



# *Preparation*

*We encourage you to take a few minutes to meditate on the LORD Who calls us and serves us through His Word and Sacraments.*

***Pray for those leading this Worship Service.***

*It should be noted that it is customary to not pronounce the divine name, so out of respect we continue this tradition, also noting that God gave us His name because He wants us to know Him (Ex. 3:14).*

✦ SERVICE OF THE WORD ✦  
HYMN OF INVOCATION

*Abide with Me*

LSB 878

# *Abide with Me*

LSB 878

Abide with me, fast falls the eventide.

The darkness deepens;

Lord, with me abide.

When other helpers fail and comforts flee,

Help of the helpless, O abide with me.

# *Abide with Me*

LSB 878

I need Thy presence ev'ry passing hour;  
What but Thy grace  
can foil the tempter's pow'r?  
Who like Thyself my guide and stay can be?  
Through cloud and sunshine,  
O abide with me.

# *Abide with Me*

LSB 878

Come not in terrors, as the King of kings,  
But kind and good,  
with healing in Thy wings;  
Tears for all woes, a heart for ev'ry plea.  
Come, Friend of sinners,  
thus abide with me.



# *Abide with Me*

LSB 878

Swift to its close ebbs out life's little day;  
Earth's joys grow dim,  
its glories pass away;  
Change and decay in all around I see;  
O Thou who changest not, abide with me.

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# *Abide with Me*

LSB 878

I fear no foe with Thee at hand to bless;  
Ills have no weight and tears no bitterness.  
Where is death's sting?  
Where grave thy victory?  
In life, in death, O Lord, abide with me.

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# *Abide with Me*

LSB 878

Hold Thou Thy cross  
before my closing eyes;  
Shine through the gloom,  
and point me to the skies.

# *Abide with Me*

LSB 878

Heav'n's morning breaks,  
and earth's vain shadows flee;  
In life, in death, O Lord, abide with me.

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*Luke 24:29; Ps. 63:6-8; 73:23-26; 1 Cor. 10:13*

# ✦ CALL TO WORSHIP ✦



*2 Samuel 6:15*

✠ INVOCATION AND CALL TO WORSHIP ✠

*(Please Stand)*

L: In the Name of the Father and of the  
Son ✠ and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

## ✚ INVOCATION AND CALL TO WORSHIP ✚

Sh'ma

שמע ישראל, יהוה אלהינו, יהוה אחד. ברוך שם כבוד מלכותו לעולם ועד.

*All: Sh'ma Yisrael, Adonai eloheinu, Adonai echad. Baruch shem k'vod mal'chuto, l'olam vaed.*

*(Translating the Hebrew, we pray and proclaim:)*

*All: Hear O Israel, the LORD our God, the LORD is One. Blessèd be His name, whose glorious kingdom is forever and ever.*

Dt. 6:4-9, 11:13-21; Nu. 15:37-41

✦ CONFESSIO AND ABSOLUTIO ✦

L: Out of the depths I cry to You, O LORD;

C: O LORD, hear my voice. Let Your ears be attentive to my cry for mercy.

L: If You, O LORD, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

C: But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.

✦ CONFESSIO AND ABSOLUTIO ✦

L: Beloved in the Lord! . . . Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C: who made heaven and earth.

L: I said I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

C: and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

*(Silence for personal reflection)*

Hebrews 10:22; Psalm 124:8;  
Psalm 32:5

✠ CONFESSIO AND ABSOLUTIO ✠

L: O almighty God, merciful Father,

*All: I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment.*

## ✠ CONFESSIO AND ABSOLUTIO ✠

*But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.*

✠ CONFESSIO AND ABSOLUTIO ✠

L: ...in the Name of the Father and of the  
Son ✠ and of the Holy Spirit.

*All: Amen.*

+ PROPHECY OF THE SUFFERING AND DEATH OF OUR LORD +

*(From Isaiah 53)*

L: Who has believed what he has heard from us? And to whom has the arm of the LORD been revealed?

C: For he grew up before him like a young plant, and like a root out of dry ground;

✦ PROPHECY OF THE SUFFERING AND DEATH OF OUR LORD ✦

*(From Isaiah 53)*

L: he had no form or majesty that we should look at him, and no beauty that we should desire him.

C: He was despised and rejected by men; a man of sorrows, and acquainted with grief;

✦ PROPHECY OF THE SUFFERING AND DEATH OF OUR LORD ✦

*(From Isaiah 53)*

L: and as one from whom men hide their faces he was despised, and we esteemed him not.

C: Surely he has borne our griefs and carried our sorrows; yet we esteemed him stricken, smitten by God, and afflicted.

✦ SERVICE OF THE WORD ✦  
ENTRANCE HYMN

*Stricken, Smitten and Afflicted*

LSB 441

# *Stricken, Smitten and Afflicted*

LSB 441

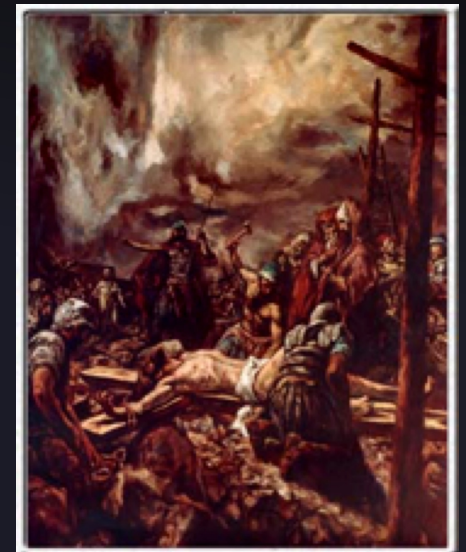
Stricken, smitten, and afflicted,  
See him dying on the tree!  
'Tis the Christ, by man rejected;  
Yes, my soul, 'tis He, 'tis He!



# *Stricken, Smitten and Afflicted*

LSB 441

'Tis the long expected Prophet,  
David's Son, yet David's Lord;  
Proofs I see sufficient of it:  
'Tis the true and faithful Word.



✦ PROPHECY OF THE SUFFERING AND DEATH OF OUR LORD ✦

*(From Isaiah 53)*

L: But he was wounded for our transgressions; he was crushed for our iniquities;

C: upon him was the chastisement that brought us peace, and with his stripes we are healed.

✦ PROPHECY OF THE SUFFERING AND DEATH OF OUR LORD ✦

*(From Isaiah 53)*

L: All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned--every one--to his own way;

C: and the LORD has laid on him the iniquity of us all.

# *Stricken, Smitten and Afflicted*

LSB 441

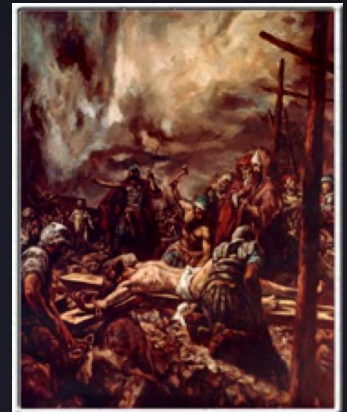
Tell me, ye who hear Him groaning,  
Was there ever grief like His?  
Friends through fear his cause disowning,  
Foes insulting His distress;



# *Stricken, Smitten and Afflicted*

LSB 441

Many hands were raised to wound Him,  
None would intervene to save;  
But the deepest stroke that pierced Him  
Was the stroke that justice gave.



✦ PROPHECY OF THE SUFFERING AND DEATH OF OUR LORD ✦

*(From Isaiah 53)*

**L:** He was oppressed, and he was afflicted,  
yet he opened not his mouth;

**C:** like a lamb that is led to the  
slaughter, and like a sheep that before its  
shearers is silent, so he opened not his  
mouth.

+ PROPHECY OF THE SUFFERING AND DEATH OF OUR LORD +

*(From Isaiah 53)*

**L: By oppression and judgment he was taken away;**

**C: and as for his generation, who considered that he was cut off out of the land of the living, stricken for the transgression of my people?**

✦ PROPHECY OF THE SUFFERING AND DEATH OF OUR LORD ✦

*(From Isaiah 53)*

L: And they made his grave with the wicked and with a rich man in his death,

C: although he had done no violence, and there was no deceit in his mouth.

# *Stricken, Smitten and Afflicted*

LSB 441

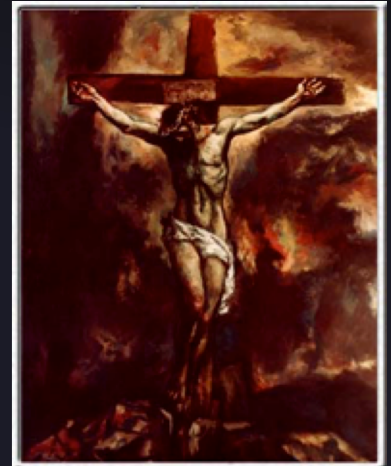
Ye who think of sin but lightly  
Nor suppose the evil great  
Here may view its nature rightly,  
Here its guilt may estimate.



# *Stricken, Smitten and Afflicted*

LSB 441

Mark the sacrifice appointed;  
See who bears the awful load;  
'Tis the Word, the Lord's anointed,  
Son of Man and Son of God.



+ PROPHECY OF THE SUFFERING AND DEATH OF OUR LORD +

*(From Isaiah 53)*

**L:** Yet it was the will of the LORD to crush him; he has put him to grief;

**C:** when his soul makes an offering for guilt, he shall see his offspring; he shall prolong his days; the will of the LORD shall prosper in his hand.

✦ PROPHECY OF THE SUFFERING AND DEATH OF OUR LORD ✦

*(From Isaiah 53)*

**L:** Out of the anguish of his soul he shall see and be satisfied;

**C:** by his knowledge shall the righteous one, my servant, make many to be accounted righteous, and he shall bear their iniquities.

✦ PROPHECY OF THE SUFFERING AND DEATH OF OUR LORD ✦

*(From Isaiah 53)*

L: Therefore I will divide him a portion with the many, and he shall divide the spoil with the strong, because he poured out his soul to death and was numbered with the transgressors;

C: yet he bore the sin of many, and makes intercession for the transgressors.

# *Stricken, Smitten and Afflicted*

LSB 441

Here we have a firm foundation;  
Here the refuge of the lost;  
Christ, the rock of our salvation,  
His the name of which we boast.



# *Stricken, Smitten and Afflicted*

LSB 441

Lamb of God, for sinners wounded,  
Sacrifice to cancel guilt!  
None shall ever be confounded  
Who on Him their hope have built.

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*Is. 53:3-6; Acts 4:11-12; Rom. 4:25*

✠ SERVICE OF THE WORD ✠  
KYRIE

*All (sung): Lord, have mercy upon us.  
Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have  
mercy upon us.*

✠ SERVICE OF THE WORD ✠  
SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

L: The Lord be with you.

C *(sung)*: And with thy spirit.

L: Let us pray. ... one God now and  
forever,

*All (sung): Amen.*

## + SERVICE OF THE WORD +

ברכו את יהוה המברך.

ברוך יהוה המברך לעולם ועד. ברוך אתה יהוה אלהינו מלך העולם, אשר בחר בנו מכל העמים, ונתן לנו את תורתו. ברוך אתה יהוה, נותן התורה. אמן.

***L: Borchu et Adonai hamvorach.***

*All (sung): Baruch Adonai hamvorach l'olam vaed. Baruch atah Adonai eloheinu melech ha'olam, asher bachar banu mikol ha'amim, v'natan lanu et torato. Baruch atah Adonai, noten hatorah. Omayn.*

## † SERVICE OF THE WORD †

*All: Bless the LORD who is blessed.  
Blessèd be the LORD who is to be blessed  
forever and ever. Blessèd art Thou, O  
LORD our God, King of the universe. You  
chose us from all peoples, giving us Your  
Torah; You are the Blessèd One, who gave  
us the Torah. Amen.*

## ✦ SERVICE OF THE WORD ✦

ויהי בנסע הארץ ויאמר משה, קומה יהוה ויפצו איביך וינסו משנאיך מפניך.  
כי מציון תצא תירה, ודבר יהוה מירושלים. ברוך שנתן תורה לעמו ישראל  
בקדשתו.

*L: Vai'hee bin'soah haAron viy'omair  
Moshe, kumah Adonai v'yohfutzu oy-  
vechah v'yohnusu m'sanecha mipanechah.  
Kee Mitzeeon taytsay Torah, oodvar  
Adonai mirushalayim. Baruch shenatan  
Torah l'amo Yisrael bikdushah-toe.*

## ✦ SERVICE OF THE WORD ✦

C: When the Ark would travel Moshe would say, “Arise O LORD, and let Your foes be scattered, let those who hate you flee from you.” For from Zion the Torah will come forth and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem. Blessèd is He who gave the Torah to His people Israel in His holiness.

# ✚ SERVICE OF THE WORD ✚ TORAH READING

תורה

Numbers 21:4-9



## ✦ SERVICE OF THE WORD ✦

ברוך אתה יהוה אלהינו מלך העולם, אשר בחר בנביאים טובים, ורצה בדבריהם הנאמרים באמת. ברוך אתה יהוה, הבוחר בתורה ובמשה עבדו, ובישראל עמו, ובנביאי האמת וצדק.

*L: Baruch atah Adonai eloheinu melech  
ha'olam, asher bachar bin'vi'im tovim  
v'ratzah v'divreihem hane'emarim be'emet.  
Baruch atah Adonai, habocher batorah  
uv'mosheh avdo, uv'Yisrael amo, uvin'vi-ay  
ha'emet vatzedek.*

## ✦ SERVICE OF THE WORD ✦

C: Blessèd art Thou, O LORD our God, King of the universe, who chose good prophets and truly favored their faithful words. Blessèd art Thou, O LORD, who has chosen the Torah, Moses Your servant, Israel Your people, and prophets of truth and righteousness.

✦ SERVICE OF THE WORD ✦  
READING FROM N'VAI'IM

נביאים

Isaiah 52:13-15



✦ SERVICE OF THE WORD ✦  
READING FROM T'HI'LIM

תהלים

Psalm 31



✦ SERVICE OF THE WORD ✦  
PSALM 31

L: : To the choirmaster. A Psalm of David. In you,  
O LORD, do I take refuge; let me never be | put to  
shame;\*

C: in your righteousness de- | liver me!

L: Incline your ear to me; rescue me | speedily!\*

C: Be a rock of refuge for me, a strong  
fortress to | save me!

✦ SERVICE OF THE WORD ✦

PSALM 31

L: For you are my rock and my | fortress;\*

C: and for your name's sake you lead  
me and | guide me;

L: you take me out of the net they have  
hidden | for me,\*

C: for you are my | refuge.

✦ SERVICE OF THE WORD ✦  
PSALM 31

L: Into your hand I commit my | spirit;\*

C: you have redeemed me, O LORD, |  
faithful God.

L: I hate those who pay regard to  
worthless | idols,\*

C: but I trust | in the LORD.

✦ SERVICE OF THE WORD ✦  
PSALM 31

L: I will rejoice and be glad in your | steadfast  
love,\*

C: because you have seen my affliction; you  
have known the distress | of my soul,

L: and you have not delivered me into the hand of  
the | enemy;\*

C: you have set my feet in a | broad place.

† SERVICE OF THE WORD †  
PSALM 31

L: Be gracious to me, O LORD, for I am | in  
distress;\*

C: my eye is wasted from grief; my soul and  
my body | also.

L: For my life is spent with sorrow, and my years  
with | sighing;\*

C: my strength fails because of my iniquity,  
and my bones | waste away.

✦ SERVICE OF THE WORD ✦

PSALM 31

L: Because of all my adversaries I have become a reproach, especially to my neighbors, and an object of dread to my acquaintances;\*

C: those who see me in the street | flee from me.

L: I have been forgotten like one | one who is dead;\*

C: I have become like a broken | vessel.

† SERVICE OF THE WORD †  
PSALM 31

L: For I hear the whispering of many--  
terror on | every side!--\*

C: as they scheme together against  
me, as they plot to | take my life.

L: But I trust in you, | O LORD;\*

C: I say, "You | are my God."

✦ SERVICE OF THE WORD ✦  
PSALM 31

L: My times are | in your hand;\*

C: rescue me from the hand of my  
enemies and from my perse- | cutors!

L: Make your face shine on your |  
servant;\*

C: save me in your | steadfast love!

✦ SERVICE OF THE WORD ✦  
PSALM 31

L: O LORD, let me not be put to shame,  
for I call up- | on you;\*

C: let the wicked be put to shame; let  
them go silently | to Sheol.

L: Let the lying | lips be mute,\*

C: which speak insolently against the  
righteous in pride | and contempt.

✦ SERVICE OF THE WORD ✦  
PSALM 31

L: Oh, how abundant is your goodness, which you have stored up for those who | fear you\*

C: and worked for those who take refuge in you, in the sight of the children of | mankind!

L: In the cover of your presence you hide them from the | plots of men;\*

C: you store them in your shelter from the | strife of tongues.

✦ SERVICE OF THE WORD ✦  
PSALM 31

L: Blessèd | be the LORD,\*

C: for he has wondrously shown his steadfast love to me when I was in a besieged | city.

L: I had said in my alarm, "I am cut off | from your sight."\*

C: But you heard the voice of my pleas for mercy when I cried to | you for help.

✦ SERVICE OF THE WORD ✦  
PSALM 31

L: Love the LORD, all | you his saints!\*

C: The LORD preserves the faithful but  
abundantly repays the one who | acts in  
pride.

L: Be strong, and let your heart take |  
courage,\*

C: all you who wait | for the LORD!

† SERVICE OF THE WORD †  
GLORIA PATRI

*All: Glory be to the Father and | to the  
Son;\**  
*and to the Holy | Spirit;*  
*as it was in the be- | ginning,\**  
*is now, and will be forever. | Amen.*

✦ SERVICE OF THE WORD ✦  
READING FROM  
HA'B'RIT HACHADOSHAH

הברית החדשה

Hebrews 4:14-16; 5:7-9



With Jesus Christ  
as my High Priest,  
I find mercy and grace,  
as I draw near to  
GOD's throne.  
Hebrews 4:14-16

# ✦ SERVICE OF THE WORD ✦ VERSE

*(Please stand) All: Surely he has borne our  
griefs and carried our sorrows; yet we  
esteemed him stricken, smitten by God,  
and afflicted.*

† SERVICE OF THE WORD †  
HOLY GOSPEL

L: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 19th chapter. *All (sung): Glory be to Thee, O Lord.*

Gospel: John 19:17-30

L: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

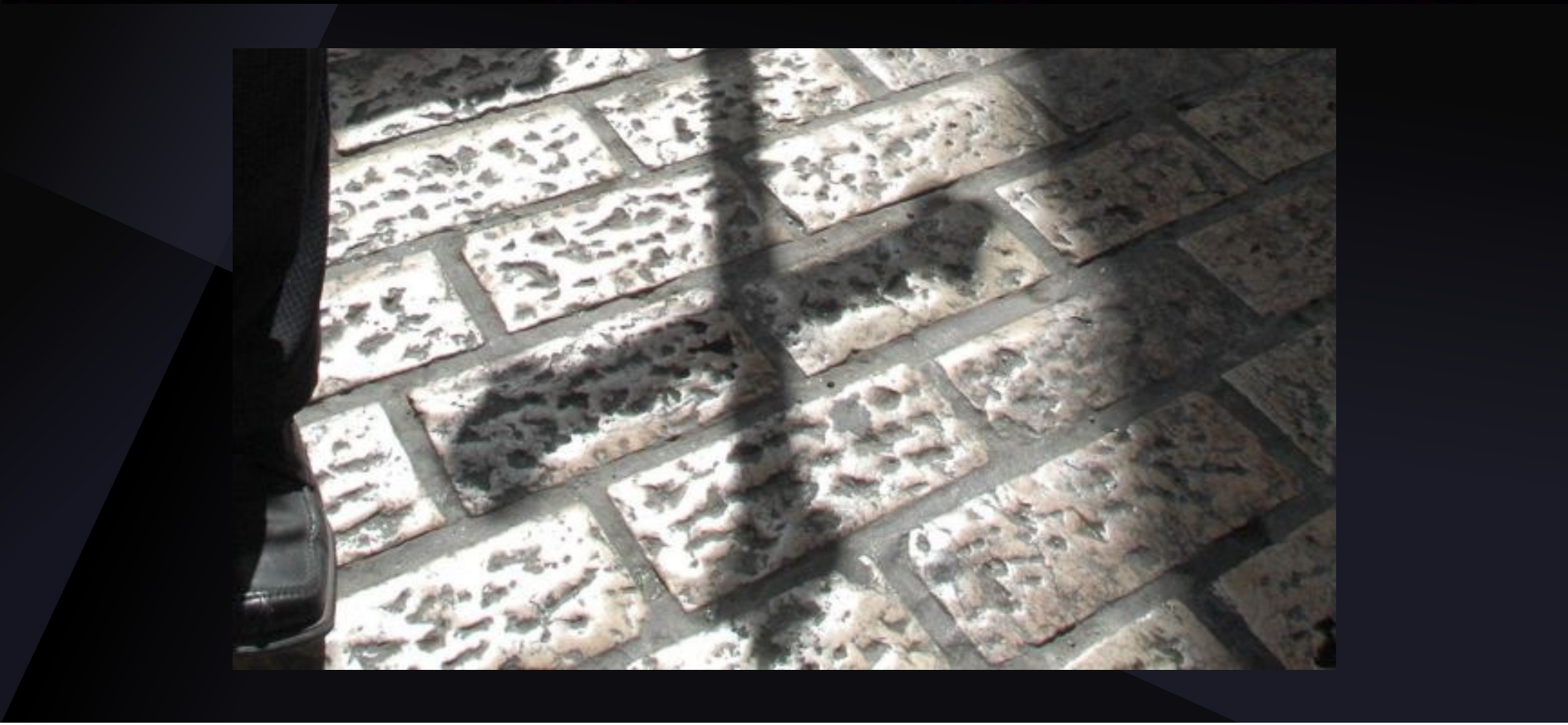
*All (sung): Praise be to Thee, O Christ.*





















## + SERVICE OF THE WORD +

ברוך אתה יהוה אלהינו מלך העולם, אשר נתן לנו תורת אמת, וחיי עולם  
נטע בתוכנו. ברוך אתה יהוה, נותן התורה. אמן.

*All (sung): Baruch atah Adonai, eloheinu  
melech ha-olam. Asher natan lanue Torat  
emet. V'chaiyaeh olam natah b'tochaenu.  
Baruch atah Adonai, notaen ha-Torah.  
Omayn.*

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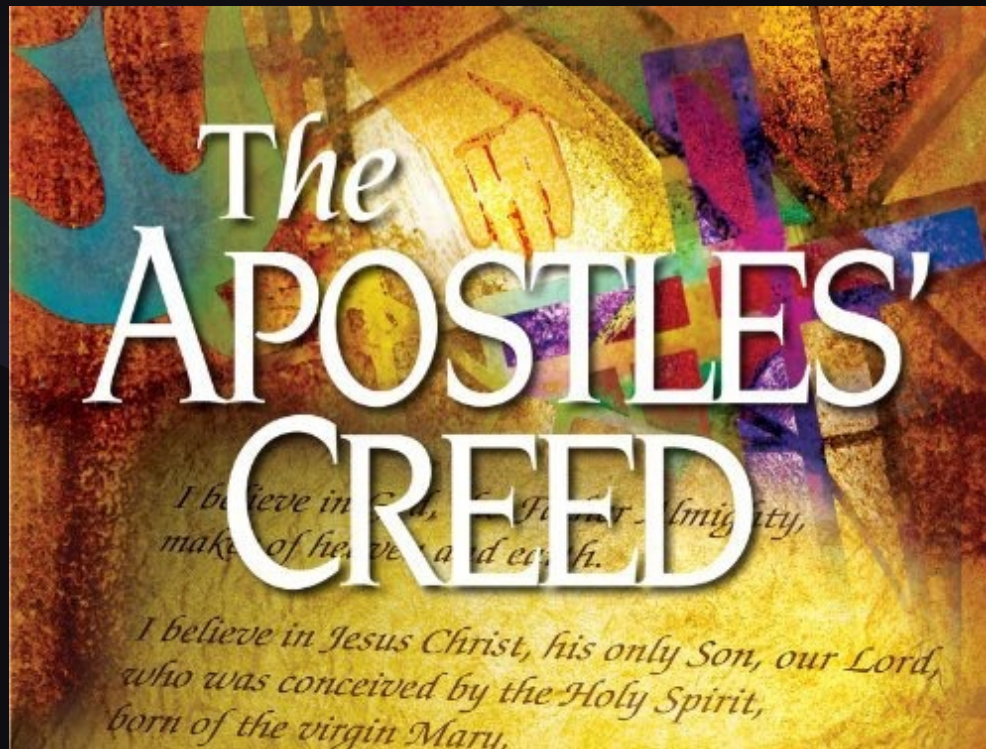
*All: Blessèd art Thou, LORD our God,  
King of the universe, who has given us the  
Torah of truth, and has planted everlasting  
Life in our midst. Blessèd art Thou, O  
LORD, giver of the Torah. Amen.*

+ SERVICE OF THE WORD +  
OUR TESTIMONY



Rev. 12:10-11

# ✦ SERVICE OF THE WORD ✦ APOSTLES' CREED



Rev. 12:10-11

✠ SERVICE OF THE WORD ✠  
APOSTLES' CREED

*(Please stand)*

*I believe in God, the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth.*

† SERVICE OF THE WORD †  
APOSTLES' CREED

*And in Jesus Christ,  
His only Son, our Lord, who was  
conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the  
Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius  
Pilate, was crucified, died, and was  
buried.*

† SERVICE OF THE WORD †  
APOSTLES' CREED

*He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.*

† SERVICE OF THE WORD †  
APOSTLES' CREED

*From thence He will come to judge the  
living and the dead.*

✦ SERVICE OF THE WORD ✦  
APOSTLES' CREED

*I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life ✦ everlasting. Amen.*

*Christian:* the ancient text reads "catholic" meaning the whole Church as it confesses the wholeness of Christian doctrine.

✦ SERVICE OF THE WORD ✦  
HYMN OF THE DAY

*Were You There*

LSB 456

# *Were You There*

LSB 456

Were you there  
when they crucified my Lord?  
Were you there  
when they crucified my Lord?  
Oh....

# *Were You There*

LSB 456

Sometimes it causes me to tremble,  
tremble, tremble.

Were you there  
when they crucified my Lord?

# *Were You There*

LSB 456

Were you there

when they nailed Him to the tree?

Were you there

when they nailed Him to the tree?

Oh....

# *Were You There*

LSB 456

Sometimes it causes me to tremble,  
tremble, tremble.

Were you there

when they nailed Him to the tree?

# *Were You There*

LSB 456

Were you there  
when they laid Him in the tomb?  
Were you there  
when they laid Him in the tomb?  
Oh....

# *Were You There*

LSB 456

Sometimes it causes me to tremble,  
tremble, tremble.

Were you there  
when they laid Him in the tomb?

# *Were You There*

LSB 456

Were you there

when God raised Him from the tomb?

Were you there

when God raised Him from the tomb?

Oh....

# *Were You There*

LSB 456

Sometimes it causes me to tremble,  
tremble, tremble.

Were you there  
when God raised Him from the tomb?

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*Matt. 28:6; Luke 22:33, 53; Rom. 6:3-4*

✚ SERVICE OF THE WORD ✚  
HOMILY



*Rev. Kevin Parviz*

# ✠ SERVICE OF THE WORD ✠ OFFERTORY

*Please stand.*

*All (Sung): Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from Thy presence, and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me. Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation, and uphold me with Thy free spirit. Amen.*

*Psalm 51:10-12*

# WE PREPARE OURSELVES THROUGH OFFERING AND PRAYER



*Matthew 2:11-12;  
2 Corinthians 9:7*

# ✠ SERVICE OF THE WORD ✠

שבת עמידה - SHABBAT AMIDAH-PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

*(Standing Prayer)*

אדני שפתי תפתח, ופי יגיד תהלתך.

*L: Adonai, s'fatai tiftach ufi yagid t'hilatecha.*

C: O Lord, open my lips, and my mouth will declare Your praise.

✠ SERVICE OF THE WORD ✠  
שבת עמידה - SHABBAT AMIDAH-PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

*(Standing Prayer)*

*After each petition:*

L: ...through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C: Amen.

# + SERVICE OF THE WORD +

שבת עמידה - SHABBAT AMIDAH-PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

(Standing Prayer)

שלום רב על ישראל עמך תשים לעולם, כי אתה הוא מלך אדון  
לכל השלים. וטוב בעיניך לברך את עמך ישראל, בכל עת  
ובכל שעה בשלומך. בשם ישוע המשיח.

*L: Shalom rav al Yisrael am'cha tasim l'olam. Ki  
atah hu melech adon l'chol hashalom. V'tov  
b'einecha l'varaych et amcha Yisrael, b'chol eit  
uv'chol sha'ah bish'lomecha. B'shem Y'shua  
haMaschiach.*

# + SERVICE OF THE WORD +

שבת עמידה - SHABBAT AMIDAH-PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

*(Standing Prayer)*

C: O Sovereign God of peace, let Israel Your people know enduring peace, for it is good in Your sight continually to bless Israel with Your peace. In the name of Jesus, the Messiah.

✠ SERVICE OF THE WORD ✠

שבת עמידה - SHABBAT AMIDAH-PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

*(Standing Prayer)*

יהיו לרצון אמרי פי והגיון לבי לפניך, יהוה צורי וגאלי.

*L: Yi-h'yu l'ra-tzon i-m'rei fi, v'heg-yon li-bi  
l'fa-necha, Adonai tzu-ri v'go-ali.*

✠ SERVICE OF THE WORD ✠  
שבת עמידה - SHABBAT AMIDAH-PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

*(Standing Prayer)*

C: Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in your sight, O LORD, my rock and my redeemer.

# ✦ SERVICE OF DARKNESS ✦ FIRST WORD



**† SERVICE OF DARKNESS †**  
**FIRST WORD**

**L: Father Almighty, the shadow of Your  
Son's cross falls upon us;**

**C: We know not how to bear such a  
load of grief and pain.**

† SERVICE OF DARKNESS †  
FIRST WORD

L: Grant, O Lord, the comforting shadow  
of Your mercy.

C: Fill our hearts, our souls, and our  
minds with your Spirit.

† SERVICE OF DARKNESS †  
FIRST WORD

L: Enlighten us

C: that we may see Your love clearly  
in the death of Your Son, Jesus.

✠ SERVICE OF DARKNESS ✠  
FIRST WORD

L: Lord Jesus Christ, Prince of Peace:  
... rejoice in Your love.

C: Amen.

# † SERVICE OF DARKNESS † SECOND WORD



† SERVICE OF DARKNESS †  
SECOND WORD

L: Great God,

C: You are the giver of everything we know and of all that we have.

**† SERVICE OF DARKNESS †**  
**SECOND WORD**

**L: Direct us**

C: that we too may see the goodness of this day, even in the midst of uncertainty and sadness.

**† SERVICE OF DARKNESS †**  
**SECOND WORD**

**L: Show us**

C: that not all our shadows need be fearsome; that it is our fears only which bring unwelcome darkness.

† SERVICE OF DARKNESS †  
SECOND WORD

L: Guide us

C: into Your paradise that awaits us  
and in knowing Your perfect peace.

**† SERVICE OF DARKNESS †**  
**SECOND WORD**

**L: Grant us**

C: a richer awareness of the hope You  
have sent to us in Your Son, Jesus.

† SERVICE OF DARKNESS †  
SECOND WORD

L: Lord Jesus, ... forever in paradise with  
You.

C: Amen.

# ‡ SERVICE OF DARKNESS ‡ THIRD WORD



† SERVICE OF DARKNESS †  
THIRD WORD

L: Lord God, may we learn by Christ's example to love others as we love ourselves;

C: forgiving the worst we find in others and in ourselves; rejoicing in the best we know of others and of ourselves.

✦ SERVICE OF DARKNESS ✦  
THIRD WORD

L: With the power of Your Holy Spirit  
encourage us to strive

C: toward greater unity in our own  
families and toward unity in the family of  
believers in Christ Jesus.

† SERVICE OF DARKNESS †  
THIRD WORD

L: Lord Jesus, ... will love each other as  
they love You.

C: Amen.

# † SERVICE OF DARKNESS † FOURTH WORD



† SERVICE OF DARKNESS †  
FOURTH WORD

L: Lord, we do not want to forsake You  
and flee,

C: yet, in our daily confusion we  
sometimes forget you.

† SERVICE OF DARKNESS †  
FOURTH WORD

L: Lord, we do not want to condemn You,  
shouting, "crucify!"

C: although we have allowed evil to be  
done in Your name.

† SERVICE OF DARKNESS †  
FOURTH WORD

L: Lord, we would never deny You,  
saying, "I do not know the man!"

C: but we have avoided opportunities  
to proclaim Jesus Christ as our Savior  
from sin.

**† SERVICE OF DARKNESS †**  
**FOURTH WORD**

**L: Lord, we would never shut You out of our lives, unheeding to Your voice.**

**C: when our own clamoring deafens our hearing, will You knock again, Lord Jesus?**

† SERVICE OF DARKNESS †  
FOURTH WORD

L: Heavenly Father, Your Son cried "Why have You forsaken me?" ... through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

# ✦ SERVICE OF DARKNESS ✦ FIFTH WORD



† SERVICE OF DARKNESS †  
FIFTH WORD

L: Lord of life,

C: we know that You provide all we  
need to support life.

† SERVICE OF DARKNESS †  
FIFTH WORD

L: Lord of redemption,

C: reveal the power of Your redeeming  
love in our daily living.

† SERVICE OF DARKNESS †  
FIFTH WORD

L: Lord Jesus Christ, ... always giving  
You thanks for Your love.

C: Amen.

# ✦ SERVICE OF DARKNESS ✦ SIXTH WORD



† SERVICE OF DARKNESS †  
SIXTH WORD

L: Lord Jesus, in Your death we have life.

C: Stir up our souls that we may  
pursue with renewed strength the paths  
You have laid for us.

† SERVICE OF DARKNESS †  
SIXTH WORD

L: Lead and direct us, O Lord, beyond the darkness into a fuller understanding of Your will,

C: that we need not grope through the darkness to lay our commitment before You and Your Son, Jesus.

† SERVICE OF DARKNESS †  
SIXTH WORD

L: Lord Jesus Christ, ... we may live for  
His glory.

C: Amen.

# † SERVICE OF DARKNESS † SEVENTH WORD



† SERVICE OF DARKNESS †  
SEVENTH WORD

L: Open our eyes, Lord,

C: the shadow of Your Son's cross  
encompasses all our world.

† SERVICE OF DARKNESS †  
SEVENTH WORD

L: Stir our souls, Lord,

C: that we may pursue with renewed strength the paths You have laid for us.

**† SERVICE OF DARKNESS †**  
**SEVENTH WORD**

**L: Lead us, Lord,**

**C: that when our last hour comes, we  
may be commended into Your loving  
hands.**



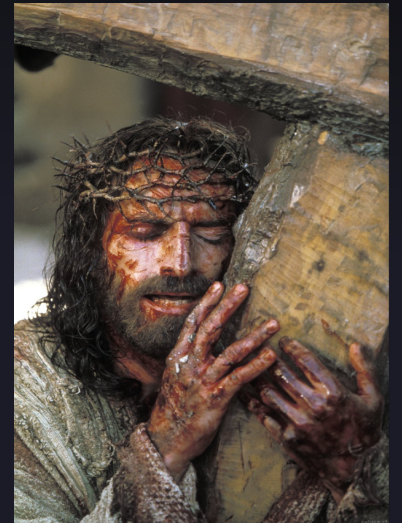
*O Sacred Head, Now Wounded*

LSB 450

# *O Sacred Head, Now Wounded*

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O sacred Head, now wounded,  
With grief and shame weighed down,  
Now scornfully surrounded  
With thorns, Thine only crown.



# *O Sacred Head, Now Wounded*

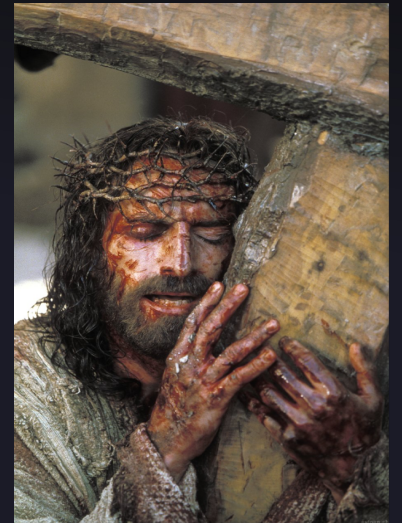
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O sacred Head, what glory,  
What bliss, till now was Thine!  
Yet, though despised and gory,  
I joy to call Thee mine.

# *O Sacred Head, Now Wounded*

LSB 450

How pale Thou art with anguish,  
With sore abuse and scorn!  
How doth Thy face now languish  
That once was bright as morn!



# *O Sacred Head, Now Wounded*

LSB 450

Grim death, with cruel rigor,  
Hath robbed Thee of Thy life;  
Thus Thou hast lost Thy vigor,  
Thy strength, in this sad strife.

# *O Sacred Head, Now Wounded*

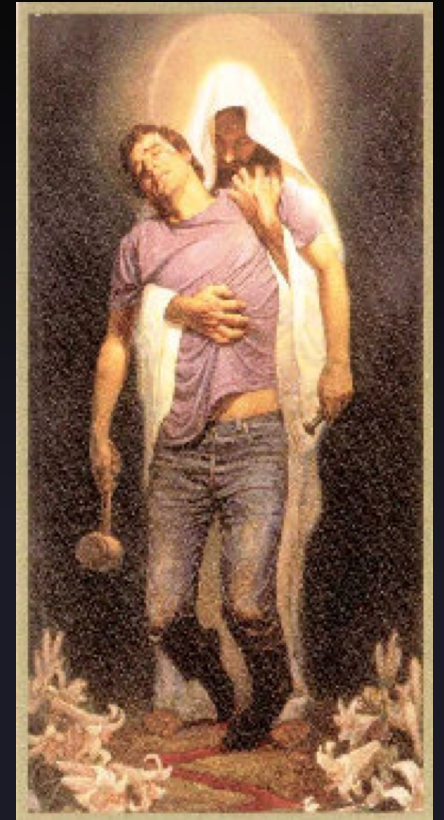
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What Thou, my Lord, hast suffered  
Was all for sinners' gain;  
Mine, mine was the transgression,  
But Thine the deadly pain.

# *O Sacred Head, Now Wounded*

LSB 450

Lo, here I fall, my Savior!  
'Tis I deserve Thy place;  
Look on me with Thy favor,  
And grant to me Thy grace.



# *O Sacred Head, Now Wounded*

LSB 450

My Shepherd, now receive me;  
My Guardian, own me Thine.  
Great blessings Thou didst give me,  
O Source of gifts divine.

# *O Sacred Head, Now Wounded*

LSB 450

Thy lips have often fed me  
With words of truth and love;  
Thy Spirit oft hath led me  
To heav'nly joys above.

# *O Sacred Head, Now Wounded*

LSB 450

What language shall I borrow  
To thank Thee, dearest Friend,  
For this, Thy dying sorrow,  
Thy pity without end?



# *O Sacred Head, Now Wounded*

LSB 450

O Make me Thine forever!  
And should I fainting be,  
Lord, let me never, never,  
Outlive my love for Thee.

# *O Sacred Head, Now Wounded*

LSB 450

My Savior, be Thou near me  
When death is at my door;  
Then let Thy presence cheer me,  
Forsake me nevermore!

# *O Sacred Head, Now Wounded*

LSB 450

When soul and body languish,  
Leave me not alone,  
But take away mine anguish  
By virtue of Thine own!

# *O Sacred Head, Now Wounded*

LSB 450

Be Thou my consolation,  
My shield, when I must die;  
Remind me of Thy Passion,  
When my last hour draws nigh.

# *O Sacred Head, Now Wounded*

LSB 450

Mine eyes shall then behold Thee,  
Upon Thy cross shall dwell,  
My heart by faith enfold Thee.  
Who dieth thus dies well.

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*Ps. 22:6-8; Is. 53:4-5; John 10:14-15, 27-28; Heb. 12:2*

† SERVICE OF DARKNESS †  
SEVENTH WORD

L: Lord Jesus Christ, ...that we also will dwell forever in the hands of our heavenly Father.

C: Amen.

✠ **SERVICE OF DARKNESS** ✠  
**LORD'S PRAYER** *(Spoken softly)*

*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 and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.*

*Matthew 6:9-13*



*(Please proceed in silence out of the sanctuary.)*