

# ***LUTHERAN CHAPEL***



# *Palm* SUNDAY

*The Passion of Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ  
according to St. Luke*

**HOLY COMMUNION  
PASSION AND PALM SUNDAY  
APRIL 13, 2025**

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SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION**

*BOLD indicates congregational responses - \* Indicates that all who are able should stand to honor God.*

**GATHER**

**PRELUDE**

*"Hosanna, Loud Hosanna"*

Arr. By John Carter

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**GATHERING**

P: Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.

**C: Hosanna in the highest.**

**PROCESSIONAL GOSPEL**

**LUKE 19:28-41**

Response after announcement

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

<sup>28</sup> After he had said this, [Jesus] went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem.

<sup>29</sup> When he had come near Bethphage and Bethany, at the place called the Mount of Olives, he sent two of the disciples, <sup>30</sup> 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. <sup>31</sup> If anyone asks you, 'Why are you untying it?' just say this, 'The Lord needs it.'" <sup>32</sup> So those who were sent departed and found it as he had told them. <sup>33</sup> As they were untying the colt, its owners asked them, "Why are you untying the colt?" <sup>34</sup> They said, "The Lord needs it." <sup>35</sup> Then they brought it to Jesus; and after throwing their cloaks on the colt, they set Jesus on it. <sup>36</sup> As he rode along, people kept spreading their cloaks on the road. <sup>37</sup> 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, <sup>38</sup> saying,

"Blessed is the king

who comes in the name of the Lord!

Peace in heaven,

and glory in the highest heaven!"

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

<sup>41</sup> As he came near and saw the city, he wept over it,

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

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

**\*PROCESSIONAL HYMN**

*"All Glory, Laud and Honor"*

**ELW #344**

**\*PRAYER OF THE DAY**

*(In Unison)*

P: The Lord be with you. **C: And also with you.**

**C: 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.**

## WORD

### STORY OF SALVATION LESSON

### RUTH 1:1-18

<sup>1</sup>In the days when the judges ruled, there was a famine in the land, and a certain man of Bethlehem in Judah went to live in the country of Moab, he and his wife and two sons. <sup>2</sup>The name of the man was Elimelech and the name of his wife Naomi, and the names of his two sons were Mahlon and Chilion; they were Ephrathites from Bethlehem in Judah. They went into the country of Moab and remained there. <sup>3</sup>But Elimelech, the husband of Naomi, died, and she was left with her two sons. <sup>4</sup>These took Moabite wives; the name of the one was Orpah and the name of the other Ruth. When they had lived there about ten years, <sup>5</sup>both Mahlon and Chilion also died, so that the woman was left without her two sons and her husband.

<sup>6</sup>Then she started to return with her daughters-in-law from the country of Moab, for she had heard in the country of Moab that the LORD had considered his people and given them food. <sup>7</sup>So she set out from the place where she had been living, she and her two daughters-in-law, and they went on their way to go back to the land of Judah. <sup>8</sup>But Naomi said to her two daughters-in-law, "Go back each of you to your mother's house. May the LORD deal kindly with you, as you have dealt with the dead and with me. <sup>9</sup>The LORD grant that you may find security, each of you in the house of your husband." Then she kissed them, and they wept aloud. <sup>10</sup>They said to her, "No, we will return with you to your people." <sup>11</sup>But Naomi said, "Turn back, my daughters, why will you go with me? Do I still have sons in my womb that they may become your husbands? <sup>12</sup>Turn back, my daughters, go your way, for I am too old to have a husband. Even if I thought there was hope for me, even if I should have a husband tonight and bear sons, <sup>13</sup>would you then wait until they were grown? Would you then refrain from marrying? No, my daughters, it has been far more bitter for me than for you, because the hand of the LORD has turned against me." <sup>14</sup>Then they wept aloud again. Orpah kissed her mother-in-law, but Ruth clung to her.

<sup>15</sup>So she said, "See, your sister-in-law has gone back to her people and to her gods; return after your sister-in-law." <sup>16</sup>**But Ruth said,**

**"Do not press me to leave you  
or to turn back from following you!**

**Where you go, I will go;  
where you lodge, I will lodge,  
your people shall be my people,  
and your God my God.**

<sup>17</sup>**Where you die, I will die —  
there will I be buried.**

**May the LORD do thus and so to me,  
and more as well,  
if even death parts me from you!"**

<sup>18</sup>When Naomi saw that she was determined to go with her, she said no more to her.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

### STORY OF SALVATION TIMELINE

*The timeline below offers an overview of the Story of Salvation lesson from Genesis to Revelation. The + marks where we are now. Memory verse is in bold.*

*Creation : Fall : Promise : Exodus : Conquest : **Judges**: Kings and Prophets : Exile :  
Restoration : 2<sup>nd</sup> Temple : JESUS : +Apostles : Last Day : New Creation*

## PSALM 31:9-16

- <sup>9</sup> Have mercy on me, O LORD, for I am in trouble;  
my eye is consumed with sorrow, and also my throat and my belly.
- <sup>10</sup> **For my life is wasted with grief, and my years with sighing;  
my strength fails me because of affliction, and my bones are consumed.**
- <sup>11</sup> I am the scorn of all my enemies, a disgrace to my neighbors, a dismay to my acquaintances;  
when they see me in the street they avoid me.
- <sup>12</sup> **Like the dead I am forgotten, out of mind;  
I am as useless as a broken pot.**
- <sup>13</sup> For I have heard the whispering of the crowd; fear is all around;  
they put their heads together against me; they plot to take my life.
- <sup>14</sup> **But as for me, I have trusted in you, O LORD.  
I have said, "You are my God.**
- <sup>15</sup> My times are in your hand;  
rescue me from the hand of my enemies, and from those who persecute me.
- <sup>16</sup> **Let your face shine up- on your servant;  
save me in your steadfast love."**

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

## SECOND LESSON

## PHILIPPIANS 2:5-11

- <sup>5</sup> Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus,  
<sup>6</sup> who, though he was in the form of God,  
did not regard equality with God  
as something to be exploited,  
<sup>7</sup> but emptied himself,  
taking the form of a slave,  
being born in human likeness.  
And being found in human form,  
<sup>8</sup> he humbled himself  
and became obedient to the point of death—  
even death on a cross.  
<sup>9</sup> Therefore God also highly exalted him  
and gave him the name  
that is above every name,  
<sup>10</sup> so that at the name of Jesus  
every knee should bend,  
in heaven and on earth and under the earth,  
<sup>11</sup> and every tongue should confess  
that Jesus Christ is Lord,  
to the glory of God the Father.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

## \*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

*Joel 2:13*

**Return to the Lord, your God, for he is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding  
in steadfast love.**

**\*GOSPEL**

**LUKE 22:14-23:56**

*“The Passion of our Lord according to St. Luke”*

*(This will be a Responsive Reading, please see booklet.  
When finished please leave the book in the pew. Thank You.)*

**\*HYMN OF THE DAY**

*“Ride on, Ride on in Majesty!”*

**ELW #346**

**\*THE APOSTLES’ CREED**

*All are invited to confess our faith in God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. If you have not received the gift of baptism or would like to affirm your faith in Jesus and join His mission here, please indicate on the attendance registry and talk to an usher or the pastor.*

**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.**

**PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

*1 Timothy 2:1-4*

AM: Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

*A brief silence may be kept. Each prayer will conclude: Lord in Your mercy, and the congregation may respond **Hear our prayers.***

*Prayers are commended in Jesus’ Name.*

AM: All these prayers and whatever else You see that we need we ask in the Name of Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, One God, now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

**\*THE SHARING OF THE PEACE**

*Matthew 5:22-24: Ephesians 4:1-3*

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**C: And also with you.**

## THE MEAL

### TITHES AND OFFERINGS

*2 Corinthians 9:7-8*

### MUSICAL OFFERING

*"Procession for Palm Sunday"*

Craig Courtney

*\*Please sing when directed*

"Hosanna in the highest!" That ancient song we sing.  
For Christ is our Redeemer, The Lord of heav'n, our King;  
O may we ever praise Him With heart and life and voice,  
And in His holy presence Eternally rejoice!

### \*OFFERTORY

*"Create in Me a Clean Heart"*

*Psalms 51:10-12*

**Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.  
Cast me not away from your presence, and take not your Holy Spirit from me.  
Restore to me the joy of your salvation, and uphold me with your free Spirit.**

### \*THE OFFERTORY PRAYER

*(In Unison)*

**C: Blessed are You, O God, maker of all things. Through Your goodness You have blessed us with these gifts: our selves, our time, and our possessions. Use us, and what we have gathered in feeding the world with Your love, through the one who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

### \*THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

*2 Timothy 4:22, Colossians 3:1, Psalm 136*

P. The Lord be with you.

C. And also with you.

P. Lift up your hearts.

C. We lift them to the Lord.

P. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C. It is right to give our thanks and praise.

### \*PREFACE FOR THE DAY AND THE HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

ELW# 144

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, Lord God of power and might, Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.**

### \*THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

*Matthew 26, Mark 14, Luke 22, 1 Corinthians 11*

P: In the night in which He was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks, broke it, and gave it to His disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is My body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of Me.

Again, after supper, He took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in My blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of Me.

### \*THE LORD'S PRAYER

*Matthew 6:9-13*

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

**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.**

**\*LAMB OF GOD**

**ELW# 146**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.**

**\*DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION**

*All baptized Christians are welcome to Holy Communion. Here we receive forgiveness, the gift of abiding in Jesus, the remembrance of His sacrificial love for us on the Cross, and the promise of eternal life (Luke 24:13-35, John 6:22-59, 1 Cor. 11:23-26). You may request grape juice or gluten free bread if needed. Please take your communion cup as you leave and discard it in the trashcan.*

**P:** This is the body of Christ given for you. This is the blood of Christ shed for you.

**COMMUNION MUSIC**

*“For the Bread Which You Have Broken”*

**ELW #494**

*“My Song is Love Unknown”*

**ELW #343**

**SENDING**

**\*THE BLESSING**

**P:** May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

**C: Amen.**

**\*SONG OF SIMEON**

*Luke 2:29-32*

**Now, Lord, you let your servant go in peace: your word has been fulfilled.  
My own eyes have seen the salvation which you have prepared in the sight of every people:  
A light to reveal you to the nations and the glory of your people Israel.  
Now, Lord, you let your servant go in peace.**

**\*POST COMMUNION PRAYER**

**AM:** Giver of every gift, Christ’s body is our food, and we are Christ’s body. Raise us to life by your power for the benefit of all and to your glory, now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

**\*BENEDICTION**

**\*RECESSIONAL HYMN**

*“O Sacred Head Now Wounded”*

**ELW #351**

**\*DISMISSAL**

P: Go in peace, serve the Lord!

**C: Thanks be to God.**

**POSTLUDE**

*“The Death of Jesus Christ, Our Lord”*

Arr. By Carl Schalk



**THOSE SERVING AT LUTHERAN CHAPEL TODAY**

- Ministers.....People of Lutheran Chapel
- Pastor.....Michael Comer
- Administrative Assistant.....Susan Hibsich
- Director of Music Ministries.....Kathie Riebe
- Choir Accompanist.....Anna Gilreath
- Assistant Minister.....Chris Lowe
- Acolyte.....Renwick Royston
- Lector.....Jenny Williamson
- Crucifer.....Christian Mull
- Head Ushers.....Steve Clark and Ervin Hoffman
- First Aid/AED/CPR.....Ervin Hoffman
- Council Members of the Month.....David Zibell and Rob Andrews



# Upcoming EVENTS

**GENERAL INFORMATION:** If your family is in need of a **nursery** attendant during the 10:00 service, please let our ushers know and they will contact one of our attendants. **Restrooms** are located on the bottom floor of the Sanctuary. Additional restrooms are located in the Educational Building and *do not require the use of stairs*. If needed, please see an usher for assistance in locating them.

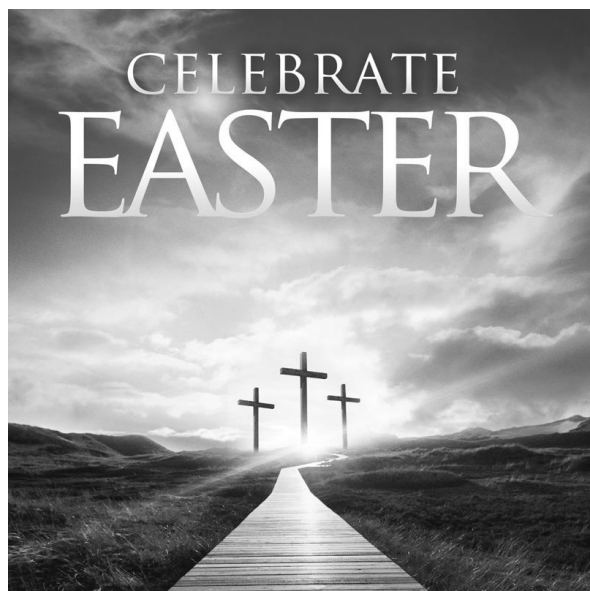
**TO GIVE TITHES AND OFFERINGS ONLINE:** This QR code goes straight to the “Easy Tithe” page on the website that accepts tithes and offerings electronically.



**OWLS:** We hope you’ll join us for our OWL-standing time of fellowship on **WEDNESDAY, April 16** at 11:00 am at Shrimp Boat, 120 S. Broad St. in Gastonia.

**LOVE OFFERING FOR APRIL:** Our love offering for April is the Lutheran Services Carolinas, a faith-based health and human resources organization serving children, families and seniors in the Carolinas. They serve in **Gaston County** through foster care, providing services to people with developmental disabilities, and partners with the Senior TLC program and Dallas High School Apartments.

**CRISIS ASSISTANCE MINISTRIES:** Please remember that we will continue to collect food for the Crisis Assistance Ministry throughout the year. You may place food in the blue collection box in the hallway near our fellowship hall and in the CAM basket in the narthex of the sanctuary. The Social Ministry team will deliver to CAM when the box is full – so keep us busy! Thank you so much!



## Upcoming Service Schedule

### Sunday, April 13 Palm Sunday

10:00 Holy Communion

### Maundy Thursday, April 17

7:00 Holy Communion and Foot Washing

### Good Friday, April 18 – The Death of Jesus For Us

Noon – Stations of the Cross in the Memorial Chapel

7:00 Tenebrae Service in the Sanctuary

### The Resurrection of our Lord – Easter Sunday, April 17

Sunrise Service 7 AM in the Church Cemetery with a full fellowship breakfast to follow in the Family Life Center.

10:00 Festival Service of Holy Communion

# Weekly CALENDAR

**Sunday, April 13**

**PALM SUNDAY**

8:30 am Fellowship  
 9:00 am Sunday School  
 10:00 am Worship (Sanctuary)  
**11:00 am Confirmation**  
 11:30 am Chancel Choir (Sanctuary)  
**1:30 - 3:30 Easter Egg Hunt**  
 4-6 pm Chosen Mission Group  
 8:00 pm Faith Group (Fellowship Hall)

**Monday, April 14**

8:30 am Preschool  
 6-9:30 pm Via De Cristo

**Tuesday, April 15**

8:30 am Preschool  
 10:00 am Clothing Closet Workday  
 5:30 pm Chapel Ringers (Sanctuary)

**Wednesday, April 16**

8:30 am Preschool  
**11:00 am OWLS Shrimp Boat (Gastonia)**

**Thursday, April 17**

**Maundy Thursday**

8:30 am Preschool / **Preschool Lunch (Fellowship Hall, Family Life)**  
 9:00 am Bible Study (Library)  
**7:00 pm Holy Communion and Foot Washing**

**Friday, April 18**

**Good Friday**

9:00 am Men's Community Bible Study (Fellowship Hall)  
**12:00 pm Stations of the Cross (Memorial Chapel)**  
**7:00 pm Tenebrae Service (Sanctuary)**

**Saturday, April 19**

9:30 am Hungry Peeps in (Fellowship Hall)

# Let's **PRAY**



**DAILY PRAYER - A HOME ALTAR ALTERS THE HOME!:** Sunrise, noon, sunset and at meals are times for daily prayer (*Psalm 1, 55:17*). *May God bless you as you turn to Him day by day.*

## **THE BIBLE IN A YEAR - Week 16—April 13 to April 20, 2025**

04/13 Morning Reading: Mark 13:21-37—Evening Reading: Deuteronomy 20, 21, 22

04/14 Morning Reading: Mark 14:1-26—Evening Reading: Deuteronomy 23, 24, 25

04/15 Morning Reading: Mark 14:27-53—Evening Reading: Deuteronomy 26, 27

04/16 Morning Reading: Mark 14:54-72—Evening Reading: Deuteronomy 28, 29

04/17 Morning Reading: Mark 15:1-25—Evening Reading: Deuteronomy 30, 31

04/18 Morning Reading: Mark 15:26-47—Evening Reading: Deuteronomy 32, 33, 34

04/19 Morning Reading: Mark 16—Evening Reading: Joshua 1, 2, 3

04/20 Morning Reading: Luke 1:1-20—Evening Reading: Joshua 4, 5, 6

**This QR** code goes straight to the Daily prayers page on the website that lists the commemorations and Psalms appointments for the week.



**PRAYER LIST FOR FELLOWSHIP:** Braylon Beam, Ron Behringer, Steve Bell, Pauline Bradley, Shirley Bradley, Buddy Carothers, Miles Carpenter, Kathy Finch, Baker Hampton, Pastor Peter & Nancy Homovich, Ann Lowe, Trish Ratchford, Doug Rhyne, **Kay Robinson**, Pat & Barbara Robinson.

**FRIENDS OF THE FELLOWSHIP:** John Austin, Kyle Banes, Rick Belton, Kathy Bradley, Peggy Button, Deborah Carpenter, Jeff Cobb, Zandra Chavis, Doris Coggins, Tucker Doyne, **Larea Falls**, Jameson Franklin, Jerry Green, Kirk Jordan, Sherry McCart, Bobby Myers, Rita Passour, Parks Peak, Bill Riddle, Morgan Rosser, Dorothy Slessman, “Spike” Stevens, Christy Carpenter Smith, Charlene Sorenson, Judy Turner, Becky Van Dyke, Jimmy Watlington, Virgil Welch and recovery in the North Carolina mountains.

*To share concerns and updates for the prayer list you can contact the church office (704-864-6491) or call/text Pastor Comer (704-787-6439)*

## **NEXT WEEK’S LESSONS**

**MAUNDY THURSDAY, April 17** ~ Holy Communion and Foot Washing

*“From Passover to the Last Supper, We Remember!”*

**GOOD FRIDAY, April 18** ~ Tenebrae Service

*“The Death of Jesus for Us”*

**EASTER SUNDAY, April 20** ~ Festival of Holy Communion

*“The Resurrection of Jesus 2025”*

## Relevance: Gift of Holy Baptism

The spiritual exercise of affirmations is to declare who and Whose you are because of the gifts received in Holy Baptism. The broken world and the enemy of our souls wants to tear us down and separate us from God and from one another. Never forget who you are in Christ! Consider the Scriptures and Catechism below.

You are marked with the Cross of Christ  
in the Name of the Father, + the Son, and Holy Spirit (Matthew 28:19).

Your baptism brings about forgiveness of sins (1 John 1:8-9), redeems from death and the devil (Romans 6:3-5), and gives eternal salvation to all who believe it, as the words and promise of God (Mark 16:16) declares (**Small Catechism**, Luther).

You have the promise of God the Holy Spirit working in you (Titus 3:5-8).

You are a child of God (1 John 3:1).

You belong to the holy Christian Church (Galatians 3:27-29).

Your baptism once, whether a baby or elder, is good forever because it is the gift of God and not your own action (Ephesians 4:4-5).

You have the ultimate mission –  
to do the will of our Father in Heaven here and now (Matthew 6:10).



*I baptize you in the name  
of the Father and of the Son  
and of the Holy Spirit*

# All Glory, Laud, and Honor

*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 are 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 Their prais - es you ac - cept - ed; ac - cept the prayers we bring,

*Refrain*

now in the Lord's name com - ing, our King and Bless - ed One.  
 cre - a - tion and all mor - tals 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.  
 great au - thor of all good - ness, O good and gra - cious King.

Text: Theodulph of Orleans, c. 760–821; tr. John Mason Neale, 1818–1866, alt.  
 Music: VALET WILL ICH DIR GEBEN, Melchior Teschner, 1584–1635

# Ride On, Ride On in Majesty!



1 Ride on, ride on in maj - es - ty! Hear all the  
 2 Ride on, ride on in maj - es - ty! In low - ly  
 3 Ride on, ride on in maj - es - ty! The hosts of  
 4 Ride on, ride on in maj - es - ty! In low - ly



tribes ho - san - na cry; O Sav - ior meek, your road pur -  
 pomp ride on to die. O Christ, your tri - umphs now be -  
 an - gels in the sky look down with sad and won - d'ring  
 pomp ride on to die, bow your meek head to mor - tal



sue, with palms and scat - tered gar - ments strewed.  
 gin o'er cap - tive death and con - quered sin.  
 eyes to see the ap - proach - ing sac - ri - fice.  
 pain, then take, O Christ, your pow'r and reign!

Text: Henry H. Milman, 1791–1868, alt.  
 Music: THE KING'S MAJESTY, Graham George, 1912–1993  
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# For the Bread Which You Have Broken

The image shows a musical score for a hymn. It consists of two systems of music. Each system has a vocal line on a treble clef staff and a piano accompaniment line on a bass clef staff. The key signature has one flat (B-flat), and the time signature is 4/4. The first system contains four lines of lyrics. The second system contains four lines of lyrics. The music is written in a simple, hymn-like style with block chords and moving lines.

1 For the bread which you have bro - ken, for the wine which you have poured,  
2 By this prom - ise that you love us, by your gift of peace re - stored,  
3 With the saints who now a - dore you, seat-ed at the heav'n - ly board,  
4 In your ser - vice, Lord, de - fend us; in our hearts keep watch and ward;

for the words which you have spo - ken, now we give you thanks, O Lord.  
by your call to heav'n a - bove us, hal - low all our lives, O Lord.  
may the church still wait - ing for you keep love's tie un - bro - ken, Lord.  
in the world to which you send us let your king - dom come, O Lord.

Text: Louis F. Benson, 1855–1930, alt.

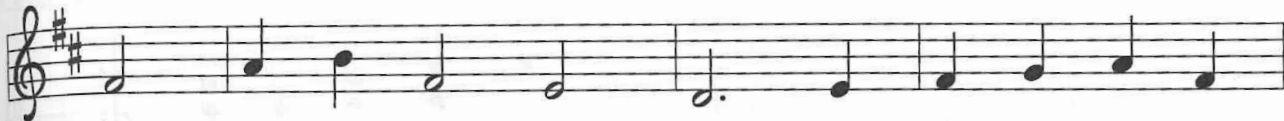
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# My Song Is Love Unknown

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1 My song is love un - known, my Sav - ior's love to  
2 He came from his blest throne sal - va - tion to be -  
3 Some - times we strew his way and his sweet prais - es  
4 We cry out, we will have our dear Lord made a -



me, love to the love - less shown that they might  
stow; the world that was his own would not its  
sing; re - sound - ing all the day ho - san - nas  
way, a mur - der - er to save, the prince of



love - ly be. Oh, who am I that  
Sav - ior know. But, oh, my friend, my  
to our king. Then "Cru - ci - fy!" is  
life to slay. Yet cheer - ful he to



for my sake my Lord should take frail flesh and die?  
friend in - deed, who at my need his life did spend!  
all our breath, and for his death we thirst and cry.  
suf - f'ring goes that he his foes from thence might free.

5 In life no house, no home  
my Lord on earth might have;  
in death no friendly tomb  
but what a stranger gave.  
What may I say? Heav'n was his home  
but mine the tomb wherein he lay.

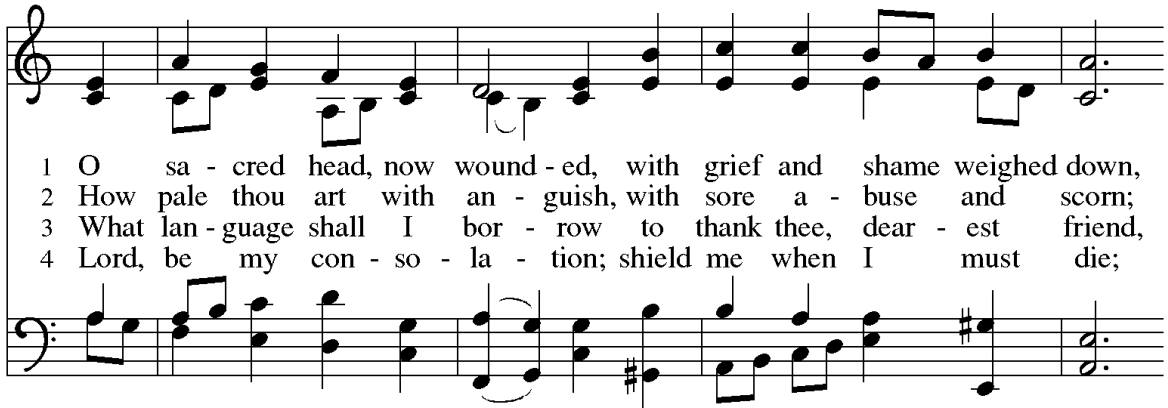
6 Here might I stay and sing—  
no story so divine!  
Never was love, dear King,  
never was grief like thine.  
This is my friend, in whose sweet praise  
I all my days could gladly spend!

Text: Samuel Crossman, 1624–1683, alt.  
Music: John Ireland, 1879–1962  
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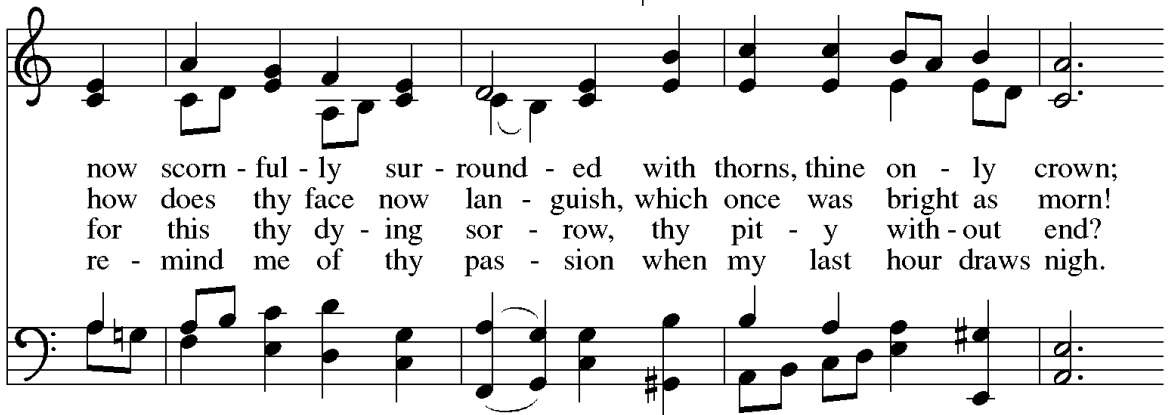
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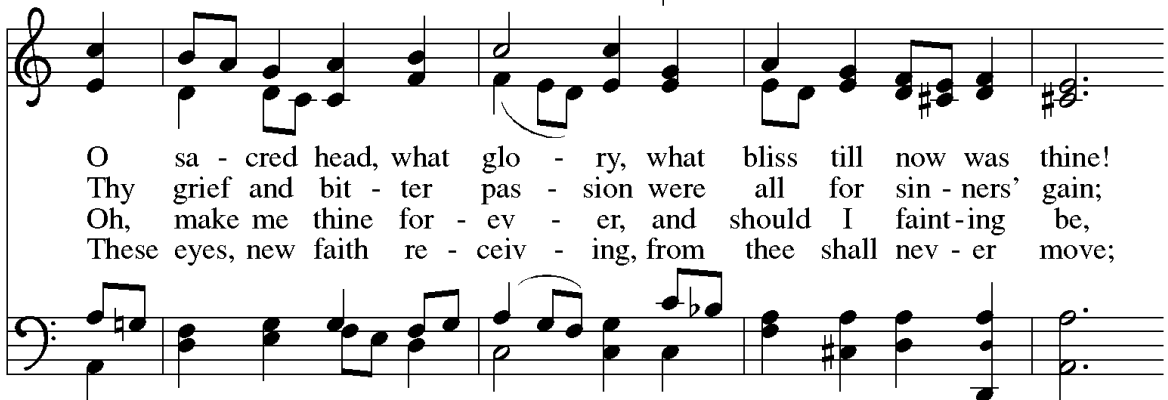
# O Sacred Head, Now Wounded



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.

Text: Paul Gerhardt, 1607–1676, based on Arnulf of Louvain, d. 1250; tr. composite  
Music: HERZLICH TUT MICH VERLANGEN, German melody, c. 1500; adapt. Hans Leo Hassler, 1564–1612;  
arr. Johann Sebastian Bach, 1685–1750