

**CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF THE ADVENT**  
**IN THE CITY OF BIRMINGHAM**

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ELEVEN O'CLOCK

*in the Nave*

MARCH 29, 2026

*Palm Sunday*

Holy Communion

# WELCOME!

We are delighted to have you join us today.

If you are visiting and are interested in learning more about the Advent, please complete an information card (located in the pew rack in front of you) so we can get to know you better.

Except for hymns, page numbers listed in the bulletin refer to the Book of Common Prayer in the pew racks. Hymns are found in the blue Hymnal.

The Lord be with you.



## ADULT CLASSES

*Adult Classes take place from 10:15 to 10:50 a.m. and will be available online at [AdventBirmingham.org/Audio](http://AdventBirmingham.org/Audio).*

**The Dean's Class** (Refectory) – *Courage to Share Your Faith* – Mark Mattes

**Biblical “Barrenness”** (Living Room) – *God's Hope in Israel's History* – Derrill McDavid

**The Poor You Always Have With You...** (Assembly Hall) – Adam Young and Lisa Yeager

**20s and 30s Class** (Lower School Library) – *How Do Sunday Mornings Get to the Heart of Things: What Does Good News Feel Like?* – Will Fagan

VOLUNTARY

Valet will ich dir geben, BWV 736

Johann Sebastian Bach

THE PEOPLE STAND.

INTROIT

Thomas Weelkes

Hosanna to the Son of David.

Blessed be the King that cometh in the name of the Lord.

Thou that sittest in the highest heav'ns.

*Hosanna in excelsis Deo.*

*-Matthew 21:9*

THE LITURGY OF THE PALMS

Celebrant: Blessed is the King who cometh in the name of the Lord.

**People: Peace in heaven and glory in the highest.**

Celebrant: Let us pray.

THE PEOPLE REMAIN STANDING.

Assist us mercifully with thy help, O Lord God of our salvation, that we may enter with joy upon the contemplation of those mighty acts, whereby thou hast given us life and immortality; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

A READING FROM THE GOSPEL  
ACCORDING TO ST. MATTHEW.

Now when they drew near to Jerusalem and came to Bethphage, to the Mount of Olives, then Jesus sent two disciples, <sup>2</sup>saying to them, “Go into the village in front of you, and immediately you will find a donkey tied, and a colt with her. Untie them and bring them to me. <sup>3</sup>If anyone says anything to you, you shall say, ‘The Lord needs them,’ and he will send them at once.” <sup>4</sup>This took place to fulfill what was spoken by the prophet, saying, <sup>5</sup>“Say to the daughter of Zion, ‘Behold, your king is coming to you, humble, and mounted on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a beast of burden.’” <sup>6</sup>The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them. <sup>7</sup>They brought the donkey and the colt and put on them their cloaks, and he sat on them. <sup>8</sup>Most of the crowd spread their cloaks on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. <sup>9</sup>And the crowds that went before him and that followed him were shouting, “Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest!” <sup>10</sup>And when he entered Jerusalem, the whole city was stirred up, saying, “Who is this?” <sup>11</sup>And the crowds said, “This is the prophet Jesus, from Nazareth of Galilee.” (21:1-11)

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

**People: And with thy spirit.**

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**People: It is meet and right so to do.**

Celebrant: It is right to praise thee, Almighty God, for the acts of love by which thou hast redeemed us through thy 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. 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 liveth and reigneth in glory with thee and the Holy Spirit, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Celebrant: Blessed is he who cometh in the Name of the Lord.

**People: Hosanna in the highest.**

Celebrant: Let us go forth in peace.

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

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

**People: And with thy spirit.**

Celebrant: Let us pray.

THE PEOPLE KNEEL.

Almighty and everlasting God, who, of thy tender love towards mankind, hast sent thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ to take upon him our flesh, and to suffer death upon the cross, that all mankind should follow the example of his great humility: Mercifully grant that we may both follow the example of his patience, and also be made partakers of his resurrection; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

A READING FROM THE EPISTLE OF ST. PAUL  
TO THE PHILIPPIANS.

Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, <sup>6</sup>who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, <sup>7</sup>but emptied himself, by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. <sup>8</sup>And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. <sup>9</sup>Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, <sup>10</sup>so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, <sup>11</sup>and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father. (2:5-11)

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

THE PEOPLE STAND.



1. Ride on! ride on in ma - jes - ty! Hark! all the tribes ho - san - na cry; Thy
2. Ride on! ride on in ma - jes - ty! In low - ly pomp ride on to die; O
3. Ride on! ride on in ma - jes - ty! The an - gel ar - mies of the sky Look
4. Ride on! ride on in ma - jes - ty! Thy last and fierc - est strife is nigh; The
5. Ride on! ride on in ma - jes - ty! In low - ly pomp ride on to die; Bow



hum - ble beast pur - sues his road With palms and scat - tered gar - ments strowed.  
 Christ, thy tri - umphs now be - gin O'er cap - tive death and con - quered sin.  
 down with sad and won - dering eyes to see th'ap - proach - ing sac - ri - fice.  
 Fa - ther on his sap - phire throne Ex - pects his own a - noint - ed Son.  
 thy meek head to mor - tal pain, Then take, O God, thy power, and reign.

*Words: Henry Hart Milman*

*Music: harm. William Henry Monk*

THE PEOPLE SIT. THE CUSTOMARY RESPONSES BEFORE AND AFTER THE GOSPEL ARE OMITTED.

## THE PASSION OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST ACCORDING TO ST. MATTHEW.

Then one of the twelve, whose name was Judas Iscariot, went to the chief priests <sup>15</sup>and said, "What will you give me if I deliver him over to you?" And they paid him thirty pieces of silver. <sup>16</sup>And from that moment he sought an opportunity to betray him. <sup>17</sup>Now on the first day of Unleavened Bread the disciples came to Jesus, saying, "Where will you have us prepare for you to eat the Passover?" <sup>18</sup>He said, "Go into the city to a certain man and say to him, 'The Teacher says, My time is at hand. I will keep the Passover at your house with my disciples.'" <sup>19</sup>And the disciples did as Jesus had directed them, and they prepared the Passover. <sup>20</sup>When it was evening, he reclined at table with the twelve. <sup>21</sup>And as they were eating, he said, "Truly, I say to you, one of you will betray me." <sup>22</sup>And they were very sorrowful and began to say to him one after another, "Is it I, Lord?" <sup>23</sup>He answered, "He who has dipped his hand in the dish with me will betray me. <sup>24</sup>The Son of Man goes as it is written of him, but woe to that man by whom the Son of Man is betrayed! It would have been better for that man if he had not been born." <sup>25</sup>Judas, who would betray him, answered, "Is it I, Rabbi?" He said to him, "You have said so." <sup>26</sup>Now as they were eating, Jesus took bread, and after blessing it

broke it and gave it to the disciples, and said, "Take, eat; this is my body."<sup>27</sup> And he took a cup, and when he had given thanks he gave it to them, saying, "Drink of it, all of you,<sup>28</sup> for this is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins.<sup>29</sup> I tell you I will not drink again of this fruit of the vine until that day when I drink it new with you in my Father's kingdom."<sup>30</sup> And when they had sung a hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives.<sup>31</sup> Then Jesus said to them, "You will all fall away because of me this night. For it is written, 'I will strike the shepherd, and the sheep of the flock will be scattered.'<sup>32</sup> But after I am raised up, I will go before you to Galilee."<sup>33</sup> Peter answered him, "Though they all fall away because of you, I will never fall away."<sup>34</sup> Jesus said to him, "Truly, I tell you, this very night, before the rooster crows, you will deny me three times."<sup>35</sup> Peter said to him, "Even if I must die with you, I will not deny you!" And all the disciples said the same.<sup>36</sup> Then Jesus went with them to a place called Gethsemane, and he said to his disciples, "Sit here, while I go over there and pray."<sup>37</sup> And taking with him Peter and the two sons of Zebedee, he began to be sorrowful and troubled.<sup>38</sup> Then he said to them, "My soul is very sorrowful, even to death; remain here, and watch with me."<sup>39</sup> And going a little farther he fell on his face and prayed, saying, "My Father, if it be possible, let this cup pass from me; nevertheless, not as I will, but as you will."<sup>40</sup> And he came to the disciples and found them sleeping. And he said to Peter, "So, could you not watch with me one hour?<sup>41</sup> Watch and pray that you may not enter into temptation. The spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak."<sup>42</sup> Again, for the second time, he went away and prayed, "My Father, if this cannot pass unless I drink it, your will be done."<sup>43</sup> And again he came and found them sleeping, for their eyes were heavy.<sup>44</sup> So, leaving them again, he went away and prayed for the third time, saying the same words again.<sup>45</sup> Then he came to the disciples and said to them, "Sleep and take your rest later on. See, the hour is at hand, and the Son of Man is betrayed into the hands of sinners.<sup>46</sup> Rise, let us be going; see, my betrayer is at hand."<sup>47</sup> While he was still speaking, Judas came, one of the twelve, and with him a great crowd with swords and clubs, from the chief priests and the elders of the people.<sup>48</sup> Now the betrayer had given them a sign, saying, "The one I will kiss is the man; seize him."<sup>49</sup> And he came up to Jesus at once and said, "Greetings, Rabbi!" And he kissed him.<sup>50</sup> Jesus said to him, "Friend, do what you came to do." Then they came up and laid hands on Jesus and seized him.<sup>51</sup> And behold, one of those who were with Jesus stretched out his hand and drew his sword and struck the servant of the high priest and cut off his ear.<sup>52</sup> Then

Jesus said to him, "Put your sword back into its place. For all who take the sword will perish by the sword. <sup>53</sup>Do you think that I cannot appeal to my Father, and he will at once send me more than twelve legions of angels? <sup>54</sup>But how then should the Scriptures be fulfilled, that it must be so?" <sup>55</sup>At that hour Jesus said to the crowds, "Have you come out as against a robber, with swords and clubs to capture me? Day after day I sat in the temple teaching, and you did not seize me. <sup>56</sup>But all this has taken place that the Scriptures of the prophets might be fulfilled." Then all the disciples left him and fled. <sup>57</sup>Then those who had seized Jesus led him to Caiaphas the high priest, where the scribes and the elders had gathered. <sup>58</sup>And Peter was following him at a distance, as far as the courtyard of the high priest, and going inside he sat with the guards to see the end. <sup>59</sup>Now the chief priests and the whole council were seeking false testimony against Jesus that they might put him to death, <sup>60</sup>but they found none, though many false witnesses came forward. At last two came forward <sup>61</sup>and said, "This man said, 'I am able to destroy the temple of God, and to rebuild it in three days.'" <sup>62</sup>And the high priest stood up and said, "Have you no answer to make? What is it that these men testify against you?" <sup>63</sup>But Jesus remained silent. And the high priest said to him, "I adjure you by the living God, tell us if you are the Christ, the Son of God." <sup>64</sup>Jesus said to him, "You have said so. But I tell you, from now on you will see the Son of Man seated at the right hand of Power and coming on the clouds of heaven." <sup>65</sup>Then the high priest tore his robes and said, "He has uttered blasphemy. What further witnesses do we need? You have now heard his blasphemy. <sup>66</sup>What is your judgment?" They answered, "He deserves death." <sup>67</sup>Then they spit in his face and struck him. And some slapped him, <sup>68</sup>saying, "Prophecy to us, you Christ! Who is it that struck you?" <sup>69</sup>Now Peter was sitting outside in the courtyard. And a servant girl came up to him and said, "You also were with Jesus the Galilean." <sup>70</sup>But he denied it before them all, saying, "I do not know what you mean." <sup>71</sup>And when he went out to the entrance, another servant girl saw him, and she said to the bystanders, "This man was with Jesus of Nazareth." <sup>72</sup>And again he denied it with an oath: "I do not know the man." <sup>73</sup>After a little while the bystanders came up and said to Peter, "Certainly you too are one of them, for your accent betrays you." <sup>74</sup>Then he began to invoke a curse on himself and to swear, "I do not know the man." And immediately the rooster crowed. <sup>75</sup>And Peter remembered the saying of Jesus, "Before the rooster crows, you will deny me three times." And he went out and wept bitterly. <sup>27:1</sup>When morning came, all the chief priests and the elders of the people took counsel against Jesus to put

him to death.<sup>2</sup> And they bound him and led him away and delivered him over to Pilate the governor.<sup>3</sup> Then when Judas, his betrayer, saw that Jesus was condemned, he changed his mind and brought back the thirty pieces of silver to the chief priests and the elders,<sup>4</sup> saying, "I have sinned by betraying innocent blood." They said, "What is that to us? See to it yourself."<sup>5</sup> And throwing down the pieces of silver into the temple, he departed, and he went and hanged himself.<sup>6</sup> But the chief priests, taking the pieces of silver, said, "It is not lawful to put them into the treasury, since it is blood money."<sup>7</sup> So they took counsel and bought with them the potter's field as a burial place for strangers.<sup>8</sup> Therefore that field has been called the Field of Blood to this day.<sup>9</sup> Then was fulfilled what had been spoken by the prophet Jeremiah, saying, "And they took the thirty pieces of silver, the price of him on whom a price had been set by some of the sons of Israel,<sup>10</sup> and they gave them for the potter's field, as the Lord directed me."<sup>11</sup> Now Jesus stood before the governor, and the governor asked him, "Are you the King of the Jews?" Jesus said, "You have said so."<sup>12</sup> But when he was accused by the chief priests and elders, he gave no answer.<sup>13</sup> Then Pilate said to him, "Do you not hear how many things they testify against you?"<sup>14</sup> But he gave him no answer, not even to a single charge, so that the governor was greatly amazed.<sup>15</sup> Now at the feast the governor was accustomed to release for the crowd any one prisoner whom they wanted.<sup>16</sup> And they had then a notorious prisoner called Barabbas.<sup>17</sup> So when they had gathered, Pilate said to them, "Whom do you want me to release for you: Barabbas, or Jesus who is called Christ?"<sup>18</sup> For he knew that it was out of envy that they had delivered him up.<sup>19</sup> Besides, while he was sitting on the judgment seat, his wife sent word to him, "Have nothing to do with that righteous man, for I have suffered much because of him today in a dream."<sup>20</sup> Now the chief priests and the elders persuaded the crowd to ask for Barabbas and destroy Jesus.<sup>21</sup> The governor again said to them, "Which of the two do you want me to release for you?" And they said, "Barabbas."<sup>22</sup> Pilate said to them, "Then what shall I do with Jesus who is called Christ?" They all said, "Let him be crucified!"<sup>23</sup> And he said, "Why? What evil has he done?" But they shouted all the more, "Let him be crucified!"<sup>24</sup> So when Pilate saw that he was gaining nothing, but rather that a riot was beginning, he took water and washed his hands before the crowd, saying, "I am innocent of this man's blood; see to it yourselves."<sup>25</sup> And all the people answered, "His blood be on us and on our children!"<sup>26</sup> Then he released for them Barabbas, and having scourged Jesus, delivered him to be crucified.<sup>27</sup> Then the soldiers of the governor took Jesus into the gover-

nor's headquarters, and they gathered the whole battalion before him.<sup>28</sup> And they stripped him and put a scarlet robe on him,<sup>29</sup> and twisting together a crown of thorns, they put it on his head and put a reed in his right hand. And kneeling before him, they mocked him, saying, "Hail, King of the Jews!"<sup>30</sup> And they spit on him and took the reed and struck him on the head.<sup>31</sup> And when they had mocked him, they stripped him of the robe and put his own clothes on him and led him away to crucify him.<sup>32</sup> As they went out, they found a man of Cyrene, Simon by name. They compelled this man to carry his cross.

#### THE PEOPLE STAND.

<sup>33</sup>And when they came to a place called Golgotha (which means Place of a Skull),<sup>34</sup> they offered him wine to drink, mixed with gall, but when he tasted it, he would not drink it.<sup>35</sup> And when they had crucified him, they divided his garments among them by casting lots.<sup>36</sup> Then they sat down and kept watch over him there.<sup>37</sup> And over his head they put the charge against him, which read, "This is Jesus, the King of the Jews."<sup>38</sup> Then two robbers were crucified with him, one on the right and one on the left.<sup>39</sup> And those who passed by derided him, wagging their heads<sup>40</sup> and saying, "You who would destroy the temple and rebuild it in three days, save yourself! If you are the Son of God, come down from the cross."<sup>41</sup> So also the chief priests, with the scribes and elders, mocked him, saying,<sup>42</sup> "He saved others; he cannot save himself. He is the King of Israel; let him come down now from the cross, and we will believe in him."<sup>43</sup> He trusts in God; let God deliver him now, if he desires him. For he said, 'I am the Son of God.'<sup>44</sup> And the robbers who were crucified with him also reviled him in the same way.<sup>45</sup> Now from the sixth hour there was darkness over all the land until the ninth hour.<sup>46</sup> And about the ninth hour Jesus cried out with a loud voice, saying, "Eli, Eli, lema sabachthani?" that is, "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?"<sup>47</sup> And some of the bystanders, hearing it, said, "This man is calling Elijah."<sup>48</sup> And one of them at once ran and took a sponge, filled it with sour wine, and put it on a reed and gave it to him to drink.<sup>49</sup> But the others said, "Wait, let us see whether Elijah will come to save him."<sup>50</sup> And Jesus cried out again with a loud voice and yielded up his spirit.<sup>51</sup> And behold, the curtain of the temple was torn in two, from top to bottom. And the earth shook, and the rocks were split.<sup>52</sup> The tombs also were opened. And many bodies of the saints who had fallen asleep were raised,<sup>53</sup> and coming out of the tombs after his resurrection

they went into the holy city and appeared to many. <sup>54</sup>When the centurion and those who were with him, keeping watch over Jesus, saw the earthquake and what took place, they were filled with awe and said, “Truly this was the Son of God!” <sup>55</sup>There were also many women there, looking on from a distance, who had followed Jesus from Galilee, ministering to him, <sup>56</sup>among whom were Mary Magdalene and Mary the mother of James and Joseph and the mother of the sons of Zebedee. <sup>57</sup>When it was evening, there came a rich man from Arimathea, named Joseph, who also was a disciple of Jesus. <sup>58</sup>He went to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus. Then Pilate ordered it to be given to him. <sup>59</sup>And Joseph took the body and wrapped it in a clean linen shroud <sup>60</sup>and laid it in his own new tomb, which he had cut in the rock. And he rolled a great stone to the entrance of the tomb and went away. <sup>61</sup>Mary Magdalene and the other Mary were there, sitting opposite the tomb. <sup>62</sup>The next day, that is, after the day of Preparation, the chief priests and the Pharisees gathered before Pilate <sup>63</sup>and said, “Sir, we remember how that impostor said, while he was still alive, ‘After three days I will rise.’ <sup>64</sup>Therefore order the tomb to be made secure until the third day, lest his disciples go and steal him away and tell the people, ‘He has risen from the dead,’ and the last fraud will be worse than the first.” <sup>65</sup>Pilate said to them, “You have a guard of soldiers. Go, make it as secure as you can.” <sup>66</sup>So they went and made the tomb secure by sealing the stone and setting a guard. (26:14-27:66)

## THE SERMON

The Rev. Will Fagan

## THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Let us pray for the whole state of Christ’s Church and the world.

THE PEOPLE KNEEL.

## CONFESSION OF SIN

Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

**Almighty God,**

**Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,**

**maker of all things, judge of all men:**

**We acknowledge and bewail our manifold sins and wickedness,**

**which we from time to time most grievously have committed,**

**by thought, word, and deed, against thy divine Majesty,**

**provoking most justly thy wrath and indignation against us.**

**We do earnestly repent, and are heartily sorry for these our misdoings;**

**the remembrance of them is grievous unto us, the burden of them is intolerable. Have**

**mercy upon us, have mercy upon us, most merciful Father;**

**for thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake,**

**forgive us all that is past;**

**and grant that we may ever hereafter serve and please thee in newness of life,**

**to the honor and glory of thy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all those who with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## THE COMFORTABLE WORDS

Hear the Word of God to all who truly turn to him:

Come unto me, all ye that travail and are heavy laden, and I will refresh you.

*-Matthew 11:28*

God so loved the world, that he gave his only-begotten Son, to the end that all that believe in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.

*-John 3:16*

This is a true saying, and worthy of all men to be received, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners.

*-1 Timothy 1:15*

If any man sin, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; and he is the perfect offering for our sins, and not for ours only, but for the sins of the whole world.

*-1 John 2:1-2*

## THE PEACE

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**People:** And with thy spirit.

THE PEOPLE SIT.

## THE WELCOME AND OFFERTORY SENTENCE

### MOTET

Orlando di Lasso

Tristis est anima mea usque ad mortem:  
Sustinete hic, et vigilate mecum:  
nunc videbitis turbam, quae circum dabit me:  
vos fugam capietis, et ego vadam immolari pro vobis.

*My soul is sorrowful even unto death:*

*Stay here, and watch with me:*

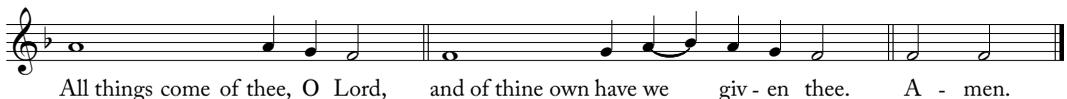
*Now you shall see the mob that will surround me:*

*You shall take flight, and I shall go to be sacrificed for you.*

*-adapted from Matthew 26:38 and Mark 14:34*

The Flemish composer Orlando di Lasso (1532-1594, also known as Orlando Lassus) is considered to be the most influential 16th century musician in Europe alongside Palestrina. He was an immensely prolific composer of over 2000 works in all French, German, Italian, and Latin vocal genres known at that time. Throughout his massive output of music, Lasso remained ever careful to depict every nuance of his text: not only rhythm and structure but also subtle shades of meaning and allusion. His well-known motet for five voices, *Tristis est anima mea*, offers a particularly rich example. Its text draws from the Passions of Matthew and Mark and is designated as the *Matins Responsory for Maundy Thursday*, though is equally appropriate for Palm Sunday. First published in 1565, the musical word painting of the motet's text gained it enough popularity to warrant republication posthumously in 1604 by Lasso's two sons. Indeed, Jesus' words to his disciples in the Garden of Gethsemane are painted with beauty and anguish, incomparable to any other composer's setting of the text.

THE PEOPLE STAND.



## THE HOLY COMMUNION

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Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

**People: And with thy spirit.**

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

**People: We lift them up unto the Lord.**

Celebrant: Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

**People: It is meet and right so to do.**

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God. *[A proper preface is added here.]* Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,

THE PEOPLE SING:

**Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts:  
Heaven and earth are full of thy glory.  
Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High.  
Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.**

THE PEOPLE KNEEL OR SIT, AS THE CELEBRANT CONTINUES WITH THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER.

All glory be to thee, Almighty God, our heavenly Father, for that thou, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption; who made there, by his one oblation of himself once offered, a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again...

...through Jesus Christ our Lord; By whom, and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. **Amen.**

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

### THE 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, for ever and ever. Amen.**

## THE PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS

**We do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord whose property is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.**

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

THE PEOPLE SIT.

## THE COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

*All baptized Christians are warmly invited to receive Communion. You may receive at the rail or one of the stations. If you prefer not to receive the wine, simply cross your arms across your chest after receiving the bread. To receive the wine, you may drink from the cup or dip the bread in the small vessel inside the cup. (If you are not baptized but would like to be, please see one of the ministers following the service.)*

## MOTET

Jacob Handl

Ecce quomodo moritur justus,  
et nemo percipit corde.

Viri justi tolluntur,  
et nemo considerat.

A facie iniquitatis  
sublatus est justus.

Et erit in pace memoria eius.

In pace factus est locus eius,  
et in Sion habitatio eius:

*Behold, see how the just man dieth  
and no man taketh it to heart.*

*How the just men are taken,  
and no one considereth*

*before the fact of the world's evil  
the good man is taken.*

*In peace and tranquility he shall be remembered.*

*His dwelling is in peace and in repose,  
and in Sion is his habitation.*

*-Isaiah 57:1-2*

Jacob Handl (1550-1591), also known as Jacobus Gallus, was a Slovenian composer. He spent a short period of time living in monasteries to “understand the muse and meditate on the shepherd’s pipe.” In the motet *Ecce quomodo moritur*, Handl beautifully sets this poignant text from Isaiah to music that exemplifies peace and tranquility.

## HYMN NO. 158

*Herzliebster Jesu*

Let us pray.

THE PEOPLE KNEEL.

**Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.**

## THE BLESSING

The peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

THE PEOPLE STAND.

## HYMN IN PROCESSION NO. 168

*Herzlich tut mich verlangen*

## THE DISMISSAL

Let us bless the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

PLEASE DEPART IN SILENCE AT THE CONCLUSION OF THE SERVICE.

THE GREENERY IS GIVEN TO THE GLORY OF GOD AND IN MEMORY OF

Anthony Barnhill

*by Shannon, Jeff, Will, and Ella Lisenby*

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*Come to me,  
all who labor and are heavy laden,  
and I will give you rest.*

Matthew 11.28

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