

## THE LITURGY OF THE PALMS

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*The people gather in Millen Hall, palms are distributed, and processional directions given*

*Presider* Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord.

*People* **Peace in heaven and glory in the highest.**

*Presider* Let us pray.

Assist us mercifully with your help, O Lord God of our salvation, that we may enter with joy upon the contemplation of those mighty acts, whereby you have given us life and immortality; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

**READING:** Luke 19:28-40

*Reader* A reading from the Gospel according to Luke.

After telling a parable to the crowd at Jericho, Jesus went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem. When he had come near Bethphage and Bethany, at the place called the Mount of Olives, he sent two of the disciples, saying, "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. If anyone asks you, 'Why are you untying it?' just say this, 'The Lord needs it.'" So those who were sent departed and found it as he had told them. As they were untying the colt, its owners asked them, "Why are you untying the colt?" They said, "The Lord needs it." Then they brought it to Jesus; and after throwing their cloaks on the colt, they set Jesus on it. As he rode along, people kept spreading their cloaks on the road. As 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, saying,

"Blessed is the king  
who comes in the name of the Lord!  
Peace in heaven,  
and glory in the highest heaven!"

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

*Reader*      The Word of the Lord.

**People**      **Thanks be to God.**

*People raise the palms*

## **BLESSING OF THE PALMS**

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*Presider*      The Lord be with you.

**People**      **And also with you.**

*Presider*      Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**People**      **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

*Presider*      It is right to praise you, Almighty God, for the acts of love by which you have redeemed us through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. On this day he entered the holy city of Jerusalem in triumph, and was proclaimed as King of kings by those who spread their garments and branches of palm along his way. Let these branches be for us signs of his victory, and grant that we who bear them in his name may ever hail him as our King, and follow him in the way that leads to eternal life; who lives and reigns in glory with you and the Holy Spirit, now and for ever. **Amen.**

*Presider*      Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

**People**      **Hosanna in the highest.**

## **THE PROCESSION**

*Presider*      Let us go forth in peace.

**People**      **In the Name of Christ. Amen.**

*During the procession of the Palms, the Congregation follows the Crucifer, Altar party and Choir out of Millen Hall, processing through the indoor hallway to the Sanctuary.*

*Cantor*      Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord

**People**      **Hosanna in the highest.**

Following the Crucifer, the People are led into the church, where they move to their pews to join the choir in singing:

**HYMN 154 (vs. 1, 2, 3): All glory, laud, and honor** *(Sung in the Church)*

*Refrain*

All glo - ry, laud, and hon - or to thee, Re - deem - er, King!

to whom the lips of chil - dren made sweet ho - san - nas ring.

1 Thou art the King of Is - ra - el, thou Da - vid's roy - al Son,  
2 The com - pa - ny of an - gels is prais - ing thee on high;  
3 The peo - ple of the He - brews with palms be - fore thee went;  
4 To thee be - fore thy pas - sion they sang their hymns of praise;  
5 Thou didst ac - cept their prais - es; ac - cept the prayers we bring,

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*Repeat Refrain*

1 who in the Lord's Name com - est, the King and Bless - ed One.  
2 and we with all cre - a - tion in cho - rus make re - ply.  
3 our praise and prayers and an - thems be - fore thee we pre - sent.  
4 to thee, now high ex - al - ted, our mel - o - dy we raise.  
5 who in all good de - light - est, thou good and gra - cious King.

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The stanzas may be sung by choir alone or alternately by contrasted groups; all sing the refrain.

Words: Theodulph of Orleans (d. 821); tr. John Mason Neale (1818-1866), alt. Music: *Valet will ich dir geben*, melody Melchior Teschner (1584-1635), alt.; harm. William Henry Monk (1823-1889).

## THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

### COLLECT OF THE DAY

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*Presider* Bless the Lord, who forgives all our sins.

*People* **His mercy endures forever**

*Presider* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Presider* Let us pray.

Almighty and everliving God, in your tender love for the human race you sent your Son our Savior Jesus Christ to take upon him our nature, and to suffer death upon the cross, giving us the example of his great humility: Mercifully grant that we may walk in the way of his suffering, and also share in his resurrection; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

*The people, seated, as able, through the Second Reading*

**FIRST READING:** Isaiah 50:4-9a

*Reader* A reading from the prophet Isaiah.

The 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 wakens--  
wakens my ear  
to listen as those who are taught.  
The Lord GOD has opened my ear,  
and I was not rebellious,  
I did not turn backward.

I gave 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.

The 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;  
he who vindicates me is near.

Who will contend with me?  
Let us stand up together.

Who are my adversaries?  
Let them confront me.

It is the Lord GOD who helps me;  
who will declare me guilty?

*Reader*      The Word of the Lord.

**People**      **Thanks be to God.**

*Sung in unison, beginning after the asterisk in the first verse*

**RESPONSE:** Psalm 31:9-16, *In te, Domine, speravi*

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- 9 Have mercy on me, O LORD, for I am in / trouble; \*  
my eye is consumed with sorrow, and also my throat and my / belly.
- 10 For my life is wasted with grief, and my years with / sighing; \*  
my strength fails me because of affliction, and my bones are con- / sumed.
- 11 I have become a reproach to all my enemies and even to my neighbors,  
a dismay to those of my / acquaintance; \*  
when they see me in the street they a- / void me.
- 12 I am forgotten like a dead man, out of / mind; \*  
I am as useless as a broken / pot.
- 13 For I have heard the whispering of the crowd; fear is all a- / round; \*  
they put their heads together against me; they plot to take my / life.

**14 But as for me, I have trusted in you, O / LORD. \***

**I have said, "You are my / God.**

**15 My times are in your / hand; \***

**rescue me from the hand of my enemies, and from those who / persecute me.**

**16 Make your face to shine upon your / servant, \***

**and in your loving-kindness / save me."**

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

*Reader*      A reading from the letter to the Philippians.

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

who, though he was in the form of God,

did not regard equality with God

as something to be exploited,

but emptied himself,

taking the form of a slave,

being born in human likeness.

And being found in human form,

he humbled himself

and became obedient to the point of death--

even death on a cross.

Therefore God also highly exalted him

and gave him the name

that is above every name,

so that at the name of Jesus

every knee should bend,

in heaven and on earth and under the earth,

and every tongue should confess

that Jesus Christ is Lord,

to the glory of God the Father.

*Reader*      The Word of the Lord.

**People**      **Thanks be to God.**

**HYMN 170: To mock your reign, O dearest Lord**

1 To mock your reign, O dear - est Lord, they made a crown of thorns;  
2 In mock ac - claim, O gra - cious Lord, they snatched a pur - ple cloak,  
3 A scep - tered reed, O pa - tient Lord, they thrust in - to your hand,

set you with taunts a - long that road from which no one re - turns.  
your pas - sion turned, for all they cared, in - to a sol - dier's joke.  
and act - ed out their grim cha - rade to its ap - point - ed end.

They did not know, as we do now, that glo - rious is your crown;  
They did not know, as we do now, that though we mer - it blame  
They did not know, as we do now, though em - pires rise and fall,

that thorns would flower up - on your brow, your sor - rows heal our own.  
you will your robe of mer - cy throw a - round our na - ked shame.  
your King - dom shall not cease to grow till love em - bra - ces all.

*\*The bracketed notes are to be treated as triplet groups.*

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**READING OF THE PASSION:** Luke 22:14-23:56

Reader      The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

*[The people, seated for the reading and standing at the reading of the words, “When they came to the place that is called The Skull...”]*

**HYMN 479 (vs 1,2):** Glory be to Jesus

1 Glo - ry be to Je - sus, who in bit - ter pains  
2 Grace and life e - ter - nal in that blood I find,  
3 Blest through end - less a - ges be the pre - cious stream  
4 Oft as earth ex - ult - ing wafts its praise on high,  
5 Lift ye then your voic - es; swell the might - y flood;

1 poured for me the life - blood from his sa - cred veins!  
2 blest be his com - pas - sion in - fi - nite - ly kind!  
3 which from sin and sor - row doth the world re - deem!  
4 an - gel hosts, re - joic - ing, make their glad re - ply.  
5 loud - er still and loud - er praise the pre - cious blood.

Words: Italian, 18th cent.; tr. Edward Caswall (1814-1878), alt. Music: *Wem in Leidenstagen*, Friedrich Filitz (1804-1860).

*The people, seated*

**SERMON:** The Reverend E. Weston Mathews



*The people, standing, as able*

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

Leader Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;

**People** *That we all may be one.*

Leader Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

**People** *That your Name may be glorified by all people.*

Leader We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;

**People** *That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.*

Leader We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;

**People** *That there may be justice and peace on the earth.*

Leader We pray for the St. Francis Creche School, the Diocese of Ezo including Bishop Isaac and Mama Nora, the Scouts, the Recovery Community of St. Francis, and the Search Committee for a new Director of Family Ministries. We pray also for Franciscans who are currently preparing for Holy Baptism, Confirmation, Reception into The Episcopal Church, and Reaffirmation of Baptismal Vows. Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

**People** *That our works may find favor in your sight.*

Leader Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;

**People** *That they may be delivered from their distress.*

Leader Give to the departed eternal rest;

**People** *Let light perpetual shine upon them.*

Leader We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

**People** *May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.*

Leader Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

**People** *Hear our prayer.*

Leader We ask you to care for: Maria, James, Holly, Nan, Marlene, Betty, Dana, Luke, David, Barbara & Bill, Jeff Sr., Hugh Sr., Cathy, Lawrence, David, Jon, Jessica, Paula, Clara Sue, Grace, Debra, Taylor, Kelly & Alex, and Dut.

**People** *Hear our prayer.*

### CONCLUDING COLLECT

*Presider* Almighty God, whose Son our Savior Jesus Christ was lifted high upon the cross that he might draw the whole world to himself: Mercifully grant that we, who glory in the mystery of our redemption, may have grace to take up our cross and follow him; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, in glory everlasting. **Amen.**

### THE PEACE

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*Presider* The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**People** **And also with you.**

### ANNOUNCEMENTS, BIRTHDAYS, ANNIVERSARIES, AND LIFE TRANSITIONS

## THE HOLY COMMUNION

*Eucharist is an ongoing participation in and renewal of our Baptism. Come forward at the invitation of the ushers to share in this sacrament. For those not wishing to partake in this sacrament, we invite you to come forward for a blessing, by kneeling, folding your arms across your chest. Gluten free host is available. Signify your desire for this form of bread by placing your right-hand palm down on top of your left.*

*The people, seated, the alms plates are passed by the usher*

*The people seated*

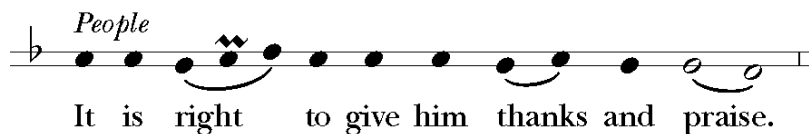
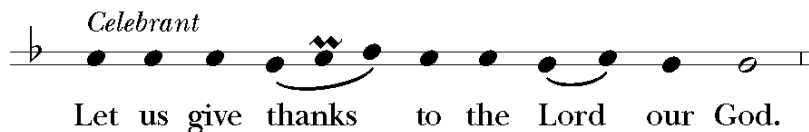
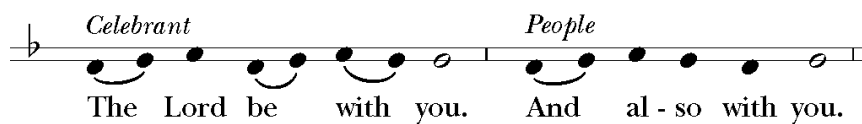
**OFFERTORY, ANTHEM:** Glory be to thee

Heinrich Schutz

*The people, standing as able.*

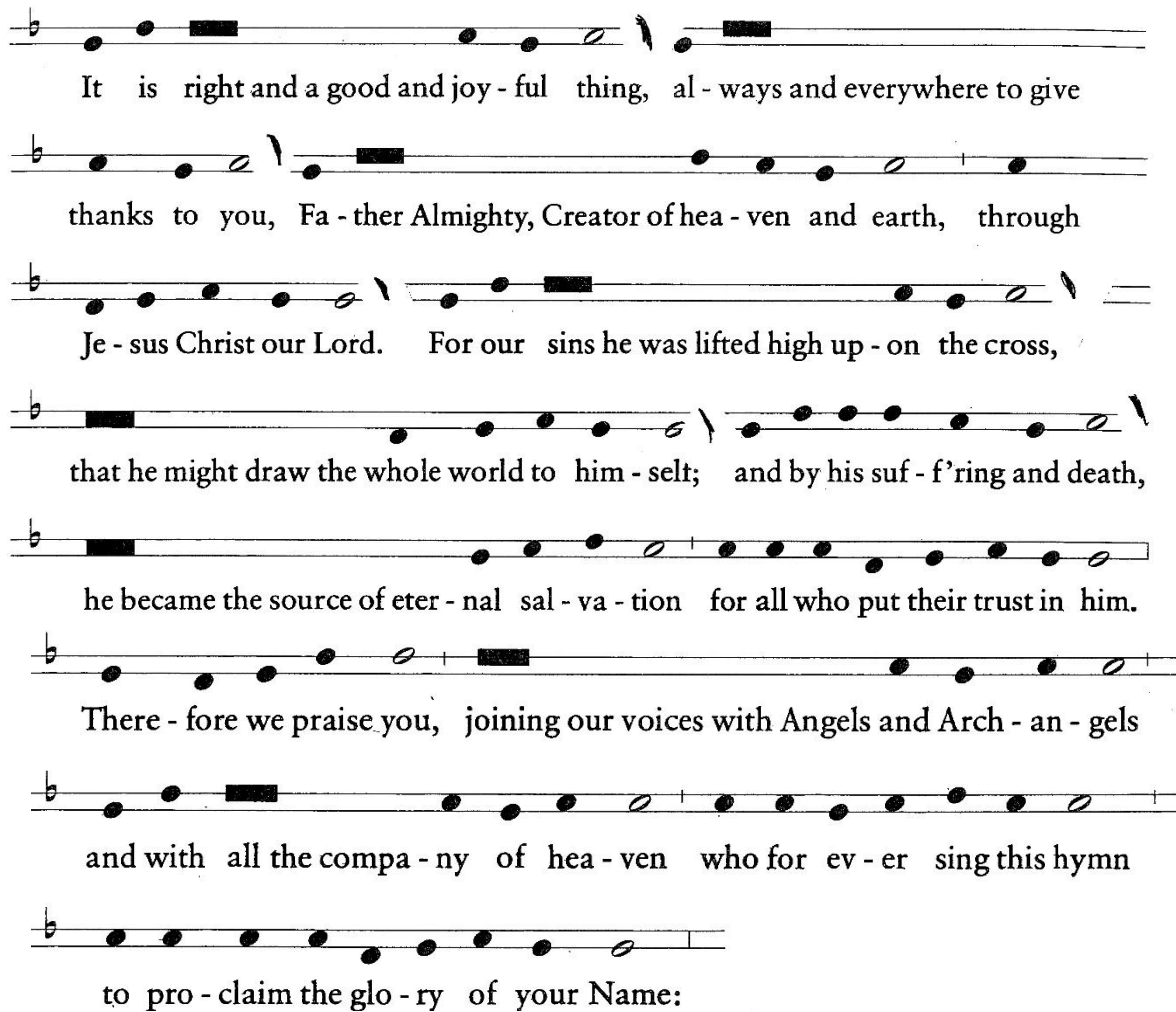
**THE GREAT THANKSGIVING: (Eucharistic Prayer A)**

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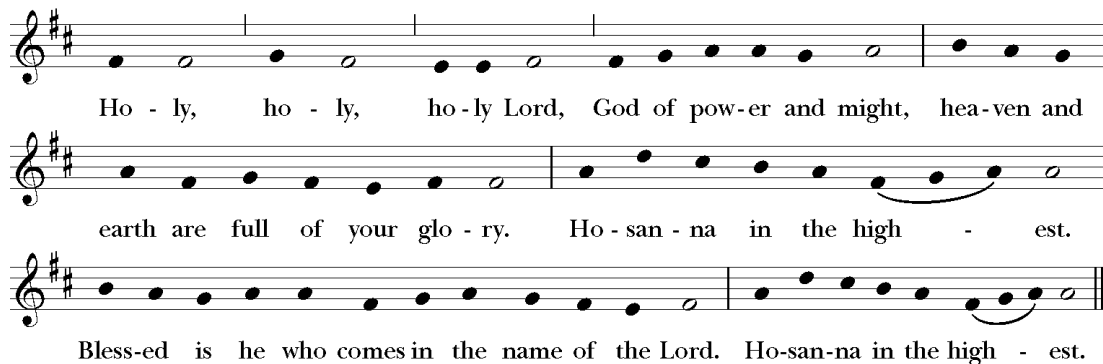
Presider

## Holy Week



It is right and a good and joy - ful thing, al - ways and everywhere to give  
thanks to you, Fa - ther Almighty, Creator of hea - ven and earth, through  
Je - sus Christ our Lord. For our sins he was lifted high up - on the cross,  
that he might draw the whole world to him - selt; and by his suf - f'ring and death,  
he became the source of eter - nal sal - va - tion for all who put their trust in him.  
There - fore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Arch - an - gels  
and with all the compa - ny of hea - ven who for ev - er sing this hymn  
to pro - claim the glo - ry of your Name:

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Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might, hea - ven and  
earth are full of your glo - ry. 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.

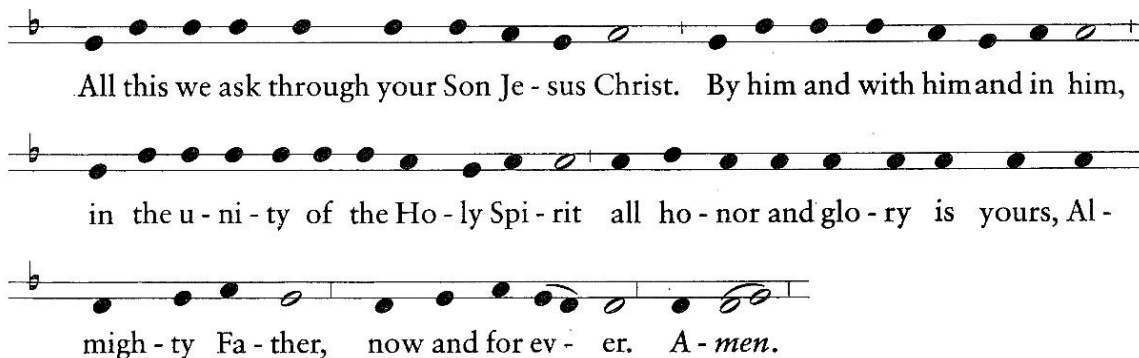
Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me." Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.



The musical notation consists of three staves of music on a five-line staff with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The notes are simple, mostly quarter and eighth notes, with some rests. The lyrics are written below the notes.

All this we ask through your Son Je - sus Christ. By him and with him and in him,  
in the u - ni - ty of the Ho - ly Spi - rit all ho - nor and glo - ry is yours, Al -  
migh - ty Fa - ther, now and for ev - er. A - men.

*Intoned with the choir*

**LORD'S PRAYER**

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*Presider* And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

**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,  
for ever and ever. Amen.**

**BREAKING OF THE BREAD**

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*Presider* Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

*People* **Therefore, let us keep the feast.**

**THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD, S 161 Fraction Anthem: Christ our Passover**

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

**COMMUNION INVITATION**

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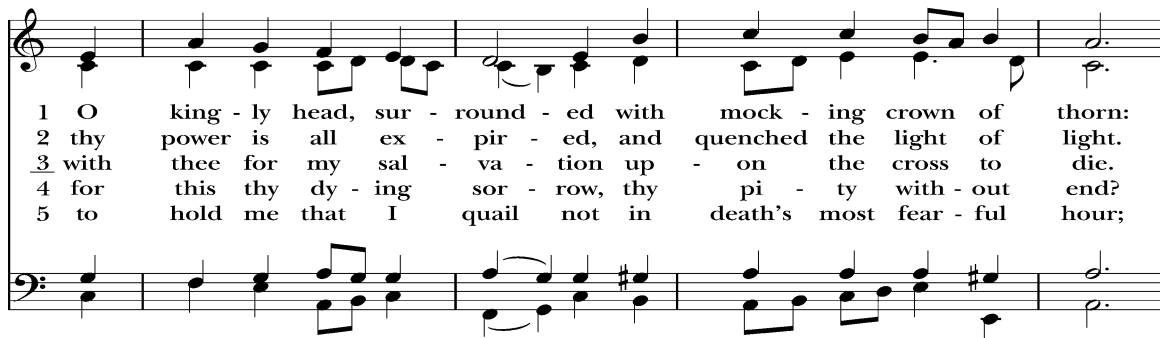
*Presider*     The Gifts of God for the People of God. Behold what you are. Become what you receive.

*The people come forward as directed to receive communion.*

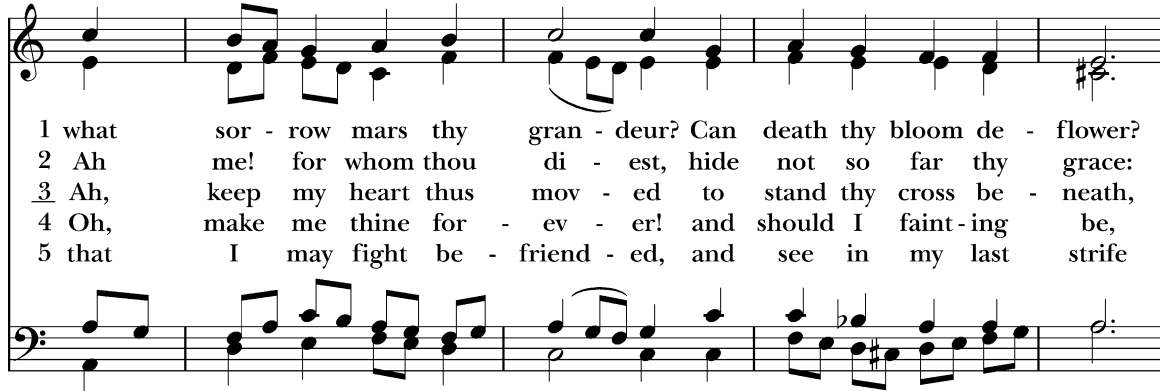
**HYMN 168: O sacred head, sore wounded**



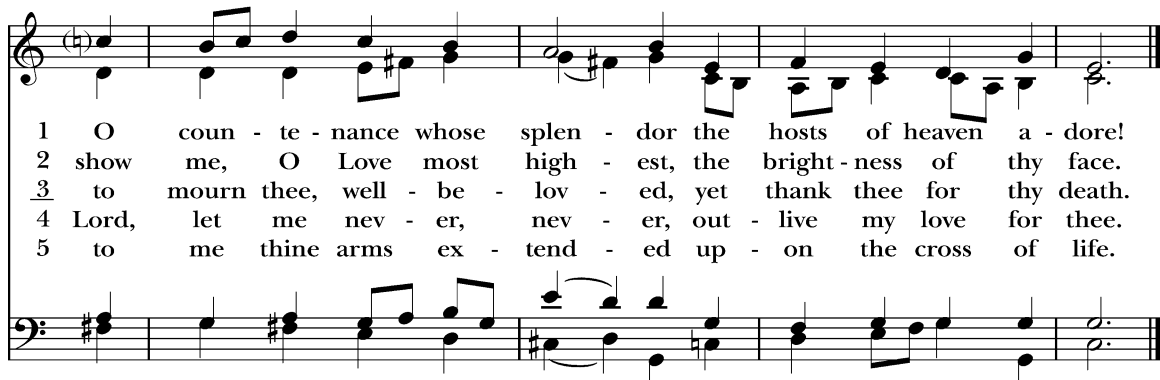
1 O sa - cred head, sore wound - ed, de - filed and put to scorn;  
2 Thy beau - ty, long - de - sir - ed, hath va - nished from our sight;  
3 In thy most bit - ter pas - sion my heart to share doth cry,  
\*4 What lan - guage shall I bor - row to thank thee, dear - est friend,  
\*5 My days are few, O fail not, with thine im - mor - tal power,



1 O king - ly head, sur - round - ed with mock - ing crown of thorn:  
2 thy power is all ex - pir - ed, and quenched the light of light.  
3 with thee for my sal - va - tion up - on the cross to die.  
4 for this thy dy - ing sor - row, thy pi - ty with - out end?  
5 to hold me that I quail not in death's most fear - ful hour;



1 what sor - row mars thy gran - deur? Can death thy bloom de - flower?  
2 Ah me! for whom thou di - est, hide not so far thy grace:  
3 Ah, keep my heart thus mov - ed to stand thy cross be - neath,  
4 Oh, make me thine for - ev - er! and should I faint - ing be,  
5 that I may fight be - friend - ed, and see in my last strife



1 O coun - te - nance whose splen - dor the hosts of heaven a - dore!  
2 show me, O Love most high - est, the bright - ness of thy face.  
3 to mourn thee, well - be - lov - ed, yet thank thee for thy death.  
4 Lord, let me nev - er, nev - er, out - live my love for thee.  
5 to me thine arms ex - tend - ed up - on the cross of life.

Words: Paul Gerhardt (1607-1676); sts. 1-3, 5, tr. Robert Seymour Bridges (1844-1930); st. 4, tr. James Waddell Alexander (1804-1859), alt. Music: *Herzlich tut mich verlangen* [Passion Chorale], Hans Leo Hassler (1564-1612); adapt. And harm. Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750).



*The people, standing as they are able, through the Dismissal*

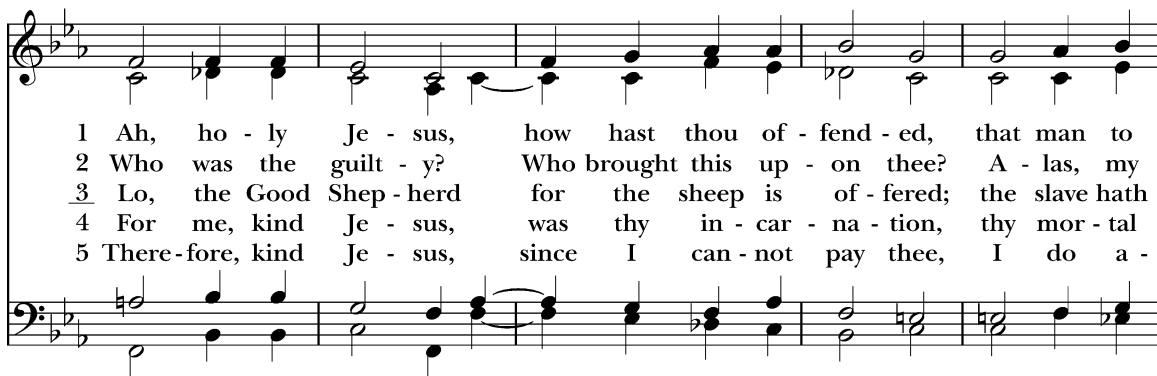
**POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER**

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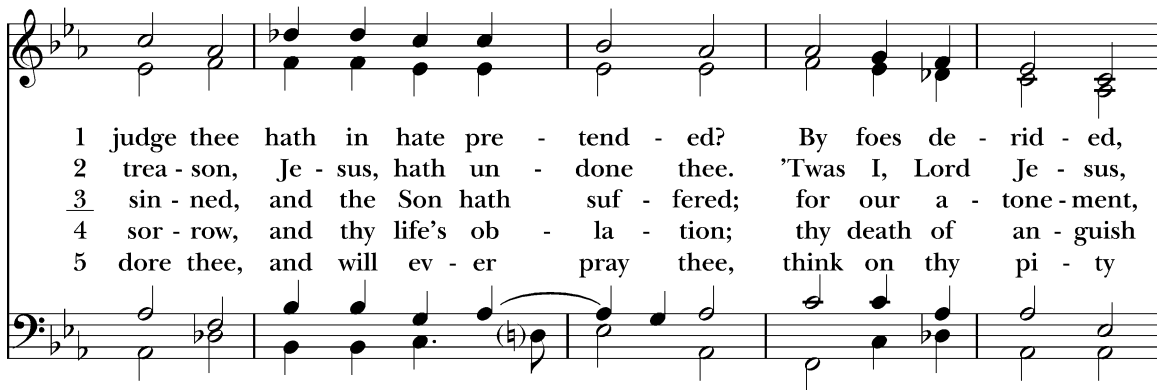
Presider Let us pray.

**Eternal God, heavenly Father,  
you have graciously accepted us as living members  
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,  
and you have fed us with spiritual food  
in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.  
Send us now into the world in peace,  
and grant us strength and courage  
to love and serve you  
with gladness and singleness of heart;  
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

**HYMN 158: Ah, holy Jesus, how hast thou offended**



1 Ah, ho - ly Je - sus, how hast thou of - fend - ed, that man 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 thy in - car - na - tion, thy mor - tal  
5 There - fore, kind Je - sus, since I can - not pay thee, I do a -



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

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

Words: Johann Heermann (1585-1647); tr. Robert Seymour Bridges (1844-1930), alt. Music: *Herzliebster Jesu*, Johann Crüger (1598-1662), alt.

## BLESSING

## Paraphrase of Henri-Frédéric Amiel

Presider Life is short and we do not have much time to gladden the hearts of those who are traveling the journey with us. So be swift to love, and make haste to be kind. And the blessing of God Almighty, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

*Choir and Altar party recess from the church in silence*

## DISMISSAL

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Presider Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

*The People are invited to depart worship in silence.*

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