

INVOCATION

P In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

OPENING SENTENCES

P Look! The King is coming into the city at last.

C **Hosanna! The King comes to save his people.**

P Look! The King is coming, riding on a lowly donkey.

C **Hosanna! The King comes to us in humility.**

P Look! The King is coming with no sword.

C **Hosanna! The King comes to us with peace.**

P Look! The King is coming without soldiers and without an army.

C **Hosanna! The King comes to us with compassion and mercy.**

P Look! The King is coming with resolute determination and purpose.

C **Hosanna! The King comes to us to accomplish God's will.**

P Look! The King is coming with tears and sorrow.

C **Hosanna! The King comes to us to suffer and to die.**

Hymn "Ride on, Ride on In Majesty" LSB 441

COLLECT

P Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, You sent Your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ, to take upon Himself our flesh and to suffer death upon the cross. Mercifully grant that we may follow the example of His great humility and patience and be made partakers of His resurrection; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

JESUS ENTERS INTO JERUSALEM *St. Mark 10:32-34, 11:1-11*

CHOIR ANTHEM: "Hosanna!"

JESUS CLEANSSES THE TEMPLE *St. Mark 11:12-19*

"Jesus, I Will Ponder Now"

Grant that I your Passion view With repentant grieving,
Let me not bring shame to you By unholy living.
How could I refuse to shun Ev'ry sinful pleasure
Since for me God's only Son Suffered without measure?

JESUS TEACHES IN THE TEMPLE *St. Mark 11:20-25, 12:1-12*

"Jesus, I Will Ponder Now"

Jesus, I will ponder now On your holy Passion;
With your Spirit me endow For such meditation.
Grant that I in love and faith May the image cherish
Of your suff'ring, pain, and death That I may not perish.

JESUS IS ANOINTED AT BETHANY *St. Mark 14:1-11*

"Take My Life, O Lord, Renew"

Take my love; my Lord, I pour
At your feet its treasure store;
Take my self, Lord, let me be
Yours alone eternally

JESUS CELEBRATES THE PASSOVER *St. Mark 14:12-25*

CHOIR ANTHEM: "In an Upper Room"

JESUS PRAYS IN GETHSEMANE *St. Mark 14:26-50*

CHOIR ANTHEM: "See Him There"

JESUS STANDS TRIAL BEFORE THE JEWISH COUNCIL *St. Mark 14:53-65*

"O Dearest Jesus"

O dearest Jesus, what law have you broken
That such sharp sentence should on you be spoken?
Of what great crime have you to make confession,
What dark transgression?

PETER DENIES JESUS *St. Mark 14:66-72*

"O Dearest Jesus"

How strange is this great paradox to ponder:
The shepherd dies for sheep who love to wander;
The master pays the debt his servants owe him,

Who would not know him.

JESUS STANDS TRIAL BEFORE PILATE *St. Mark 15:1-20*

"O Sacred Head, Now Wounded"

O sacred Head, now wounded, With grief and shame weighed down, Now scornfully surrounded With thorns, Thine only crown. O sacred Head, what glory, What bliss, till now was Thine! Yet, though despised and gory, I joy to call Thee mine.

How pale Thou art with anguish, With sore abuse and scorn!
How doth Thy face now languish That once was bright as morn!
Grim death, with cruel rigor, Hath robbed Thee of Thy life;
Thus Thou hast lost Thy vigor, Thy strength, in this sad strife.

THE CRUCIFIXION *St. Mark 15:22-39, 42-46*

CHOIR ANTHEM: *"'Tis Finished!"*

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

P Lord in Your mercy
G Hear our prayer

LORD'S PRAYER

G 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.

JESUS RISES FROM THE GRAVE *St. Mark 16:1-20*

"I Know that My Redeemer Lives"

I know that my Redeemer lives; What comfort this sweet sentence gives!

He lives, He lives, who once was dead; He lives, my ever-living head.

He lives triumphant from the grave; He lives eternally to save;

He lives all-glorious in the sky; He lives exalted there on high.

CHOIR ANTHEMS: "He Is Risen"

"Resurrection Song"

HOMILY

THE CONCLUSION AND THE BEGINNING

CHOIR ANTHEM "Go Into the World"

CHOIR ANTHEM "The Lord Bless You and Keep You"

CLOSING HYMN "I Love to Tell the Story"

I love to tell the story Of unseen things above,
Of Jesus and His glory, Of Jesus and His love.
I love to tell the story, Because I know tis true;
It satisfies my longings As nothing else would do.

Refrain: I love to tell the story; 'Twill be my theme in glory
to tell the old, old story Of Jesus and his love.

I love to tell the story: 'Tis pleasant to repeat
What seems, each time I tell it, More wonderfully sweet!
I love to tell the story, For some have never heard
The message of salvation From God's own holy Word. *Refrain:*

I love to tell the story, For those who know it best
Seem hungering and thirsting To hear it like the rest.
And when, in scenes of glory, I sing the new, new song,
'Twill be the old, old story That I have loved so long. *Refrain:*

*Worshippers are invited to take home their palm branches
and place them near a cross for the coming year.*