



Palm Sunday

Holy Week Schedule **Livestream Only:**

Holy Monday-Wednesday: Noon

Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, Easter Vigil 6pm

Easter Sunday: 6:11am

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WELCOME! We welcome our guests and visitors this morning and pray that your worship with us will be meaningful, blessed, and especially Christ-centered. We hope that you will worship with us again soon! If you do not have a church home, we invite you to consider making Grace Lutheran your church home.

Notes on the Service:

The service of Passion Sunday, beginning with the procession of palms, reflects the contrasting attitudes toward Jesus that were on display during the days leading up to His crucifixion. "Palm Sunday" is named after the palms that were spread before Jesus as He entered Jerusalem. The acclamation of the people, "Hosanna to the Son of David. Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord," clearly reveals that they hailed Jesus as the messianic king. Yet only days later, our Lord would hear the cry "Crucify!" This contrast is reflected on this day as the joy of His triumphal entry into Jerusalem gives way to the somber remembrance of His passion. The extended reading from the passion narrative sets before the faithful all that our Lord did on our behalf. Thus is the Church prepared to enter Holy Week—the most important week of the entire Church year. (*LSB: Altar Book*, 501)

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Make sure to check out our new website, gordongrace.org and facebook.com/gracelutherangordon. There are daily devotional suggestions, online Bible Study resources, live-stream services, and updates on what is happening through the recent changes.

The Pine Ridge Zone LWML brunch scheduled for Saturday morning, April 4, in Torrington has been changed to an online Bible Study starting at 9am. Email klkaufman6@gmail.com to get "Zoom" instructions and meeting ID.

Those who desire communion during the week may contact Pastor to set up a time, either in their homes or at church. Pass this word along especially to the members you know are staying at home.

STEWARDSHIP:

Matthew 21:3 – "If anyone says anything to you, you shall say, 'The Lord needs them,' and he will send them at once." Did Jesus really need the donkey? If the man had refused to give the donkey would the work of salvation have been derailed? Of course not. But what an honor for the man who owned this donkey and foal! It is likewise with us. The Lord needs none of us, but what an honor for God to choose to use our generosity in the work of His Church.

Budget for 2020: \$123,485

Total Offerings (Year to Date): \$27,372.57

3/15: \$815 (General Fund); **3/11:** \$403 (Midweek)

3/22: \$540 (General Fund); \$40 (District Missions)

Our District Mission pledge for 2019 was \$6,900. So far we have contributed \$4,545. The district office says that they understand that things have been tight for us, and that they have been blessed by God, and trust that God will continue to bless them no matter what. We have lowered our pledged amount for 2020 to \$6,000. It would still be good to make up as much of the difference for last year as we can. As with

everything in the Church budget, in order for the Church to give the money for our Missions Pledge, we as Christians have to give that offering. The congregation has been very generous this past year, meeting several unforeseen needs. We will continue to do the best that we can with what the Lord provides.

Giving our tithes and offerings is more difficult now, as we are unable to meet together as we are accustomed to. It is still part of our Christian life, however, as a recognition that we have been blessed in our lives by the Lord who loves us so much that He did not spare His only Son, but gave Him up for us, and in faith that His providence will continue for us into the future. The church also has financial obligations and a duty to provide for her workers as they continue to find ways to serve you through these times.

There are three easy ways to continue to make your offerings.

One, you can mail your offering to the church (PO Box 239).

Two, you can go to bit.ly/thriventoffering to give to our church online through Thrivent. This link takes you directly to the giving site for our congregation. You can enter your payment information on this page, and the offering is passed on from Thrivent to the church, and they pay the electronic transfer fee. (You do NOT need to be a Thrivent member to use this!)

Three, if you have a smartphone, you can download an app called GIVE+ from the app store or the Google Play store. This app is from the Lutheran Church Extension Fund. It allows you to set up an account, and give a one time offering, or arrange for a recurring automatic withdrawal. I've tried it, it's pretty easy. (This app does charge the church a fee for the electronic transfer).

We also recognize that this is a difficult and uncertain time for many people. Some have lost their jobs. Prices for cattle and grain seem to be all over the place. You can insert many other observations here. We don't seem to know what the next day will bring, let alone a week or a month from now. *Yet, we do know that the eyes of all look to the Lord, and He gives them their food at the proper time. He opens His hand and satisfies the desires of every living thing. He is near to all who call on Him. He fulfills the desire of those who fear Him; He hears our cry and saves us* (Psalm 145:15-19). So in these times, we can pray for all our needs. Here are some prayer suggestions:

For those who serve others

Almighty God, look with favor upon all who continue to serve their neighbors in to vocations into which you have placed them. Give them wisdom, courage, and patience to serve in sacrificial love, and strengthen them in their callings; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

For patience in suffering

O God, by the patient suffering of Your only-begotten Son You have beaten down the pride of the old enemy. Now help us, we humbly pray, rightly to treasure in our hearts all that our Lord has of His goodness borne for our sake that following His blessed example we may bear with patience all that is adverse to us; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

In times of unemployment

O God, You have always been the help and comfort of Your people. Support the unemployed in the day of their trouble and need. Give them faith to cast their cares on You, and preserve them from all bitterness and resentment. According to Your goodness increase the opportunity for their employment that with thankful hearts they may earn a just wage. Give to your people everywhere a ready willingness to share their blessings with those in need. Make us merciful, even as you are merciful, O Father, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

For those who work to gather our food from the earth

Almighty God, You bless the earth to make it fruitful, bringing forth in abundance whatever is needed for the support of our lives. Prosper the work of all farmers and ranchers and all those who labor to bring food to our table. Grant them seasonable weather that they may gather in the fruits of the earth in abundance and proclaim your goodness with thanksgiving, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Good government

Eternal Lord, ruler of all, graciously regard those who have been set in positions of authority among us that, guided by Your Spirit, they may be high in purpose, wise in counsel, firm in good resolution, and unwavering in duty, that under them we may be governed quietly and peaceably, through Jesus Christ. Amen.

For those who minister to the sick

Lord God, be with all the doctors and nurses and all others who minister to the needs of those who are ill. Through their wise and compassionate service, grant relief to the suffering and hope to the afflicted so that all may know of Your boundless care; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

In times of affliction and distress

Almighty and most merciful God, in this earthly life we endure sufferings and death before we enter into eternal glory. Grant us grace at all times to subject ourselves to Your holy will and to continue steadfast in the true faith to the end of our lives that we may know the peace and joy of the blessed hope of the resurrection of the dead and the glory of the world to come; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

In times of loneliness

Lord Jesus, You promise to never leave us or forsake us. Grant that in the midst of loneliness we may find fulfillment and comfort through faith in you and loving service for our neighbors; for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Get out the fine-tip markers or crayons and check out the end of the bulletin for some coloring pages from Edward Riojas (the artist who does the pictures for our bulletins). He made these available on his Facebook page (www.facebook.com/Edward-Riojas-Artist) for download. Color them yourself or give them to the kids and grandkids!

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Matins from Lutheran Service Book

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PROCESSION OF PALMS

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

Greeting

P 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.**

P Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.

C **Hosanna to the Son of David.**

Collect

P Let us pray. Most merciful God, as the people of Jerusalem, with palms in their hands, gathered to greet Your dearly beloved Son when He came into His Holy City, grant that we may ever hail Him as our King and, when He comes again, may go forth to meet Him with trusting and steadfast hearts and follow Him in the way that leads to eternal life; 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

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the twelfth chapter.

C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

P The next day the large crowd that had come to the feast heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem. 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!" And Jesus found a young donkey and sat on it, just as it is written,

"Fear not, daughter of Zion,
behold, your king is coming,
sitting on a donkey's colt!"

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. 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. The reason why the crowd went to meet him was that they heard he had done this sign. So the Pharisees said to one another, "You see that you are gaining nothing. Look, the world has gone after him." *John 12:12-19*

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to You, O Christ.**


P Let us go forth in peace,

C **in the name of the Lord.**

442 All Glory, Laud, and Honor

LSB 442

Refrain




All glo - ry, laud, and hon - or To You, Re-deem - er, King,
To whom the lips of chil - dren Made sweet ho - san - nas ring.



1 You are the King of Is - rael And Da - vid's roy - al Son,
2 The com - pa - ny of an - gels Is prais - ing You on high,
3 The mul - ti - tude of pil - grims With palms be - fore You went;
4 To You be - fore Your pas - sion They sang their hymns of praise;
5 As You re - ceived their prais - es, Ac - cept the prayers we bring,

Refrain



Now in the Lord's name com - ing, Our King and Bless - ed One.
And we with all cre - a - tion In cho - rus make re - ply.
Our praise and prayer and an - thems Be - fore You we pre - sent.
To You, now high ex - alt - ed, Our mel - o - dy we raise.
O Source of ev - 'ry bless - ing, Our good and gra - cious King.

Greeting

P Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.

C Hosanna in the highest.

A time of silence is observed to highlight the contrast between Jesus' triumphal entry and His passion. The crosses are veiled.

Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you. **C** And with thy spirit.

Collect of the Day

P 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.

Old Testament Reading

Zechariah 9:9–12

Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion!
Shout aloud, O daughter of Jerusalem!
behold, your king is coming to you;
righteous and having salvation is he,
humble and mounted on a donkey,
on a colt, the foal of a donkey.

I will cut off the chariot from Ephraim
and the war horse from Jerusalem;
and the battle bow shall be cut off,
and he shall speak peace to the nations;
his rule shall be from sea to sea,
and from the River to the ends of the earth.

As for you also, because of the blood of my covenant with you,
I will set your prisoners free from the waterless pit.

Return to your stronghold, O prisoners of hope;
today I declare that I will restore to you double.

Epistle

Philippians 2:5–11

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

Office Hymn: 440 Jesus, I Will Ponder Now

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1 Je - sus, I will pon - der now On Your ho - ly pas - sion;
With Your Spir - it me en - dow For such med - i - ta - tion.
Grant that I in love and faith May the im - age cher - ish
Of Your suf - f'ring, pain, and death That I may not per - ish.

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Holy Gospel

Matthew 27

Now Jesus stood before the governor, and the governor asked him, “Are you the King of the Jews?” Jesus said, “You have said so.” But when he was accused by the chief priests and elders, he gave no answer. Then Pilate said to him, “Do you not hear how many things they testify against you?” But he gave him no answer, not even to a single charge, so that the governor was greatly amazed.

Now at the feast the governor was accustomed to release for the crowd any one prisoner whom they wanted. And they had then a notorious prisoner called Barabbas. So when they had gathered, Pilate said to them, “Whom do you want me to release for you: Barabbas, or Jesus who is called Christ?” For he knew that it was out of envy that they had delivered him up. Besides, while he was sitting on the judgment seat, his wife sent word to him, “Have nothing to do with that righteous man, for I have suffered much because of him today in a dream.” Now the chief priests and the elders persuaded the crowd to ask for Barabbas and destroy Jesus. The governor again said to them, “Which of the two do you want me to release for you?” And they said, “Barabbas.” Pilate said to them, “Then what shall I do with Jesus who is called Christ?” They all said, “Let him be

crucified!” And he said, “Why, what evil has he done?” But they shouted all the more, “Let him be crucified!”

So when Pilate saw that he was gaining nothing, but rather that a riot was beginning, he took water and washed his hands before the crowd, saying, “I am innocent of this man’s blood; see to it yourselves.” And all the people answered, “His blood be on us and on our children!” Then he released for them Barabbas, and having scourged Jesus, delivered him to be crucified.

Then the soldiers of the governor took Jesus into the governor’s headquarters, and they gathered the whole battalion before him. And they stripped him and put a scarlet robe on him, and twisting together a crown of thorns, they put it on his head and put a reed in his right hand. And kneeling before him, they mocked him, saying, “Hail, King of the Jews!” And they spit on him and took the reed and struck him on the head. And when they had mocked him, they stripped him of the robe and put his own clothes on him and led him away to crucify him.

As they went out, they found a man of Cyrene, Simon by name. They compelled this man to carry his cross. And when they came to a place called Golgotha (which means Place of a Skull), they offered him wine to drink, mixed with gall, but when he tasted it, he would not drink it. And when they had crucified him, they divided his garments among them by casting lots. Then they sat down and kept watch over him there. And over his head they put the charge against him, which read, “This is Jesus, the King of the Jews.” Then two robbers were crucified with him, one on the right and one on the left. And those who passed by derided him, wagging their heads and saying, “You who would destroy the temple and rebuild it in three days, save yourself! If you are the Son of God, come down from the cross.” So also the chief priests, with the scribes and elders, mocked him, saying, “He saved others; he cannot save himself. He is the King of Israel; let him come down now from the cross, and we will believe in him. He trusts in God; let God deliver him now, if he desires him. For he said, ‘I am the Son of God.’” And the robbers who were crucified with him also reviled him in the same way.

Now from the sixth hour there was darkness over all the land until the ninth hour. And about the ninth hour Jesus cried out with a loud voice, saying, “Eli, Eli, lema sabachthani?” that is, “My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?” And some of the bystanders, hearing it, said, “This man is calling Elijah.” And one of them at once ran and took a sponge, filled it with sour wine, and put it on a reed and gave it to him to drink. But the others said, “Wait, let us see whether Elijah will come to save him.” And Jesus cried out again with a loud voice and yielded up his spirit.

And behold, the curtain of the temple was torn in two, from top to bottom. And the earth shook, and the rocks were split. The tombs also were opened. And many bodies of the saints who had fallen asleep were raised, and coming out of the tombs after his resurrection they went into the holy city and appeared to many. When the centurion and those who were with him, keeping watch over Jesus, saw the earthquake and what took place, they were filled with awe and said, “Truly this was the Son of God!”

There were also many women there, looking on from a distance, who had followed Jesus from Galilee, ministering to him, among whom were Mary Magdalene and Mary the mother of James and Joseph and the mother of the sons of Zebedee.

When it was evening, there came a rich man from Arimathea, named Joseph, who also was a disciple of Jesus. He went to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus. Then Pilate ordered it to be given to him. And Joseph took the body and wrapped it in a clean linen shroud and laid it in his own new tomb, which he had cut in the rock. And he rolled a great stone to the entrance of the

tomb and went away. Mary Magdalene and the other Mary were there, sitting opposite the tomb.

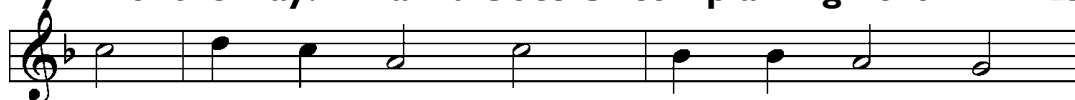
Next day, that is, after the day of Preparation, the chief priests and the Pharisees gathered before Pilate and said, “Sir, we remember how that impostor said, while he was still alive, ‘After three days I will rise.’ Therefore order the tomb to be made secure until the third day, lest his disciples go and steal him away and tell the people, ‘He has risen from the dead,’ and the last fraud will be worse than the first.” Pilate said to them, “You have a guard of soldiers. Go, make it as secure as you can.” So they went and made the tomb secure by sealing the stone and setting a guard.

Responsory (Lent) LSB 222

- L** We have an advocate with the Father; Jesus is the propitiation for our sins.
C He was delivered up to death; He was delivered for the sins of the people.
L Blessed is he whose transgression is forgiven and whose sin is put away.
C He was delivered up to death; He was delivered for the sins of the people.
L We have an advocate with the Father; Jesus is the propitiation for our sins.
C He was delivered up to death; He was delivered for the sins of the people.

Hymn of the Day: A Lamb Goes Uncomplaining Forth

LSB 438



1 A Lamb goes un - com - plain - ing forth, The
2 This Lamb is Christ, the soul's great friend, The
3 "Yes, Fa - ther, yes, most will - ing - ly I'll
4 Lord, when Your glo - ry I shall see And



guilt of sin - ners bear - ing And, lad - en with the
Lamb of God, our Sav - ior, Whom God the Fa - ther
bear what You com - mand Me. My will con - forms to
taste Your king - dom's plea - sure, Your blood my roy - al



sins of earth, None else the bur - den shar - ing; Goes
chose to send To gain for us His fa - vor. "Go
Your de - cree, I'll do what You have asked Me." O
robe shall be, My joy be - yond all mea - sure! When



pa - tient on, grows weak and faint, To slaugh - ter led with -
forth, My Son," the Fa - ther said, "And free My chil - dren
won - drous Love, what have You done! The Fa - ther of - fers
I ap - pear be - fore Your throne, Your righ - teous - ness shall



out com - plaint, That spot - less life to of - fer, He bears the
from their dread Of guilt and con - dem - na - tion. The wrath and
up His Son, De - sir - ing our sal - va - tion. O Love, how
be my crown; With these I need not hide me. And there, in

stripes, the wounds, the lies, The mock - er - y, and
 stripes are hard to bear, But by Your pas - sion
 strong You are to save! You lay the One in -
 gar - ments rich - ly wrought, As Your own bride shall

yet re - plies, "All this I glad - ly suf - fer."
 they will share The fruit of Your sal - va - tion."
 to the grave Who built the earth's foun - da - tion.
 we be brought To stand in joy be - side You.

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Sermon

P The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.
C Amen.

Te Deum LSB 223

C We praise You, O God; we
 acknowledge You to be the Lord.
 All the earth now worships You, the
 Father everlasting.
 To You all angels cry aloud, the
 heavens and all the pow'rs therein.
 To You cherubim and seraphim
 continually do cry:

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of
 Sabaoth;
 heaven and earth are full of the
 majesty of Your glory.
 The glorious company of the apostles
 praise You.
 The goodly fellowship of the prophets
 praise You.

The noble army of martyrs praise
 You.
 The holy Church throughout all the
 world does acknowledge You:
 The Father of an infinite majesty;
 Your adorable, true, and only Son;
 also the Holy Ghost, the Comforter.

You are the king of glory, O Christ;
 You are the everlasting Son of the
 Father.

When You took upon Yourself to
 deliver man,
 You humbled Yourself to be born of a
 virgin.
 When You had overcome the
 sharpness of death,
 You opened the kingdom of heaven
 to all believers.

You sit at the right hand of God
 in the glory of the Father.
 We believe that You will come
 to be our judge.

We therefore pray You to help Your
 servants,
 whom You have redeemed with Your
 precious blood.
 Make them to be numbered with
 Your saints
 in glory everlasting.

O Lord, save Your people and bless
Your heritage.
Govern them and lift them up forever.
Day by day we magnify You.
And we worship Your name forever
and ever.

Grant, O Lord, to keep us this day
without sin.
O Lord, have mercy upon us, have
mercy upon us.
O Lord, let Your mercy be upon us,
as our trust is in You.
O Lord, in You have I trusted; let me
never be confounded.

Kyrie

C Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy.

Lord's Prayer

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.

Collects

L O Lord, hear my prayer. **C** And let my cry come to You.

Collect of the Day

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.

Prayer of the Church: Litany of the Passion

P God the Father in heaven,	C Have mercy.
P God the Son, Redeemer of the world,	C Have mercy.
P God the Holy Spirit,	C Have mercy.
P Jesus, Son of the living God,	C Have mercy.
P From all evil,	C O Jesus, deliver us.
P From sudden, unprepared, or evil death; From the snares of the devil; From anger, hatred, or ill-will; From everlasting death,	
C O Jesus, deliver us.	

P By the mystery of Your incarnation;
By Your most holy life and conversation;
By Your most bitter Passion and death;
By Your agony and bloody sweat;
By Your thrice-repeated prayer;
By Your bonds and stripes;
By Your sacred body, buffeted and smitten;
By the spitting upon Your adorable face;
By the false judgment pronounced by Caiaphas;
By Herod's disdain of You;
By the shameful stripping of Your garments;
By Your painful crown of thorns;

By Your purple robe of mockery;
By Your most unjust condemnation;
By Your bearing Your own cross;
By Your footprints to the place of death;
By the tearing off of Your garments;
By the cruel straining of Your sacred limbs;
By Your dread crucifixion;
By the anguish You did suffer;
By Your prayers and tears;
By the insults You endured;
By the shedding of Your most precious blood;
By Your patience and humility;
By the love with which You loved us to the end:

C O Jesus, deliver us.

P We poor sinners implore You to hear us:

C O most loving Jesus.

P That being dead to sin, we may live unto righteousness;
That we may take up our cross daily and follow You;
That Your blood may cleanse us from dead works to serve the living God;
That looking on Your example, we may follow Your steps;
That being partakers of Your sufferings, we may be also partakers of Your glory:
We implore You to hear us, O Jesus.

C

P Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world,

C Have mercy.

P Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world,

C Have mercy.

P Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world,

C Grant us Your peace. Amen.

Collect for Grace

L O Lord, our heavenly Father, almighty and everlasting God, You have safely brought us to the beginning of this day. Defend us in the same with Your mighty power and grant that this day we fall into no sin, neither run into any kind of danger, but that all our doings, being ordered by Your governance, may be righteous in Your sight; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Stand

Benedicamus **LSB 228**

L Let us bless the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Benediction LSB 228

P 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.

Hymn to Depart: 453 Upon the Cross Extended



1 Up - on the cross ex - tend - ed See, world, your
2 Come, see these things and pon - der, Your soul will
3 Who is it, Lord, that bruised You? Who has so
4 I caused Your grief and sigh - ing By e - vils



Lord sus - pend - ed. Your Sav - ior yields His breath.
fill with won - der As blood streams from each pore.
sore a - bused You And caused You all Your woe?
mul - ti - ply - ing As count - less as the sands.



The Prince of Life from heav - en Him - self has free - ly
Through grief be - yond all know - ing From His great heart came
We all must make con - fes - sion Of sin and dire trans -
I caused the woes un - num - bered With which Your soul is



giv - en To shame and blows and bit - ter death.
flow - ing Sighs well - ing from its deep - est core.
gres - sion While You no ways of e - vil know.
cum - bered, Your sor - rows raised by wick - ed hands.

5 Your soul in griefs unbounded,
Your head with thorns surrounded,
You died to ransom me.
The cross for me enduring,
The crown for me securing,
You healed my wounds and set me
free.

6 Your cords of love, my Savior,
Bind me to You forever,
I am no longer mine.
To You I gladly tender
All that my life can render
And all I have to You resign.

7 Your cross I place before me;
Its saving pow'r restore me,
Sustain me in the test.
It will, when life is ending,
Be guiding and attending
My way to Your eternal rest.



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