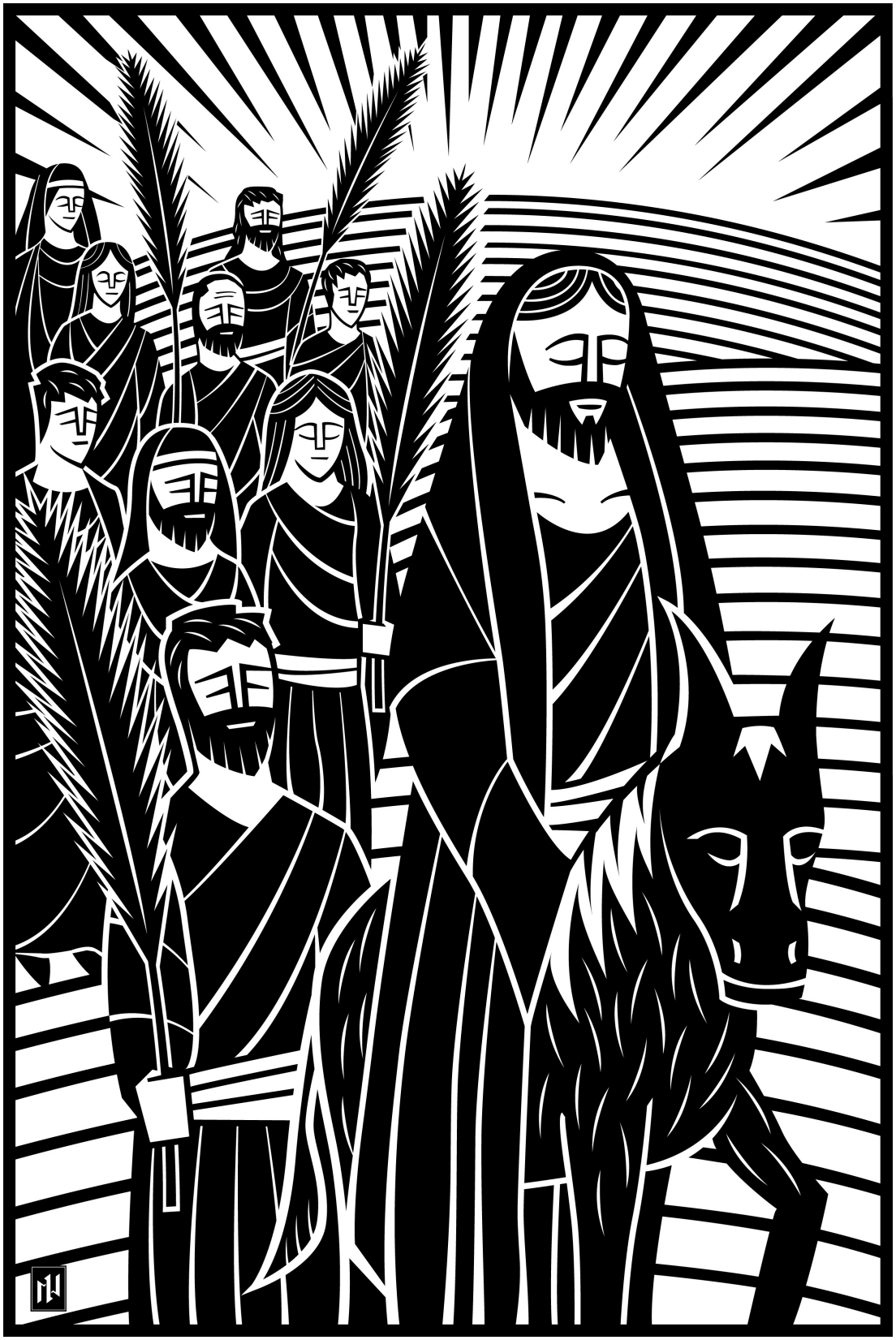


TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH, MENASHA, WI
SUNDAY OF THE PASSION - PALM SUNDAY
SUNDAY, APRIL 13, 2025

DIVINE SERVICE

Setting Two

Stand

PROCESSION OF PALMS

GREETING

A The grace of our Lord ✠ Jesus Christ and the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
C **Amen.**
A Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.
C **Hosanna to the Son of David.**

COLLECT

A Let us pray.
Almighty and everlasting God, You sent Your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ, to take upon Himself our flesh and to suffer death upon the cross. Mercifully grant that we may follow the example of His great humility and patience and be made partakers of His resurrection; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
C **Amen.**

HOLY GOSPEL ~ *John 12:12-19*

A The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the twelfth chapter.
C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

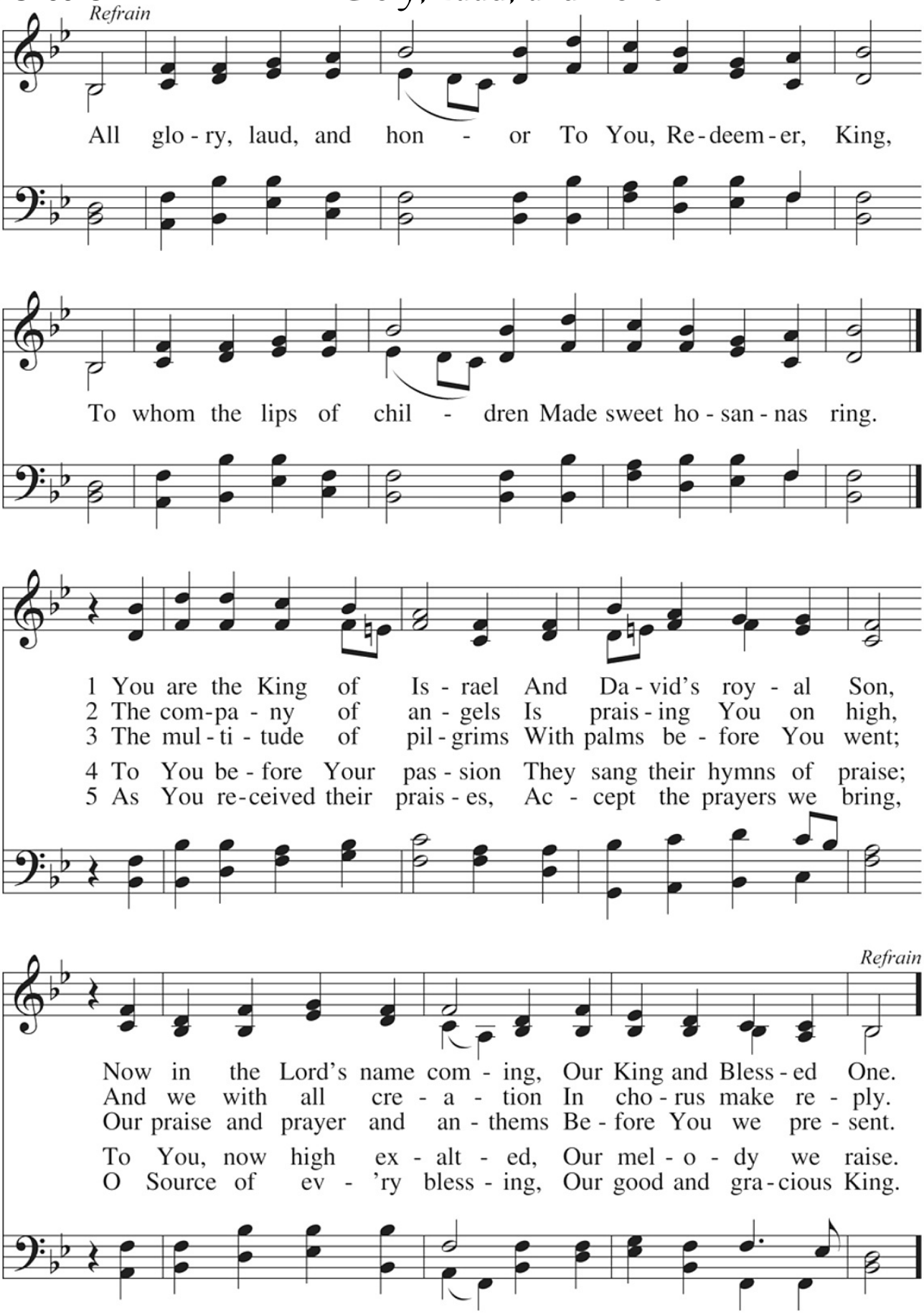
A 12 The next day the large crowd that had come to the feast heard that Jesus was
coming to Jerusalem. 13 So they took branches of palm trees and went out to meet
him, crying out, "Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, even
the King of Israel!" 14 And Jesus found a young donkey and sat on it, just as it is
written, 15 "Fear not, daughter of Zion; behold, your king is coming, sitting on a
donkey's colt!" 16 His disciples did not understand these things at first, but when

Jesus was glorified, then they remembered that these things had been written about
him and had been done to him. [17] The crowd that had been with him when he called
Lazarus out of the tomb and raised him from the dead continued to bear witness. [18]
The reason why the crowd went to meet him was that they heard he had done this
sign. [19] So the Pharisees said to one another, "You see that you are gaining nothing.
Look, the world has gone after him."

A This is the Gospel of the Lord.
C **Praise to You, O Christ.**

A Let us go forth in peace,
C **in the name of the Lord.**

PROCESSIONAL HYMN ~ All Glory, Laud, and Honor 442



CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

The sign of the cross ✠ may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

A In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C **Amen.** *Matthew 28:19b; [18:20]*

A If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
C **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.** *1 John 1:8-9*

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

A Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
C **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. 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. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. 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.**

A Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit. *[John 20:19-23]*
C **Amen.**

SERVICE OF THE WORD

INTROIT

Psalm 24:7–10; antiphon: Psalm 118:26

A Blessèd is he who comes in the name of the LORD!
We bless you from the house of the LORD.

C **Lift up your heads, O gates! And be lifted up, O ancient doors,**
that the King of glory may come in.

A Who is this King of glory?
The LORD, strong and mighty, the Lord, mighty in battle!

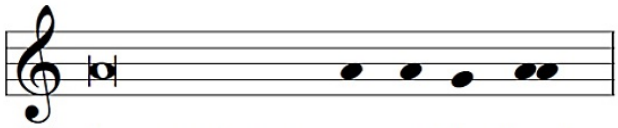
C **Lift up your heads, O gates! And lift them up, O ancient doors,**
that the King of glory may come in.

A Who is this King of glory?
The LORD of hosts, he is the King of glory!

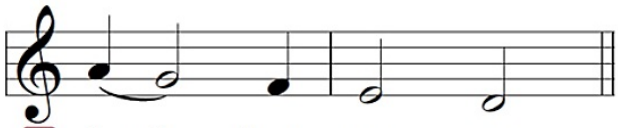
ALL **Glory be to the Father and to the Son**
and to the Holy Spirit;
As it was in the beginning,
is now and will be forever. Amen

A Blessèd is he who comes in the name of the LORD!
We bless you from the house of the LORD.

KYRIE ~ *Lord, Have Mercy* *Mark 10:47*



A In peace let us pray to the Lord.



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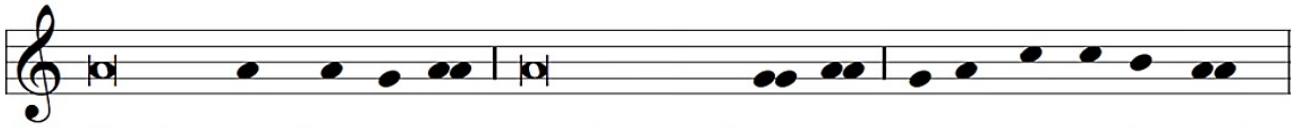
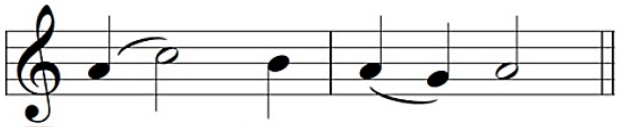


A For the peace from a-bove and for our sal-va-tion let us pray to the Lord.



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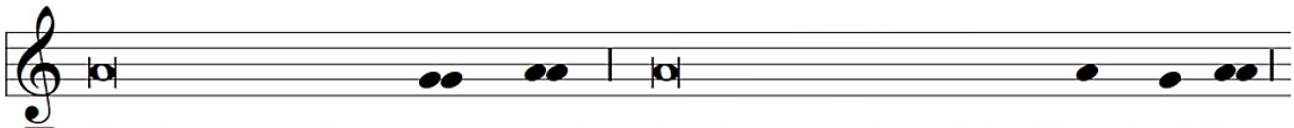
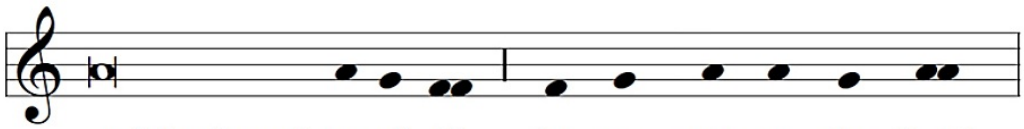
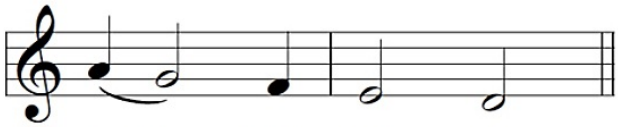


A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



and for the uni-ty of all let us pray to the Lord.



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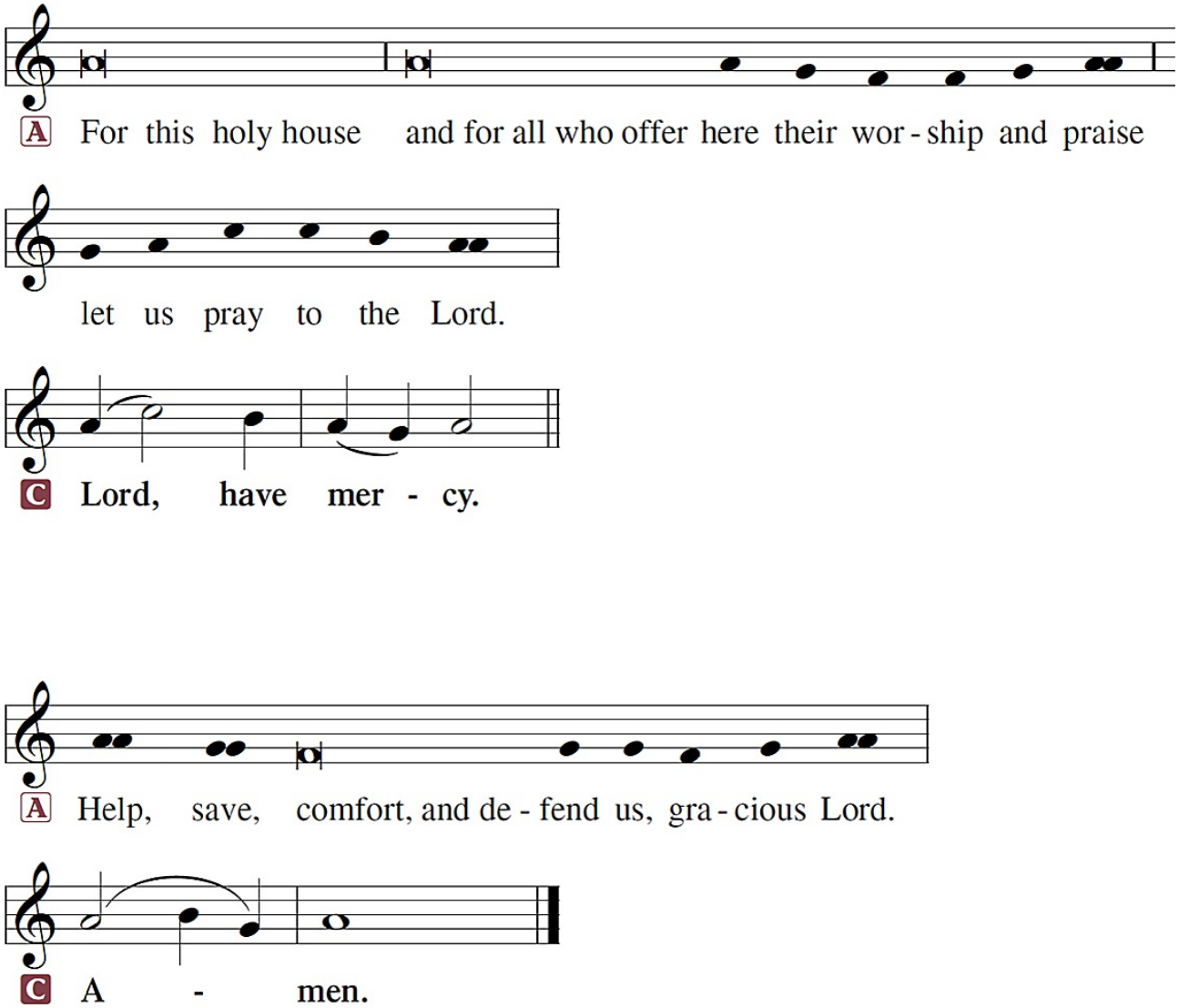
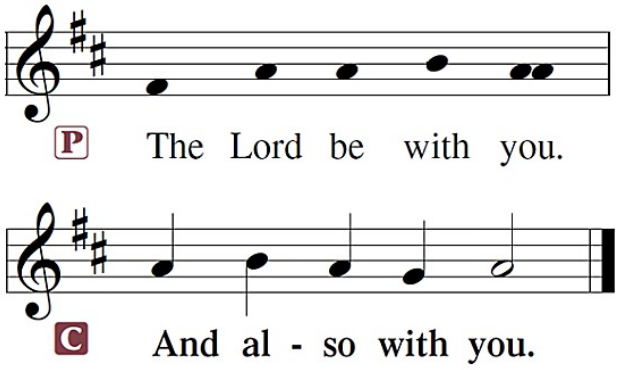

A For this holy house and for all who offer here their wor - ship and praise
let us pray to the Lord.
C Lord, have mer - cy.
A Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, gra - cious Lord.
C A - men.

Kyrie Eleison
LORD, HAVE MERCY

SALUTATION and COLLECT OF THE DAY



2 Timothy 4:22

P Let us pray.

P Almighty and everlasting God, You sent Your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ, to take upon Himself our flesh and to suffer death upon the cross. Mercifully grant that we may follow the example of His great humility and patience and be made partakers of His resurrection; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

Sit

OLD TESTAMENT ~ *Deuteronomy 32:36-39*

36 The Lord will vindicate his people and have compassion on his servants, when he sees
that their power is gone and there is none remaining, bond or free. 37 Then he will say,
"Where are their gods, the rock in which they took refuge, 38 who ate the fat of their sacrifices
and drank the wine of their drink offering? Let them rise up and help you; let them be your
protection!
39 "See now that I, even I, am he, and there is no god beside me; I kill and I make alive;
I wound and I heal; and there is none that can deliver out of my hand."

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

GRADUAL

Hebrews 9:12a, c, 15a; Psalm 111:9a

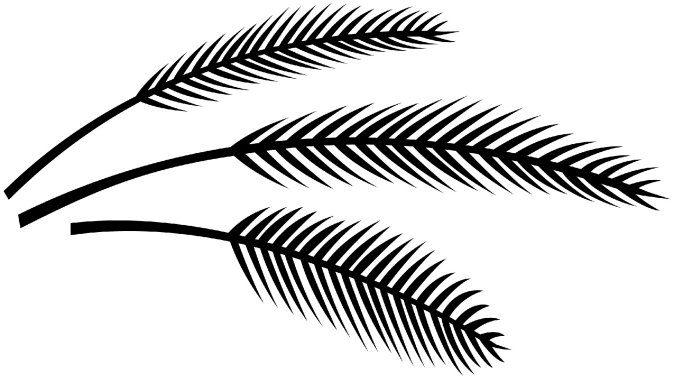
A [Christ] entered once for all into the holy places, by means of his own blood,
thus securing an eternal redemption.
Therefore he is the mediator of a new covenant,
so that those who are called may receive the promised eternal inheritance.
He sent redemption to his people;
he has commanded his covenant forever.

EPISTLE ~ *Philippians 2:5-11*

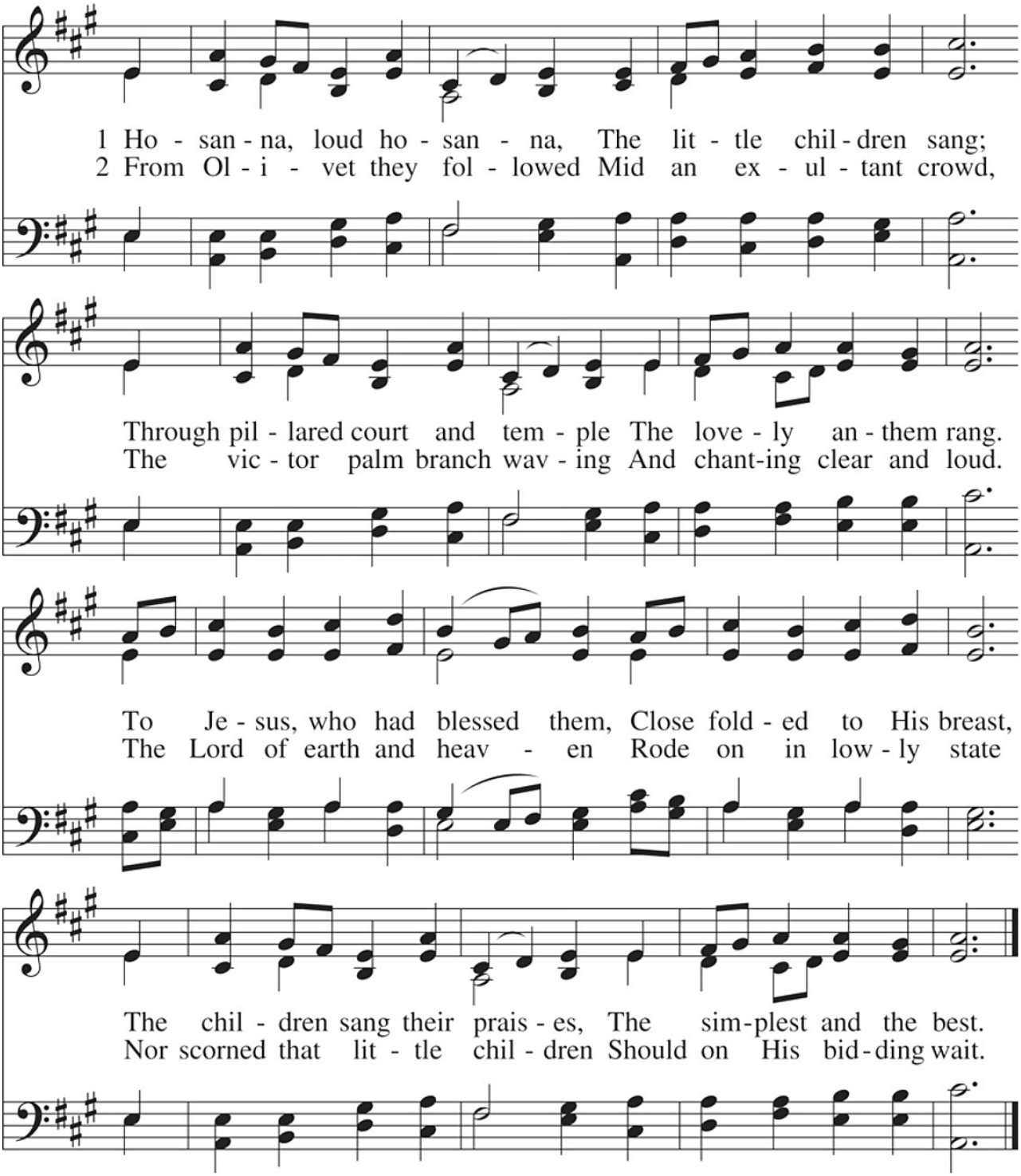
5 Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, 6 who, though he was
in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, 7 but made himself
nothing, taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. 8 And being found
in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death
on a cross. 9 Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is
above every name, 10 so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on
earth and under the earth, 11 and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory
of God the Father.

A This is the Word of the Lord.
C **Thanks be to God.**

Stand



GOSPEL PROCESSION HYMN ~ Hosanna, Loud Hosanna 443



HOLY GOSPEL ~ *John 12:20-43*

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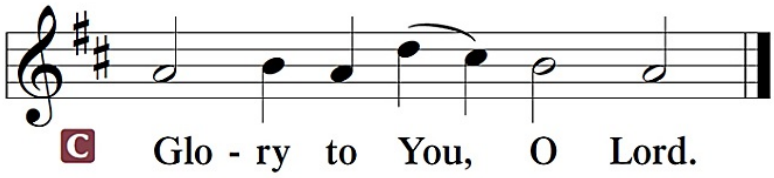


A *20 Now among those who went up to worship at the feast were some Greeks. 21 So these came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and asked him,*

C **"Sir, we wish to see Jesus."**

A *22 Philip went and told Andrew; Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. 23 And Jesus answered them,*

P "The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. 24 Truly, truly, I say to you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains alone; but if it dies, it bears much fruit. 25 Whoever loves his life loses it, and whoever hates his life in this world will keep it for eternal life. 26 If anyone serves me, he must follow me; and where I am, there will my servant be also. If anyone serves me, the Father will honor him. 27 "Now is my soul troubled. And what shall I say? 'Father, save me from this hour'? But for this purpose I have come to this hour. 28 Father, glorify your name."

A *Then a voice came from heaven:*

P "I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again."

A *29 The crowd that stood there and heard it said that it had thundered. Others said,*

C **"An angel has spoken to him."**

A *30 Jesus answered,*

P "This voice has come for your sake, not mine. 31 Now is the judgment of this world; now will the ruler of this world be cast out. 32 And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself."

A *33 He said this to show by what kind of death he was going to die. 34 So the crowd answered him,*

C **"We have heard from the Law that the Christ remains forever. How can you say that the Son of Man must be lifted up? Who is this Son of Man?"**

A 35 So Jesus said to them,

P "The light is among you for a little while longer. Walk while you have the light, lest darkness overtake you. The one who walks in the darkness does not know where he is going. 36 While you have the light, believe in the light, that you may become sons of light."

A *When Jesus had said these things, he departed and hid himself from them. 37 Though he had done so many signs before them, they still did not believe in him, 38 so that the word spoken by the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled:*

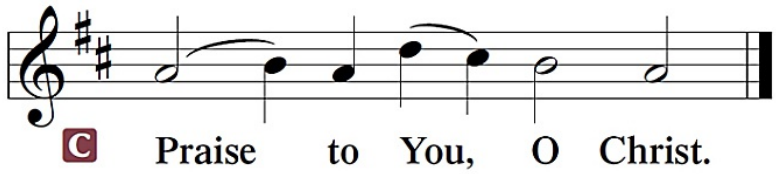
P "Lord, who has believed what he heard from us, and to whom has the arm of the Lord been revealed?"

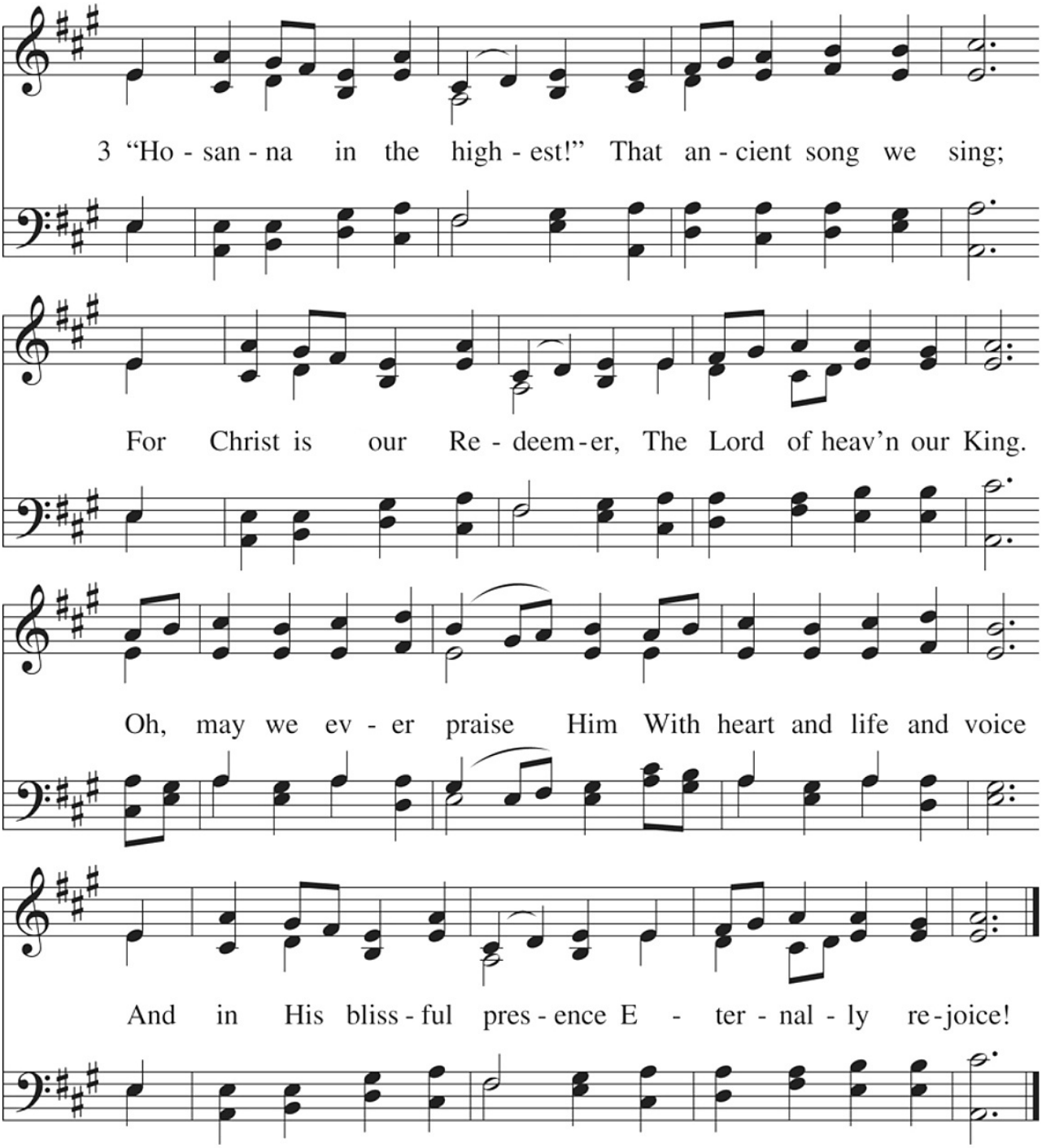
A 39 Therefore they could not believe. For again Isaiah said,

P 40 "He has blinded their eyes and hardened their heart, lest they see with their eyes, and understand with their heart, and turn, and I would heal them."

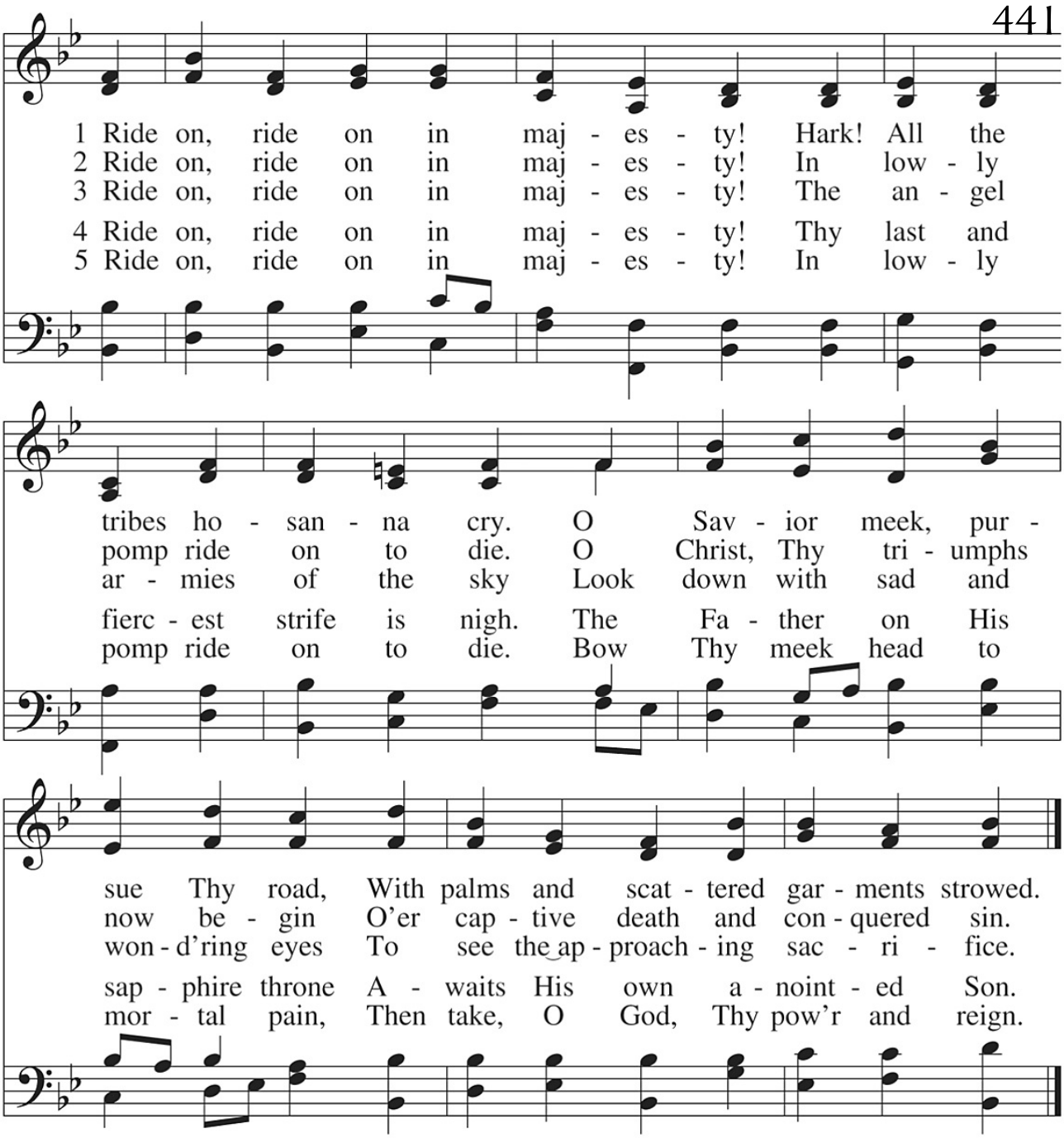
A *41 Isaiah said these things because he saw his glory and spoke of him. 42 Nevertheless, many even of the authorities believed in him, but for fear of the Pharisees they did not confess it, so that they would not be put out of the synagogue; 43 for they loved the glory that comes from man more than the glory that comes from God.*

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.




3 "Ho - san - na in the high - est!" That an - cient song we sing;
For Christ is our Re - deem - er, The Lord of heav'n our King.
Oh, may we ev - er praise Him With heart and life and voice
And in His bliss - ful pres - ence E - ter - nal - ly re - joice!

HYMN OF THE DAY ~ Ride On, Ride On in Majesty



SERMON ~ "Light and Darkness" *John 12:20-43*

Stand

P The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep our hearts and minds in Christ Jesus. *Philippians 4:7*

C **Amen.**

APOSTLES' CREED

C **I believe in God, the Father Almighty,**
maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell.
The third day He rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

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

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PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

[1 Timothy 2:1-4]

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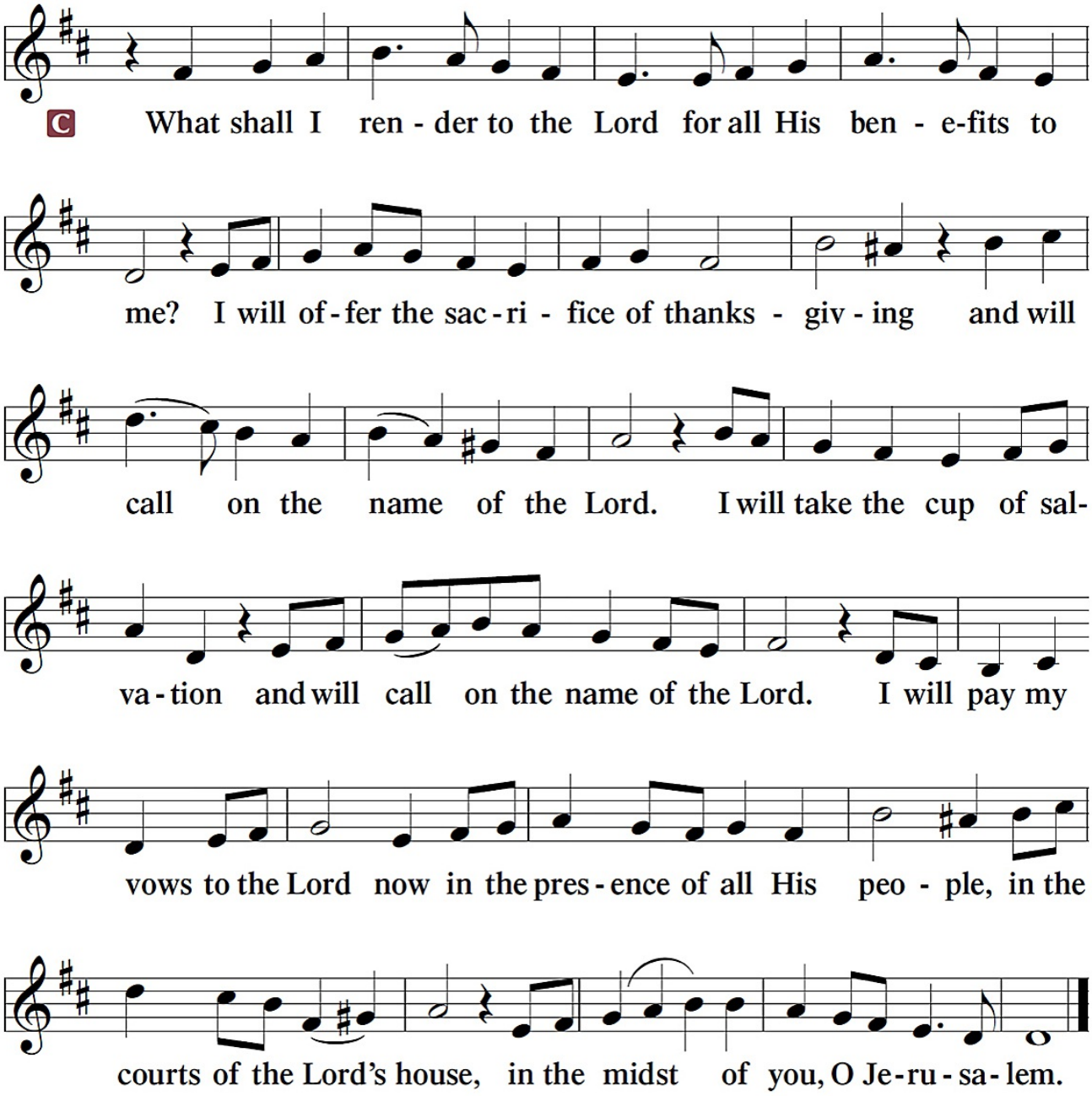
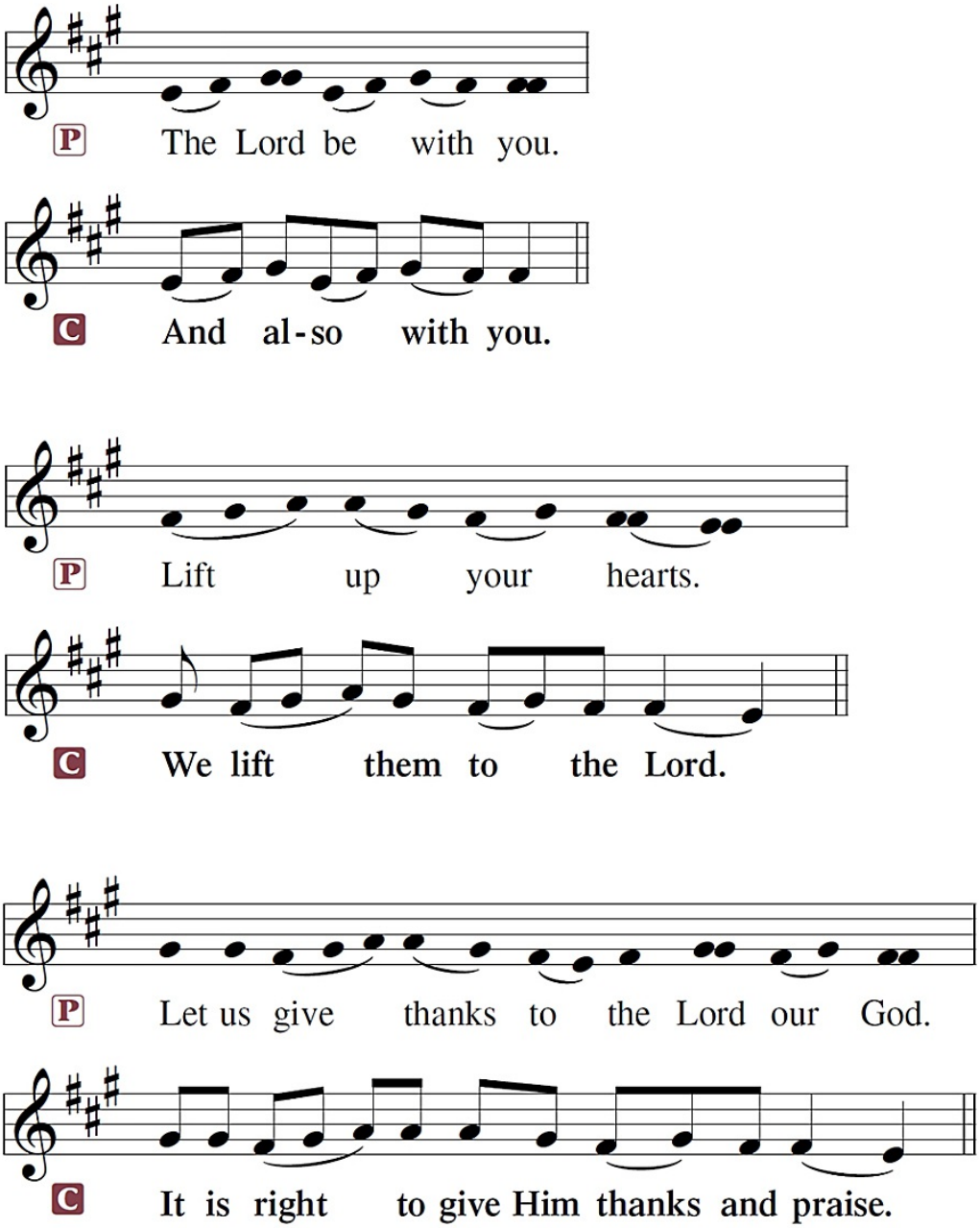
Psalm 116:12-13, 17-19



SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

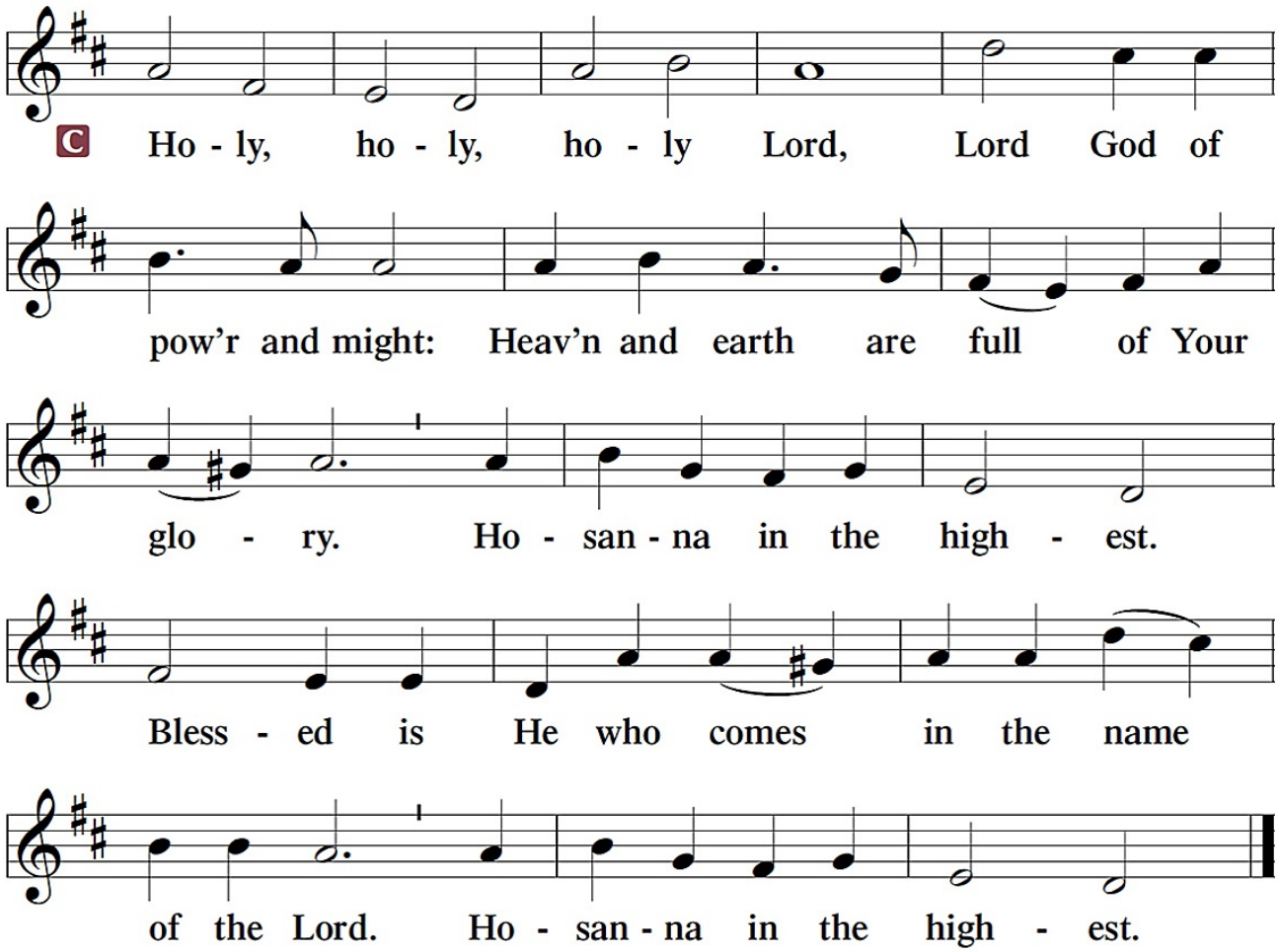
PREFACE



The Proper Preface appropriate to the day or season is spoken:

P It is truly good, right, and salutary . . . evermore praising You and saying:

SANCTUS ~ *Holy, Holy, Holy* *Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9*



PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

P Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

LORD'S PRAYER

P Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

C **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.

Matthew 6:9-13

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

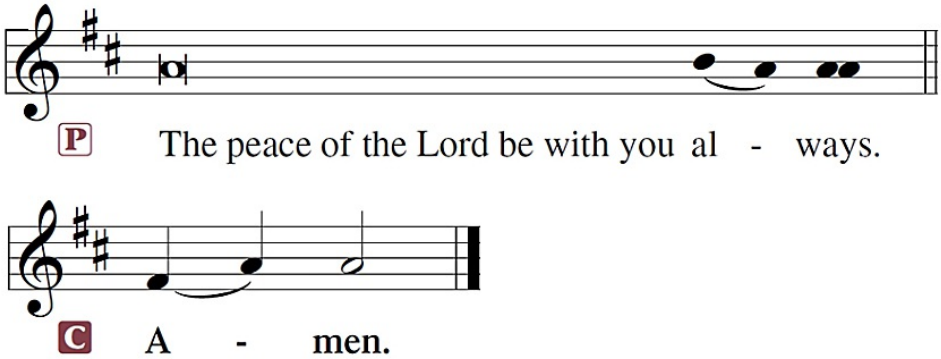
Matthew 26:26-28; Mark 14:22-24
Luke 22:19-20; 1 Corinthians 11:23-25

P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My ✠ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

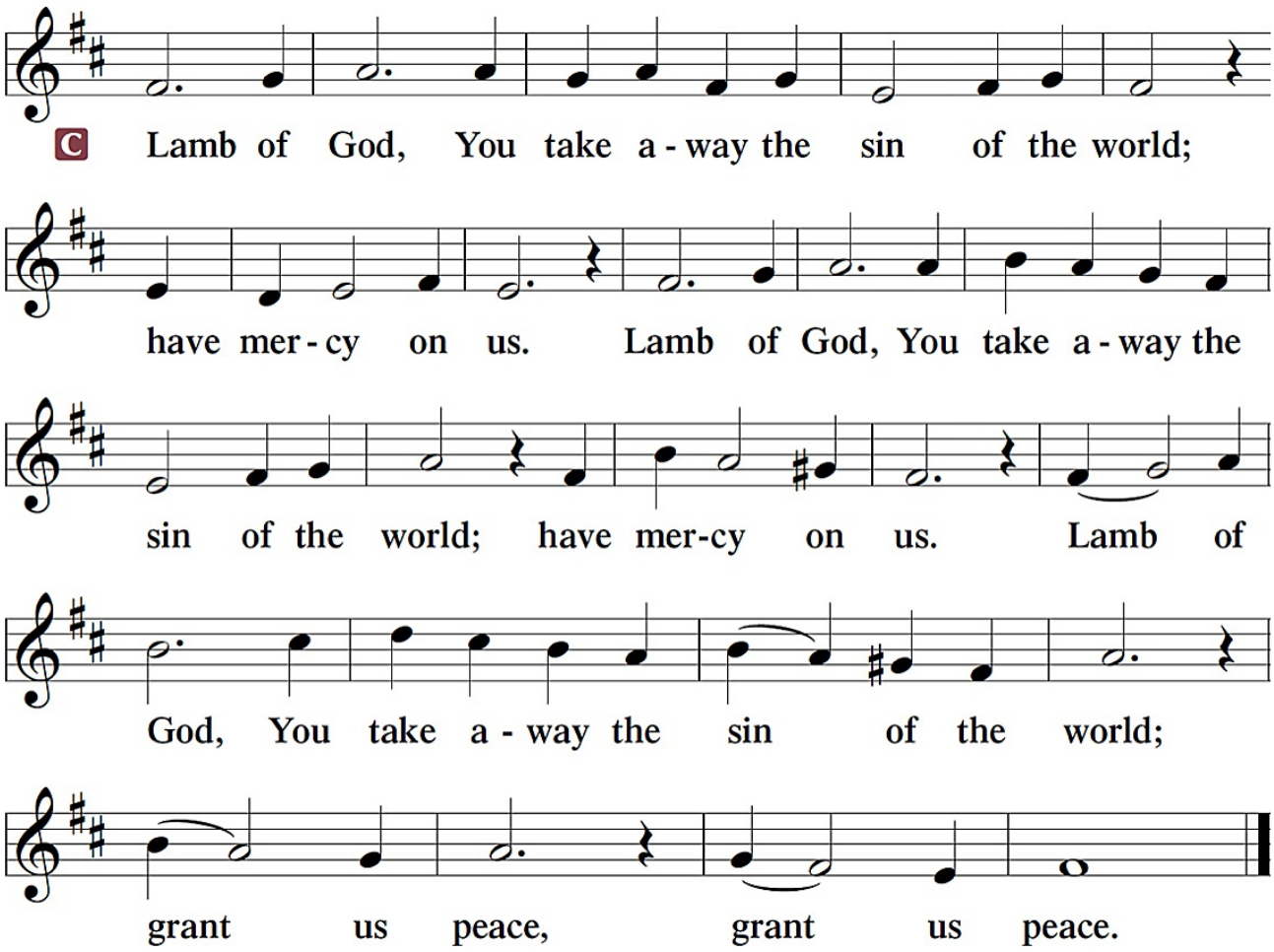
P In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My ✠ blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

PAX DOMINI ~ *The Peace of the Lord*

John 20:19



AGNUS DEI ~ *Lamb of God* *John 1:29*



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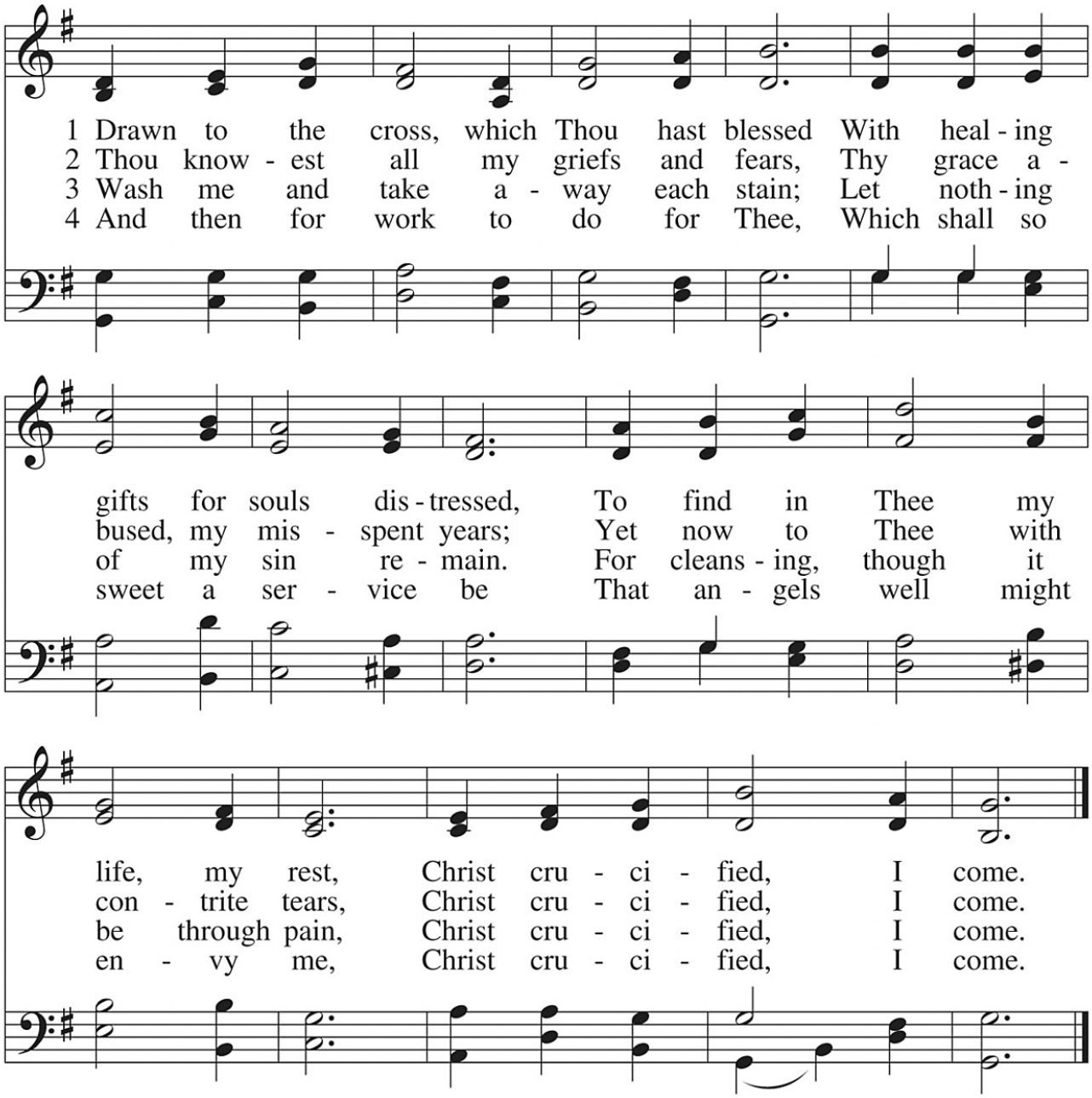
P Take and eat, this is the true body of our Lord Jesus Christ, given into death for your sins.

C **Amen.**

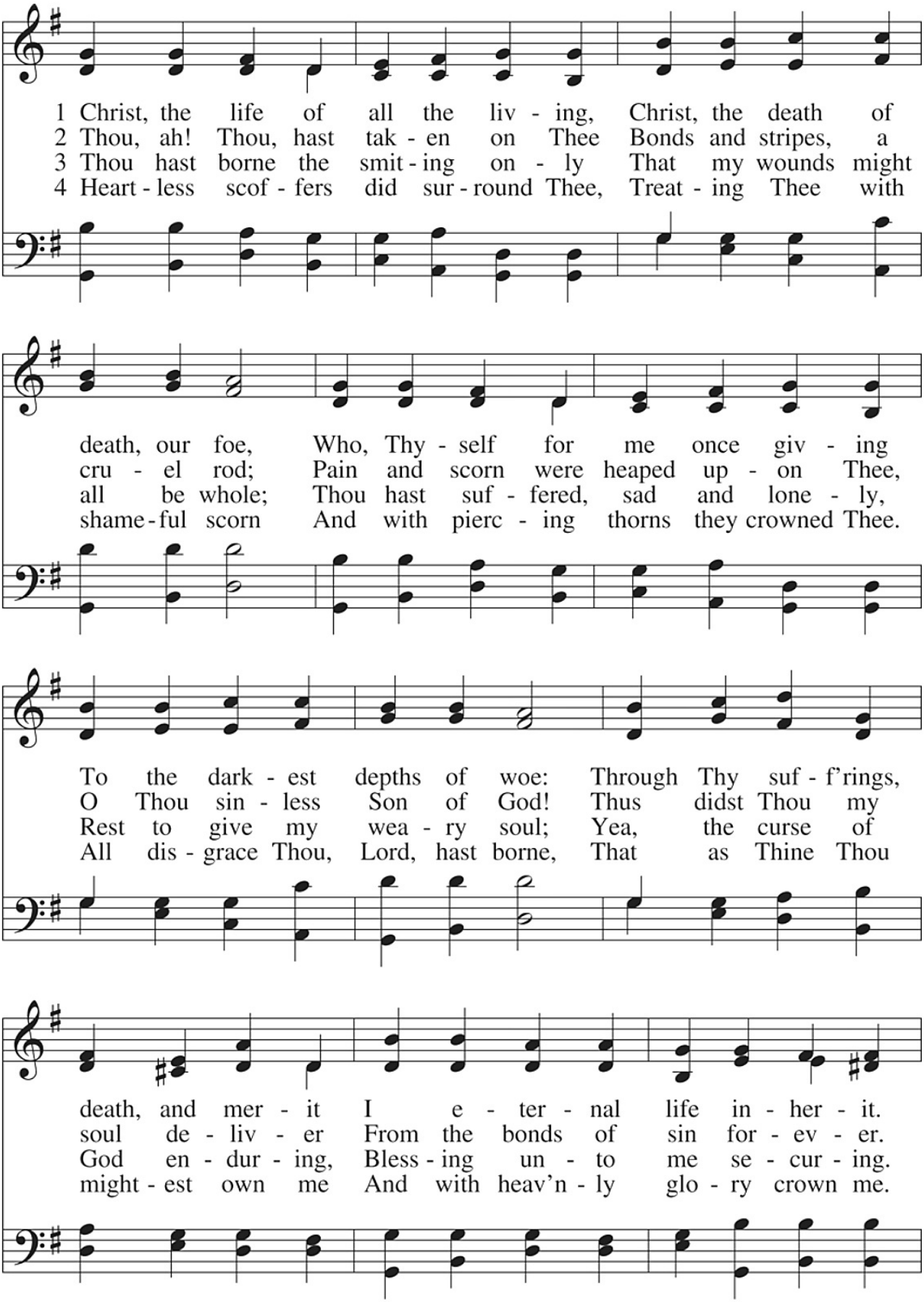
P Take and drink, this is the true blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, poured out for you for the forgiveness of your sins.

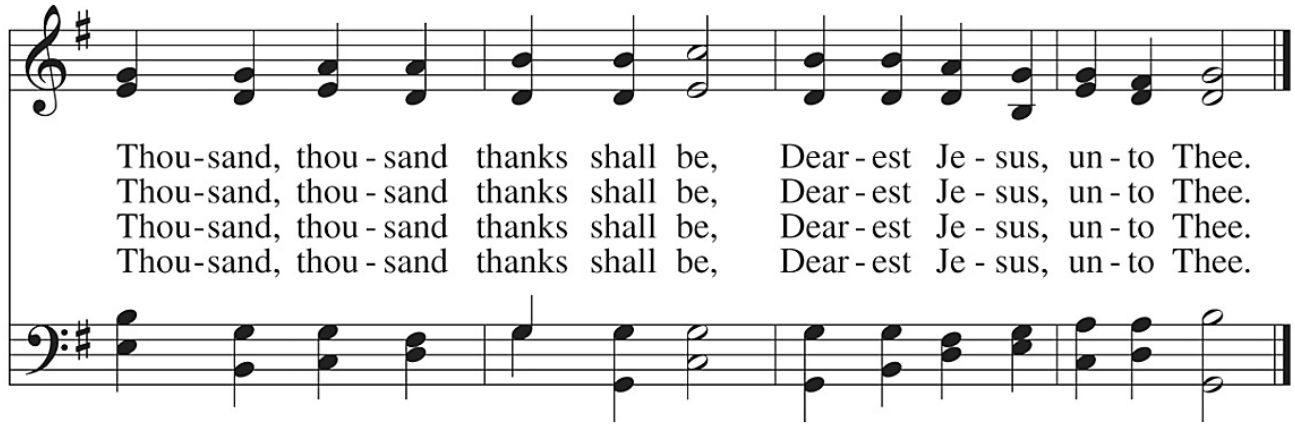
C **Amen.**

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS ~ Drawn to the Cross, Which Thou Hast Blessed 560



Christ, the Life of All the Living 420



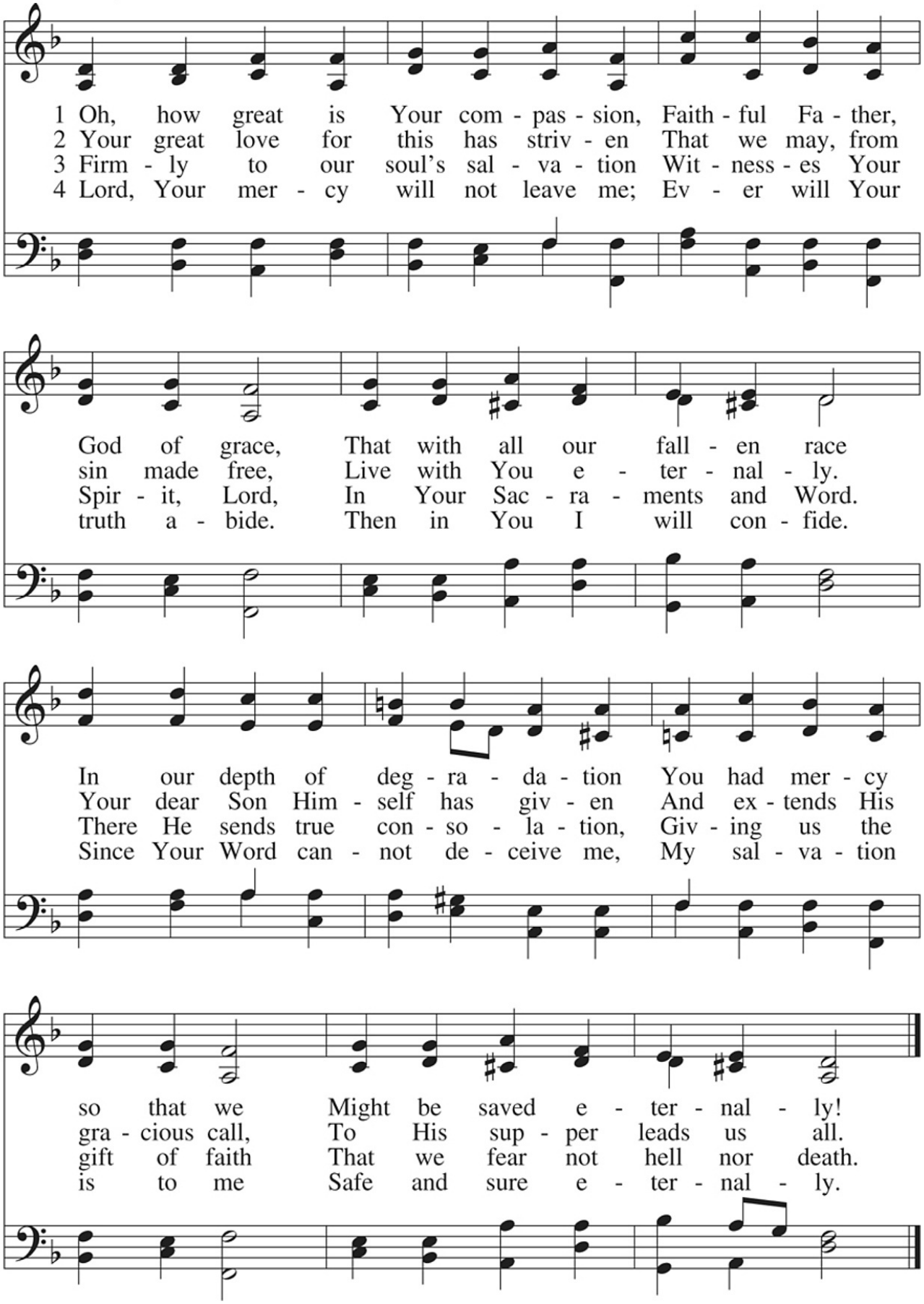


5 Thou has suffered men to bruise Thee,
That from pain I might be free;
Falsely did Thy foes accuse Thee;
Thence I gain security;
Comfortless Thy soul did languish
Me to comfort in my anguish.
Thousand, thousand thanks shall be,
Dearest Jesus, unto Thee.

6 Thou has suffered great affliction
And hast borne it patiently,
Even death by crucifixion,
Fully to atone for me;
Thou didst choose to be tormented
That my doom should be prevented.
Thousand, thousand thanks shall be,
Dearest Jesus, unto Thee.

7 Then, for all that wrought my pardon,
For Thy sorrows deep and sore,
For Thine anguish in the Garden,
I will thank Thee evermore,
Thank Thee for Thy groaning, sighing,
For Thy bleeding and Thy dying,
For that last triumphant cry,
And shall praise Thee, Lord, on high.

Oh, How Great Is Your Compassion 559



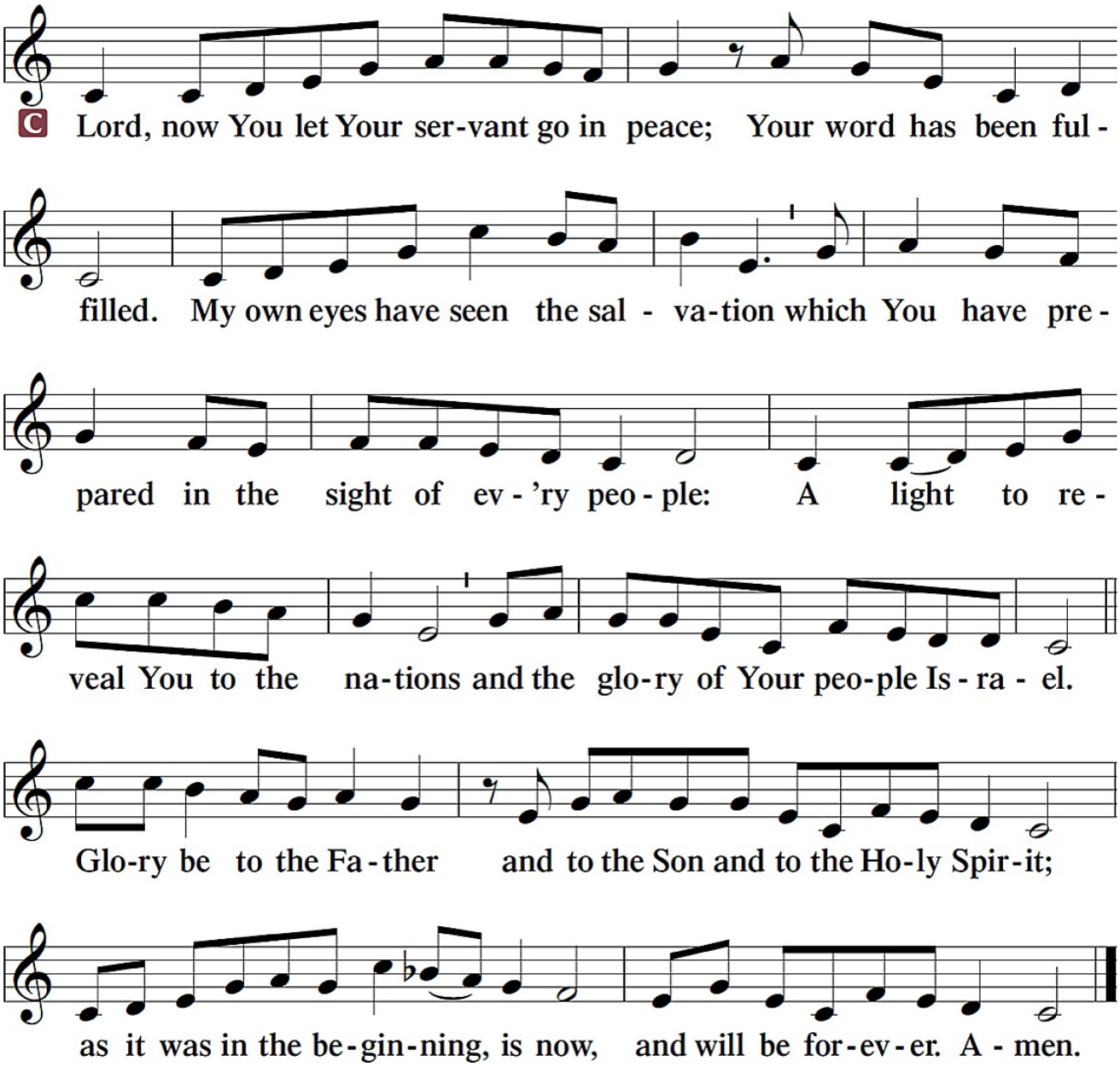
5 I will praise Your great compassion,
Faithful Father, God of grace,
That with all our fallen race
In our depth of degradation
You had mercy so that we
Might be saved eternally.

Stand
In dismissing the communicants, the following is said:

P The true body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you steadfast in the one true Faith unto life everlasting. Depart ✠ in peace.

C **Amen.**

POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE ~ Nunc Dimittis



POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

A Let us pray.

A We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

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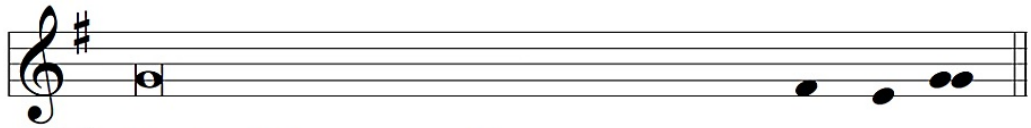
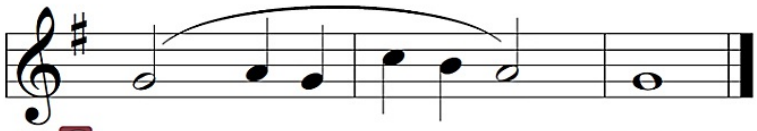


P The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine on you
and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.



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✠ *Soli Deo Gloria* ✠

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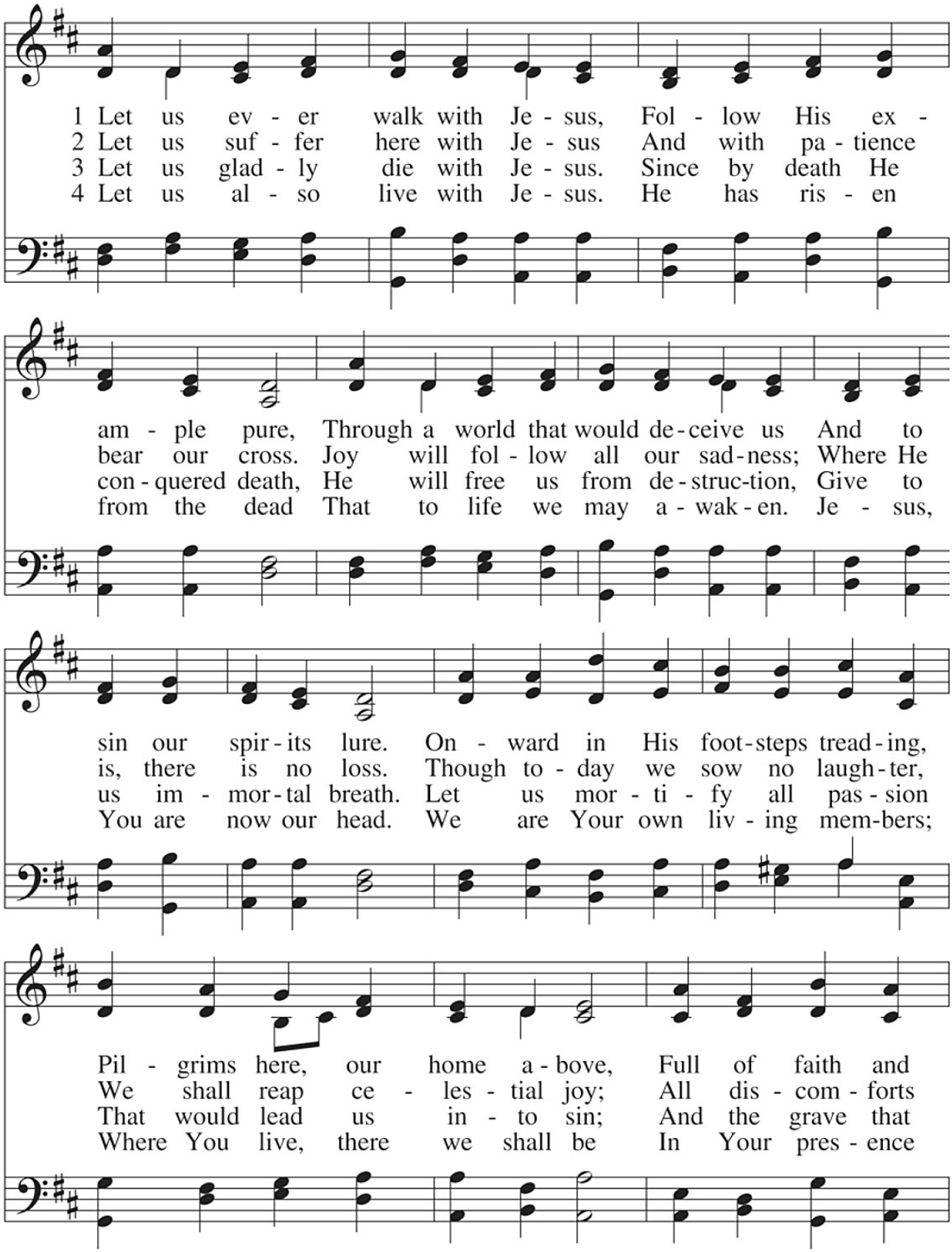

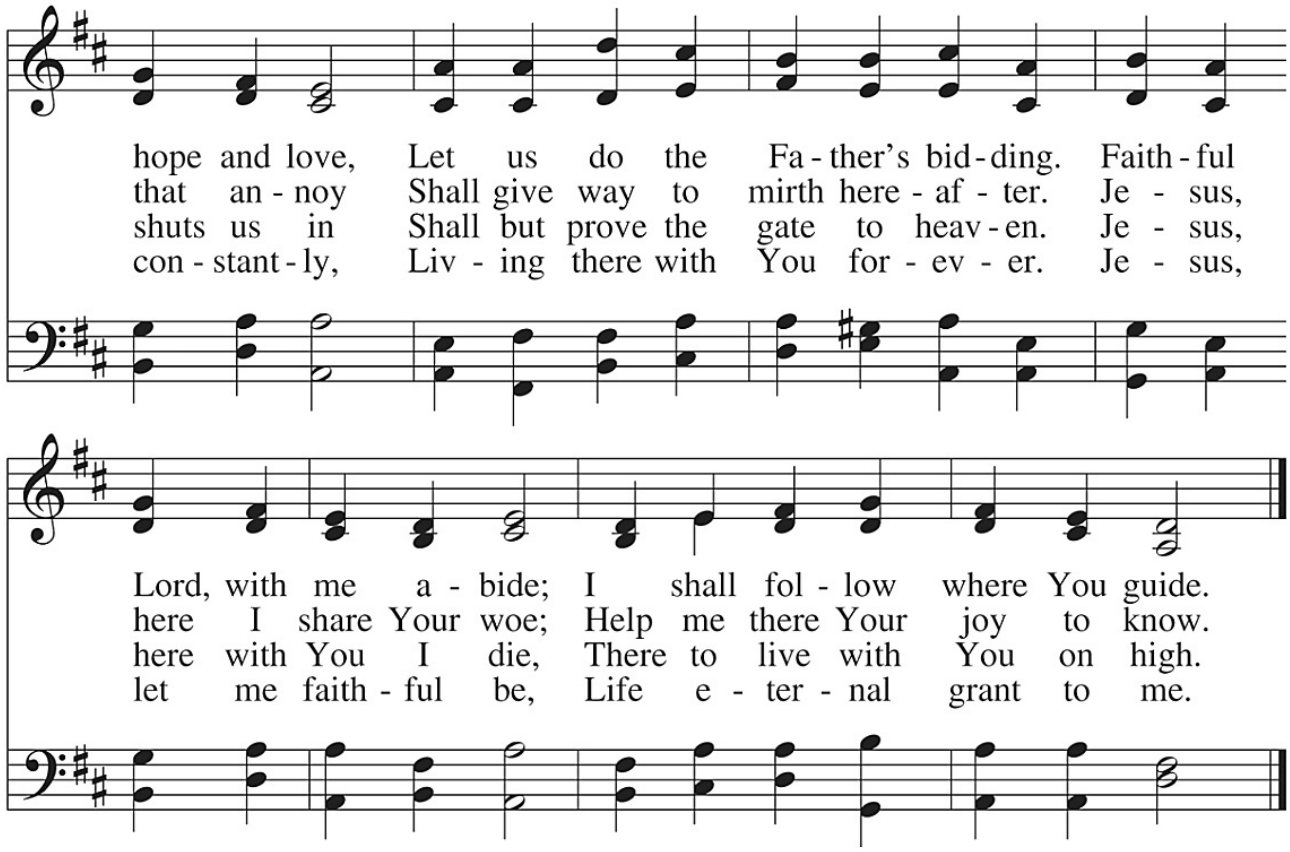

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PALM SUNDAY / SUNDAY OF THE PASSION

(13 April 2025)

John 12:12–19 (Palm Sunday Procession)
Deuteronomy 32:36–39
Philippians 2:5–11
John 12:20–43

The Cross and Passion of Our Lord Are the Hour of His Glory

The King of Israel comes into His royal glory by the path of humble obedience *"to the point of death, even death on a cross"* (Phil. 2:8). He *"goes as it has been determined"* (Luke 22:22), according to the Scriptures, willingly submitting to His Father's plan for the salvation of sinners. *"Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name"* (Phil. 2:9). His suffering and death open the way of repentance for the forgiveness of sins because He goes to the cross bearing the sins of the world. In His resurrection, God the Father vindicates His people and has compassion on His servants (Deut. 32:36). He kills to make alive; He wounds in order to heal. In remembrance of Him, we praise God, confessing *"that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father"* (Phil. 2:11).

JOIN US FOR THESE UPCOMING SERVICES

Maundy Thursday April 17, 2025– 9:00 AM and 6:30 PM
"It's All About the Lamb" Mark 14:12-26; 1 Corinthians 10:16-17

Good Friday March 29, 2024 *Tre Ore* – 12:00-3:00 PM
March 29, 2024 *Tenebrae* – 6:30 PM
"Finally" Isaiah 52:13–53:12; John 19:17-30

Easter Vigil March 30, 2024 – 7:30 PM
"Our Hope and Joy This Night"

Easter Sunrise March 31, 2024 – 6:30 AM
"Absolute Certainty" Job 19:23-27

Easter Sunday March 31, 2024 – 9:00 AM
"Our Faithful and Living Bridegroom" Mark 16:1-8