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LET YOUR FACE SHINE ON YOUR SERVANT;
SAVE ME IN YOUR UNFAILING LOVE.

- PSALM 31:16 -

Palm/Passion Sunday
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Holy Communion, ELW Setting 3

The Palm Sunday Liturgy recreates the triumphal entry of Jesus into Jerusalem as the congregation gathers in Fellowship Hall and we wave our palms and make our procession into nave and sanctuary. We begin with shouts of “Hosanna!”, then hear of Jesus clashing with religious leaders and conclude by hearing Jesus foretell his death and Judas agrees to betray him. Thus, Holy Week begins.

Thank you for joining us! If you are visiting us today, please fill out a Visitor Card, located in your pew rack, if you would like to have us contact you.

We practice an open communion table at Zion. All who believe in Christ as Lord and Savior are welcome to celebrate Holy Communion with us, from the youngest to the oldest members of the body of Christ present in worship.

Children are welcome to fully participate in worship. What could be better than the whole family of God being together in worship? There are Children’s worship bags available near the usher’s table in the narthex. Should you or your child need a break, there is a nursery located across from Fellowship Hall for your use.

Nursing mothers are welcome to use the Mothers’ Room, just one door down the hall from the nursery. Please knock before entering.

+ Indicates that you are invited to rise as you are able

BOLD PRINT INDICATES CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSES

Hymn numbers are the large numbers at the top of the page in the red hymnal, *Evangelical Lutheran Worship*, which is located in the pew racks.

Thank you for silencing all electronic devices.

‡ **GATHERING** ‡

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God

THE PROCESSION WITH PALMS

Palms are available for all worship participants at the top of the steps along with your worship bulletin. The service begins in Fellowship Hall with the reading of the Processional Gospel. Please face the sanctuary as the service begins.

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

+ PROCESSIONAL GOSPEL Luke 19:28-40
(please shout where indicate by **BOLD PRINT**)

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord !

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HOSANNA IN THE HIGHEST!

²⁸After he had said this, Jesus went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem.

²⁹When he had come near Bethphage and Bethany, at the place called the Mount of Olives, he sent two of the disciples, ³⁰saying, "Go into the village ahead of you, and as you enter it you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden. Untie it and bring it here. ³¹If anyone asks you, 'Why are you untying it?' just say this, 'The Lord needs it.' " ³²So those who were sent departed and found it as he had told them. ³³As they were untying the colt, its owners asked them, "Why are you untying the colt?" ³⁴They said, "The Lord needs it." ³⁵Then they brought it to Jesus; and after throwing their cloaks on the colt, they set Jesus on it. ³⁶As he rode along, people kept spreading their cloaks on the road. ³⁷As he was now approaching the path down from the Mount of Olives, the whole multitude of the disciples began to praise God joyfully with a loud voice for all the deeds of power that they had seen, ³⁸saying,

"BLESSED IS THE KING WHO COMES IN THE NAME OF THE LORD! PEACE IN HEAVEN, AND GLORY IN THE HIGHEST HEAVEN!"

³⁹Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to him, "Teacher, order your disciples to stop." ⁴⁰He answered, "I tell you, if these were silent, the stones would shout out."

The gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ**

+ BLESSING OF THE PALMS

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

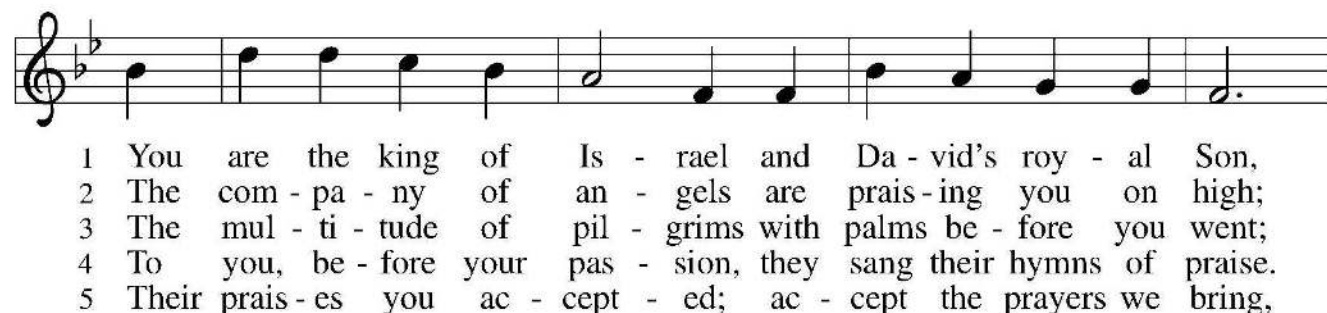
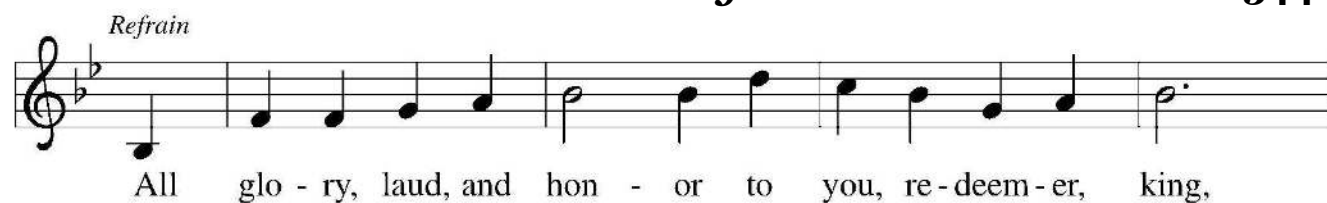
Let us pray.

A brief silence is kept.

We praise you, O God, for redeeming the world through our Savior Jesus Christ. Today he entered the holy city in triumph and was proclaimed messiah and king by those who spread garments and branches along his way. Bless these branches and those who carry them. Grant us grace to follow our Lord in the way of the cross, so that, joined to his death and resurrection, we enter into life with you; through the same Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

The Zion Bell Choir and Sunday School leads the congregation in a procession to the nave. You are welcome to follow them as they process down the center aisle and around the outside aisles or you may find your pew for the service. You are welcome to place your palms in the flower vases or at the foot of the cross at the front.

Remain standing as you are able for the processional hymn, waving your palms in celebration!



INTROIT *Ride On! Ride On In Majesty!* Jason W. Krug

Zion Bell Choir

+ CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Most merciful God,

we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name.

Amen

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the ☩ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen

+ GREETING & PRAYER OF THE DAY

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

And also with you.

As we now enter into the contemplation of the passion of our Lord Jesus Christ and meditate on the salvation of the world through his sufferings, death, burial, and resurrection, let us pray:

Everlasting God, in your endless love for the human race you sent our Lord Jesus Christ to take on our nature and to suffer death on the cross. In your mercy enable us to share in his obedience to your will and in the glorious victory of his resurrection, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen

ANTHEM

A Procession of Promise

Zion Choir

‡ **WORD** ‡

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song

FIRST READING

Isaiah 50:4-9a

⁴The Lord GOD has given me the tongue of a teacher, that I may know how to sustain the weary with a word. Morning by morning he awakens—awakens my ear to listen as those who are taught.⁵The Lord GOD has opened my ear, and I was not rebellious, I did not turn backward.⁶I have my back to those who struck me, and my cheeks to those who pulled out the beard; I did not hide my face from insult and spitting. ⁷The Lord GOD helps me; therefore I have not been disgraced; therefore I have set my face like flint, and I know that I shall not be put to shame; ⁸he who vindicates me is near. Who will contend with me? Let us stand up together. Who are my adversaries? Let them confront me.^{9a}It is the Lord GOD who helps me; who will declare me guilty?

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 31:9-16 (Please read responsively by whole verse)

Be gracious to me, O LORD, for I am in distress; my eye wastes away from grief, my soul and body also.

For my life is spent with sorrow, and my years with sighing; my strength fails because of my misery, and my bones waste away.

I am the scorn of all my adversaries, a horror to my neighbors, an object of dread to my acquaintances; those who see me in the street flee from me.

I have passed out of mind like one who is dead; I have become like a broken vessel.

For I hear the whispering of many-- terror all around!-- as they scheme together against me, as they plot to take my life.

But I trust in you, O LORD; I say, "You are my God."

My times are in your hand; deliver me from the hand of my enemies and persecutors.

Let your face shine upon your servant; save me in your steadfast love.

SECOND READING **Philippians 2:5-11**

⁵ Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus,

⁶ who, though he was in the form of God,
did not regard equality with God
as something to be exploited,

⁷ but emptied himself,
taking the form of a slave,
being born in human likeness.

And being found in human form,

⁸ he humbled himself
and became obedient to the point of death—
even death on a cross.

⁹ Therefore God also highly exalted him
and gave him the name
that is above every name,

¹⁰ so that at the name of Jesus
every knee should bend,
in heaven and on earth and under the earth,

¹¹ and every tongue should confess
that Jesus Christ is Lord,
to the glory of God the Father.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

CHILDREN'S SERMON

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION – *Jesus, Remember Me*

ELW 616

Je - sus, re - mem-ber me when you come in-to your king - dom.

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GOSPEL Luke 22:14 – 23:56

*The Passion History according the Mark will be presented by reader's theatre this morning. Please take this time to hear the story of our Lord's betrayal, suffering, and crucifixion as we begin Holy Week. Congregational parts are in **bold print**.*

The passion of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

Glory to you, O Lord

When the hour came, Jesus took his place at the table, and the apostles with him.

Jesus said to them,

"I have eagerly desired to eat this Passover with you before I suffer; for I tell you, I will not eat it until it is fulfilled in the kingdom of God."

Then Jesus took a cup, and after giving thanks he said,

"Take this and divide it among yourselves; for I tell you that from now on I will not drink of the fruit of the vine until the kingdom of God comes."

Then Jesus took a loaf of bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to them.

"This is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

And Jesus did the same with the cup after supper.

"This cup that is poured out for you is the new covenant in my blood. But see, the one who betrays me is with me, and his hand is on the table.

For the Son of Man is going as it has been determined, but woe to that one by whom he is betrayed!"

Then they began to ask one another which one of them it could be who would do this.

A dispute also arose among them as to which one of them was to be regarded as the greatest.

But Jesus said to them,

"The kings of the Gentiles lord it over them; and those in authority over them are called benefactors.

But not so with you; rather, the greatest among you must become like the youngest, and the leader like one who serves."

"Simon, Simon, listen! Satan has demanded to sift all of you like wheat, but I have prayed for you that your own faith may not fail; and you, when once you have turned back, strengthen your brothers."

And Peter said to Jesus, "Lord, I am ready to go with you to prison and to death!"

"I tell you, Peter, the cock will not crow this day, until you have denied three times that you know me."

Jesus came out and went, as was his custom, to the Mount of Olives; and the disciples followed him.

When Jesus reached the place, he said to them,

"Pray that you may not come into the time of trial."

Then Jesus withdrew from them about a stone's throw, knelt down, and prayed,

"Father, if you are willing, remove this cup from me; yet, not my will but yours be done."

Then an angel from heaven appeared to him and gave him strength.

In his anguish Jesus prayed more earnestly and his sweat became like great drops of blood falling down on the ground.

When Jesus got up from prayer, he came to the disciples and found them sleeping because of grief, and said to them,

“Why are you sleeping? Get up and pray that you may not come into the time of trial.”

While Jesus was still speaking, suddenly a crowd came, and the one called Judas, one of the twelve, was leading them.

He approached Jesus to kiss him; but Jesus said to him,

“Judas, is it with a kiss that you are betraying the Son of Man?”

When those who were around him saw what was coming, they asked,

All: “Lord, should we strike with the sword?”

Then one of them struck the slave of the high priest and cut off his right ear. But Jesus said, “No more of this!”

And Jesus touched his ear and healed him.

Then Jesus said to the chief priests, the officers of the temple police, and the elders who had come for him,

“Have you come out with swords and clubs as if I were a bandit? When I was with you day after day in the temple, you did not lay hands on me.

But this is your hour, and the power of darkness!”

Then they seized Jesus and led him away, bringing him into the high priest’s house. But Peter was following at a distance.

When they had kindled a fire in the middle of the courtyard and sat down together, Peter sat among them.

Then a servant-girl, seeing him in the firelight, stared at him and said, “This man also was with him.”

But Peter denied it:

“Woman, I do not know him.”

A little later someone else, on seeing Peter, said, “You also are one of them.”

“Man, I am not!”

Then about an hour later, still another kept insisting:

“Surely this man also was with him; for he is a Galilean.”

“Man, I do not know what you are talking about!”

At that moment, while he was still speaking, the cock crowed.

The Lord turned and looked at Peter.

Then Peter remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said to him, “Before the cock crows today, you will deny me three times.”

And Peter went out and wept bitterly.

Now the men who were holding Jesus began to mock him and beat him; they also blindfolded him and kept asking him,

All: “Prophecy! Who is it that struck you?”

They kept heaping many other insults on him.

When day came, the assembly of the elders of the people, both chief priests and scribes, gathered together, and they brought Jesus to their council.

They said, “If you are the Messiah, tell us.” Jesus replied,

“If I tell you, you will not believe, and if I question you, you will not answer.

But from now on the Son of Man will be seated at the right hand of the power of God.”

All of them asked,

All: “Are you, then, the Son of God?”

“You say that I am.”

Then they said, “What further testimony do we need? We have heard it ourselves from his own lips!”

Then the assembly rose as a body and brought Jesus before Pilate. They began to accuse him, saying,

“We found this man perverting our nation, forbidding us to pay taxes to the emperor, and saying that he himself is the Messiah, a king.”

Then Pilate asked Jesus, “Are you the king of the Jews?”

“You say so.”

Then Pilate said to the chief priests and the crowds, “I find no basis for an accusation against this man.”

But they were insistent and said,

“He stirs up the people by teaching throughout all Judea, from Galilee where he began, even to this place.”

The chief priests and the scribes stood by, vehemently accusing Jesus.

Even Herod with his soldiers treated Jesus with contempt and mocked him;

then Herod put an elegant robe on Jesus, and sent him back to Pilate.

That same day Herod and Pilate became friends with each other; before this they had been enemies.

Pilate then called together the chief priests, the leaders, and the people, and said to them,

“You brought me this man as one who was perverting the people; and here I have examined him in your presence and have not found this man guilty of any of your charges against him.

Neither has Herod, for he sent him back to us.

Indeed, Jesus has done nothing to deserve death. I will therefore have him flogged and release him.”

Then they all shouted out together,

All: “Away with this fellow! Release Barabbas for us!”

This was a man who had been put in prison for an insurrection that had taken place in the city, and for murder.

Pilate, wanting to release Jesus, addressed them again;
but they kept shouting,

All: “Crucify, crucify him!”

A third time Pilate said to them,

“Why, what evil has he done? I have found in him no grounds for the sentence of death;
I will therefore have him flogged and then release him.”

But they kept urgently demanding with loud shouts that Jesus should be crucified; and their voices prevailed.

So Pilate gave his verdict that their demand should be granted.

He released the man they asked for, the one who had been put in prison for insurrection and murder,

and Pilate handed Jesus over as they wished.

As they led Jesus away, they seized a man, Simon of Cyrene, who was coming from the country, and they laid the cross on Simon,
and made him carry it behind Jesus.

A great number of the people followed him and among them were women who were beating their breasts and wailing for him.

But Jesus turned to them and said,

“Daughters of Jerusalem, do not weep for me, but weep for yourselves and for your children.

For the days are surely coming when they will say, ‘Blessed are the barren, and the wombs that never bore, and the breasts that never nursed.’

Then they will begin to say to the mountains, ‘Fall on us’; and to the hills, ‘Cover us.’

For if they do this when the wood is green, what will happen when it is dry?”

Two others also, who were criminals, were led away to be put to death with Jesus.

When they came to the place that is called The Skull, they crucified Jesus there with the criminals, one on his right and one on his left.

Then Jesus said,

“Father, forgive them; for they do not know what they are doing.”

And they cast lots to divide his clothing.

And the people stood by, watching; but the leaders scoffed at Jesus, saying,

All: “He saved others; let him save himself if he is the Messiah of God, his chosen one!”

The soldiers also mocked Jesus, coming up and offering him sour wine, and saying, “If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!”

There was also an inscription over him, “This is the King of the Jews.”

One of the criminals who were hanged there kept deriding him and saying, “Are you not the Messiah? Save yourself and us!”

But the other rebuked him, saying, “Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation?”

And we indeed have been condemned justly, for we are getting what we deserve for our deeds, but this man has done nothing wrong.”

Then the criminal said, “Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.”

Jesus replied,

“Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in Paradise.”

Hymn

Jesus, Remember Me ELW 616 (sung three times)

Je - sus, re - mem - ber me when you come in - to your king - dom.

The first line of the hymn is written on a grand staff (treble and bass clefs) in a key signature of two flats (B-flat and E-flat). The melody is in the treble clef, and the bass line is in the bass clef. The lyrics are written below the notes.

Je - sus, re - mem - ber me when you come in - to your king - dom.

The second line of the hymn continues the melody and bass line from the first line. It ends with a double bar line. The lyrics are written below the notes.

It was now about noon, and darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon, while the sun’s light failed;

and the curtain of the temple was torn in two.

Then Jesus, crying with a loud voice, said,

“Father, into your hands I commend my spirit.”

Having said this, he breathed his last.

Period of silence

When the centurion saw what had taken place, he praised God and said,

“Certainly this man was innocent.”

And when all the crowds who had gathered there for this spectacle saw what had taken place, they returned home, beating their breasts.

But all Jesus' acquaintances, including the women who had followed him from Galilee, stood at a distance, watching these things.

The passion of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Praise to you, O Christ

This is the gospel of our Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

HYMN OF THE DAY

O Sacred Head, Now Wounded

ELW 351



1 O sa - cred head, now wound - ed, with grief and shame weighed down,
2 How pale thou art with an - guish, with sore a - buse and scorn;
3 What lan - guage shall I bor - row to thank thee, dear - est friend,
4 Lord, be my con - so - la - tion; shield me when I must die;



now scorn - ful - ly sur - round - ed with thorns, thine on - ly crown;
how does thy face now lan - guish, which once was bright as morn!
for this thy dy - ing sor - row, thy pit - y with - out end?
re - mind me of thy pas - sion when my last hour draws nigh.



O sa - cred head, what glo - ry, what bliss till now was thine!
Thy grief and bit - ter pas - sion were all for sin - ners' gain;
Oh, make me thine for - ev - er, and should I faint - ing be,
These eyes, new faith re - ceiv - ing, from thee shall nev - er move;



Yet, though de - spised and gor - y, I joy to call thee mine.
mine, mine was the trans - gres - sion, but thine the dead - ly pain.
Lord, let me nev - er, nev - er out - live my love to thee.
for all who die be - liev - ing die safe - ly in thy love.

+ APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen

+ PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Led by the Spirit, let us turn to God in prayer for the church, the world, and all those in need, responding to each petition with “**hear our prayer**”.

Each petition ends with: Lord, in your mercy

Congregational response: Hear our prayer

Receive the prayers of your people and draw all things together in your love, in the name of Jesus, who leads us from death to life. **Amen**

+ SHARING OF THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always

And also with you.

‡ **MEAL** ‡

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ

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MUSICAL OFFERING

Ah, Holy Jesus

Wilbur Held

Charles Potter

+ OFFERING PRAYER

Gracious Provider,

you set your immense treasures among us,
opening your heart to the world.

As we prepare to feast on your bountiful love,
deepen our commitment to sharing those
treasures with others,
through our Savior, Jesus Christ.

Amen

+ DIALOGUE ELW p. 144

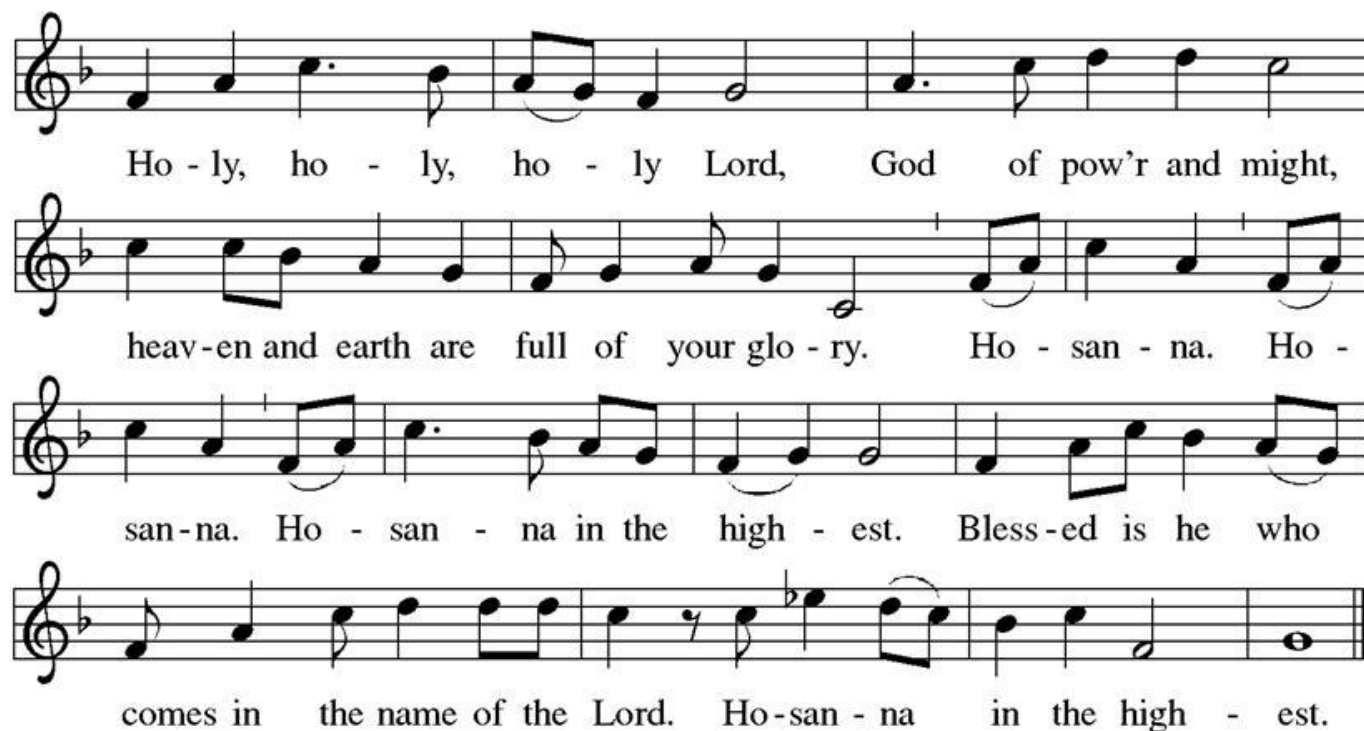


The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.
Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

+ PROPER PREFACE

It is right, our duty, and our joy.....and join their unending hymn.

+ HOLY, HOLY, HOLY ELW p. 144



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,
heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na. Ho -
san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless-ed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san - na in the high - est.

+ WORDS OF INSTITUTION

In the night in which he was betrayed.....Do this for the remembrance of me.

+ LORD'S PRAYER

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us, using the language or version of your heart:

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

+ INVITATION TO COMMUNION

All who are hungry, come! The feast of grace is spread.

DISTRIBUTION

LAMB OF GOD - ELW p. 146

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sin of the world; grant us peace.

DISTRIBUTION HYMN

ELW 353 *Were You There*

ELW 347 *Go to Dark Gethsemane*

ELW 349 *Ah, Holy Jesus*



- 1 Were you there when they cru - ci - fied my Lord?
- 2 Were you there when they nailed him to the tree?
- 3 Were you there when they pierced him in the side?
- 4 Were you there when the sun re - fused to shine?
- 5 Were you there when they laid him in the tomb?



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Refrain



Oh, some-times it caus-es me to trem-ble, trem-ble, trem-ble.



Were you there when they cru - ci - fied my Lord?
 Were you there when they nailed him to the tree?
 Were you there when they pierced him in the side?
 Were you there when the sun re - fused to shine?
 Were you there when they laid him in the tomb?

Text: African American spiritual

Music: WERE YOU THERE, African American spiritual



1 Go to dark Geth-sem - a - ne, all who feel the tempt - er's pow'r;
 2 Fol - low to the judg-ment hall, view the Lord of life ar - rained;
 3 Cal-v'ry's mourn-ful moun-tain climb; there, a - dor - ing at his feet,
 4 Ear - ly has - ten to the tomb where they laid his breath - less clay;



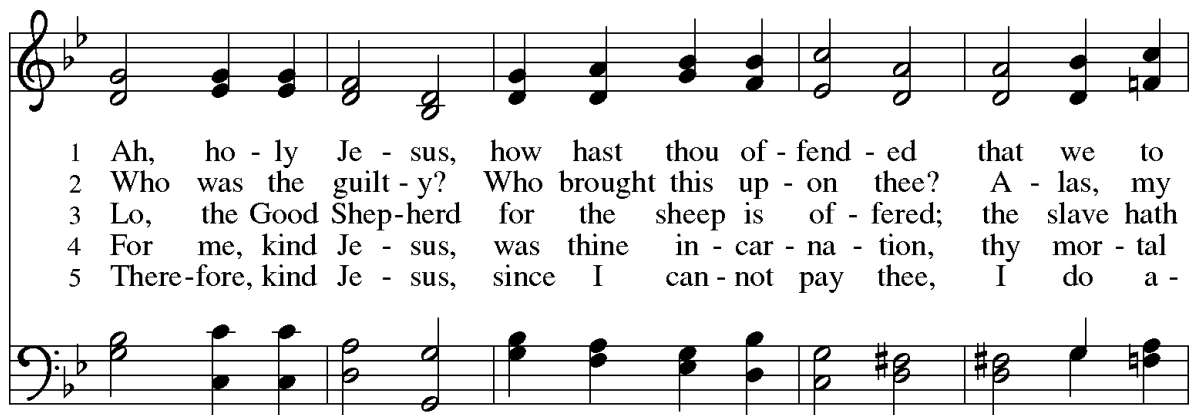
your Re-deem - er's con - flict see. Watch with him one bit - ter hour;
 oh, the worm-wood and the gall! Oh, the pangs his soul sus-tained!
 mark that mir - a - cle of time, God's own sac - ri - fice com-plete.
 all is sol - i - tude and gloom. Who has tak - en him a - way?



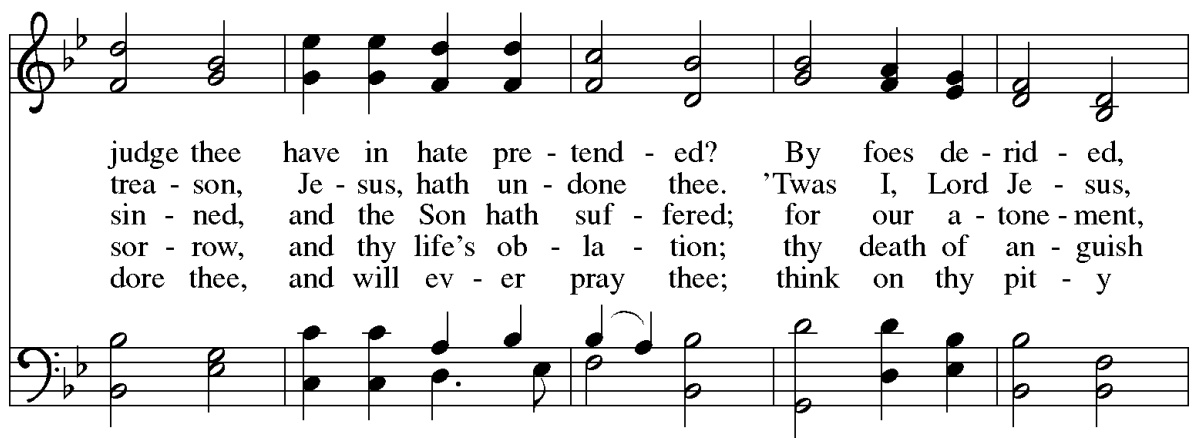
turn not from his griefs a - way; learn from Je - sus Christ to pray.
 Shun not suf - f'ring, shame, or loss; learn from him to bear the cross.
 "It is fin-ished!" hear him cry; learn from Je - sus Christ to die.
 Christ is ris'n! He meets our eyes. Sav - ior, teach us so to rise.

Text: James Montgomery, 1771-1854

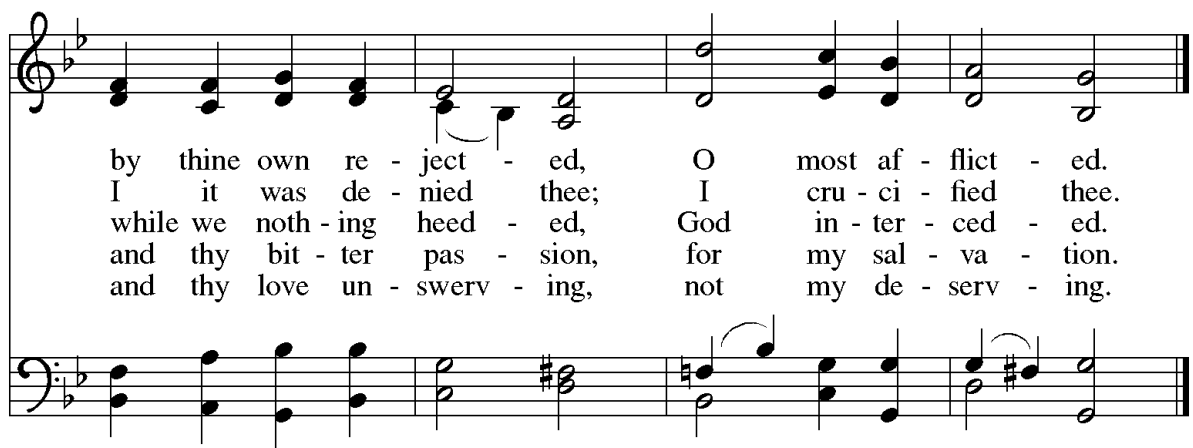
Music: GETHSEMANE, Richard Redhead, 1820-1901



1 Ah, ho - ly Je - sus, how hast thou of - fend - ed that we to
 2 Who was the guilt - y? Who brought this up - on thee? A - las, my
 3 Lo, the Good Shep-herd for the sheep is of - fered; the slave hath
 4 For me, kind Je - sus, was thine in - car - na - tion, thy mor - tal
 5 There-fore, kind Je - sus, since I can - not pay thee, I do a -



judge thee have in hate pre - tend - ed? By foes de - rid - ed,
 trea - son, Je - sus, hath un - done thee. 'Twas I, Lord Je - sus,
 sin - ned, and the Son hath suf - fered; for our a - tone - ment,
 sor - row, and thy life's ob - la - tion; thy death of an - guish
 dore thee, and will ev - er pray thee; think on thy pit - y



by thine own re - ject - ed, O most af - flict - ed.
 I it was de - nied thee; I cru - ci - fied thee.
 while we noth - ing heed - ed, God in - ter - ced - ed.
 and thy bit - ter pas - sion, for my sal - va - tion.
 and thy love un - swerv - ing, not my de - serv - ing.

Text: Johann Heermann, 1585–1647; tr. Robert Bridges, 1844–1930, alt.
 Music: HERZLIEBSTER JESU, Johann Crüger, 1598–1662

+ POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

Now may this body and blood of our Lord and Savior, Jesus the Christ, strengthen you and keep you in his grace, ✠ now and forever. **Amen**

+ PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Generous Host,

you have shared your feast with us and made us new.

Send us now to set tables of love and grace in our communities,
 that your liberating love might nourish the world into freedom,
 in the name of the crucified one, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

‡ **SENDING** ‡

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world

+ BLESSING

Beloved,
we are God's own people,
holy, washed, renewed.
The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy.
The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.
In the name of the Father,
and of the † Son,
and of the Holy Spirit
Amen

+ SENDING HYMN

Beneath the Cross of Jesus

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1 Be - neath the cross of Je - sus I long to take my stand;
2 Up - on the cross of Je - sus, my eye at times can see
3 I take, O cross, your shad - ow for my a - bid - ing place;



the shad - ow of a might-y rock with - in a wea - ry land,
the ver - y dy - ing form of one who suf - fered there for me.
I ask no oth - er sun - shine than the sun - shine of his face;



a home with-in a wil - der - ness, a rest up - on the way,
And from my con - trite heart, with tears, two won - ders I con - fess:
con - tent to let the world go by, to know no gain nor loss,



from the burn - ing of the noon - tide heat and bur - dens of the day.
the . . . won - der of his glo - rious love and my un - wor - thi - ness.
my . . . sin - ful self my on - ly shame, my glo - ry all, the cross.

+Dismissal

Go in peace. Share your bread.
Thanks be to God.