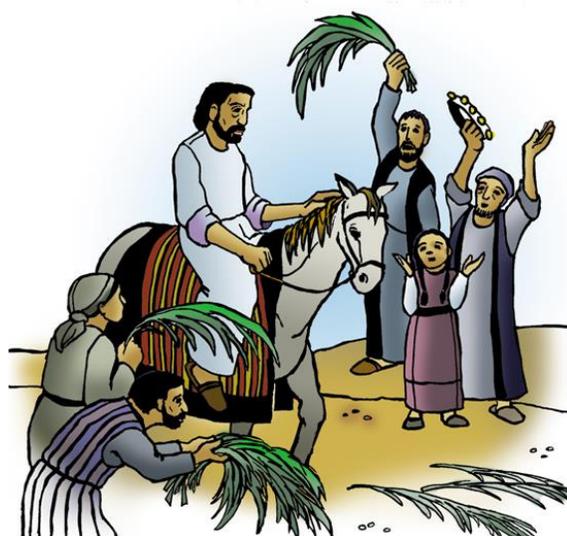


# SUNDAY OF THE PASSION PALM SUNDAY

THE HOLY EUCHARIST AT 10:00 AM

APRIL 10, 2022



*Today we follow Christ from triumphal entry to the cross, each waypoint of the journey marked by Jesus' compassion for those who would betray, mock, accuse, or do violence to him.*

*Though persecuted and beaten, Jesus the Son of God is not disgraced;  
instead, he asks forgiveness for those who put him to death.*

*We have walked the Lenten pathway these forty days, each of us invited through baptism to "let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus." We enter this holy week accompanying Jesus to the cross with both grief and thanksgiving in our hearts, trusting in God's redeeming love.*

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WE WELCOME YOU to historic Trinity Church. We are blessed by your presence and pray God's richest blessing upon you. We invite you to receive the Risen Christ at the Lord's Table. Those not communing may come forward to receive a blessing.

IF YOU ARE INTERESTED in finding out more about Trinity or are considering membership, please contact the church office at (610) 374-4861.



*Masks are welcomed, but no longer required.*

*Vaccinations are highly recommended.*

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*Affirmation of Welcome: Trinity Lutheran Church is recognized by Reconciling Works as a "Reconciling in Christ" Congregation which welcomes all LGBTQ+ persons into all facets of congregational life.*

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# THE HOLY EUCHARIST

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## WELCOME

## PRELUDE

*Pièce Héroïque*

César Franck

*The prelude, Pièce Héroïque, written in 1878, highlights the rise of the common man as a hero. It begins with a brooding melody in the bass register, which grows into a full organ statement. The middle section is much gentler and expressive but is accented by militaristic fourths in the pedal. As the middle section builds in intensity, the original material is reprised. The final climactic moment represents final victory. On this Sunday of the Passion, this piece reminds us of both our Lord's humanity and his triumph over sin and death.*

*Please stand and face the processional cross at the rear of the church.*

## GREETING

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

☩ **Hosanna in the highest.**

## PROCESSIONAL GOSPEL: Luke 19:28-40

Ⓟ The Holy Gospel according to Luke.

☩ **Glory to you, O Lord.**

*After the gospel concludes:*

Ⓟ The Gospel of the Lord.

☩ **Praise to you, O Christ.**

## BLESSING OF PALMS

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** And also with you.

**P** Let us pray. We praise you, O God, for redeeming the world through our Savior Jesus Christ. Today he entered the holy city in triumph and was proclaimed messiah and king by those who spread garments and branches along his way.

*Please raise your palm branches for the blessing.*

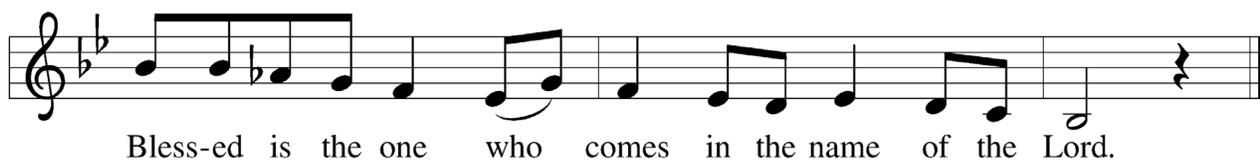
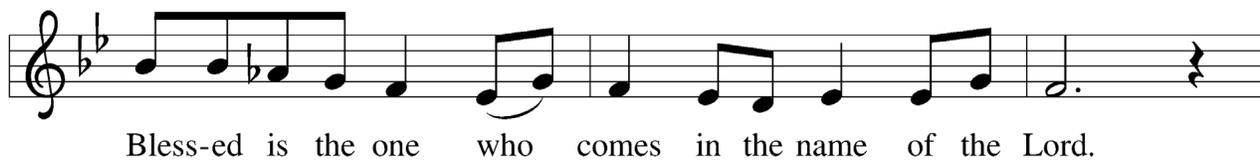
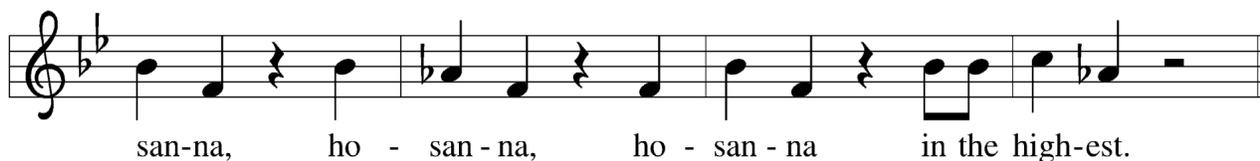
Bless these branches and those who carry them. Grant us grace to follow our Lord in the way of the cross, so that, joined to his death and resurrection, we enter into life with you; through the same Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen

*Please be seated.*

## PALM PROCESSION ACCLAMATION

*The acclamation will be sung three times. 1. Children 2. Children and Choir 3. All*

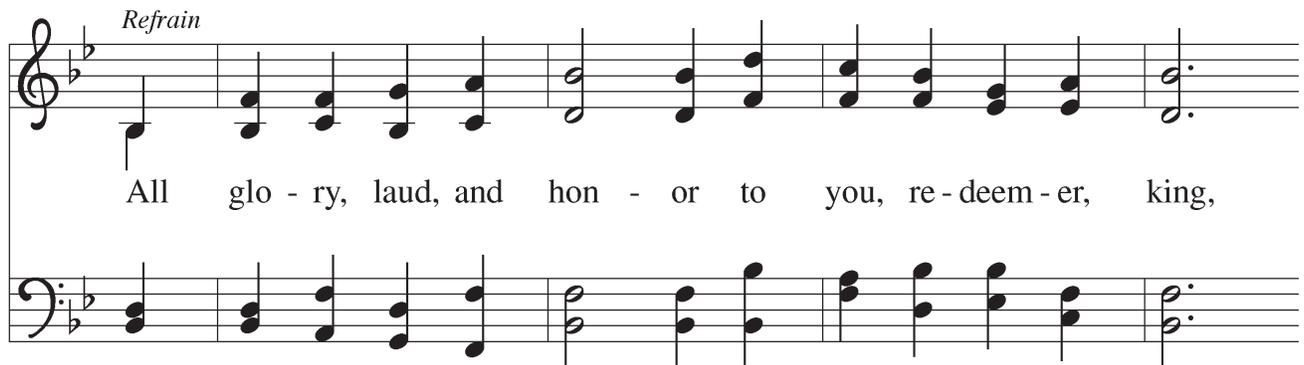


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*Please stand for the processional hymn.*

# PROCESSIONAL HYMN - All Glory, Laud and Honor

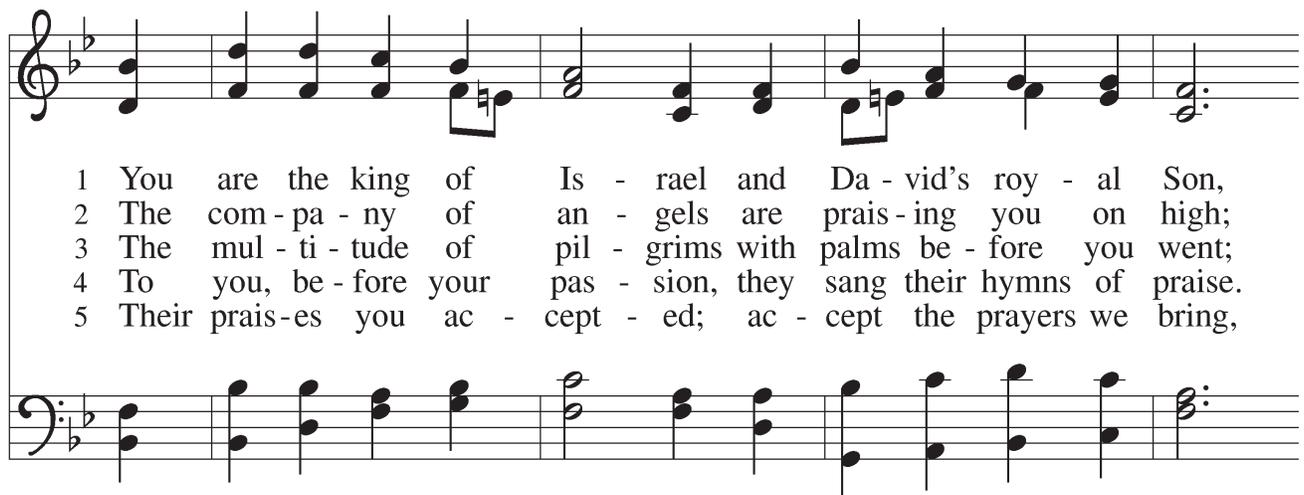
*Refrain*



All glo - ry, laud, and hon - or to you, re - deem - er, king,

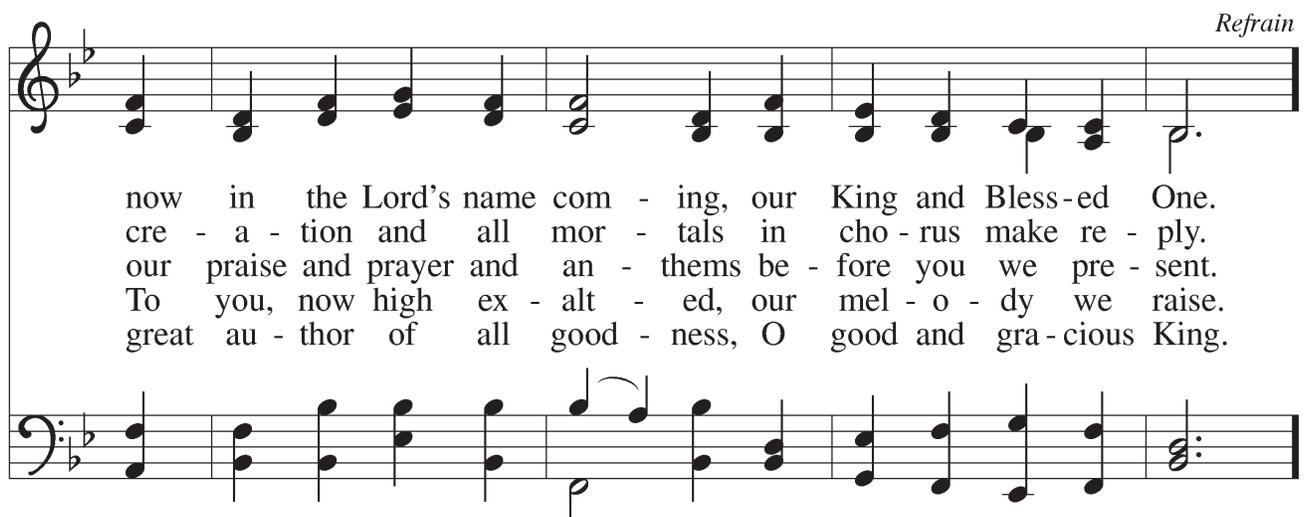


to whom the lips of chil - dren made sweet ho - san - nas ring.



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.

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

☐ Let us pray. O God of mercy and might, in the mystery of the passion of your Son you offer your infinite life to the world. Gather us around the cross of Christ, and preserve us until the resurrection, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

☑ Amen

*Be seated.*

## FIRST READING: Isaiah 50:4-9a

*The image of the servant of the Lord is one of the notable motifs in the book of Isaiah. Today's reading describes the mission of the servant, whom early Christians associated with Jesus. Like Jesus, the servant does not strike back at his detractors but trusts in God's steadfast love.*

*After the reading:*

Ⓐ Word of God, Word of life.

☑ Thanks be to God.

## HYMN - A Lamb Goes Uncomplaining Forth

1 A lamb goes un - com - plain - ing forth to save a world of sin - ners.  
2 This lamb is Christ, our great - est friend, the Lamb of God, our Sav - ior,  
3 Our Sav - ior an - swered from his heart that he would take the bur - den:  
4 Of death I am no more a - fraid; your dy - ing is my liv - ing.

He bears the bur - den all a - lone, dies shorn of all his hon - ors.  
whom God in mer - cy chose to send to win us reb - els o - ver.  
"My Fa - ther's will is my com - mand; I'll do as I am bid - den."  
You clothe me in your roy - al robes that you are al - ways giv - ing.

He goes to slaugh - ter, weak and faint, is led to die with -  
 "Go down, my child," the Fa - ther said, "and free my chil - dren  
 Oh, won - drous love! Oh, lov - ing might! To right what mor - tals  
 Your love is dress e - nough for me to wear through all e -

out com - plaint; his spot - less life he of - fers. He bears the shame,  
 from their dread of death and con - dem - na - tion. The pain - ful stripes  
 can - not right the Son was sent from heav - en. What love, O Love,  
 ter - ni - ty be - fore the throne of heav - en, where we shall stand

the stripes, the wrath; his an - guish, mock - er - y,  
 are hard to bear, but by your death they all  
 who came to save by lov - ing e - ven to  
 close by your side, your church, the well - ap - point -

and death for us he glad - ly suf - fers.  
 can share the joy of your sal - va - tion."  
 the grave un - til the stone was riv - en.  
 ed bride, when all the faith - ful gath - er.

Text: Paul Gerhardt, 1607–1676; tr. *Lutheran Book of Worship*, alt.  
 Music: AN WASSERFLÜSSEN BABYLON, Wolfgang Dachstein, c. 1487–1553  
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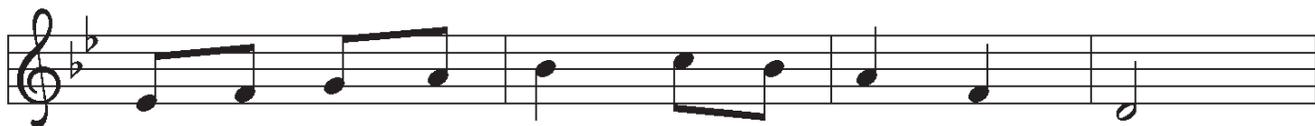
## SECOND READING: Philippians 2:5-11

*Christ did not act to attain status and glory but was obedient to God even to the point of death. Following Christ's example, we do not seek personal status or glory but care for others as God cared for us in Christ's death.*

- A** Word of God, Word of life.
- C** **Thanks be to God.**

*Please remain seated for the Acclamation and Gospel.*

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Let your stead - fast love come to us, O Lord.



Save us as you prom - ised; we will trust your word.

## THE HOLY GOSPEL: Luke 22:14-23:56

*Through the teachings and events of the passion story we see and hear the great contradictions that characterize the coming of God's reign. The leader serves the followers, proud Peter is revealed in his cowardice, and Jesus—the innocent bringer of life—is arrested, beaten, executed, and buried.*

- A** The Holy Gospel according to Luke.
- C** **Glory to you, O Lord.**

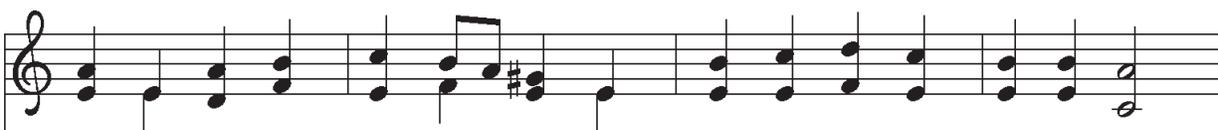
*After the Reading:*

- A** The Gospel of the Lord.
- C** **Praise to you, O Christ.**

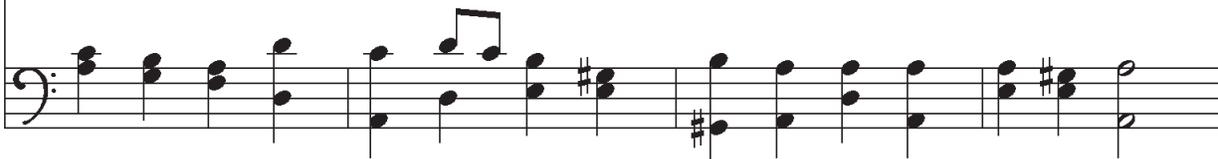
## HOMILY

*Please stand as you are able.*

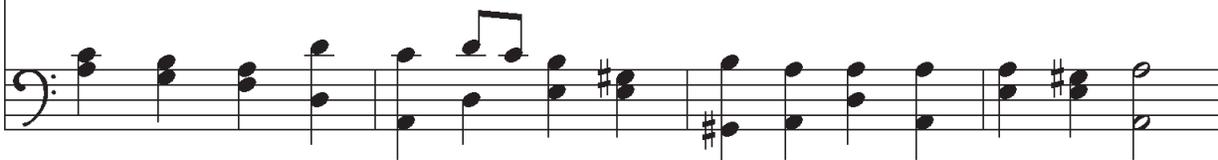
## HYMN OF THE DAY - On My Heart Imprint Your Image



On my heart im - print your im - age, bless-ed Je - sus, king of grace,



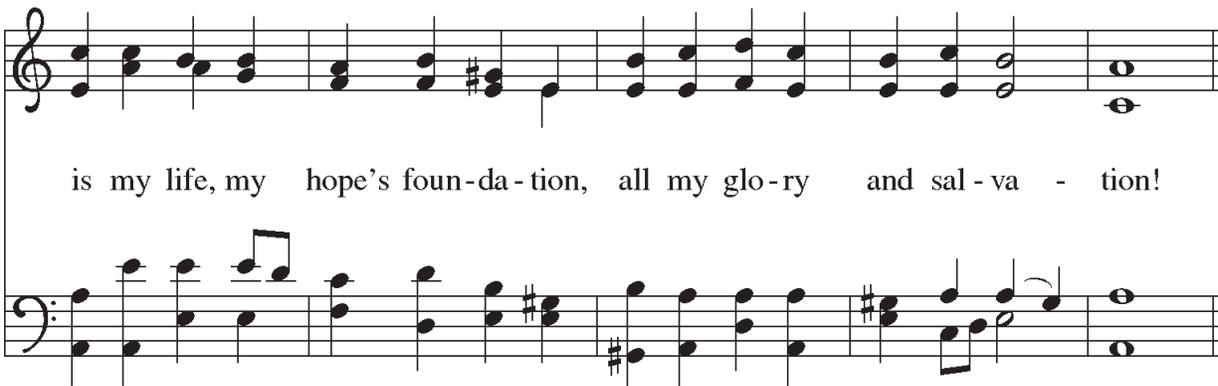
that life's trou-bles nor its plea-sures ev - er may your work e - rase.



Let the clear in - scrip - tion be: Je - sus, cru - ci - fied for me,



is my life, my hope's foun-da-tion, all my glo-ry and sal - va - tion!



## APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead.  
On the third day he rose again;  
he ascended into heaven,  
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

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

*Please kneel or be seated.*

## PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

**A** Drawn close to the heart of God, we offer these prayers for the church,  
the world, and all who are in need.

*A brief silence. Each petition concludes:*

**A** Merciful God,  
**C** receive our prayer.

*After the final petition:*

**P** Accept the prayers we bring, O God, on behalf of a world in need,  
for the sake of Jesus Christ.  
**C** Amen

*Please stand as you are able.*

## PEACE

- P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.  
**C** **And also with you.**

*Please greet one another from a distance and then be seated.*

## OFFERTORY

*My Song Is Love Unknown*

Donald Busarow

*See ELW 343 for text.*

*Please stand as you are able.*

## OFFERING PRAYER

- A** Let us pray. Extravagant God,  
**C** **you have blessed us with the fullness of creation.**  
Now we gather at your feast where you offer us the food that satisfies.  
Take and use what we offer here, come among us,  
and feed us with the body and blood of Christ,  
in whose name we pray. Amen

## GREAT THANKSGIVING

- P** The Lord be with you.  
**C** **And also with you.**  
**P** Lift up your hearts.  
**C** **We lift them up to the Lord.**  
**P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
**C** **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

## PROPER PREFACE

- P** It is indeed right, ...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

## SANCTUS

- C** **Holy, holy, holy 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.**

## **EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER**

**P** Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord, heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son, who reached out to heal the sick and suffering, who preached good news to the poor, and who, on the cross, opened his arms to all.

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.

Remembering, therefore, his death, resurrection, and ascension, we await his coming in glory. Pour out upon us the Spirit of your love, O Lord, and unite the wills of all who share this heavenly food, the body and blood of Jesus Christ, our Lord; to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and forever.

**G** Amen

## **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**P** Lord remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.

**G** **Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread.**

**Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.**

**Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.**

**For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen**

## **INVITATION TO COMMUNION**

**P** Here is food and drink for the journey. Take and be filled.

**G** Amen

*Be seated.*

## **DISTRIBUTION**

*Following the direction of the usher, approach the altar, maintaining a safe distance between households. Please ask your server if you need a gluten-free wafer or prefer grape juice. As you return to your seat, place your empty glass in the corner basket. Those not partaking of communion are invited to come forward for a blessing. If you are unable to approach the altar for communion, inform the usher and the sacrament will be brought to you.*

*After all have received Communion, please stand as you are able.*

## **TABLE BLESSING**

- P** The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you  
and keep you in his grace.
- C** Amen

## **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

- A** Let us pray. Blessed Jesus, in this rich meal of grace,  
you have fed us with your body, the bread of life.  
Now send us forth to bear your life-giving hope  
to a world in need.
- C** Amen

## **BLESSING**

- P** You are children of God, anointed with the oil of gladness  
and strengthened for the journey.  
Almighty God, motherly, majestic, and mighty,  
✠ bless you this day and always.
- C** Amen

## SENDING HYMN - Jesus, I Will Ponder Now

1 Je - sus, I will pon - der now on your ho - ly pas - sion;  
 2 Make me see your great dis - tress, an - guish, and af - flic - tion,  
 3 Yet, O Lord, not thus a - lone make me see your pas - sion,  
 4 Let me view your pain and loss with re - pen - tant griev - ing,

let your Spir - it now en - dow me for med - i - ta - tion.  
 bonds and blows and wretch - ed - ness and your cru - ci - fix - ion;  
 but its cause to me make known and its ter - mi - na - tion.  
 nor pre - pare a - gain your cross by un - ho - ly liv - ing.

Grant that I in love and faith may the im - age cher - ish  
 make me see how scourge and rod, spear and nails, did wound you,  
 For I al - so and my sin wrought your deep af - flic - tion;  
 May I give you love for love! Hear me, O my Sav - ior,

of your suf - f'ring, pain, and death, that I may not per - ish.  
 how you died for those, O God, who with thorns had crowned you.  
 this the shame - ful cause has been of your cru - ci - fix - ion.  
 that I may in heav'n a - bove sing your praise for - ev - er.

Text: Sigismund von Birken, 1626–1681; tr. August Crull, 1846–1923, alt.  
 Music: JESU KREUZ, LEIDEN UND PEIN, Melchior Vulpinus, 1570–1615

*The service concludes without the dismissal and postlude, drawing us into the worship of Holy Week.*

*Please stay and meditate or leave the church in silence.*

# HOLY WEEK AT TRINITY

## **MAUNDY THURSDAY - APRIL 14, 7:30 PM**

### **Broadcast live on Comcast Channel 190, Facebook and YouTube**

Commemorating the evening in the Upper Room, our service will include foot washing while the moving organ piece *Le Banquet Céleste* (The Celestial Banquet) by Oliver Messiaen is played. The service will include Holy Communion and conclude with the "Stripping of the Altar" while cantors Ben Hoover and Peter Graf chant Psalm 88.

## **GOOD FRIDAY - APRIL 15, 12:00 PM**

### **Streamed live on YouTube and Facebook and available afterward on demand**

Life and death stand side by side as we enter Good Friday. This spoken service will include readings, Psalm 22, the Bidding Prayer, the Procession of the Cross, and Solemn Reproaches.

## **EASTER VIGIL - APRIL 16, 5:30 PM**

### **At Christ Episcopal Church, corner of 5th and Court Streets, Reading**

Celebrate Easter Vigil with our friends at Christ Episcopal Church on Saturday, April 16 at 5:30 PM. Parking will be available in Trinity's lot. "This is the night of salvation! At the Vigil of Easter, we gather around fire, word, water, bread and wine, proclaiming through story and song that ours is a God who continuously brings life out of death." Christ is risen! Alleluia!

## **THE RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD - APRIL 17, 10:00 AM**

Celebrating the resurrection of our Savior, the service will start with a Festive Trumpet Tune by David German. Hymns, readings, and the return of the Alleluia will fill the beautifully decorated nave. The choir will sing *Ich bin die Auferstehung* (I Am the Resurrection and the Life) by Gallus Dressler. Louis Vierne's rousing "Carillon" from *24 Pièces en style libre* will conclude our worship time. Following the service there will be an Easter Egg Hunt for the children. Bring a basket! We hope everyone will join us for a few minutes in our beautiful courtyard to revel in the joy and excitement of our youngest members.

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