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ORDER OF SERVICE

WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP AND OPENING SENTENCES

Psalm 38:1-4, 18, 22; antiphon: Isaiah 53:5

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P He was wounded for our transgressions; He was crushed for our iniquities; upon Him was the chastisement that brought us peace, and with His stripes we are healed.

C O LORD, rebuke me not in Your anger, nor discipline me in Your wrath!

P For Your arrows have sunk into me, and Your hand has come down on me.

C There is no soundness in my flesh because of Your indignation; there is no health in my bones because of my sin.

P For my iniquities have gone over my head; like a heavy burden, they are too heavy for me.

C I confess my iniquity; I am sorry for my sin.

P Make haste to help me, O Lord, my salvation!

C He was wounded for our transgressions; He was crushed for our iniquities; upon Him was the chastisement that brought us peace, and with His stripes we are healed.

How Deep the Father's Love for Us

1 How deep the Fa-ther's love for us, How vast be-yond all mea -
2 Be - hold the Man up - on a cross, My sin up - on His shoul -
3 I will not boast in an - y - thing: No gifts, no pow'r, no wis -

sure; That He should give His on - ly Son To
ders; A - shamed, I hear my mock - ing voice Call
dom; But I will boast in Je - sus Christ; His

make a wretch His trea - sure. How great the pain of sear-ing
out a-mong the scof - fers. It was my sin that held Him
death and res - ur - rec - tion. Why should I gain from His re -

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loss; The Fa - ther turns His face a - way As
there Un - til it was ac - com - plished. His
ward? I can - not give an an - swer. But

wounds which mar the Cho - sen One Bring
dy - ing breath has brought me life; I
this I know with all my heart: His

man - y un - to glo - ry.
know that it is fin - ished.
wounds have paid my ran - som.

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CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Hebrews 4:14-16; 5:7-9

- P** Since then we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession.
- C** For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who in every respect has been tempted as we are, yet without sin.
- P** Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

Silence for reflection and personal confession.

- P** Jesus, our High Priest,
- C** We humbly confess to You that we are weak. In our weakness, we sin against You and one another with our words and actions, and in our thoughts and the lack thereof. Our sins cut us off from You. We know that the wages of sin is death, and we keep on sinning. We deserve death. Have mercy on us. Forgive us. Change our hearts and lives and conform them to Yours, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways, to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.
- P** In the days of His flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to Him who was able to save Him from death, and He was heard because of His reverence. Although He was a son, He learned obedience through what He suffered. And being made perfect, He became the source of eternal salvation to all who obey Him. Jesus freely gives us what we do not deserve: forgiveness, life, and salvation. 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.

C Amen.

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KYRIE

Hebrews 12:1-2

P Jesus Christ, the light of the world, is about to be extinguished.

C O Lord, have mercy.

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C O Lord, have mercy.

P Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses,

C let us also lay aside every weight, and sin which clings so closely, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us,

- P** looking to Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith,
C who for the joy that was set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

- P** Let us pray,
Heavenly Father, You sent Your Son to be crucified, die, and be buried so that through death He might destroy the one who has the power of death—that is, the devil—that we may have life; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C** Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Isaiah 52:13–53:12

[pew Bible page 613]

Behold, my servant shall act wisely; he shall be high and lifted up, and shall be exalted. As many were astonished at you— his appearance was so marred, beyond human semblance, and his form beyond that of the children of mankind— so shall he sprinkle many nations. Kings shall shut their mouths because of him, for that which has not been told them they see, and that which they have not heard they understand. Who has believed what he has heard from us? And to whom has the arm of the LORD been revealed? For he grew up before him like a young plant, and like a root out of dry ground; he had no form or majesty that we should look at him, and no beauty that we should desire him. He was despised and rejected by men, a man of sorrows and acquainted with grief; and as one from whom men hide their faces he was despised, and we esteemed him not. Surely he has borne our griefs and carried our sorrows; yet we esteemed him stricken, smitten by God, and afflicted. But he was pierced for our transgressions; he was crushed for our iniquities; upon him was the chastisement that brought us peace, and with his wounds we are healed. All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned—every one—to his own way; and the LORD has laid on him the iniquity of us all. He was oppressed, and he was afflicted, yet he opened not his mouth; like a lamb that is led to the slaughter, and like a sheep that before its shearers is silent, so he opened not his mouth. By oppression and judgment he was taken away; and as for his generation, who considered that he was cut off out of the land of the living, stricken for the transgression of my people? And they made his grave with the wicked and with a rich man in his death, although he had done no violence, and there was no deceit in his mouth. Yet it was the will of the LORD to crush him; he has put him to grief; when his soul makes an offering for guilt, he shall see his offspring; he shall prolong his days; the will of the LORD shall prosper in his hand. Out of the anguish of his soul he shall see and be satisfied; by his knowledge shall the righteous one, my servant, make many to be accounted righteous, and he shall bear their iniquities. Therefore I will divide him a portion with the many, and he shall divide the spoil with the

strong, because he poured out his soul to death and was numbered with the transgressors; yet he bore the sin of many, and makes intercession for the transgressors.

R This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE

Hebrews 4:14–16; 5:7–9

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R This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

HYMN

Alas! And Did My Savior Bleed

1 A - las! And did my Sav - ior bleed, And
2 Was it for crimes that I had done He

did my sov - 'reign die? Would He de - vote that
groaned up - on the tree? A - maz - ing pit - y,

sa - cred head For such a worm as I?
grace un - known, And love be - yond de - gree!

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MESSAGE OF PREPARATION

✠ *Service of Tenebrae* ✠

ANTHEM

God So Loved the World
Our Savior Choir

John Stainer

*God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son,
that whoso believeth, believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life.
For God sent not His Son into the world to condemn the world,
but that the world through Him might be saved.
God so loved the world.*

God So Loved the World John Stainer
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THE PASSION OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST

PSALM 6:1 – 2

P O Lord, rebuke me not in your anger,
C nor discipline me in your wrath.

P Be gracious to me, O Lord, for I am languishing;
C heal me, O Lord, for my bones are troubled.

PASSION READING (*Judas and a band of soldiers confront Jesus.*)

John 18:1–11
[pew Bible page 904]

When Jesus had spoken these words, he went out with his disciples across the brook Kidron, where there was a garden, which he and his disciples entered. Now Judas, who betrayed him, also knew the place, for Jesus often met there with his disciples. So Judas, having procured a band of soldiers and some officers from the chief priests and the Pharisees, went there with lanterns and torches and weapons. Then Jesus, knowing all that would happen to him, came forward and said to them, “Whom do you seek?” They answered him, “Jesus of Nazareth.” Jesus said to them, “I am he.” Judas, who betrayed him, was standing with them. When Jesus said to them, “I am he,” they drew back and fell to the ground. So he asked them again, “Whom do you seek?” And they said, “Jesus of Nazareth.” Jesus answered, “I told you that I am he. So, if you seek me, let these men go.” This was to fulfill the word that he had spoken: “Of those whom you gave me I have lost not one.” Then Simon Peter, having a sword, drew it and struck the high priest’s servant and cut off his right ear. (The servant’s name was Malchus.) So Jesus said to Peter, “Put your sword into its sheath; shall I not drink the cup that the Father has given me?”

HYMN

Go to Dark Gethsemane

1 Go to dark Geth - sem - a - ne, All who feel the
2 Fol - low to the judg - ment hall, View the Lord of

tempt - er's pow'r; Your Re - deem - er's con - flict see,
life ar-raigned; Oh, the worm - wood and the gall!

Watch with Him one bit - ter hour; Turn not from His
Oh, the pangs His soul sus-tained! Shun not suf - f'ring,

griefs a - way; Learn from Je - sus Christ to pray.
shame, or loss; Learn from Him to bear the cross.

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FIRST WORD (*“Father, forgive them . . .”*)

Luke 23:33–34

[pew Bible page 884]

And when they came to the place that is called The Skull, there they crucified him, and the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. And Jesus said, “Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do.” And they cast lots to divide his garments.

KYRIE

- P** Lord, have mercy upon us.
- C** Christ, have mercy upon us.
- P** Lord, have mercy upon us.

✧ FIRST CANDLE EXTINGUISHED ✧



PSALM 32:1-2

P Blessed is the one whose transgression is forgiven,
C whose sin is covered.

P Blessed is the man against whom the Lord counts no iniquity,
C and in whose spirit there is no deceit.

PASSION READING *(Jesus is arrested.)*

John 18:12-27
[pew Bible page 904]

So the band of soldiers and their captain and the officers of the Jews arrested Jesus and bound him. First they led him to Annas, for he was the father-in-law of Caiaphas, who was high priest that year. It was Caiaphas who had advised the Jews that it would be expedient that one man should die for the people. Simon Peter followed Jesus, and so did another disciple. Since that disciple was known to the high priest, he entered with Jesus into the courtyard of the high priest, but Peter stood outside at the door. So the other disciple, who was known to the high priest, went out and spoke to the servant girl who kept watch at the door, and brought Peter in. The servant girl at the door said to Peter, "You also are not one of this man's disciples, are you?" He said, "I am not." Now the servants and officers had made a charcoal fire, because it was cold, and they were standing and warming themselves. Peter also was with them, standing and warming himself. The high priest then questioned Jesus about his disciples and his teaching. Jesus answered him, "I have spoken openly to the world. I have always taught in synagogues and in the temple, where all Jews come together. I have said nothing in secret. Why do you ask me? Ask those who have heard me what I said to them; they know what I said." When he had said these things, one of the officers standing by struck Jesus with his hand, saying, "Is that how you answer the high priest?" Jesus answered him, "If what I said is wrong, bear witness about the wrong; but if what I said is right, why do you strike me?" Annas then sent him bound to Caiaphas the high priest. Now Simon Peter was standing and warming himself. So they said to him, "You also are not one of his disciples, are you?" He denied it and said, "I am not." One of the servants of the high priest, a relative of the man whose ear Peter had cut off, asked, "Did I not see you in the garden with him?" Peter again denied it, and at once a rooster crowed.

HYMN

Not All the Blood of Beasts

1 Not all the blood of beasts On Jew - ish al - tars slain
2 But Christ, the heav'n - ly Lamb, Takes all our sins a - way;
4 My soul looks back to see The bur - den Thou didst bear

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Could give the guilt - y con-science peace Or wash a - way the stain.
A sac - ri - fice of no - bler name And rich - er blood than they.
When hang-ing on the curs - ed tree; I know my guilt was there.

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SECOND WORD (*"Today you will be with Me in paradise."*)

Luke 23:39–43

[pew Bible page 884]

One of the criminals who were hanged railed at him, saying, "Are you not the Christ? Save yourself and us!" But the other rebuked him, saying, "Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? And we indeed justly, for we are receiving the due reward of our deeds; but this man has done nothing wrong." And he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom." And he said to him, "Truly, I say to you, today you will be with me in paradise."

KYRIE

- P** Lord, have mercy upon us.
- C** Christ, have mercy upon us.
- P** Lord, have mercy upon us.

✠ SECOND CANDLE EXTINGUISHED ✠



PSALM 38:1-2, 21-22

- P** O Lord, rebuke me not in your anger, nor discipline me in your wrath!
- C** For your arrows have sunk into me, and your hand has come down on me.
- P** Do not forsake me, O Lord! O my God, be not far from me!
- C** Make haste to help me, O Lord, my salvation!

PASSION READING (*Jesus is taken to Caiaphas, then Pilate.*)

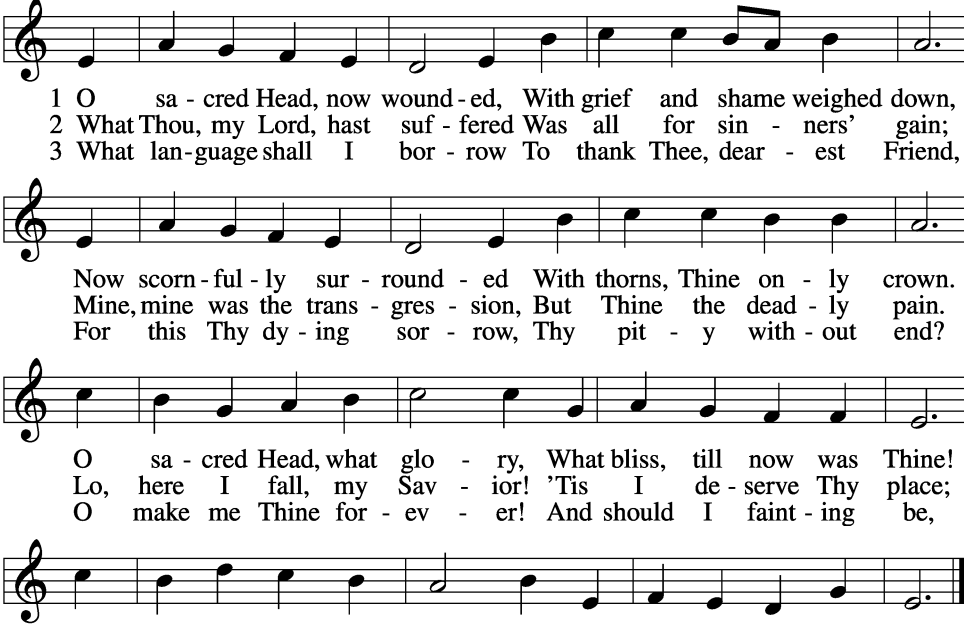
John 18:28–40

[pew Bible page 904]

Then they led Jesus from the house of Caiaphas to the governor's headquarters. It was early morning. They themselves did not enter the governor's headquarters, so that they would not be defiled, but could eat the

Passover. So Pilate went outside to them and said, "What accusation do you bring against this man?" They answered him, "If this man were not doing evil, we would not have delivered him over to you." Pilate said to them, "Take him yourselves and judge him by your own law." The Jews said to him, "It is not lawful for us to put anyone to death." This was to fulfill the word that Jesus had spoken to show by what kind of death he was going to die. So Pilate entered his headquarters again and called Jesus and said to him, "Are you the King of the Jews?" Jesus answered, "Do you say this of your own accord, or did others say it to you about me?" Pilate answered, "Am I a Jew? Your own nation and the chief priests have delivered you over to me. What have you done?" Jesus answered, "My kingdom is not of this world. If my kingdom were of this world, my servants would have been fighting, that I might not be delivered over to the Jews. But my kingdom is not from the world." Then Pilate said to him, "So you are a king?" Jesus answered, "You say that I am a king. For this purpose I was born and for this purpose I have come into the world—to bear witness to the truth. Everyone who is of the truth listens to my voice." Pilate said to him, "What is truth?" After he had said this, he went back outside to the Jews and told them, "I find no guilt in him. But you have a custom that I should release one man for you at the Passover. So do you want me to release to you the King of the Jews?" They cried out again, "Not this man, but Barabbas!" Now Barabbas was a robber.

O Sacred Head, Now Wounded
Vs. 1: Choir; Vs. 2: All; Vs. 3 Choir



1 O sa - cred Head, now wound - ed, With grief and shame weighed down,
 2 What Thou, my Lord, hast suf - fered Was all for sin - ners' gain;
 3 What lan - guage shall I bor - row To thank Thee, dear - est Friend,

Now scorn - ful - ly sur - round - ed With thorns, Thine on - ly crown.
 Mine, mine was the trans - gres - sion, But Thine the dead - ly pain.
 For this Thy dy - ing sor - row, Thy pit - y with - out end?

O sa - cred Head, what glo - ry, What bliss, till now was Thine!
 Lo, here I fall, my Sav - ior! 'Tis I de - serve Thy place;
 O make me Thine for - ev - er! And should I faint - ing be,

Yet, though de - spised and gor - y, I joy to call Thee mine.
 Look on me with Thy fa - vor, And grant to me Thy grace.
 Lord, let me nev - er, nev - er, Out - live my love for Thee.

Text: attr. Bernard of Clairvaux, 1091–1153; German version, Paul Gerhardt, 1607–76; tr. The Lutheran Hymnal, 1941, alt.
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THIRD WORD (*“Behold your son. . . . Behold your mother.”*)

John 19:25–27

[pew Bible page 905]

but standing by the cross of Jesus were his mother and his mother’s sister, Mary the wife of Clopas, and Mary Magdalene. When Jesus saw his mother and the disciple whom he loved standing nearby, he said to his mother, “Woman, behold, your son!” Then he said to the disciple, “Behold, your mother!” And from that hour the disciple took her to his own home.

KYRIE

- P** Lord, have mercy upon us.
- C** **Christ, have mercy upon us.**
- P** Lord, have mercy upon us.

✠ THIRD CANDLE EXTINGUISHED ✠



PSALM 51:1-2

- P** Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love;
- C** **according to your abundant mercy blot out my transgressions.**

- P** Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity,
- C** **and cleanse me from my sin!**

PASSION READING (*Jesus is flogged and mocked.*)

John 19:1–16a

[pew Bible page 905]

Then Pilate took Jesus and flogged him. And the soldiers twisted together a crown of thorns and put it on his head and arrayed him in a purple robe. They came up to him, saying, “Hail, King of the Jews!” and struck him with their hands. Pilate went out again and said to them, “See, I am bringing him out to you that you may know that I find no guilt in him.” So Jesus came out, wearing the crown of thorns and the purple robe. Pilate said to them, “Behold the man!” When the chief priests and the officers saw him, they cried out, “Crucify him, crucify him!” Pilate said to them, “Take him yourselves and crucify him, for I find no guilt in him.” The Jews answered him, “We have a law, and according to that law he ought to die because he has made himself the Son of God.” When Pilate heard this statement, he was even more afraid. He entered his headquarters again and said to Jesus, “Where are you from?” But Jesus gave him no answer. So Pilate said to him, “You will not speak to me? Do you not know that I have authority to release you and authority to crucify you?” Jesus answered him, “You would have no authority over me at all unless it had

been given you from above. Therefore he who delivered me over to you has the greater sin.” From then on Pilate sought to release him, but the Jews cried out, “If you release this man, you are not Caesar’s friend. Everyone who makes himself a king opposes Caesar.” So when Pilate heard these words, he brought Jesus out and sat down on the judgment seat at a place called The Stone Pavement, and in Aramaic Gabbatha. Now it was the day of Preparation of the Passover. It was about the sixth hour. He said to the Jews, “Behold your King!” They cried out, “Away with him, away with him, crucify him!” Pilate said to them, “Shall I crucify your King?” The chief priests answered, “We have no king but Caesar.” So he delivered him over to them to be crucified.

HYMN

O Dearest Jesus, What Law Hast Thou Broken

1 O dear - est Je - sus, what law hast Thou bro - ken
2 They crown Thy head with thorns, they smite, they scourge Thee;
That such sharp sen - tence should on Thee be spo - ken?
With cru - el mock - ings to the cross they urge Thee;
Of what great crime hast Thou to make con -
They give Thee gall to drink, they still de -
fes - sion, What dark trans - gres - sion?
cry Thee; They cru - ci - fy Thee.

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FOURTH WORD (*“My God, My God . . .”*)

Matthew 27:45–46

[pew Bible page 834]

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?”

KYRIE

- P** Lord, have mercy upon us.
- C** Christ, have mercy upon us.
- P** Lord, have mercy upon us.

✠ FOURTH CANDLE EXTINGUISHED ✠



PSALM 102:1-2

- P** Hear my prayer, O LORD;
C let my cry come to you!
- P** Do not hide your face from me
C in the day of my distress!
- P** Incline your ear to me;
C answer me speedily in the day when I call!

PASSION READING *(Jesus is crucified.)*

John 19:16b–24
[pew Bible page 905]

So they took Jesus, and he went out, bearing his own cross, to the place called The Place of a Skull, which in Aramaic is called Golgotha. There they crucified him, and with him two others, one on either side, and Jesus between them. Pilate also wrote an inscription and put it on the cross. It read, “Jesus of Nazareth, the King of the Jews.” Many of the Jews read this inscription, for the place where Jesus was crucified was near the city, and it was written in Aramaic, in Latin, and in Greek. So the chief priests of the Jews said to Pilate, “Do not write, ‘The King of the Jews,’ but rather, ‘This man said, I am King of the Jews.’” Pilate answered, “What I have written I have written.” When the soldiers had crucified Jesus, they took his garments and divided them into four parts, one part for each soldier; also his tunic. But the tunic was seamless, woven in one piece from top to bottom, so they said to one another, “Let us not tear it, but cast lots for it to see whose it shall be.” This was to fulfill the Scripture which says, “They divided my garments among them, and for my clothing they cast lots.” So the soldiers did these things,

ANTHEM

Arise, My Soul, Arise arr. Dan Forrest
Linda Greenhagen, Beth Young, Carla Gomes, Glenna Sanlis, Esther Tam

*Arise, my soul, arise, Shake off thy guilty fears:
The bleeding Sacrifice in my behalf appears:
Before the Throne, my Surety stands,
My name is written on His hands.
Five bleeding wounds He bears, received on Calvary,
They pour effectual prayers, they strongly plead for me:
“Forgive him, O, forgive,” they cry, “nor let that ransomed sinner die.”*

*My God is reconciled, His pard'ning voice I hear;
He owns me for His child, I can no longer, fear;
With confidence I now draw nigh, And "Abba, Father," cry.
Arise, my soul, arise! And "Father, Abba, Father," cry.
Arise, my soul, arise.*

Arise, My Soul, Arise
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FIFTH WORD (*"I thirst."*)

John 19:28
[pew Bible page 906]

After this, Jesus, knowing that all was now finished, said (to fulfill the Scripture), "I thirst."

KYRIE

- P** Lord, have mercy upon us.
- C** Christ, have mercy upon us.
- P** Lord, have mercy upon us.

✠ FIFTH CANDLE EXTINGUISHED ✠



PSALM 130:1-2, 7-8

- P** Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord!
- C** O Lord, hear my voice!
- P** Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my pleas for mercy!
- C** O Israel, hope in the Lord!
- P** For with the Lord there is steadfast love, and with him is plentiful redemption.
- C** And he will redeem Israel from all his iniquities.

PASSION READING (*Jesus is dead.*)

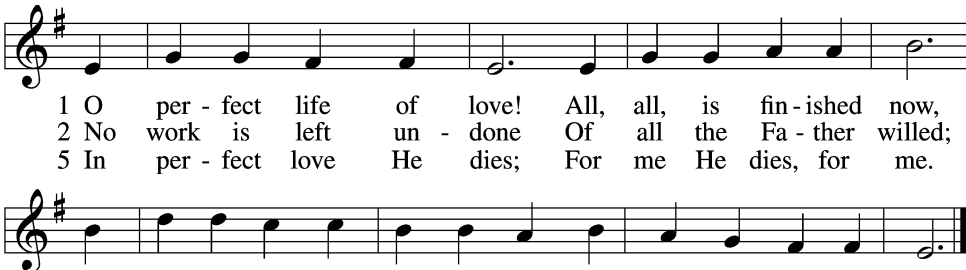
John 19:25–29
[pew Bible page 905]

but standing by the cross of Jesus were his mother and his mother's sister, Mary the wife of Clopas, and Mary Magdalene. When Jesus saw his mother and the disciple whom he loved standing nearby, he said to

his mother, “Woman, behold, your son!” Then he said to the disciple, “Behold, your mother!” And from that hour the disciple took her to his own home. After this, Jesus, knowing that all was now finished, said (to fulfill the Scripture), “I thirst.” A jar full of sour wine stood there, so they put a sponge full of the sour wine on a hyssop branch and held it to his mouth.

HYMN

O Perfect Life of Love!



1 O per - fect life of love! All, all, is fin - ished now,
 2 No work is left un - done Of all the Fa - ther willed;
 5 In per - fect love He dies; For me He dies, for me.

All that He left His throne a - bove To do for us be - low.
 His toil, His sor - rows, one by one, The Scrip - tures have ful - filled.
 O all - a - ton - ing Sac - ri - fice, I cling by faith to Thee.

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SIXTH WORD (*“It is finished.”*)

John 19:30

[pew Bible page 906]

When Jesus had received the sour wine, he said, “It is finished,” and he bowed his head and gave up his spirit.

KYRIE

- P** Lord, have mercy upon us.
- C** Christ, have mercy upon us.
- P** Lord, have mercy upon us.

✠ SIXTH CANDLE EXTINGUISHED ✠



PSALM 143:1, 11-12

- P** Hear my prayer, O Lord;
- C** give ear to my pleas for mercy!

P In your faithfulness answer me, in your righteousness!

C For your name's sake, O Lord, preserve my life!

P In your righteousness bring my soul out of trouble!

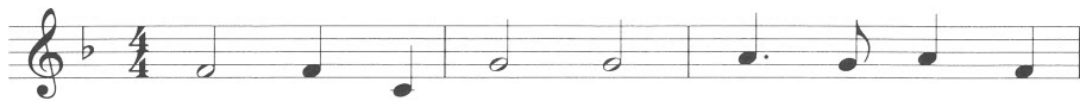
C And in your steadfast love you will cut off my enemies,

P and you will destroy all the adversaries of my soul,

C for I am your servant.

HYMN

There in God's Garden



1. There in God's gar - den stands the Tree of
2. Its name is Je - sus, name that says, "Our
3. Thorns not his own are tan - gled in its
4. See how its branch - es reach to us in
5. This is my end - ing, this my res - ur -
6. All heav'n is sing - ing, "Thanks to Christ whose

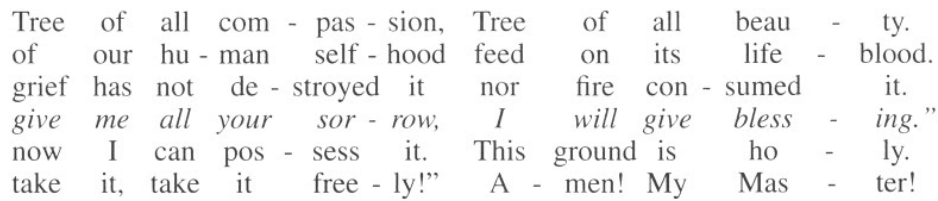


Wis - dom, whose leaves hold forth the heal - ing
Sav - ior!" There on its branch - es see the
fo - liage; our greed has starved it, our de -
wel - come; hear what the Voice says, "Come to
rec - tion; in - to your hands, Lord, I com -
Pas - sion of - fers in mer - cy heal - ing,



of the na - tions: Tree of all knowl - edge,
scars of suf - f'ring; see where the ten - drils
spite has choked it. Yet, look! it lives! its
me, ye wea - ry! Give me your sick - ness,
mit my spir - it. This have I searched for;
strength, and par - don. Peo - ples and na - tions,

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LORD'S PRAYER *(whispered)*

- 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.

LIGHT OF CHRIST IS REMOVED

STREPITUS

The loud, sudden sound (Strepitus) is to symbolize the death of Jesus and the closing of the tomb. As we depart from this service in silent meditation, we remember our need for deliverance and forgiveness and the price paid for achieving and fulfilling God's promises. It is finished.

THE CANDLE IS RETURNED

SILENCE FOR MEDITATION

*We leave today in silence and without a benediction to this day's service,
for we leave in sorrow over the suffering our dear Lord has endured,
yet in eager expectation of that which is to come.
The sorrow of this service will be turned into joy
as we gather for the celebration of His victory
over sin, death, the devil,
and all the powers of this world on Easter morning.*

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