

GRACE CHURCH

IN PROVIDENCE

*The Mission of Grace Church is to build, by the grace of God,
a loving and joyful community which lives the Gospel
through worship, proclamation, and service to each other,
to downtown Providence, and beyond.*



THE SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST: PALM SUNDAY

CHORAL HOLY EUCHARIST WITH THE BLESSING OF THE PALMS,
PROCESSION, AND SPIRITUAL COMMUNION
RITE II

MARCH 28TH, 2021
LIVE-STREAMED AT 10:00 AM

THE LITURGY OF THE BLESSING OF THE PALMS

THE VOLUNTARY

Fantasia super Valet will ich dir geben, BWV 735

Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

The Clergy and Crucifer assemble at the rear of the Church.

THE OPENING ACCLAMATION AND COLLECT

Celebrant

Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord:

People

Peace in heaven and glory in the high - est.

Celebrant Let us pray.

ASSIST US MERCIFULLY with your help, O Lord God of our salvation, that we may enter with joy upon the contemplation of those mighty acts, whereby you have given us life and immortality; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE HOLY GOSPEL

John 12:12-16

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.

The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**



Entry of Christ into Jerusalem, (c 1430), Pietro di Giovanni D'Ambrogio (c 1410-1449)

THE BLESSING OVER THE BRANCHES

Celebrant *People*

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

Celebrant

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

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. On this day he entered the holy city of Jerusalem in triumph, and was proclaimed as King of kings by those who spread their garments and branches of palm along his way.

All raise their palms

Let these branches be for us signs of his victory, and grant that we who bear them in his name may ever hail him as our King, 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.**

Celebrant

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

People

Ho - san - na in the high - est.

AT THE PROCESSION

Celebrant *People*

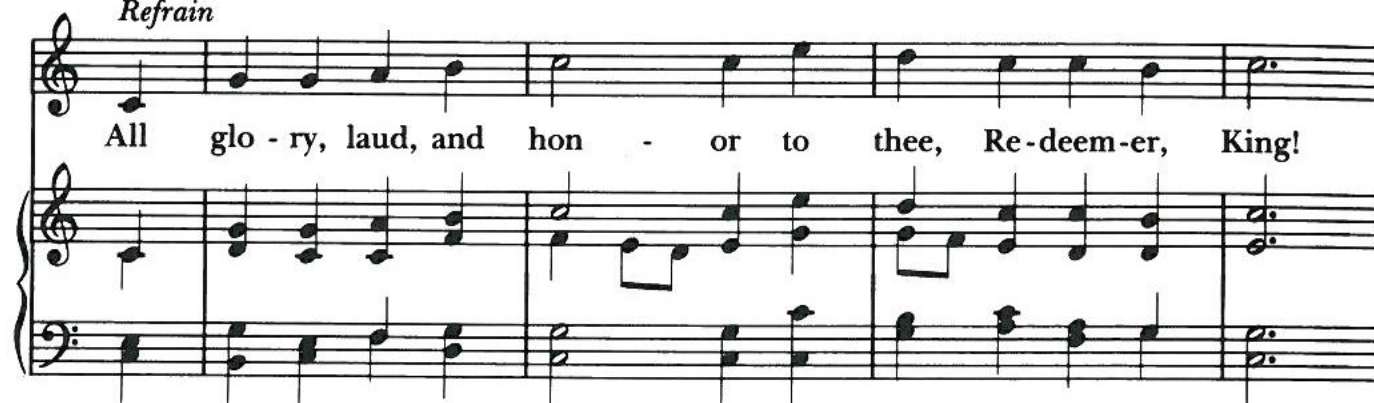
Let us go forth in peace. In the name of Christ. A - men.

Please join in singing the hymn on the following page.

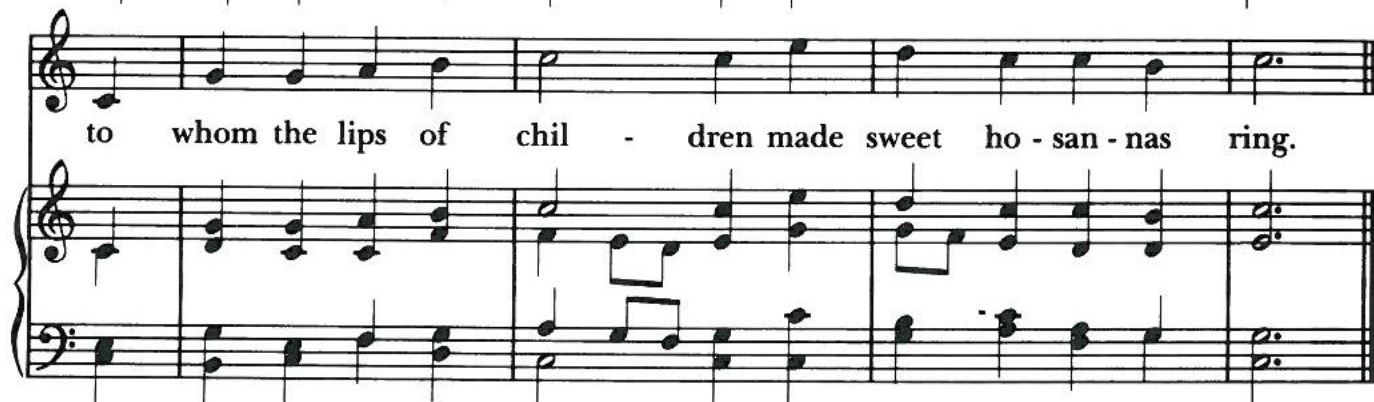


HYMN IN PROCESSION, No. 154

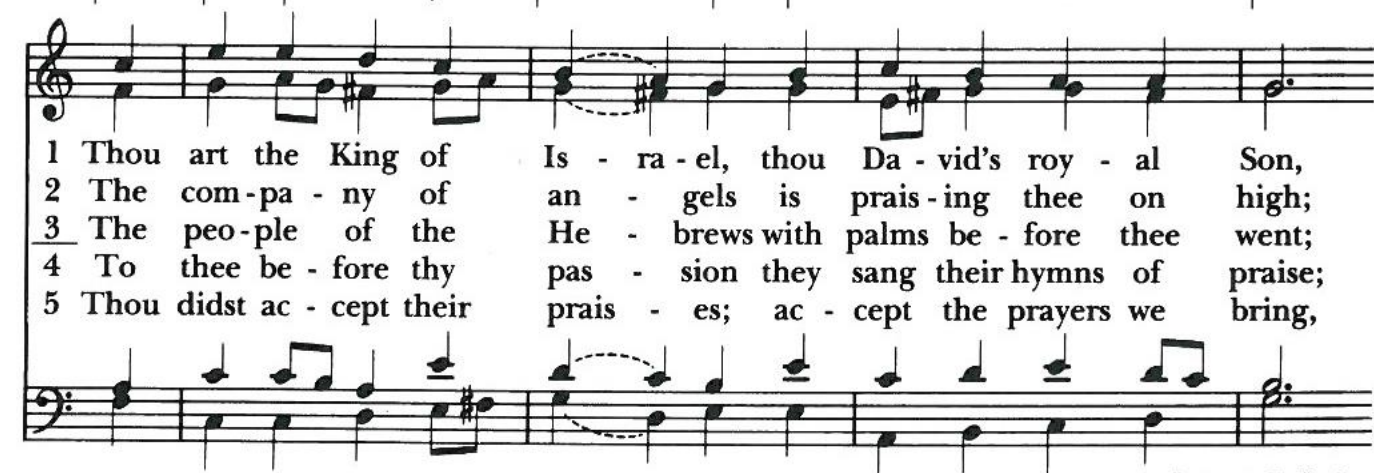
Refrain



All glo - ry, laud, and hon - or to thee, Re-deem-er, King!

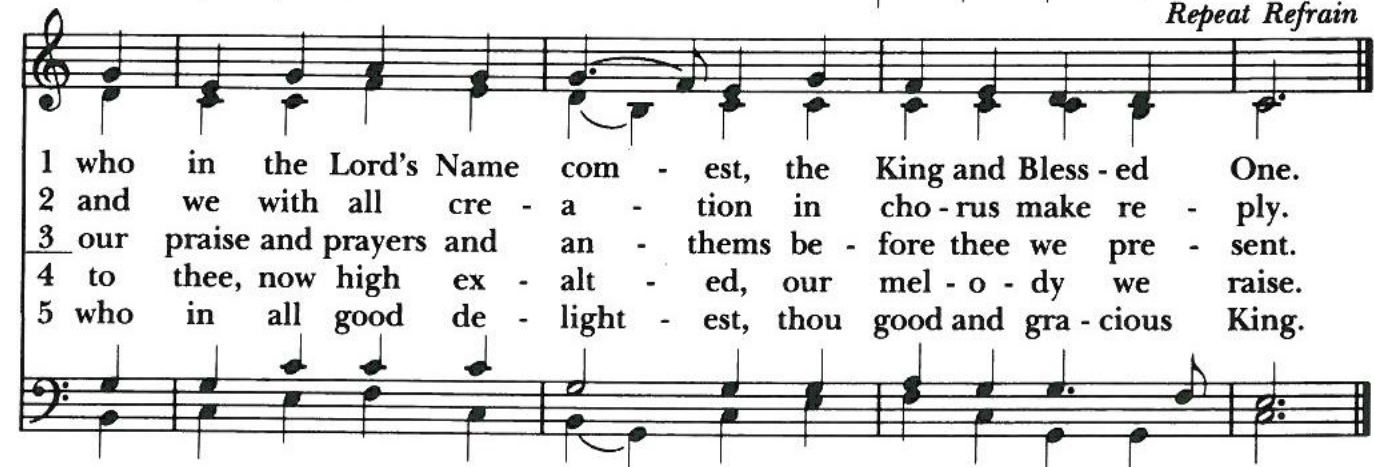


to whom the lips of chil - dren made sweet ho - san - nas ring.



1 Thou art the King of Is - ra - el, thou Da - vid's roy - al Son,
 2 The com - pa - ny of an - gels is prais - ing thee on high;
 3 The peo - ple of the He - brews with palms be - fore thee went;
 4 To thee be - fore thy pas - sion they sang their hymns of praise;
 5 Thou didst ac - cept their prais - es; ac - cept the prayers we bring,

Repeat Refrain



1 who in the Lord's Name com - est, the King and Bless - ed One.
 2 and we with all cre - a - tion in cho - rus make re - ply.
 3 our praise and prayers and an - thems be - fore thee we pre - sent.
 4 to thee, now high ex - alt - ed, our mel - o - dy we raise.
 5 who in all good de - light - est, thou good and gra - cious King.

Words: Theodulph of Orleans (d. 821); tr. John Mason Neale (1818-1866), alt.
 Music: Valet will ich dir geben, melody Melchior Teschner (1584-1635), alt.; harm. William Henry Monk (1823-1889)

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

THE SALUTATION AND COLLECT

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

ALMIGHTY AND EVERLIVING GOD, in your tender love for the human race you sent your Son our Savior Jesus Christ to take upon him our nature, and to suffer death upon the cross, giving us the example of his great humility: Mercifully grant that we may walk in the way of his suffering, and also share in his resurrection; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Please be seated for the lessons.

THE LESSONS

THE OLD TESTAMENT READING

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 awakens — awakens 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

In te, Domine, speravi

Sung by the Choir

⁹ Have mercy on me O LORD, for I am in trouble; *

my eye is consumed with sorrow, and also my throat and my belly.

¹⁰ For my life is wasted with grief, and my years with sighing; *

my strength fails me because of affliction, and my bones are consumed.

¹¹ I have become a reproach to all my enemies, and even to my neighbors, *

a dismay to those of my acquaintance; when they see me in the street they avoid me.

¹² I am forgotten like a dead man, out of mind; *

I am as useless as a broken pot.

¹³ For I have heard the whispering of the crowd; fear is all around; *

they put their heads together against me; they plot to take my life.

¹⁴ But as for me, I have trusted in you O LORD. *

I have said, “You are my God.

¹⁵ My times are in your hand; *

rescue me from the hand of my enemies, and from those who persecute me.

¹⁶ Make your face to shine upon your servant, *

and in your loving kindness save me.”

Anglican Chant by Joseph Barnby (1838-1896)

THE EPISTLE READING

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

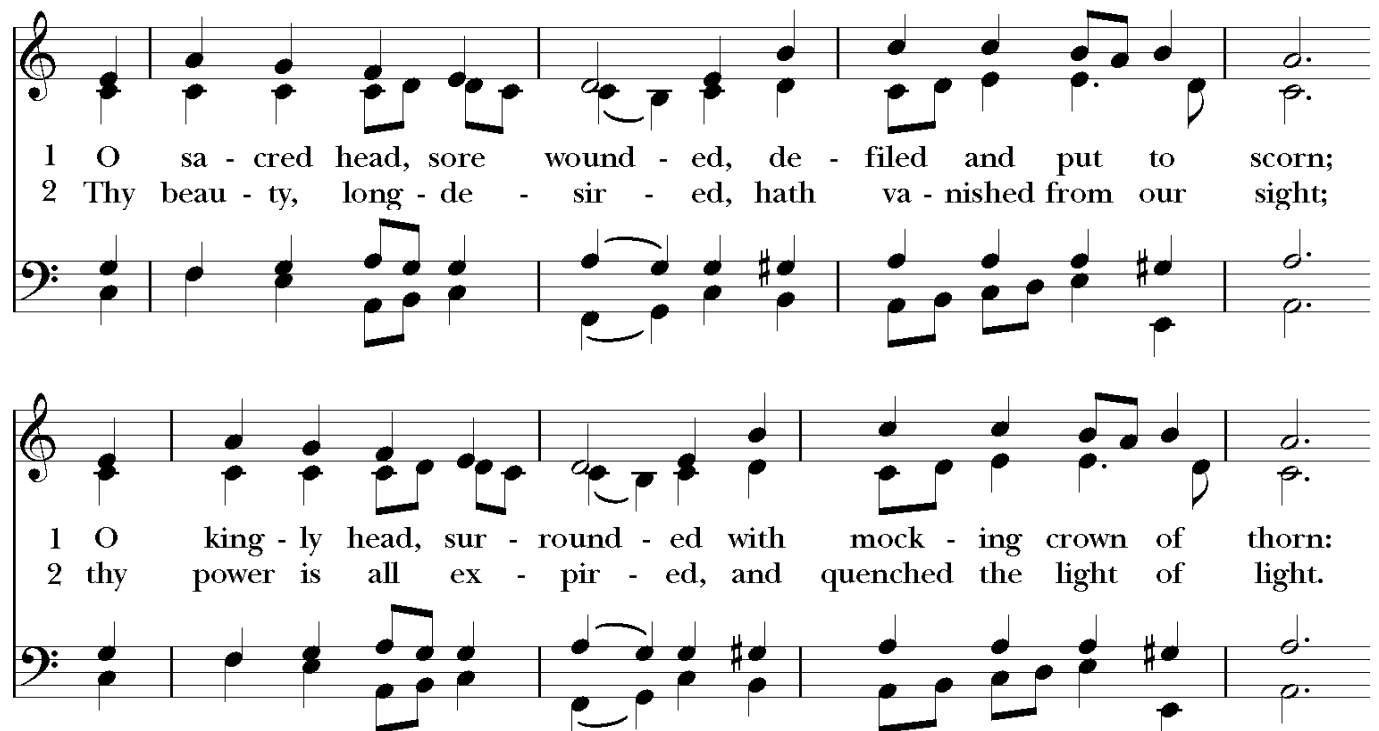
Thanks be to God.



Please stand to sing

THE SEQUENCE HYMN 168

Stanzas 1 & 2 only



The musical score is written for two stanzas of a hymn. It features a treble and bass clef staff with a key signature of one sharp (F#). The melody is primarily in the treble clef, with the bass clef providing a harmonic accompaniment. The lyrics are written below the notes, with two parts indicated by '1' and '2'.

1 O sa - cred head, sore wound - ed, de - filed and put to scorn;
2 Thy beau - ty, long - de - sir - ed, hath va - nished from our sight;

1 O king - ly head, sur - round - ed with mock - ing crown of thorn:
2 thy power is all ex - pir - ed, and quenched the light of light.

1 what sor - row mars thy gran - deur? Can death thy bloom de - flower?
 2 Ah me! for whom thou di - est, hide not so far thy grace:

1 O coun - te - nance whose splen - dor the hosts of heaven a - dore!
 2 show me, O Love most high - est, the bright - ness of thy face.

THE PASSION OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST ACCORDING TO MARK

The Gospel is read by the Deacon with the customary responses before and after omitted.

*The Congregation is seated until bidden to stand and recites all text in **bold**.*

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, “Are you the King of the Jews?” He answered him, “You say so.” Then the chief priests accused him of many things. Pilate asked him again, “Have you no answer? See how many charges they bring against you.” 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, “Do you want me to release for you the King of the Jews?” 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, “Then what do you wish me to do with the man you call the King of the Jews?” They shouted back, **“Crucify him!”** Pilate asked them, “Why, what evil has he done?” But they shouted all the more, **“Crucify him!”** 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, **“Hail, King of the Jews!”** 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.

Please stand as you are able at the mention of the place called The Skull.

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, **"Aha! You who would destroy the temple and build it in three days, save yourself, and come down from the cross!"** In the same way the chief priests, along with the scribes, were also mocking him among themselves and saying, **"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."** 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, "Eloi, Eloi, lema sabachthani?" which means, "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?" When some of the bystanders heard it, they said, **"Listen, he is calling for Elijah."** And someone ran, filled a sponge with sour wine, put it on a stick, and gave it to him to drink, saying, **"Wait, let us see whether Elijah will come to take him down."** 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, "Truly this man was God's Son!"

A period of silence is kept.

HYMN 168

Stanza 3

3. In thy most bit - ter pas - sion my heart to share doth cry,

with thee for my sal - va - tion up - on the cross to die.

Ah, keep my heart thus mov - ed to stand thy cross be - neath,

to mourn thee, well - be - lov - ed, yet thank thee for thy death.

Words: Paul Gerhardt (1607-1676); Sts. 1-3, tr. Robert Seymour Bridges (1844-1930)
Music: Herzlich tut mich verlangen [Passion Chorale], Hans Leo Hassler (1564-1612);
adapt. and harm. Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

The Intercessor and People pray responsively

In the name of Jesus, the name that is above every name, let us offer our intercessions to God.
 We pray that the Church, teaching in the name of Christ, may sustain the weary with a word of courage, righteousness, and hope.

God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We pray that civil authorities may open their ears and listen to the voices that cry out for food, for dignity, and for peace.

God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We pray that those who face insult and degradation because of race, religious belief or political conviction may be supported by the disciples of the Lord.

God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We pray that, as we celebrate this Holy Week, we may empty ourselves as Christ Jesus did, serving in unselfish love.

God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We remember especially *Sarah, Diana, Ruby, Lola, Charles Joyce, Miriam Ganache, Sylvia Chase, Phyllis Noke, Linda Jones, Nyree Sylvia, Brian Lockett, Ken Scanlan, and the Jarrett family.* Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit.

God, in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

We pray for those suffering from the coronavirus, either through illness, loneliness, unemployment, or anxiety, for all those caring for the sick, those seeking treatments and

vaccines for the virus, and all those whose work places them in harm's way. May this pandemic depart from the face of the earth, and may those who suffer in its wake be healed.

God, in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others, including those we name now either aloud or in the silence of our hearts.

The Celebrant adds a concluding collect.

THE PEACE

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

WELCOME AND PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE HOLY COMMUNION

AT THE OFFERTORY, ANTHEM

SURELY HE HATH BORNE OUR GRIEFS, and carried our sorrows!
He was wounded for our transgressions, He was bruised for our iniquities;
the Chastisement of our peace was upon Him.

Words: Isaiah 53:4-5

Music: From Messiah, Part the Second, HWV 56, George Frederic Händel (1685-1759)

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 God thanks and praise.

Celebrant

IT IS RIGHT, AND A GOOD AND JOYFUL THING, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, through Jesus Christ our Lord. For our sins he was lifted high upon the cross, that he might draw the whole world to himself; and, by his suffering and death, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who put their trust in him. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

SANCTUS & BENEDICTUS

Sung by the Choir

SANCTUS, SANCTUS, SANCTUS
Dominus Deus Sabaoth.
Pleni sunt cæli et terra gloria tua.
Hosanna in excelsis.

*Holy, Holy, Holy,
Lord God of hosts,
Heaven and earth are full of thy glory:
Glory be to thee, O Lord most high.*

BENEDICTUS QUI VENIT
in nomine Domini.
Hosanna in excelsis.

*Blessed is he that cometh
in the Name of the Lord,
Hosanna in the Highest.*

Setting: Missa Dominicalis, Tomas Luis de Victoria (1548-1611)

Celebrant

HOLY AND GRACIOUS FATHER: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

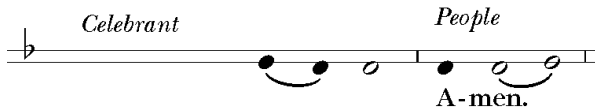
Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Celebrant

WE CELEBRATE THE MEMORIAL OF OUR REDEMPTION, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever.



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

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.**

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Celebrant Christ, our Passover, is sacrificed for us.

People **Therefore, let us keep the feast.**

THE COMMUNION

The Celebrant receives the consecrated wine first, after which, the Choir and Clergy receive the consecrated bread. Those who are participating in the service 'virtually' and that have a pre-sanctified host, may consume it at this time. If you do not have a pre-consecrated wafer, but would still like to participate in the sacrament, we invite you to pray the following prayer during the communion.

A PRAYER FOR SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

St. Alphonsus Liguori (1696-1797)

I BELIEVE THAT YOU, O CHRIST,

are present in the most holy Sacrament of the Altar;

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, and I unite myself to you as if you were already there.

Never permit me to be separated from you!

**O Lord Christ, let the sweet and consuming force of your love absorb my whole soul,
that I may die for the love of you, who was pleased to die for the love of me. Amen.**

AGNUS DEI

Sung by the Choir

AGNUS DEI, qui tollis peccata mundi,
miserere nobis.

*O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,
have mercy upon us.*

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi,
dona nobis pacem.

*O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,
grant us Thy peace.*

Setting: Missa Dominicalis, T. Luis de Victoria

We stand and say together

THE POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

ALMIGHTY AND EVERLIVING GOD, we thank you for feeding us
with the spiritual food of the most precious **Body and Blood**
of your Son our Savior **Jesus Christ**;
and for assuring us in these holy mysteries
that we are living members of the **Body of your Son**,
and heirs of your eternal kingdom.
And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do,
to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of **Christ our Lord**.
To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory,
now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE SOLEMN PRAYER AND BLESSING OVER THE PEOPLE

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 to suffer death upon the cross; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.

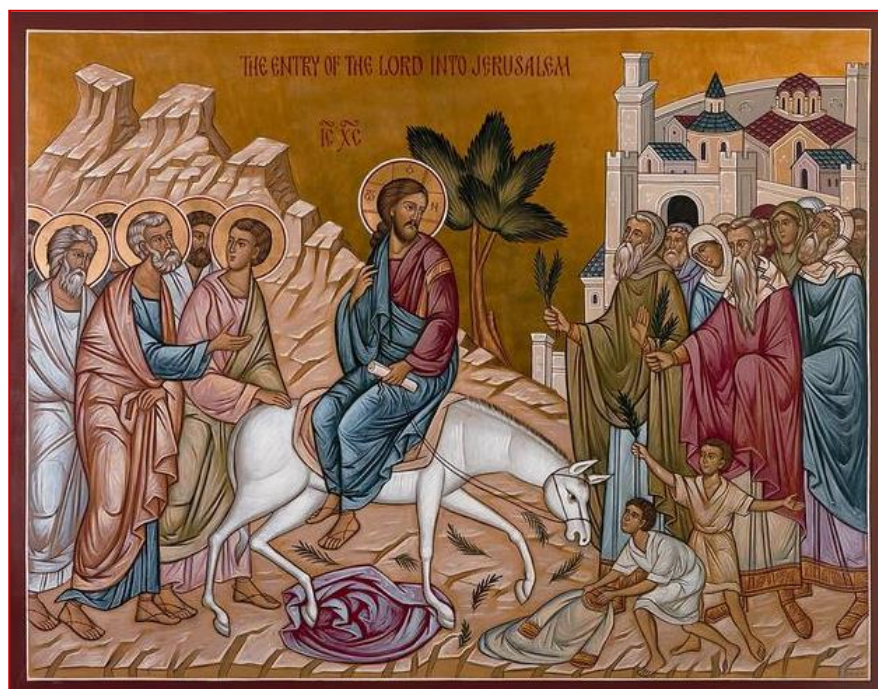
People **Amen.**

THE DISMISSAL

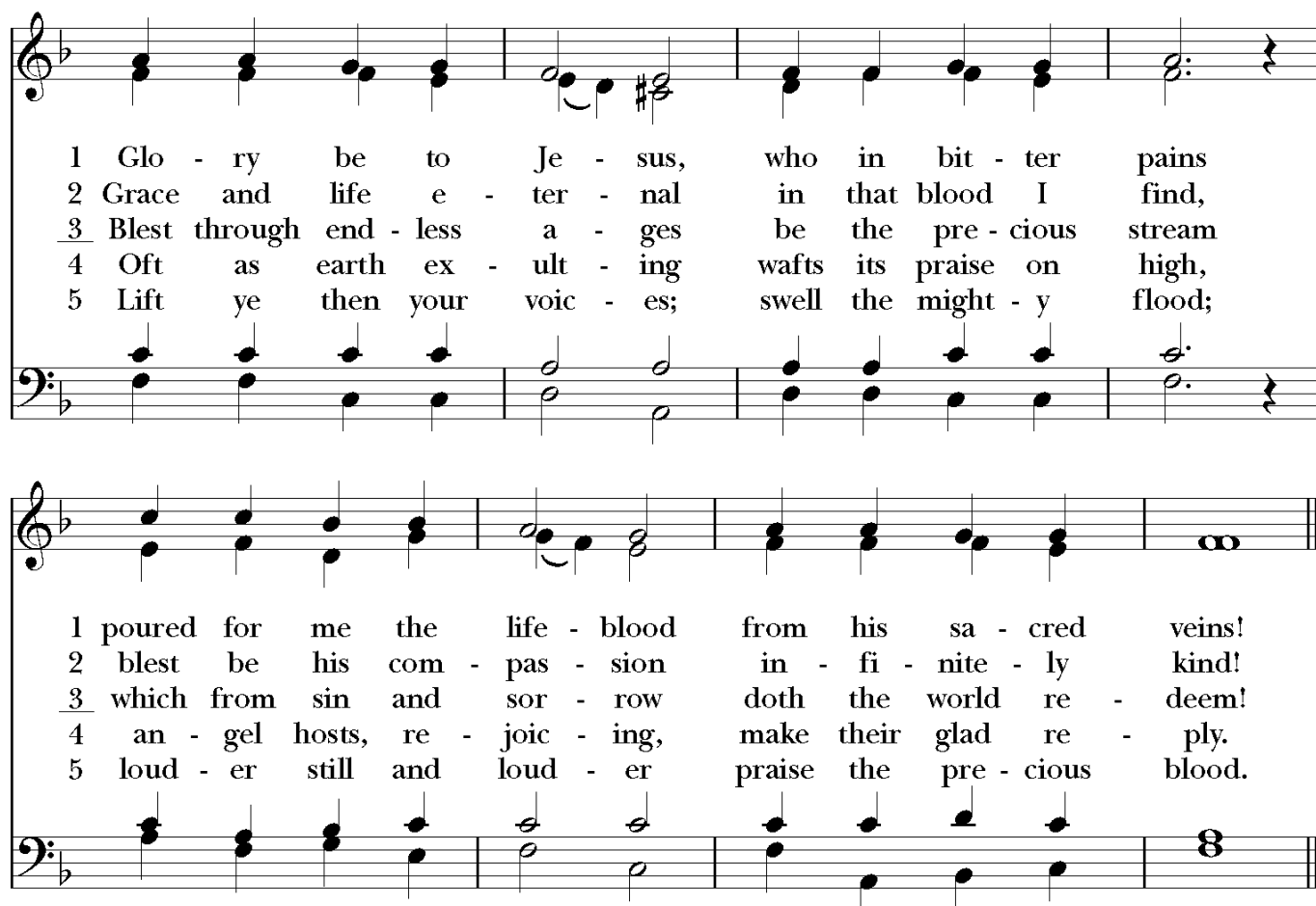
Deacon Let us bless the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Please join in singing the hymn on the following page.



THE CLOSING HYMN 479



1 Glo - ry be to Je - sus, who in bit - ter pains
 2 Grace and life e - ter - nal in that blood I find,
 3 Blest through end - less a - ges be the pre - cious stream
 4 Oft as earth ex - ult - ing wafts its praise on high,
 5 Lift ye then your voic - es; swell the might - y flood;

1 poured for me the life - blood from his sa - cred veins!
 2 blest be his com - pas - sion in - fi - nite - ly kind!
 3 which from sin and sor - row doth the world re - deem!
 4 an - gel hosts, re - joic - ing, make their glad re - ply.
 5 loud - er still and loud - er praise the pre - cious blood.

Words: Italian, 18th cent.; tr. Edward Caswall (1814-1878), alt.
 Music: *Wem in Leidenstagen*, Friedrich Filitz (1804-1860)

VOLUNTARY

Herzlich tut mich verlangen, BWV 727

J.S. Bach

SERVING TODAY

Celebrant & Preacher: The Reverend Canon Jonathan Huyck

Deacon: The Reverend Hartwell Hylton

Crucifer, Lector, & Intercessor: Frank Ward

Audio/ Visual: Andrew Shapiro-Zysk



HOLY WEEK 2021 AT GRACE CHURCH

Spy Wednesday, March 31st

The Office of Tenebrae: A Service of Shadows

Live-streamed at 8:00 PM

Maundy Thursday, April 1st

Choral Eucharist with The Washing of Feet, Procession to the Altar of Repose, Stripping of the Altar, and Spiritual Communion

Live-streamed at 7:00 PM

The Garden Watch in The Chapel of the Messiah

Live-streamed from 8:00 PM – 12 Midnight

Good Friday, April 2nd

The Solemn Liturgy of The Passion

Live-streamed at 12 Noon

The Way of the Cross with Music

Live-streamed at 6:00 PM

Holy Saturday April 3rd

The Great Vigil, Renewal of Baptismal Vows, and the First Eucharist of Easter with Spiritual Communion

Live-streamed at 8:00 PM

The Feast of the Resurrection: Easter Day

Sunday, April 4th

Festal Choral Eucharist with Spiritual Communion

Live-streamed at 10:00 AM



STAFF AT GRACE

The Reverend Canon Jonathan Huyck – Rector
jhuyck@gracepvd.org

The Reverend Hartwell Hylton – Deacon
hhylton@gracepvd.org

Vince Edwards – Organist & Director of Music
vedwards@gracepvd.org

Christopher Barker – Director of Administration
cbarker@gracepvd.org

David Heinze – Associate Director of Music & Church Administration
dheinze@gracepvd.org

Mayeth Blanco – Sexton

Pedro Quinilla – Assistant Sexton

GRACE CHURCH VESTRY

Class of 2022

Carissa Mills
Lori Brown
Joel Goloskie
Nicholas Halar

Class of 2023

Liz Messier
Emily Pera
Frank Ward
Jeff Williams

Class of 2024

Diane Stamp
Joseph Berryhill
Michael D'Alesandre
Anaezi Modu



GRACE CHURCH IN PROVIDENCE

300 Westminster Street • Providence • RI • 02903
401-331-3225 • www.GraceChurchProvidence.org

*All music in the service leaflet is reprinted with permission under onelicense.net.
License # A-722343*