophet to the nations." (Jeremiah 1:5)



# Easter Breakfast Committee

**A BIG THANK YOU to the Easter Breakfast volunteers!**

**Decorating and Setup:** Saturday, March 30, at 2:30 p.m.-4:30 p.m.

**Easter Breakfast:** Sunday, March 31, from 8:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m.

## Easter Committee

**Chairperson: Marilyn Grassman**

**Helpers:** Mike Meyer, Amy Olson, Kathy Dodds, Daisy Babione (Saturday Only), Joyce Hogan (Saturday Only), LaDonna Oberle, Karla Kotek, Lori Holicky.

***Please stay to help with clean-up, if you can, after the second worship service.***



## What's Coming Up at Friedens?

DATE	DESCRIPTION	TIME
<b>Sunday, March 31</b> <b>Happy</b> <b>Resurrection Day!</b>	Worship (Sunrise) Easter Breakfast Worship (Communion)	7:00 a.m. 8:00 a.m. 9:00 a.m.
<b>Monday, April 1</b>		
<b>Tuesday, April 2</b>	Worship at Mala Strana <b>Bible Info Class</b> Worship	11:00 a.m. 2:00 p.m. 6:30 p.m.
<b>Wednesday, April 3</b>	<b>Bible Study</b> Games 5 & 6 Catechism 7 & 8 Catechism	9:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 4:15 p.m. 5:40 p.m.
<b>Thursday, April 4</b>	<b>First-Thursday Dinner (Fish Fry)</b> <b>Bible Info Class</b> <i>FIFAF/Book Club</i>	5:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m. 6:30 p.m.
<b>Friday, April 5</b>		
<b>Saturday, April 6</b>	<b>Men's Bible Study</b> Worship <b>Bible Info Class</b>	8:00 a.m. Noon 1:00 p.m.
<b>Sunday, April 7</b>	Worship Coffee Time Sunday School <b>Bible Study</b>	9:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 10:10 a.m. 10:30 a.m.
<b>Monday, April 8</b>	<i>COUNCIL MEETING</i>	6:30 p.m.
<b>Tuesday, April 9</b>	(Pastors Conference: Apr. 9-11)	

### USHERS

DATE	TEENS		ADULTS	
March 28 (7:00 p.m.) Maundy Thursday	Josef Jirik	Ethan Paler	Russ Meyer	Dean Cornelius
March 29 (7:00 p.m.) Good Friday	Sam Workman	Ruth Workman	Russ Meyer	Scott Gilsrud
March 31 (7:00 a.m.) Easter Sunrise	Olivia Quast	Kameron Quickle	Doug Holicky	Troy Rabenberg
March 31 (9:00 a.m.) Easter	Brandon Schellin	Megan Schellin	Duane Jirik	Justin Storlie

# 1 Corinthians 11: 23-34

<sup>23</sup> For I have received of the Lord that which also I delivered unto you, that the Lord Jesus the same night in which he was betrayed took bread:

<sup>24</sup> And when he had given thanks, he brake it, and said, Take, eat: this is my body, which is broken for you: this do in remembrance of me.

<sup>25</sup> After the same manner also he took the cup, when he had supped, saying, this cup is the new testament in my blood: this do ye, as oft as ye drink it, in remembrance of me.

<sup>26</sup> For as often as ye eat this bread, and drink this cup, ye do shew the Lord's death till he come.

<sup>27</sup> Wherefore whosoever shall eat this bread, and drink this cup of the Lord, unworthily, shall be guilty of the body and blood of the Lord.

<sup>28</sup> But let a man examine himself, and so let him eat of that bread, and drink of that cup.

<sup>29</sup> For he that eateth and drinketh unworthily, eateth and drinketh damnation to himself, not discerning the Lord's body.

<sup>30</sup> For this cause many are weak and sickly among you, and many sleep.

<sup>31</sup> For if we would judge ourselves, we should not be judged.

<sup>32</sup> But when we are judged, we are chastened of the Lord, that we should not be condemned with the world.

<sup>33</sup> Wherefore, my brethren, when ye come together to eat, tarry one for another.

<sup>34</sup> And if any man hunger, let him eat at home; that ye come not together unto condemnation. And the rest will I set in order when I come.