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WK 34 –LAST SUPPER, PREPARATION & WASHING FEET (JN 13:1-17, pp.267-273)

The whole of Jesus’ life and ministry was directed in love toward God and service toward His neighbor. He lived a perfect life according to God’s will. He was *the* man.

Holy Thursday is a night filled with signs and expressions of Christ’s sacrificial love for you. He washed the disciples’ feet. He served them a meal of forgiveness, life and salvation. He pointed toward the full expression of His love on the cross. All of this was for us...for you!

Why is it so unusual that Jesus would wash His disciples’ feet?

Despite the lowliness of the job, why does Jesus still wash His disciples’ feet?

How does Jesus respond to Peter’s objection to being washed by Jesus?

What important truth does this indicate?

Why does Peter then ask Jesus to wash his whole body?

Jesus’ response to Peter’s request indicates that being “clean” before God requires both a one-time “bath” and a repeated “foot-washing.” **How do we practice both aspects of this in the church today?**

The foot washing takes place in the upper room where Jesus and His disciples are celebrating the Passover (see Exodus 12). But Jesus institutes “a new Meal from this ancient celebration, a Meal in which Jesus is present” with His true Body and Blood.

How does the Old Testament Passover point to Jesus and His Work on the cross?

What special comfort does the “New Meal” instituted by Christ give to His people?

Jesus washes and feeds all of His disciples, even those who will betray and deny Him. **What does this mean for sinners who fear that their sins are beyond God’s forgiveness?**

After washing His disciples’ feet, Jesus commands them (us) to go and do likewise. **What practical obedience does this command demand from you?**

How can Faith Lutheran Church and School follow Jesus’ example and humbly serve our neighbors?

For Next Time:

WEEK 35 – THE LAST SUPPER, HOLY COMMUNION (MT 26:26-35, pp.275-281)