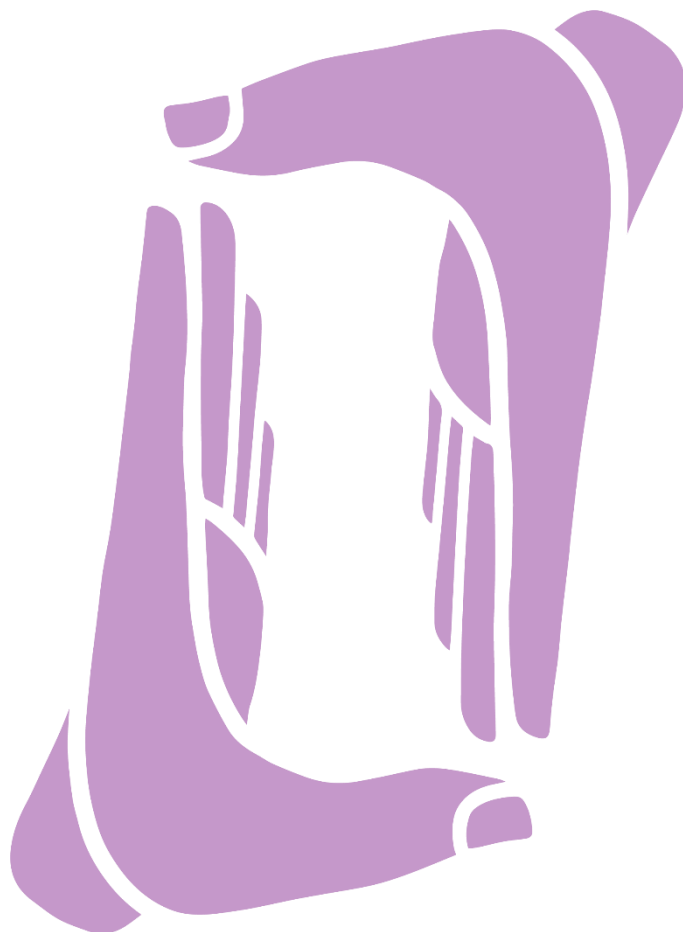


# *St. James Lutheran Church*



everything  
[in] between

**Between the Palms and the Thorns**

**Palm/Passion Sunday**

**Welcome to our Service**

# CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

*Please stand as you are able.*

## CALL TO WORSHIP

On this day, Jesus marched  
in between the city walls and the Temple,  
in between the joyful Hosannas and doubtful whispers,  
in between oppressive poetry and greedy power,  
in between rampant fear and hope unfurled.

On this day, Jesus marched in between what had been and what could be.

**So we may meet Christ in that liminal space.  
May we lay down our coats in that messy middle.**

Hosanna in the highest!

**Hosanna in between!**

## CALL TO and PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Friends, we are truth-tellers in the prayer of confession.  
We are honest about the fact that we are works in progress.

**We tell the truth of our lives.  
We lay it all out before God.**

But this moment of prayer isn't just about us.  
In the prayer of confession we also reveal who God is,  
and our God is merciful.

**Our God is slow to anger and  
abounding in steadfast love.**

So let us pray, knowing that God's truth will always mean  
grace for us.

Let us pray:

Great creator, forgive me  
when I speak before listening,  
when I speak over my neighbor,  
when I speak with barbed words.

Great creator, forgive me  
**when I listen to society,  
when I listen to my friends,  
when I listen to the news,  
but I do not listen to you.**

Great creator, forgive me  
**when I shout out, but do not shout out your name,  
when I listen, but do not listen for your voice.  
Forgive me.**

Create in me, a heart like yours.  
**Amen.**

*Time for silent reflection*

## **WORDS OF FORGIVENESS**

Friends, whether or not you stuck to your Lenten goals this year,  
whether or not this is your first time in church  
or your thousandth time,  
whether or not you know to speak to God  
or listen for God's voice,  
God listens to you.  
God is merciful.  
God is abounding in steadfast love.  
There is nothing you can do or leave undone  
that could keep God from loving you.

So hear and believe the good news of the gospel:


**We are seen. We are heard. We are loved. We are forgiven.  
Not a day goes by that we ever walk alone. Hosanna in the  
highest! Amen.**

# 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 is 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.

Text: Theodulph of Orleans, c. 760-821; tr. John M. Neale, 1818-1866, alt.  
Music: VALET WILL ICH DIR GEBEN, Melchior Teschner, 1584-1635

## GREETING

Sisters and brothers in Christ, beloved children of God: grace, mercy,  
and peace be with you all.

**And also with you.**

## **A PRAYER ON THE WAY TO JERUSALEM**

O Living God, age after age the children of dust  
make their way to holy places to seek you,  
**yet you are closer than hands or feet.**

In temples and in churches  
people make sacrifices and offerings,  
**but what you seek is the love  
and well-being of your children.**

Your Word promises that those whose hands are clean  
and whose hearts are pure can climb the heavenly hill;  
**but who are we to do that?**

On our journey through life our hearts and our hands  
have become stained and dirtied.

If we have stretched out our hands in greed,  
or lust, or love of money,  
**Lord, cleanse us by your mercy.**

If our hearts have been sullied by pride or resentment,  
**Lord, cleanse us by your mercy.**

If we have turned aside from our pilgrimage  
to follow the world's ways,  
or to seek false gods,  
or spirits other than your Holy Spirit,  
**Lord, cleanse us by your mercy.**

Lord, you forgive the sins of all who turn to you in sincerity; you cleanse  
the penitent heart from all uncleanness.

**Lord, set our course according to your word  
so that we may take up afresh the challenge  
of the journey to the holy city.**

**Give us new strength to follow you on your way,  
so that even we may ascend the hill of the Lord  
and stand in the holy place.**

**Through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen**

## **GOING UP TO JERUSALEM**

Loving God, at this time,

**we remember that going up to Jerusalem cost Jesus his very life.**

So we come before you,

**conscious of the way religious words  
and holy phrases  
can slip so easily from our lazy lips  
and our hardened hearts.**

What do we really know of your mountainous truth,  
your rock-hard integrity,

the depth of your suffering for love of us all?

**Forgive us for the shallowness of our faith,  
and the timidity of our following:  
forgive us for the ready excuses we make  
for going our own way and claiming it as yours.**

Turn us round again, we pray, by your Holy Spirit,  
active within us and among us.

**Show us how to be open again to your faithfulness  
and to your freedom, that we may live new lives  
and be again bearers of the seeds  
of the Kingdom of Jesus.**

## **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Let us pray together:

**Speaking God, most days we are inundated with noise. Some of it is good — laughter, music, storytelling. Some of it is hard — arguments, slurs, the sound of bomber planes. Every day we live between silence and shouting, rotating through quiet and noise. So, in the midst of this messy middle, help us to hear what is yours. Help us to hear your song, your story, your good news. Help us to hear your voice, your Spirit, your will. And show us how to release the rest. We are listening. Amen.**

# THE HOLY GOSPEL ACCORDING TO THE 22<sup>ND</sup> CHAPTER OF LUKE.

## Glory to you, O Lord.

### **C:** *Congregation Responds*

**Narrator** Jesus came out and went, as was his custom, to the Mount of Olives; and the disciples followed him. When he reached the place, he said to them,

**Jesus** “Pray that you may not come into the time of trial.”

**Narr** Then he withdrew from them about a stone’s throw, knelt down, and prayed,

**Jesus** “Father, if you are willing, remove this cup from me; yet, not my will but yours be done.”

**Narr** Then an angel from heaven appeared to him and gave him strength. In his anguish he prayed more earnestly, and his sweat became like great drops of blood falling down on the ground. When he got up from prayer, he came to the disciples and found them sleeping because of grief, and he said to them,

**Jesus** “Why are you sleeping? Get up and pray that you may not come into the time of trial.”

**Narr** While he was still speaking, suddenly a crowd came, and the one called Judas, one of the twelve, was leading them. He approached Jesus to kiss him; but Jesus said to him,

**Jesus** “Judas, is it with a kiss that you are betraying the Son of Man?”

**Narr** When those who were around him saw what was coming, they asked,

**C** “**Lord, should we strike with the sword?**”

**Narr** Then one of them struck the slave of the high priest and cut off his right ear. But Jesus said,

**Jesus** “No more of this!”

**Narr** And he touched his ear and healed him. Then Jesus said to the chief priests, the officers of the temple police, and the elders who had come for him,

**Jesus** “Have you come out with swords and clubs as if I were a bandit? When I was with you day after day in the temple, you did not lay hands on me. But this is your hour, and the power of darkness!”

**Narr** Then they seized him and led him away, bringing him into the high priest's house. But Peter was following at a distance. When they had kindled a fire in the middle of the courtyard and sat down together, Peter sat among them. Then a servant-girl, seeing him in the firelight, stared at him and said,

**Servant** "This man also was with him."

**Narr** But he denied it, saying,

**Peter** "Woman, I do not know him."

**Narr** A little later someone else, on seeing him, said,

**Witness 1** "You also are one of them."

**Peter** "Man, I am not!"

**Narr** Then about an hour later still another kept insisting,

**Witness 2** "Surely this man also was with him; for he is a Galilean."

**Peter** "Man, I do not know what you are talking about!"

**Narr** At that moment, while he was still speaking, the cock crowed. The Lord turned and looked at Peter. Then Peter remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said to him,

**Jesus** "Before the cock crows today, you will deny me three times."

**Narr** And he went out and wept bitterly.

Now the men who were holding Jesus began to mock him and beat him; they also blindfolded him and kept asking him,

**C** "Prophecy! Who is it that struck you?"

**Narr** They kept heaping many other insults on him.

When day came, the assembly of the elders of the people, both chief priests and scribes, gathered together, and they brought him to their council. They said,

**C** "If you are the Messiah, tell us."

**Jesus** "If I tell you, you will not believe; and if I question you, you will not answer. But from now on the Son of Man will be seated at the right hand of the power of God."

**C** "Are you, then, the Son of God?"

**Jesus** "You say that I am."



**C** **“What further testimony do we need? We have heard it ourselves from his own lips!”**

**Narr** Then the assembly rose as a body and brought Jesus before Pilate. They began to accuse him, saying,

**C** **"We found this man perverting our nation, forbidding us to pay taxes to the emperor, and saying that he himself is the Messiah, a king."**

**Pilate** "Are you the king of the Jews?"

**Jesus** "You say so."

**Narr** Then Pilate said to the chief priests and the crowds,

**Pilate** "I find no basis for an accusation against this man."

**C** **"He stirs up the people by teaching throughout all Judea, from Galilee where he began even to this place."**

**Narr** When Pilate heard this, he asked whether the man was a Galilean. And when he learned that he was under Herod's jurisdiction, he sent him off to Herod, who was himself in Jerusalem at that time. When Herod saw Jesus, he was very glad, for he had been wanting to see him for a long time, because he had heard about him and was hoping to see him perform some sign.

He questioned him at some length, but Jesus gave him no answer. The chief priests and the scribes stood by, vehemently accusing him. Even Herod with his soldiers treated him with contempt and mocked him; then he put an elegant robe on him and sent him back to Pilate. That same day Herod and Pilate became friends with each other; before this they had been enemies.

Pilate then called together the chief priests, the leaders, and the people, and said to them,

**Pilate** "You brought me this man as one who was perverting the people; and here I have examined him in your presence and have not found this man guilty of any of your charges against him. Neither has Herod, for he sent him back to us. Indeed, he has done nothing to deserve death. I will therefore have him flogged and release him."

**C** **"Away with this fellow! Release Barabbas for us!"**

**Narr** *Barabbas* was a man who had been put in prison for an insurrection that had taken place in the city, and for murder. Pilate, wanting to release Jesus, addressed them again; but they kept shouting,

**C** **"Crucify, crucify him!"**

**Narr** A third time he said to them,

**Pilate** "Why, what evil has he done? I have found in him no ground for the sentence of death; I will therefore have him flogged and then release him."

**Narr** But they kept urgently demanding with loud shouts that he should be crucified; and their voices prevailed. So, Pilate gave his verdict that their demand should be granted. He released the man they asked for, the one who had been put in prison for insurrection and murder, and he handed Jesus over as they wished.

As they led him away, they seized a man, Simon of Cyrene, who was coming from the country, and they laid the cross on him, and made him carry it behind Jesus. A great number of the people followed him, and among them were women who were beating their breasts and wailing for him. But Jesus turned to them and said,

**Jesus** "Daughters of Jerusalem, do not weep for me, but weep for yourselves and for your children. For the days are surely coming when they will say, 'Blessed are the barren, and the wombs that never bore, and the breasts that never nursed.' Then they will begin to say to the mountains, 'Fall on us'; and to the hills, 'Cover us.' For if they do this when the wood is green, what will happen when it is dry?"

**Narr** Two others also, who were criminals, were led away to be put to death with him. When they came to the place that is called The Skull, they crucified Jesus there with the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. Then Jesus said,

**Jesus** "Father, forgive them; for they do not know what they are doing."

**Narr** And they cast lots to divide his clothing. And the people stood by, watching; but the leaders scoffed at him, saying,

**C** **"He saved others; let him save himself if he is the Messiah of God, his chosen one!"**

**Narr** The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine, and saying,

**C** **"If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!"**

**Narr** There was also an inscription over him, "This is the King of the Jews."  
One of the criminals who were hanged there kept deriding him and saying,

**Crim 1** "Are you not the Messiah? Save yourself and us!"

**Narr** But the other rebuked him, saying,

**Crim 2** "Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? And we indeed have been condemned justly, for we are getting what we deserve for our deeds, but this man has done nothing wrong."

"Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom."

**Jesus** "Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in Paradise."

**Narr** It was now about noon, and darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon, while the sun's light failed; and the curtain of the temple was torn in two. Then Jesus, crying with a loud voice, said,

**Jesus** "Father, into your hands I commend my spirit."

**Narr** Having said this, he breathed his last. When the centurion saw what had taken place, he praised God and said,

**Cent** "Certainly this man was innocent."

**Narr** And when all the crowds who had gathered there for this spectacle saw what had taken place, they returned home, beating their breasts. But all his acquaintances, including the women who had followed him from Galilee, stood at a distance, watching these things.

Now there was a good and righteous man named Joseph, who, though a member of the council, had not agreed to their plan and action. He came from the Jewish town of Arimathea, and he was waiting expectantly for the kingdom of God. This man went to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus. Then he took it down, wrapped it in a linen cloth, and laid it in a rock-hewn tomb where no one had ever been laid. It was the day of Preparation, and the sabbath was beginning. The women who had come with him from Galilee followed, and they saw the tomb and how his body was laid. Then they returned, and prepared spices and ointments.

On the sabbath they rested according to the commandment.

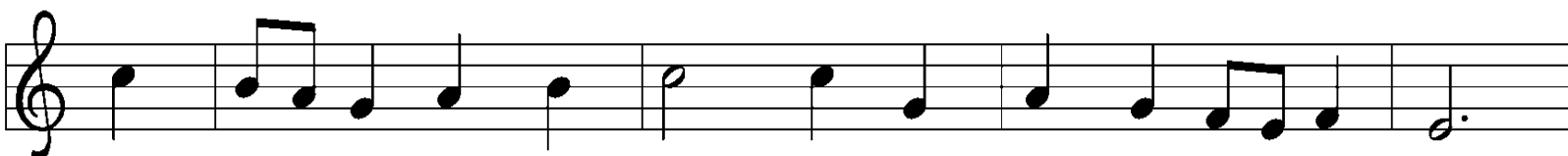
# O Sacred Head, Now Wounded



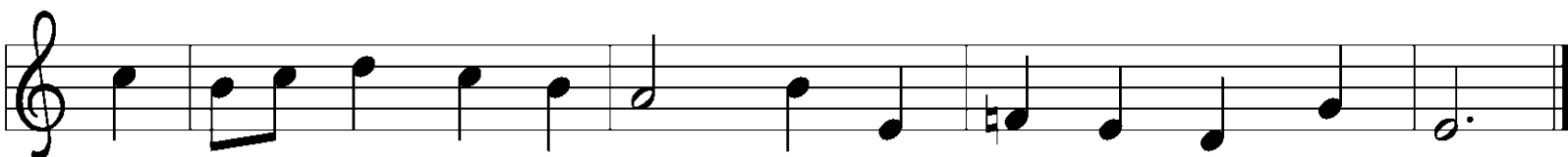
1 O sa - cred head, now wound - ed, with grief and shame weighed down,  
2 How pale thou art with an - guish, with sore a - buse and scorn;  
3 What lan - guage shall I bor - row to thank thee, dear - est friend,  
4 Lord, be my con - so - la - tion; shield me when I must die;



now scorn - ful - ly sur - round - ed with thorns, thine on - ly crown;  
how does thy face now lan - guish, which once was bright as morn!  
for this thy dy - ing sor - row, thy pit - y with - out end?  
re - mind me of thy pas - sion when my last hour draws nigh.



O sa - cred head, what glo - ry, what bliss till now was thine!  
Thy grief and bit - ter pas - sion were all for sin - ners' gain;  
Oh, make me thine for - ev - er, and should I faint - ing be,  
These eyes, new faith re - ceiv - ing, from thee shall nev - er move;



Yet, though de - spised and gor - y, I joy to call thee mine.  
mine, mine was the trans - gres - sion, but thine the dead - ly pain.  
Lord, let me nev - er, nev - er out - live my love to thee.  
for all who die be - liev - ing die safe - ly in thy love.

Text: Paul Gerhardt, 1607–1676, based on Arnulf of Louvain, d. 1250; tr. composite

Music: HERZLICH TUT MICH VERLANGEN, German melody, c. 1500; adapt. Hans Leo Hassler, 1564–1612

*Please rise as able*

## **AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

Let us affirm our faith with the following words:

**We believe that many years ago  
a peaceful parade wove its way  
through the streets of Jerusalem.**

**We believe that on that day  
the people cried out,  
longing and praying for a better world.**

**We believe that these longings  
came from a place of deep hope,  
and we believe  
that hope cannot be silenced.**

**So we listen for the Spirit.**

**We sing Hosanna.**

**We pay attention.**

**For in between the silence and the song,  
we believe the Spirit is speaking.**

**Amen.**

## **PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

When the reader says: "God, in Your mercy."

Please respond: "**Receive our prayer.**"

## **THE PEACE**

The peace of Christ be with you always.

**And also with you.**

*The people may greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace and may say, "Peace be with you," or similar words.*

## **OFFERING**

*Please be seated as we gather the offering for the mission of the church.  
Your gifts of thankfulness enable us to spread the Good News of God's  
love.*

*Please stand as you are able as we sing.*

## **GIVE THANKS**

**Give thanks with a grateful heart**

**Give thanks to the Holy One**

**Give thanks because He's given**

**Jesus Christ His Son (2x)**

**And now let the weak say I am strong**

**Let the poor say I am rich**

**Because of what The Lord has done for us (2x)**

**Give thanks (3x)**

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## **OFFERING PRAYER**

Let us pray.

**Gracious Provider, you set your immense treasures among us, opening your heart to the world. As we prepare to feast on your bountiful love, deepen our commitment to sharing those treasures with others, through our Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.**

## **EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER**

Friends, this is the joyful feast of unity.

Christ has gathered his people around the earth to commune at this table.

Across political lines and economic lines, in places of powerfully protected affluence, and among the poorest of the poor, we share a meal, remembering and celebrating the One who proved shalom possible.

And so, come: you from the East and you from the West, from the North and from the South.

Come. Come with your doubts, come with your hopes, come with your inadequacies and with your strengths. Come, for this is a table where all are invited and all are welcome.

On the night in which he was betrayed, Our Lord Jesus Christ 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."*

## **LORD'S PRAYER**

**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.**

## **INVITATION TO THE TABLE**

All who are hungry, come! The feast of grace is spread.  
**Amen.**

*Please be seated. As a church of the ELCA we welcome all people to the table to receive our Lord's meal and experience Christ's presence. Come forward to receive an empty cup from the tray. Then come forward to receive the wafer and wine (or grape juice, no cup needed). If you prefer, pre-packaged cups are available (Gluten free are available and have printing on them). Non-communing persons may come forward to receive a blessing.*

## **BLESSING AFTER COMMUNION**

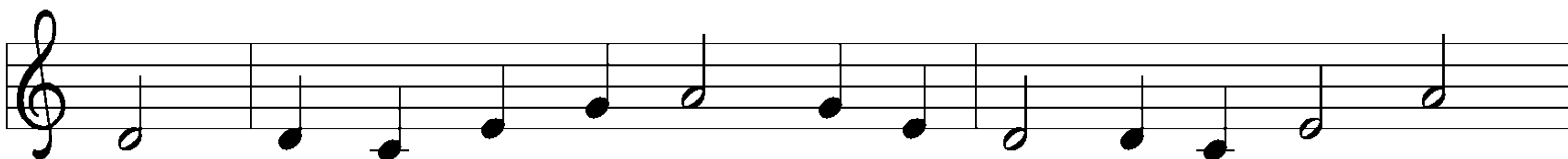
May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and keep you in his grace.  
**Amen.**

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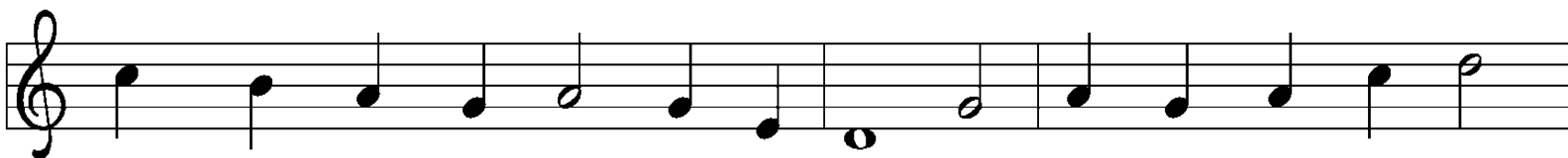
Let us pray.

**Generous Host, you have shared your feast with us and made us new. Send us now to set tables of love and grace in our communities, that your liberating love might nourish the world into freedom, in the name of the crucified one, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

# What Wondrous Love Is This



1 What won-drous love is this, O my soul, O my soul! What  
2 When I was sink - ing down, sink - ing down, sink - ing down, when  
3 To God and to the Lamb I will sing, I will sing; to  
4 And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on, I'll sing on; and



won - drous love is this, O my soul! What won-drous love is this  
I was sink - ing down, sink - ing down, when I was sink - ing down  
God and to the Lamb I will sing; to God and to the Lamb,  
when from death I'm free, I'll sing on; and when from death I'm free,



that caused the Lord of bliss to bear the dread-ful curse for my  
be - neath God's righ-teous frown, Christ laid a - side his crown for my  
who is the great I AM, while mil - lions join the theme, I will  
I'll sing God's love for me, and through e - ter - ni - ty I'll sing



soul, for my soul, to bear the dread-ful curse for my soul?  
soul, for my soul, Christ laid a - side his crown for my soul.  
sing, I will sing, while mil - lions join the theme, I will sing.  
on, I'll sing on; and through e - ter - ni - ty I'll sing on.

Text: North American folk hymn, 19th cent., alt.

Music: WONDROUS LOVE, W. Walker, *Southern Harmony*, 1835



## **BLESSING**

As you leave this place, may you find God in every messy middle.  
May you know that the world is bigger than two sides.  
May you trust that you are made in the image of God,  
and therefore, you contain multitudes.

So may you move through this world with an open heart,  
with a curious mind, and with confidence that you do not go alone.  
God is with you in the mountains, in the valleys,  
and everywhere in between.

Believe that good news and go in peace.

**Amen**

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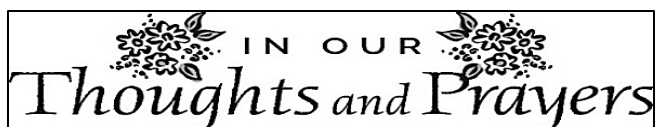
Go in peace. Care for others as God cares for you.

**Thanks be to God.**

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**The Prayer List is available in the Narthex** – You may submit names after receiving the person’s permission for their name to be shared publicly. Please share your name so we may follow up on the progress of your loved one.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

TODAY	11:00 AM	EASTER EGG HUNT
TUE., APRIL 15	7:00 PM	CHOIR REHERSAL
WED., APRIL 16	6:00 PM 7:00 PM	LENTEN SOUP DINNER LENTEN DEVOTIONS
THU., APRIL 17	7:00 PM	MAUNDY THURSDAY SERVICE
FRI., APRIL 18	7:00 PM	GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE
SUN., APRIL 20	10:00 AM	EASTER SUNDAY WORSHIP <i>WITH ST. JAMES CHOIR</i>
MON., APRIL 21	7:30 PM	COUNCIL MEETING



# HOLY WEEK

**APRIL 13 - APRIL 20**

**APRIL 13** **PALM/PASSION SUNDAY**  
10:00 AM - WORSHIP  
11:00 AM - EGG HUNT

**APRIL 17** **MAUNDY THURSDAY**  
7:00 PM - SERVICE

**APRIL 18** **GOOD FRIDAY**  
7:00 PM - SERVICE

**APRIL 20** **EASTER SUNDAY**  
10:00 AM - WORSHIP  
WITH ST. JAMES CHOIR

**WEDNESDAY,**

**MAY 14<sup>TH</sup> 10:00 AM – 3:00 PM**

The American Red Cross will be holding a blood drive, with the support of the Presbyterian Church of Hammonton.



It is a simple way to make a difference in someone's life. One donation can save more than one life! If you are interested, please sign up on the bulletin board located in the Narthex.

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**We need your help:** Please help with set up and clean-up, assist with communion. We also need readers (scriptures are sent out prior so that you can read over them). We will train you. Please help. Thank you.

<b>Worship Ministers</b>	<b>This Week: 04/13/25</b>	<b>Next Week: 04/20/25</b>
Reader	<b>Narrative Readings {Multiple Readers}</b>	Judy May
Communion Assistants	Volunteers Needed	Volunteers Needed
Altar Guild	Betty Pollock & Rose Jones	Betty Pollock & Rose Jones



*Our theme, “Everything In Between,” invites us to navigate the polarities in our lives with more faith, intention, and openness to be transformed. You will see that each weekly sub-theme explores two supposed binaries, like “faith & works” or “rest & growth,” or “grief & hope.” We often consider these ideas to be opposing. However, as we explore these concepts within the scriptures, we find nuance and complexity. We find that these dichotomies are false. We might begin to see a full spectrum instead of black and white. We might find that God is present in between.*

*And so, this season, we invite you to look beyond black and white binaries and easy answers. We encourage you to engage in the weekly art and reflections at your own pace, imagining where God might be meeting us beyond the categories we create. This Lent, we're trusting that God shows up in shades of gray, rainbow hues, and everywhere in between.*  
*Artfully yours,*

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