The Sunday of the Passion

Lutherans have a long history of remembering the Savior's Passion in midweek services during the Season of Lent. The more common practice, in history and in the experience of the wider church, is to read the Passion history on the first Sunday of Holy Week. As WELS members find it increasingly difficult to attend midweek services, some churches have begun to adopt this practice. This first Sunday of Holy Week regains its historic title, the **Sunday of the Passion**.

At the invitation of the presiding minister, all stand and face the ministers.

In the name of the Father and of the Son ₹ and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Dear friends in Christ: Today we come together to begin the solemn celebration of Holy Week. Jesus entered in triumph into his own city to complete his work as our Messiah: to suffer, to die, and to rise again. Let us remember with devotion his entry that culminated at the empty tomb and follow him with sincere faith. United with him by baptism, we share in his resurrection and new life.

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

Hosanna in the highest!

PALM SUNDAY GOSPEL

Mark 11:1-10

Following the Gospel:

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise be to you, O Christ.

Let us go forth in peace,

In the name of the Lord.



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.





Our praise and prayer and an - thems Be - fore you we pre sent. To you, now high ex - alt - ed, Our mel - o - dy raise. Source of 0 ev - 'ry bless - ing, Our good and gra-cious King.

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

Hosanna in the highest!

PRAYER OF THE DAY

We praise you, O God, for the great acts of love by which you have redeemed us through your Son, Jesus Christ. As he was acclaimed by those who scattered their garments and branches of palms in his path, so may we always hail him as our King and follow him with perfect confidence; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Be seated.

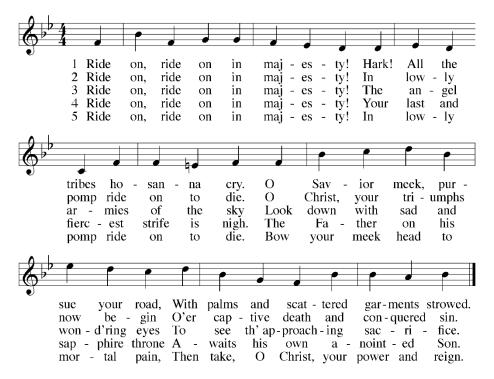
The Passion of Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ

according to St. Mark's Gospel

HYMN

Ride On, Ride On, in Majesty

Christian Worship 133



THE PLOT

THE GIFT

THE MEAL

HYMN

When O'er My Sins I Sorrow

Christian Worship 109



THE PREDICTION

THE PRAYER IN THE GARDEN

HYMN Go to Dark Gethsemane

Christian Worship 104, alt.

Go to dark Gethsemane All who feel the tempter's power. Your Redeemer's conflict see; Watch with him one bitter hour; Turn not from his griefs away; Listen to your Savior pray.

Go to dark Gethsemane, All who doubt sin's crushing power. Your Redeemer's agony Proves the pain of that dread hour. He for us the burden paid Which on him the Father laid.

Go to dark Gethsemane All who know th' accuser's power. Your Redeemer's mercy see As he faced his dying hour. Hear him, God's eternal Son: "Father, let your will be done."

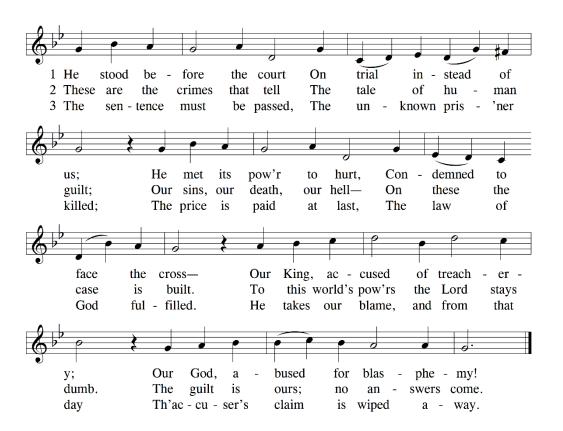
THE ARREST

THE HEARING

HYMN

He Stood Before the Court

Christian Worship 115

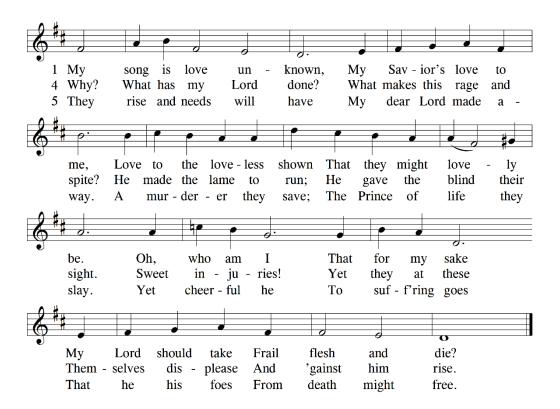


THE DENIAL

THE TRIAL

HYMN

My Song is Love Unknown



THE MOCKERY

Stand.

THE CRUCIFIXION

THE DEATH

Be seated. Silence for meditation.

THE BURIAL

Stand.

PRAYER

LORD'S PRAYER

BLESSING

M: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and ₱ give you peace.

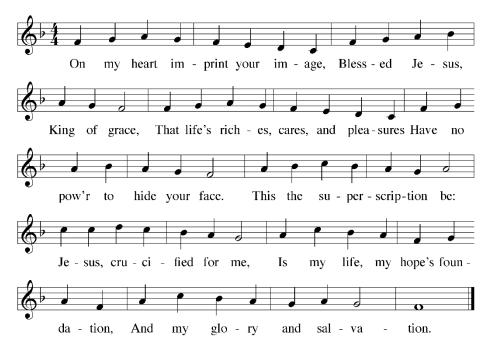
C: Amen.

Remain standing for the hymn.

HYMN

On My Heart Imprint Your Image

Christian Worship 120



POSTLUDE