



Palm Sunday *of the Lord's Passion*

5 APRIL 2020

WELCOME

PRAYER TO JESUS FOR HEALING AND GUIDANCE

Jesus, Son of God.
you were sent by the Father
to bear our weakness;
be with us in this time of crisis.

Merciful Savior,
heal and comfort the sick,
so that, with health restored,
they may give you praise.

Divine Physician,
accompany our caregivers
so that, serving with patience,
they may heal wisely.

Eternal Wisdom,
guide our leaders
so that, seeking remedies,
they may follow your light.

Christ, the Anointed,
protect us in body and spirit,
so that, freed from harm,
we may be delivered from all affliction.

Who live and reign with God the Father
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, forever and ever.

Amen.Antiphon (*Chant*)

Hosanna filio David. Benedictus
qui venit in nomine Domini,
Rex Israel. Hosanna in excelsis.

*Hosanna to the Son of David. Blessed
is he who comes in the name of the Lord,
the King of Israel. Hosanna in the highest.*

Matthew 21:9

BLESSING OF PALM BRANCHES

GOSPEL *for the PROCESSION Matthew 21:1-11*SONG *for the PROCESSION***All Glory, Laud and Honor** *verses 1, 3 & 5*

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 - ra - el, And Da - vid's roy - al Son,
2. The com - pa - ny of an - gels Are prais - ing you on high;
3. The peo - ple of the He - brews 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,

D.C.

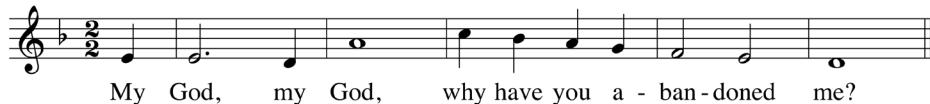
Now in the Lord's Name com - ing, Our King and Bless-ed One.
And mor - tals, joined with all things Cre - a - ted, make re - ply.
Our praise and prayers and an - them Be - fore you we pre - sent.
To you, now high ex - alt - ed, Our mel - o - dy we raise.
Great source of love and good - ness, Our Sav - ior and our King.

L I T U R G Y of the W O R D

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FIRST READING **Isaiah 50:4-7**

RESPONSORIAL PSALM **Psalm 22:2, 8-9, 17-20, 23-24**



All who see me scoff at me.
they mock me with parted lips, they wag their heads:
"He relied on the Lord, let him deliver him;
Let him rescue him, if he loves him."

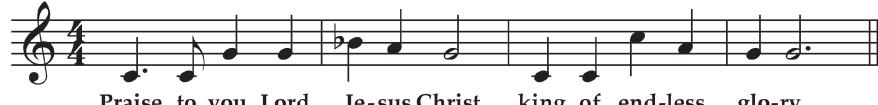
Indeed, many dogs surround me,
A pack of evildoers closes in upon me;
They have pierced my hands and my feet,
I can count all my bones.

They divide my garments among them,
and for my vesture they cast lots.
But you, O Lord, be not far from me;
O my help, hasten to aid me.

I will proclaim your name to my brethren
in the midst of the assembly I will praise you:
"You who fear the Lord, praise him;"
all you descendants of Jacob, give glory to him;
revere him, all you descendants of Israel!"

SECOND READING **Philippians 2:6-11**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION **Philippians 2:8-9**



Christ became obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross.
Because of this, God greatly exalted him and bestowed on him the name which is above every name.

DIALOGUE before the GOSPEL

PROCLAMATION of the PASSION **Matthew 26:14 - 27:66**

- ✠: The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.
- N: One of the Twelve, who was called Judas Iscariot, went to the chief priests and said,
- S: "What are you willing to give me if I hand him over to you?"
- N: They paid him thirty pieces of silver, and from that time on he looked for an opportunity to hand him over.
- On the first day of the Feast of Unleavened Bread, the disciples approached Jesus and said,
- C: "Where do you want us to prepare for you to eat the Passover?"
- N: He said,
- ✠: "Go into the city to a certain man and tell him, 'The teacher says, 'My appointed time draws near; in your house I shall celebrate the Passover with my disciples.'" "
- N: The disciples then did as Jesus had ordered, and prepared the Passover.
- N: When it was evening, he reclined at table with the Twelve. And while they were eating, he said,
- ✠: "Amen, I say to you, one of you will betray me."
- N: Deeply distressed at this, they began to say to him one after another,
- S: "Surely it is not I, Lord?"
- N: He said in reply,
- ✠: "He who has dipped his hand into the dish with me is the one who will betray me. The Son of Man indeed goes, as it is written of him, but woe to that man by whom the Son of Man is betrayed. It would be better for that man if he had never been born."

N: Then Judas, his betrayer, said in reply,

S: "Surely it is not I, Rabbi?"

N: He answered,

¶: "You have said so."

N: While they were eating, Jesus took bread, said the blessing, broke it, and giving it to his disciples said,

¶: "Take and eat; this is my body."

N: Then he took a cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying

¶: "Drink from it, all of you, for this is my blood of the covenant, which will be shed on behalf of many for the forgiveness of sins. I tell you, from now on I shall not drink this fruit of the vine until the day when I drink it with you new in the kingdom of my Father."

N: Then, after singing a hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives.

Then Jesus said to them,

¶: "This night all of you will have your faith in me shaken, for it is written: I will strike the shepherd, and the sheep of the flock will be dispersed; but after I have been raised up, I shall go before you to Galilee."

N: Peter said to him in reply,

S: "Though all may have their faith in you shaken, mine will never be."

N: Jesus said to him,

¶: "Amen, I say to you, this very night before the cock crows, you will deny me three times."

N: Peter said to him,

S: "Even though I should have to die with you, I will not deny you."

N: And all the disciples spoke likewise.

N: Then Jesus came with them to a place called Gethsemane, and he said to his disciples,

¶: "Sit here while I go over there and pray."

N: He took along Peter and the two sons of Zebedee, and began to feel sorrow and distress.

Then he said to them,

¶: "My soul is sorrowful even to death. Remain here and keep watch with me."

N: He advanced a little and fell prostrate in prayer, saying,

¶: "My Father, if it is possible, let this cup pass from me; yet, not as I will, but as you will."

N: When he returned to his disciples he found them asleep. He said to Peter,

¶: "So you could not keep watch with me for one hour? Watch and pray that you may not undergo the test. The spirit is willing, but the flesh is weak."

N: Withdrawing a second time, he prayed again,

¶: "My Father, if it is not possible that this cup pass without my drinking it, your will be done!"

N: Then he returned once more and found them asleep, for they could not keep their eyes open. He left them and withdrew again and prayed a third time, saying the same thing again. Then he returned to his disciples and said to them,

¶: "Are you still sleeping and taking your rest? Behold, the hour is at hand when the Son of Man is to be handed over to sinners. Get up, let us go. Look, my betrayer is at hand."

N: While he was still speaking, Judas, one of the Twelve, arrived, accompanied by a large crowd, with swords and clubs, who had come from the chief priests and the elders of the people. His betrayer had arranged a sign with them, saying,

S: "The man I shall kiss is the one; arrest him."

N: Immediately he went over to Jesus and said,

S: "Hail, Rabbi!"

N: and he kissed him.

Jesus answered him,

¶: "Friend, do what you have come for."

N: Then stepping forward they laid hands on Jesus and arrested him. And behold, one of those who accompanied Jesus put his hand to his sword, drew it, and struck the high priest's servant, cutting off his ear. Then Jesus said to him,

¶: "Put your sword back into its sheath, for all who take the sword will perish by the sword. Do you think that I cannot call upon my Father and he will not provide me at this moment with more than twelve legions of angels? But then how would the Scriptures be fulfilled which say that it must come to pass in this way?"

N: At that hour Jesus said to the crowds,

¶: "Have you come out as against a robber, with swords and clubs to seize me? Day after day I sat teaching in the temple area, yet you did not arrest me. But all this has come to pass that the writings of the prophets may be fulfilled."

N: Then all the disciples left him and fled.

N: Those who had arrested Jesus led him away to Caiaphas the high priest, where the scribes and the elders were assembled. Peter was following him at a distance as far as the high priest's courtyard, and going inside he sat down with the servants to see the outcome. The chief priests and the entire Sanhedrin kept trying to obtain false testimony against Jesus in order to put him to death, but they found none, though many false witnesses came forward. Finally two came forward who stated,

C: "This man said, 'I can destroy the temple of God and within three days rebuild it.'"

N: The high priest rose and addressed him,

S: "Have you no answer? What are these men testifying against you?"

N: But Jesus was silent. Then the high priest said to him,

S: "I order you to tell us under oath before the living God whether you are the Christ, the Son of God."

N: Jesus said to him in reply,

¶: "You have said so. But I tell you: From now on you will see 'the Son of Man seated at the right hand of the Power' and 'coming on the clouds of heaven.'"

N: Then the high priest tore his robes and said,

S: "He has blasphemed! What further need have we of witnesses? You have now heard the blasphemy; what is your opinion?"

N: They said in reply,

C: "He deserves to die!"

N: Then they spat in his face and struck him, while some slapped him, saying,

C: "Prophesy for us, Christ: who is it that struck you?"

N: Now Peter was sitting outside in the courtyard. One of the maids came over to him and said,

S: "You too were with Jesus the Galilean."

N: But he denied it in front of everyone, saying,

S: "I do not know what you are talking about!"

N: As he went out to the gate, another girl saw him and said to those who were there,

S: "This man was with Jesus the Nazarene."

N: Again he denied it with an oath,

S: "I do not know the man!"

N: A little later the bystanders came over and said to Peter,

C: "Surely you too are one of them; even your speech gives you away."

N: At that he began to curse and to swear,

S: "I do not know the man"

N: And immediately a cock crowed. Then Peter remembered the word that Jesus had spoken: "Before the cock crows you will deny me three times." He went out and began to weep bitterly.

When it was morning, all the chief priests and the elders of the people took counsel against Jesus to put him to death. They bound him, led him away, and handed him over to Pilate, the governor.

Then Judas, his betrayer, seeing that Jesus had been condemned, deeply regretted what he had done. He returned the thirty pieces of silver to the chief priests and elders, saying,

S: "I have sinned in betraying innocent blood."

N: They said,

C: "What is that to us? Look to it yourself."

N: Flinging the money into the temple, he departed and went off and hanged himself.

The chief priests gathered up the money, but said,

C: "It is not lawful to deposit this in the temple treasury, for it is the price of blood."

N: After consultation, they used it to buy the potter's field as a burial place for foreigners. That is why that field even today is called the Field of Blood. Then was fulfilled what had been said through Jeremiah the prophet, And they took the thirty pieces of silver, the value of a man with a price on his head, a price set by some of the Israelites, and they paid it out for the potter's field just as the Lord had commanded me.

Now Jesus stood before the governor, who questioned him,

S: "Are you the king of the Jews?"

N: Jesus said,

¶: "You say so."

N: And when he was accused by the chief priests and elders, he made no answer. Then Pilate said to him,

S: "Do you not hear how many things they are testifying against you?"

N: But he did not answer him one word, so that the governor was greatly amazed.

Now on the occasion of the feast the governor was accustomed to release to the crowd one prisoner whom they wished. And at that time they had a notorious prisoner called Barabbas. So when they had assembled, Pilate said to them,

S: "Which one do you want me to release to you, Barabbas, or Jesus called Christ?"

N: For he knew that it was out of envy that they had handed him over. While he was still seated on the bench, his wife sent him a message,

S: "Have nothing to do with that righteous man. I suffered much in a dream today because of him."

N: The chief priests and the elders persuaded the crowds to ask for Barabbas but to destroy Jesus. The governor said to them in reply,

S: "Which of the two do you want me to release to you?"

N: They answered,

C: "Barabbas!"

N: Pilate said to them,

S: "Then what shall I do with Jesus called Christ?"

N: They all said,

C: "Let him be crucified!"

N: But he said,

S: "Why? What evil has he done?"

N: They only shouted the louder,

C: "Let him be crucified!"

N: When Pilate saw that he was not succeeding at all, but that a riot was breaking out instead, he took water and washed his hands in the sight of the crowd, saying,

S: "I am innocent of this man's blood. Look to it yourselves."

N: And the whole people said in reply,

C: "His blood be upon us and upon our children."

N: Then he released Barabbas to them, but after he had Jesus scourged, he handed him over to be crucified.

N: Then the soldiers of the governor took Jesus inside the praetorium and gathered the whole cohort around him. They stripped off his clothes and threw a scarlet military cloak about him. Weaving a crown out of thorns, they placed it on his head and a reed in his right hand. And kneeling before him, they mocked him, saying,

C: "Hail, King of the Jews!"

N: They spat upon him and took the reed and kept striking him on the head. And when they had mocked him, they stripped him of the cloak, dressed him in his own clothes, and led him off to crucify him.

As they were going out, they met a Cyrenian named Simon; this man they pressed into service to carry his cross.

And when they came to a place called Golgotha —which means Place of the Skull—, they gave Jesus wine to drink mixed with gall. But when he had tasted it, he refused to drink. After they had crucified him, they divided his garments by casting lots; then they sat down and kept watch over him there. And they placed over his head the written charge against him: This is Jesus, the King of the Jews. Two revolutionaries were crucified with him, one on his right and the other on his left. Those passing by reviled him, shaking their heads and saying,

C: "You who would destroy the temple and rebuild it in three days, save yourself, if you are the Son of God, and come down from the cross!"

N: Likewise the chief priests with the scribes and elders mocked him and said,

C: "He saved others; he cannot save himself. So he is the king of Israel! Let him come down from the cross now, and we will believe in him. He trusted in God; let him deliver him now if he wants him. For he said, 'I am the Son of God.'"

N: The revolutionaries who were crucified with him also kept abusing him in the same way.

N: From noon onward, darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon. And about three o'clock Jesus cried out in a loud voice,

¶: "Eli, Eli, lema sabachthani?"

N: which means, "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?" Some of the bystanders who heard it said,

C: "This one is calling for Elijah."

N: Immediately one of them ran to get a sponge; he soaked it in wine, and putting it on a reed, gave it to him to drink. But the rest said,

C: "Wait, let us see if Elijah comes to save him."

- N: But Jesus cried out again in a loud voice, and gave up his spirit.
- Here all kneel and pause for a short time.*
- N: And behold, the veil of the sanctuary was torn in two from top to bottom. The earth quaked, rocks were split, tombs were opened, and the bodies of many saints who had fallen asleep were raised. And coming forth from their tombs after his resurrection, they entered the holy city and appeared to many.
- N: The centurion and the men with him who were keeping watch over Jesus feared greatly when they saw the earthquake and all that was happening, and they said,
- C: "Truly, this was the Son of God!"
- N: There were many women there, looking on from a distance who had followed Jesus from Galilee, ministering to him.
- N: Among them were Mary Magdalene and Mary the mother of James and Joseph, and the mother of the sons of Zebedee.
- N: When it was evening, there came a rich man from Arimathea named Joseph, who was himself a disciple of Jesus. He went to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus; then Pilate ordered it to be handed over. Taking the body, Joseph wrapped it in clean linen and laid it in his new tomb that he had hewn in the rock. Then he rolled a huge stone across the entrance to the tomb and departed. But Mary Magdalene and the other Mary remained sitting there, facing the tomb. The next day, the one following the day of preparation, the chief priests and the Pharisees gathered before Pilate and said,
- C: "Sir, we remember that this impostor while still alive said, 'After three days I will be raised up.' Give orders, then, that the grave be secured until the third day, lest his disciples come and steal him and say to the people, 'He has been raised from the dead.' This last imposture would be worse than the first."
- N: Pilate said to them,
- S: "The guard is yours; go, secure it as best you can."
- N: So they went and secured the tomb by fixing a seal to the stone and setting the guard.
- ¶: The Gospel of the Lord.

HOMILY

PROFESSION of FAITH

I believe in one God, the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the Only Begotten Son of God,
born of the Father before all ages.
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us men and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,

Bow and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary,
and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate,
he suffered death and was buried,
and rose again on the third day
in accordance with the Scriptures.
He ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory
to judge the living and the dead
and his kingdom will have no end.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.
I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins
and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

L I T U R G Y *of the* E U C H A R I S T

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PRESENTATION *and* PREPARATION *of the* GIFTS**O Sacred Head Surrounded**

1. O Sa - cred Head sur - round-ed By crown of pierc-ing
 2. I see your strength and vig - or All fad - ing in the
 3. In this, your bit - ter pas - sion, Good Shep-herd, think of

thorn! O bleed - ing Head, so wound - ed, Re -
 strife, And death with cru - el rig - or, Be -
 me With your most sweet com - pas - sion, Un -

viled and put to scorn! The pow'r of death comes
 reav - ing you of life; O ag - o - ny and
 worth - y though I be: Be - neath your cross a -

o'er you, The glow of life de - cays, Yet
 dy - ing! O love to sin - ners free! Je -
 bid - ing For ev - er would I rest, In

an - gel hosts a - dore you, And trem - ble as they gaze.
 sus, all grace sup - ply - ing, O turn your face on me.
 your dear love con - fid - ing, And with your pres - ence blest.

ORATE, FRATRES

PRIEST: Pray, brethren (brothers and sisters),
 that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable
 to God, the almighty Father.

PEOPLE: **May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands
 for the praise and glory of his name,
 for our good and the good of all his holy Church.**

The Eucharistic Prayer

PREFACE DIALOGUE

Priest *People*

The Lord be with you. And with your spir-it.

Priest *People*

Lift up your hearts. We lift them up to the Lord.

Priest *People*

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right and just.

SANCTUS

San - ctus, San - ctus, San - ctus Dó - mi - nus De - us Sá -
ba - oth. Ple - ni sunt coe - li et ter - ra gló - ri - a tu - a.
Ho-sán-na in ex - cé - sis. Be - ne - dí - ctus qui ve - nit in
nó - mi - ne Dó - mi - ni. Ho-sán - na in ex - cé - sis.

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

Save us, Sav - ior of the world, for by your Cross
and Res - ur - rec - tion you have set us free.

A M E N

Communion Rite

THE LORD'S PRAYER

THE SIGN of PEACE

THE BREAKING *of the* BREAD

Agnus De - i, qui tol - lis pec - cá - ta mun - di: mi - se - ré - re no - bis.
Agnus De - i, qui tol - lis pec - cá - ta mun - di: mi - se - ré - re no - bis.
Agnus De - i, qui tol - lis pec - cá - ta mun - di: do - na no - bis pa - cem.

INVITATION *to* HOLY COMMUNION

PRIEST: Behold the Lamb of God,
behold him who takes away the sins of the world.
Blessed are those who are called to the supper of the Lamb.

PEOPLE: Lord, I am not worthy
that you should enter under my roof,
but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

PRAYER *of* SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

My Jesus,
I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.
I love You above all things,
and I desire to receive You into my soul.
Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally,
come at least spiritually into my heart.
I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You.
Never permit me to be separated from You.
Amen

COMMUNION SONG

Father, If This Cup May Not Pass

Matthew 26:36-46; Leo Nestor

"Fa-ther, if this cup may not pass, but
I must drink it, thy will be done, thy will be done."

Verses (Cantor)

"Sit here while I go yonder to pray." Then he began to feel sorrow and distress. *Antiphon.*

"My soul is saddened, even unto death. Stay here and keep vigil with me." *Antiphon.*

"The spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak." *Antiphon.*

POST COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Ave, Regina caelorum

A - ve, Re - gi - na cae - ló - rum, A - ve,
Dó - mi - na an - ge - ló - rum: Sal - ve ra - dix,
sal - ve por - ta, Ex qua mun - do lux est or - ta:
Gau - de Vir - go glo - ri - ó - sa, Su - per
o - mnes spe - ci - ó - sa: Va - le, O val - de
de - có - ra, Et pro no - bis Chri - stum ex - ó - ra.

PRAYER after COMMUNION

CONCLUDING RITES

BLESSING and DISMISSAL

SONG at the SENDING FORTH

O Sun of Justice

1. O Sun of jus - tice, Je - sus Christ, Dis - pel the
2. In this our "time ac - cept - a - ble" Touch ev - 'ry
3. The day, your day, in beau - ty dawns When in your
4. O lov - ing Trin - i - ty, our God, To you we
dark - ness of our hearts, Till your blest light makes
heart with sor - row, Lord, That, turned from sin, re -
light earth blooms a - new; Led back a - gain to
bow through end - less days, And in your grace new -
night-time flee And brings the joys your day im - parts.
newed by grace, We may press on toward love's re - ward.
life's true way, May we, for - giv'n, re - joice in you.
born we sing New hymns of grat - i - tude and praise.

Palm Sunday



Vespers

Introductory Verse

All Stand and make the Sign of the Cross. All bow at the words "Glory to the Father..."

Presiding minister:

O God, ✕ come to my as - sis - tance.

Assembly:

Lord, make haste to help me.

All:

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Ho - ly Spir - it:
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ev - er. A - men.

Home:

The Lord has sworn an oath he will not change.
"You are a priest for ever,
a priest like Melchizedek of old.

Church:

The Master standing at your right hand
will shatter kings in the day of his great wrath.

Home:

He shall drink from the stream by the wayside
and therefore he shall lift up his head.

Church:

Glory to the Father, and to the Son,
and to the Holy Spirit:

Home

as it was in the beginning, is now,
and will be for ever. Amen.

Psalm Prayer

Leader:

Almighty God, bring the kingdom of Christ, your anointed one,
to its fullness. May the perfect offering of your Son, eternal priest
of the new Jerusalem, be offered in every place to your name and
make all nations a holy people for you.

All repeat antiphon:

Christ was scourged and treated with contempt, but God's right
hand has raised him up.

Hymn

Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates

TRURO

1. Lift up your heads, ye might - y gates; Be - hold the
2. O blest the land, the cit - y blest, Where Christ the
3. Fling wide the por - tals of your heart; Make it a
4. So come, my Sov - 'reign; en - ter in! Let new and

1. King of glo - ry waits! The King of kings is draw - ing
2. rul - er is con - fest! O hap - py hearts and hap - py
3. tem - ple, set a - part From earth - ly use for heav'n's em -
4. no - bler life be - gin; Thy Ho - ly Spir - it guide us

Text: LM; based on Psalm 24; George Weissel, 1590-1635; tr. by Catherine Winkworth, 1827-1879.
Music: Williams' *Psalmody Evangelica*, Part II, 1789.

Antiphon 2

Leader:

The blood of Christ washes away our sins and makes us worthy to
serve the living God.

Psalm 115

Leader:

Not to us, Lord, not to us,

Church:

but to your name give the glory
for the sake of your love and your truth,
lest the heathen say: "Where is their God?"

Home:

But our God is in the heavens;
he does whatever he wills.
Their idols are silver and gold,
the work of human hands.

Church:

They have mouths but they cannot speak;
they have eyes but they cannot see;
they have ears but they cannot hear;
they have nostrils but they cannot smell.

Home:

With their hands they cannot feel;
with their feet they cannot walk.
No sound comes from their throats.

Church:

Their makers will come to be like them
and so will all who trust in them.

Home:

Sons of Israel, trust in the Lord;
he is their help and their shield

Church:

Sons of Aaron, trust in the Lord;
he is their help and their shield.

Psalmody

Antiphon 1

Leader:

Christ was scourged and treated with contempt, but God's right
hand has raised him up.

Psalm 110: 1-5, 7

Leader:

The Lord's revelation to my Master:

Church:

"Sit on my right:
your foes I will put beneath your feet."

Home:

The Lord will wield from Zion
your scepter or power:
rule in the midst of all your foes.

Church:

A prince from the day of your birth
on the holy mountains;
from the womb before the dawn I begot you.

Home:
You who fear him, trust in the Lord;
he is their help and their shield.
He remembers us, and he will bless us;
he will bless the sons of Israel.
He will bless the sons of Aaron.

Church:
The Lord will bless those who fear him,
the little no less than the great:
to you may the Lord grant increase,
to you and all your children.

Home:
May you be blessed by the Lord,
the maker of heaven and earth.
The heavens belong to the Lord
but the earth he has given to men.

Church:
The dead shall not praise the Lord,
nor those who go down in to the silence.
But we who live bless the Lord
now and for ever. Amen.

Home:
Glory to the Father, and to the Son,
and to the Holy Spirit:

Church:
as it was in the beginning, is now,
and will be for ever. Amen.

Psalm Prayer

Leader:
Father, creator and ruler of heaven and earth, you made man in
your likeness to subdue the earth and master it, and to recognize
the work of your hands in created beauty. Grant that your children,
thus surrounded on all sides by signs of your presence, may live
continually in Christ, praising you through him and with him.

All repeat antiphon:
**The blood of Christ washes away our sins and makes us worthy
to serve the living God.**

Antiphon 3

Leader:
Christ bore our sins in his own body on the cross so that we might
die to sin and be alive to all that is good.

Canticle: 1 Peter 2: 21-24

Leader:
Christ suffered for you,

Church:
and left you an example
to have you follow in his footsteps.

Home:
He did no wrong;
no deceit was found in his mouth.
When he was insulted,
he returned no insult.

Church:
When he was made to suffer,
he did not counter with threats.
Instead he delivered himself up
to the One who judges justly.

Home:
In his own body
he brought your sins to the cross,
so that all of us, dead to sin,
could live in accord with God's will.

Church:
By his wounds your were healed.

Home:
Glory to the Father, and to the Son,
and to the Holy Spirit:

Church:
as it was in the beginning, is now,
and will be for ever. Amen.

All repeat antiphon:
**Christ bore our sins in his own body on the cross so that we might
die to sin and be alive to all that is good.**

Reading

Acts 13: 26-30

My brothers, it was to us that this message of salvation was sent forth. The inhabitants of Jerusalem and their rulers failed to recognize him, and in condemning him they fulfilled the words of the prophets, which we read sabbath after sabbath. Even though they found no charge against him which deserved death, they begged Pilate to have him executed. Once they had thus brought about all that had been written of him, they took him down from the tree and laid him in a tomb. Yet God raised him from the dead.

Responsory

Leader:
We worship you, O Christ, and we praise you.

All:
We worship you, O Christ, and we praise you.

Leader:
Because by your cross you have redeemed the world.

All:
We praise you.

Leader:
Glory to the Father, and to
the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.

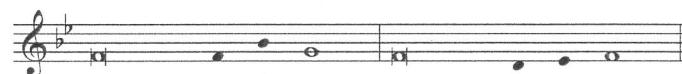
All:
We worship you, O Christ, and we praise you.

Canticle of Mary

Luke 1: 46-55

Antiphon

Leader:
It is written: I will strike the shepherd and his flock will be scattered. But when I have risen, I will go before you into Galilee. There you shall see me, says the Lord.



All sing:

My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord, |
my spirit rejoices in God my savior
for he has looked with favor | on his lowly servant.

From this day all generations | will call me blessed:
the Almighty has done great things for me, | and holy is his name.

He has mercy on those who fear him, | in every generation.

He has shown the strength of his arm, |
he has scattered the proud in their conceit.

He has cast down mighty from their thrones, | and has lifted up the lowly.

He has filled the hungry with good things, |
and the rich he has sent away empty.

He has come to the help of his servant Israel |
for he has remembered his promise of mercy,
the promise he made to our fathers, |
to Abraham and his children for ever.

Glory 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.

All repeat antiphon:

It is written: I will strike the shepherd and his flock will be scattered. But when I have risen, I will go before you into Galilee. There you shall see me, says the Lord.

Intercessions

Response: Sanctify your people, redeemed by your blood.

Leader:

Redeemer of the world, give us a greater share of your passion
through a deeper spirit of repentance,
-- so that we may share the glory of your resurrection. **R**

May your Mother, comfort of the afflicted, protect us,
-- may we console others as you console us. **R**

Look with love on those who suffer because of our indifference,
-- come to their aid, and turn our uncaring hearts to works of
justice and charity. **R**

You humbled yourself by being obedient even to accepting
death, death on a cross,
-- give all who serve you the gifts of obedience and patient
endurance. **R**

Transform the bodies of the dead to be like your own in glory,
-- and bring us at last into their fellowship. **R**

The Lord's Prayer

Concluding Prayer

Almighty, ever-living God,
you have given the human race Jesus Christ our Savior
as a model of humility.
He fulfilled your will
by becoming man and giving his life on the cross.
Help us to bear witness to you
by following his example of suffering
and make us worthy to share his resurrection.
We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
on God, for ever and ever.

Amen.

Blessing



Musical Performance

David R. Uschold, organ

Valet will ich dir geben, S. 735

Johann Sebastian Bach
(1685-1750)

Herzlich tut mich verlangen, S. 727

Johann Sebastian Bach

Aria

Charles Callahan
(b. 1951)

Cantabile

César Franck
(1822-1890)

Symphonie No. 1, Op. 14
VI. Final

Louis Vierne
(1870-1937)