



Sunday of the Passion With Liturgy of the Palms

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We gather today on the traditional and unceded territory of the Algonquin Anishnaabe Nation. May we dwell on this land with respect and peace.

SUNDAY OF THE PASSION WITH LITURGY OF THE PALMS

MARCH 24, 2024

10:00 AM, HOLY EUCHARIST,

Prelude

Introit: The Children of the Hebrews

(G. DA PALESTRINA)

LITURGY OF THE PALMS

Celebrant Dear friends in Christ,
during Lent we have been preparing
for the celebration of our Lord's paschal mystery.
On this day our Lord Jesus Christ
entered the holy city of Jerusalem in triumph.
The people welcomed him with palms and shouts of praise,
but the path before him led to self-giving, suffering, and death.
Today we greet him as our King,
although we know his crown is thorns and his throne a cross.
We follow him this week from the glory of the palms
to the glory of the resurrection
by way of the dark road of suffering and death.
United with him in his suffering on the cross,
may we share his resurrection and new life.

Let us pray.

Assist us mercifully with your help,
Lord God of our salvation,
that we may enter with joy
into the celebration of those mighty acts
whereby you give us life and immortality;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

All stand for the Gospel.

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
according to John

People **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

The next day the great crowd that had come to the festival
heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem. So they took



branches of palm trees and went out to meet him, shouting, “Hosanna! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord — the King of Israel!” Jesus found a young donkey and sat on it; as it is written: “Do not be afraid, daughter of Zion. Look, your king is coming, sitting on a donkey’s colt!” His disciples did not understand these things at first; but when Jesus was glorified, then they remembered that these things had been written of him and had been done to him. JOHN 12.12–16

At the conclusion of the Gospel, the reader says,

The Gospel of Christ.

People **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

The celebrant then says the following blessing.

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Celebrant It is right to praise you, almighty God,
for the acts of love by which you have redeemed us
through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.
The Hebrews acclaimed Jesus as Messiah and King,
with palm branches in their hands, crying,
Hosanna in the highest.
May we also, carrying these emblems, go forth to meet Christ
and follow him in the way that leads to eternal life;
who lives and reigns in glory with you and the Holy Spirit,
now and for ever. **Amen.**

While the palms are being distributed and the choir comes to the back of the church, hymn 367 is sung.

Hymn 367 Hosanna in Excelsis

(HOSANNNA)

Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in excelsis.

The Procession



Celebrant Let us go forth in peace

People **In the name of Christ. Amen**

Processional Hymn 181 All Glory Laud and Honour (ST THEODULPH)

*Refrain: All glory, laud, and honour to thee, Redeemer King,
to whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring.*

Thou art the King of Israel, thou David's royal Son,
who in the Lord's name comest, the King and blessed one.

Refrain

The company of angel are praising thee on high,
And we with all creation in chorus make reply.

Refrain

The people of the Hebrews with palms before thee went;
our praise and prayer and anthems before thee we present.

Refrain

The Collect

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty God,
whose Son was crucified yet entered into glory,
may we, walking in the way of the cross,
find it is for us the way of life;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. Amen. **Amen.**

Conclusion of Hymn 181 All Glory Laud and Honour (ST THEODULPH)

To thee before thy Passion they sang their hymns of praise
to thee now high exalted our melody we raise.

Refrain

Thou didst accept their praises; accept the prayers we bring,
Who in all good delightest, thou good and gracious King.

Refrain

The Collect of the Day



Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty and everliving God, in tender love for all our human race you sent your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ to take our flesh and suffer death upon a cruel cross. May we follow the example of his great humility, and share in the glory of his resurrection; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Almighty and everlasting God, you despise nothing you have made and forgive the sins of all who are penitent. Create and make in us new and contrite hearts, that we, worthily lamenting our sins and acknowledging our brokenness, may obtain of you, the God of all mercy, perfect remission and forgiveness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

A Reading from the Book of Isaiah

ISAIAH 50:4–9A

The Lord God has given me the tongue of a teacher, that I may know how to sustain the weary with a word. Morning by morning he wakens — wakens my ear to listen as those who are taught. The Lord God has opened my ear, and I was not rebellious, I did not turn backward. I gave my back to those who struck me, and my cheeks to those who pulled out the beard; I did not hide my face from insult and spitting. The Lord God helps me; therefore I have not been disgraced; therefore I have set my face like flint, and I know that I shall not be put to shame; he who vindicates me is near. Who will contend with me? Let us stand up together. Who are my adversaries? Let them confront me. It is the Lord God who helps me; who will declare me guilty?

The word of the Lord.

People

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 31.9-16

George Black

Introduction. Cantor sings refrain. All repeat refrain. Cantor sings verses. All sing refrain after each group of verses. In the psalm-tone the singer leaves the reciting note on the underlined word or syllable.



Introduction

Best sung unaccompanied

In - to your hands, O Lord, I com - mend my spi - rit.

- (1) Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I am in trouble;
- (2) my eye is consumed with sorrow, and also my throat and my belly.
- (1) For my life is wasted with grief,
- (2) and my years with sighing;
- (3) my strength fails me because of affliction,
- (4) and my bones are consumed. **R.**
- (1) I have become a reproach to all my enemies and even to my neighbours,
- (2) a dismay to those of my acquaintance;
- (2) when they see me in the street they avoid me.
- (3) I am forgotten like a dead man, out of mind;
- (4) I am as useless as a broken pot. **R.**
- (1) For I have heard the whispering of the crowd;
- (2) fear is all around;
- (1) they put their heads together against me;
- (2) they plot to take my life.
- (3) But as for me, I have trusted in you, O Lord.
- (4) I have said, "You are my God. **R.**
- (1) My times are in your hand;
- (2) rescue me from the hand of my enemies, and from those who persecute me.
- (3) Make your face to shine upon your servant,
- (4) and in your loving-kindness save me." **R.**



A Reading from the Letter of Paul to the Philippians

PHILIPPIANS 2:5–11

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

The word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Gradual Hymn 184 My Song Is Love Unknown vv 1, 3, 4

(LOVE UNKNOWN)

My song is love unknown, my Saviour's love to me;
love to the loveless shown, that they might lovingly be.
O who am I, that for my sake
my Lord should take frail flesh, and die?

Sometimes they strew his way; and his sweet praises sing,
resounding all the day hosannas to their King;
the "Crucify!" is all their breath,
and for his death they thirst and cry.

Why, what has my Lord done? What makes this rage and spite?
He made the lame to run, he gave the blind their sight.
Sweet injuries! Yet they at these
themselves displease and 'gainst him rise.

Reader The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark
MARK 14:1 – 15:4

Narrator It was two days before the Passover and the festival of Unleavened Bread. The chief priests and the scribes were looking for a way to arrest Jesus by stealth and kill him; for they said,



- 2nd Reader** Not during the festival, or there may be a riot among the people.
- Narrator** While Jesus was at Bethany in the house of Simon the leper, as he sat at the table, a woman came with an alabaster jar of very costly ointment of nard, and she broke open the jar and poured the ointment on his head. But some were there who said to one another in anger,
- 3rd Reader** Why was the ointment wasted in this way? For this ointment could have been sold for more than three hundred denarii, and the money given to the poor.
- Narrator** And they scolded her. But Jesus said,
- 1st Reader** Let her alone; why do you trouble her? She has performed a good service for me. For you always have the poor with you, and you can show kindness to them whenever you wish; but you will not always have me. She has done what she could; she has anointed my body beforehand for its burial. Truly I tell you, wherever the good news is proclaimed in the whole world, what she has done will be told in remembrance of her.
- Narrator** Then Judas Iscariot, who was one of the twelve, went to the chief priests in order to betray him to them. When they heard it, they were greatly pleased, and promised to give him money. So he began to look for an opportunity to betray him. On the first day of Unleavened Bread, when the Passover lamb is sacrificed, his disciples said to Jesus,
- 3rd Reader** Where do you want us to go and make the preparations for you to eat the Passover?
- Narrator** So he sent two of his disciples, saying to them,
- 1st Reader** Go into the city, and a man carrying a jar of water will meet you; follow him, and wherever he enters,



say to the owner of the house, “The teacher asks, Where is my guest room where I may eat the Passover with my disciples?” He will show you a large room upstairs, furnished and ready. Make preparations for us there.

- Narrator** So the disciples set out and went to the city, and found everything as he had told them; and they prepared the Passover meal. When it was evening, Jesus came with the twelve. And when they had taken their places and were eating, he said,
- 1st Reader** Truly I tell you, one of you will betray me, one who is eating with me..
- Narrator** They began to be distressed and to say to him one after another,
- 3rd Reader** Surely not I?
- Narrator** He said to them,
- 1st Reader** It is one of the twelve, one who is dipping bread into the bowl with me. For the Son of Man goes as it is written of him, but woe to that one by whom the Son of Man is betrayed! It would have been better for that one not to have been born.
- Narrator** While they were eating, he took a loaf of bread, and after blessing it he broke it, gave it to them, and said,
- 1st Reader** Take; this is my body.
- Narrator** Then he took a cup, and after giving thanks he gave it to them, and all of them drank from it. He said to them,
- 1st Reader** This is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many. Truly I tell you, I will never again drink of the fruit of the vine until that day which I drink it new in the kingdom of God.
- Narrator** When they had sung the hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives. And Jesus said to them,



1st Reader You will all become deserters; for it is written, “I will strike the shepherd, and the sheep will be scattered.” But after I am raised up, I will go before you to Galilee.

Narrator Peter said to him,

4th Reader Even though all become deserters, I will not.

Narrator Jesus said to him,

1st Reader Truly I tell you, this day, this very night, before the cock crows twice, you will deny me three times.

Narrator But Peter said vehemently,

4th Reader Even though I must die with you, I will not deny you.

Narrator And all of them said the same. They went to a place called Gethsemane; and Jesus said to his disciples,

1st Reader Sit here while I pray.

Narrator He took with him Peter and James and John, and began to be distressed and agitated. And he said to them,

1st Reader I am deeply grieved, even to death; remain here, and keep awake.

Narrator And going a little farther, he threw himself on the ground and prayed that, if it were possible, the hour might pass from him. He said,

1st Reader Abba, Father, for you all things are possible; remove this cup from me; yet, not what I want, but what you want.

Narrator Jesus came and found them sleeping; and he said to Peter,

1st Reader Simon, are you asleep? Could you not keep awake one hour? Keep awake and pray that you may not come into the time of trial; the spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak.

Narrator And again he went away and prayed, saying the same words. And once more Jesus came and found them



sleeping, for their eyes were very heavy; and they did not know what to say to him. He came a third time and said to them,

1st Reader Are you still sleeping and taking your rest? Enough! The hour has come; the Son of Man is betrayed into the hands of sinners. Get up, let us be going. See, my betrayer is at hand.

Narrator Immediately, while he was still speaking, Judas, one of the twelve, arrived; and with him there was a crowd with swords and clubs, from the chief priests, the scribes, and the elders. Now the betrayer had given them a sign, saying,

5th Reader The one I will kiss is the man; arrest him and lead him away under guard.

Narrator So when Judas came, he went up to Jesus at once and said,

5th Reader Rabbi!

Narrator and kissed him. Then they laid hands on him and arrested Jesus. But one of those who stood near drew his sword and struck the slave of the high priest, cutting off his ear. Then Jesus said to them,

1st Reader Have you come out with swords and clubs to arrest me as though I were a bandit? Day after day I was with you in the temple teaching, and you did not arrest me. But let the scriptures be fulfilled.

Narrator All of the disciples deserted Jesus and fled. A certain young man was following him, wearing nothing but a linen cloth. They caught hold of him, but he left the linen cloth and ran off naked. They took Jesus to the high priest; and all the chief priests, the elders, and the scribes were assembled. Peter had followed him at a distance, right into the courtyard of the high priest; and he was sitting with the guards, warming himself



at the fire. Now the chief priests and the whole council were looking for testimony against Jesus to put him to death; but they found none. For many gave false testimony against him, and their testimony did not agree. Some stood up and gave false testimony against him, saying,

2nd Reader We heard him say, “I will destroy this temple that is made with hands, and in three days I will build another, not made with hands.”

Narrator But even on this point their testimony did not agree. Then the high priest stood up before them and asked Jesus,

6th Reader Have you no answer? What is it that they testify against you?

Narrator But he was silent and did not answer. Again the high priest asked him,

6th Reader Are you the Messiah, the Son of the Blessed One?

Narrator Jesus said,

1st Reader I am; and “you will see the Son of Man seated at the right hand of the Power,” and ‘coming with the clouds of heaven.’”

Narrator Then the high priest tore his clothes and said,

6th Reader Why do we still need witnesses? You have heard his blasphemy! What is your decision?

Narrator All of them condemned him as deserving death. Some began to spit on him, to blindfold him, and to strike him, saying to him,

2nd Reader Prophecy!

Narrator The guards also took him over and beat him. While Peter was below in the courtyard, one of the servant-girls of the high priest came by. When she saw Peter warming himself, she stared at him and said,

7th Reader You also were with Jesus, the man from Nazareth.



Narrator But Peter denied it, saying,

4th Reader I do not know or understand what you are talking about.

Narrator And he went out into the forecourt. Then the cock crowed. And the servant-girl, on seeing him, began again to say to the bystanders,

7th Reader This man is one of them

Narrator But again he denied it. Then after a little while the bystanders again said to Peter,

8th Reader Certainly you are one of them; for you are a Galilean.

Narrator But he began to curse, and he swore an oath,

4th Reader I do not know this man you are talking about.

Narrator At that moment the cock crowed for the second time. Then Peter remembered that Jesus had said to him,

1st Reader Before the cock crows twice, you will deny me three times.

Narrator And Peter broke down and wept. As soon as it was morning, the chief priests held a consultation with the elders and scribes and the whole council. They bound Jesus, led him away, and handed him over to Pilate. Pilate asked him,

9th Reader Are you the King of the Jews?

Narrator He answered him,

1st Reader You say so.

Narrator Then the chief priests accused him of many things. Pilate asked him again,

9th Reader Have you no answer? See how many charges they bring against you.

Narrator But Jesus made no further reply, so that Pilate was amazed. Now at the festival he used to release a prisoner for them, anyone for whom they asked. Now a man called Barabbas was in prison with the rebels who had committed murder during the insurrection.



So the crowd came and began to ask Pilate to do for them according to his custom. Then he answered them,

9th Reader Do you want me to release for you the King of the Jews?

Narrator For he realized that it was out of jealousy that the chief priests had handed him over. But the chief priests stirred up the crowd to have him release Barabbas for them instead. Pilate spoke to them again,

9th Reader Then what do you wish me to do with the man you call the King of the Jews?

Narrator They shouted back,

Choir &

Congregation Crucify him!

Narrator Pilate asked them,

9th Reader Why, what evil has he done?

Narrator But they shouted all the more,

Choir &

Congregation Crucify him!

Narrator So Pilate, wishing to satisfy the crowd, released Barabbas for them; and after flogging Jesus, he handed him over to be crucified. Then the soldiers led him into the courtyard of the palace (that is, the governor's headquarters); and they called together the whole cohort. And they clothed him in a purple cloak; and after twisting some thorns into a crown, they put it on him. And they began saluting him,

Choir &

Congregation Hail, King of the Jews!

Narrator They struck his head with a reed, spat upon him, and knelt down in homage to him. After mocking him, they stripped him of the purple cloak and put his own



clothes on him. Then they led him out to crucify him. They compelled a passer-by, who was coming in from the country, to carry his cross; it was Simon of Cyrene, the father of Alexander and Rufus. Then they brought Jesus to the place called Golgotha (which means the place of a skull). And they offered him wine mixed with myrrh; but he did not take it. And they crucified him, and divided his clothes among them, casting lots to decide what each should take. It was nine o'clock in the morning when they crucified him. The inscription of the charge against him read, "The King of the Jews." And with him they crucified two bandits, one on his right and one on his left. Those who passed by derided him, shaking their heads and saying,

2nd, 6th, 7th *

8th Reader Aha! You who would destroy the temple and build it in three days, save yourself, and come down from the cross!

Narrator In the same way the chief priests, along with the scribes, were also mocking him among themselves and saying,

2nd Reader He saved others; he cannot save himself. Let the Messiah, the King of Israel, come down from the cross now, so that we may see and believe.

Narrator Those who were crucified with him also taunted him. When it was noon, darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon. At three o'clock Jesus cried out with a loud voice,

1st Reader Eloi, Eloi, lema sabachthani?

Narrator which means, "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?" When some of the bystanders heard it, they said,



2nd & 7th

Reader Listen, he is calling for Elijah.

Narrator And someone ran, filled a sponge with sour wine, put it on a stick, and gave it to him to drink, saying,

8th Reader Wait, let us see whether Elijah will come to take him down.

Narrator Then Jesus gave a loud cry and breathed his last. And the curtain of the temple was torn in two, from top to bottom. Now when the centurion, who stood facing him, saw that in this way he breathed his last, he said,

10th Reader Truly this man was God's Son!

Narrator There were also women looking on from a distance; among them were Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James the younger and of Joses, and Salome. These used to follow him and provided for him when he was in Galilee; and there were many other women who had come up with him to Jerusalem. When evening had come, and since it was the day of Preparation, that is, the day before the sabbath, Joseph of Arimathea, a respected member of the council, who was also himself waiting expectantly for the kingdom of God, went boldly to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus. Then Pilate wondered if he were already dead; and summoning the centurion, he asked him whether he had been dead for some time. When he learned from the centurion that he was dead, he granted the body to Joseph. Then Joseph bought a linen cloth, and taking down the body, wrapped it in the linen cloth, and laid it in a tomb that had been hewn out of the rock. He then rolled a stone against the door of the tomb. Mary Magdalene and Mary the mother of Joses saw where the body was laid.



All stand, and the presiding celebrant addresses the people.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

Offertory Hymn 400 What Wondrous Love Is This

(*WONDROUS LOVE*)

What wondrous love is this, O my soul, O my soul!
What wondrous love is this, O my soul!
What wondrous love is this that cause the Lord of bliss
to bear the dreadful curse for my sou, for my soul,
to bear the dreadful curse for my soul!.

When I was sinking down, sinking down, sinking down;
when I was sinking down, sinking down,
when I was sinking down beneath God's righteous frown,
Christ laid aside his crown for my soul, for my soul,
Christ laid aside his crown for my soul.

To God and to the Lamb, I will sing, I will sing;
to God and to the Lamb I will sing;
to God and to the Lamb, who is the great I AM,
while millions join the theme, I will sing, I will sing,
while millions join the theme I will sing.

THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

The Preparation of the Gifts

The Prayer over the Gifts

Gracious God, the suffering and death of Jesus, your only Son, makes us pleasing in your sight. Alone we can do nothing, but through his sacrifice, may we receive your love and mercy. **Amen**

The Great Thanksgiving

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them to the Lord.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**



Celebrant We give you thanks and praise, almighty God,
through your beloved Son, Jesus Christ,
our Saviour and Redeemer.
He is your living Word,
through whom you have created all things.

By the power of the Holy Spirit
he took flesh of the Virgin Mary
and shared our human nature.
He lived and died as one of us,
to reconcile us to you,
the God and Father of all.
In fulfilment of your will
he stretched out his hands in suffering,
to bring release to those who place their hope in you;
and so he won for you a holy people.

He chose to bear our griefs and sorrows,
and to give up his life on the cross,
that he might shatter the chains of evil and death,
and banish the darkness of sin and despair.
By his resurrection
he brings us into the light of your presence.

Now with all creation we raise our voices
to proclaim the glory of your name.

All **Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.**

HYMN 722

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

Celebrant Holy and gracious God,
accept our praise,
through your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ;
who on the night he was handed over
to suffering and death,
took bread and gave you thanks,
saying, "Take, and eat:



this is my body which is broken for you.”
In the same way he took the cup,
saying, “This is my blood which is shed for you.
When you do this, you do it in memory of me.”

Remembering, therefore, his death and resurrection,
we offer you this bread and this cup,
giving thanks that you have made us worthy
to stand in your presence and serve you.

We ask you to send your Holy Spirit
upon the offering of your holy Church.
Gather into one
all who share in these sacred mysteries,
filling them with the Holy Spirit
and confirming their faith in the truth,
that together we may praise you
and give you glory
through your Servant, Jesus Christ.

All glory and honour are yours,
Father and Son,
with the Holy Spirit
in the holy Church,
now and for ever.

People **Amen**

The Lord's Prayer

Celebrant And now, as our Saviour Christ has taught us,
we are bold to say,

All **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,
the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

The Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant We break this bread,

All **Communion in Christ's body once broken.**

Celebrant Let your Church be the wheat
which bears its fruit in dying.

All **If we have died with him,
we shall live with him;
if we hold firm,
we shall reign with him.**

The Communion

Hymn 747 Jesus, Lamb of God

(DEUTSCHE MESSE)

Communion Hymn 190 Go to Dark Gethsemane

(NICHT SO TRAUIG)

Go to dark gethsemane, ye that feel the tempter's power.
Your redeemer's conflict see; watch with him one bitter hour;
turn no from his griefs away;
learn of Jesus Christ to pray.

Follow to the judgment hall; view the Lord of life arraigned.
O the wormwood and the gall! O the grief his soul sustained!
Shun not suffering, shame or loss;
learn of him to bear the cross.

Calvary's mournful mountain climb; there, adoring at his feet,
mark that miracle of time – God's own sacrifice complete.
"It is finished," hear him cry;
learn of Jesus Christ to die.

Anthem: O Saviour of the World

J. GOSS

Prayer after Communion

Celebrant Let us pray.



God our help and strength, you have satisfied our hunger with this eucharistic food. Strengthen our faith, that through the death and resurrection of your Son, we may be led to salvation, for he is Lord now and for ever. **Amen.**

Celebrant Glory to God,
All **whose power, working in us,
can do infinitely more
than we can ask or imagine.
Glory to God from generation to generation,
in the Church and in Christ Jesus,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

The Dismissal

Celebrant Almighty God, we pray you graciously to behold this your family, for whom our Lord Jesus Christ was willing to be betrayed, and given into the hands of sinners, and suffer death upon the cross; who lives and reigns for ever and ever. **Amen**
and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Then the deacon or the celebrant says,

Leader Go forth into the world,
rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Closing Hymn 202 There Is a Green Hill

(HORSLEY)

There is a green hill far away, outside a city wall,
where the dear Lord was crucified who died to save us all.

We may not know, we cannot tell, what pains he had to bear;
but we believe it was for us he hung and suffered there.

He died that we might be forgiven, he died to make us good,
that we might go at last to heaven, saved by his precious blood.

There was no other good enough to pay the price of sin;
he only could unlock the gate of heaven, and let us in,



O dearly, dearly has he love, and we must love him too,
and trust in his redeeming blood, and try his works to do.

Postlude

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