

**Trinity Evangelical
Lutheran Church**



**The Passion of Our Lord
March 29, 2026**

Good Morning and welcome! We invite you to worship with us often, and ask if you need any assistance! If you are visiting us today, please sign the Guest Register in the Narthex, please include your address and phone number. Please place your offering envelope in the plate in the Narthex. Thank You!

Remember in your prayers:

Lynn Wolfgang, Oscar & Angie Smith, Erika Zaiser, Brandon Stauffer, Betty Moore, Barbara Stewart, Kathy Gamler, Bill Brensinger, Richard Eck, Becky Yescavage, BillyRay Pearce, Sr., Kathy Sell, Dennis Brooke, Donna Day, Linda Allmendinger, Elaine Dotterer, Jeff Reitnauer, Ralph Rothenberger, Anna Spencer, RuthAnn Goode, Pete Schmoyer, John Logan, Carole Mest, Tammy Strunk, Mary Snyder, Linda Bewley, Mike Wyda, Marcia Auge, Millie Merkel, Greg Mest, Louise Wolfgang, Linda Ritter, LaRue Sheetz, Sandy Schaffer, Ashley Essig, Ruth Weiser, Suzanne Kerchner, Vicki Mest and Sandy Yarnall.

Friends & Family:

Michelle Hiriak, Linda Stark, Martha Van Parys, Joyce Kemp, Linda Gilbert, Tanner Antalosky, Carole Sell, Gerry Smith, Gail Marasco, Naomi Bryson and Sherry, Claire & Jeff Trimble.

Families Of:

Sandra Bucks and Sandy Melcher.

Also members, relatives and friends in the community who are serving in the military including:

Christopher Heffner, BillyRay Pearce, Jr., Noah Heydt, Ben Rhode, Steven Herbst, David Crews, Jeff Lydic, Seth Kurtz, Clinton Bowen, Eli Abner and Johnne Knepp.

Our sister congregation, the Marienkirche in Borna, Germany.
(Website: Kirche-bornaer-land.de)

Please note, names of friends and family will be kept on the bulletin prayer list for one month. If still in need of prayers, these names will then appear in the newsletter prayer list. Names on the friends and family list will normally be kept on the newsletter prayer list for one year if needed. If you wish for names to remain longer, please speak to Pastor Gene, Linda Ritter or the Church Office. Thank you for helping us keep the prayer list current!

Today's Worship Assistants:

Ushers: Sharon Renninger* & Uta Hahn
Lector: Mardell Blanford
Acolyte: Erika Zaiser
Crucifer: Jenn McCarron

March 29, 2026 – The Passion of Our Lord

The Altar Flowers are presented to the glory of God by Ms. Elizabeth Anderson, in Memory of her Brother William C. Anderson, Jr.

The Bulletins are presented to the glory of God by Bill & Sheila Eddinger, in Memory of Royden Eddinger and Jeffrey Kulp.

The Eternal Flame Candle is presented to the glory of God by Vicki Mest, in Memory & Honor of Beloved Family.

Thank you to our Biblical Storytelling Team this morning.

Prelude

"The Holy City"
S. Adam

Announcements and Concerns

• **Opening Dialog**

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

C Hosanna to the Son of David.

P Let us pray.

Mercifully assist us, O Lord God of our salvation, that we may enter with joy upon the contemplation of those mighty acts whereby you have given us life everlasting; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

C Amen

PALM SUNDAY GOSPEL: Matthew 21:1-11*Jesus enters Jerusalem*

When they had come near Jerusalem and had reached Bethphage, at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two disciples, ²saying to them, "Go into the village ahead of you, and immediately you will find a donkey tied and a colt with her; untie them and bring them to me. ³If anyone says anything to you, just say this, 'The Lord needs them.' And he will send them immediately." ⁴This took place to fulfill what had been spoken through the prophet:

⁵"Tell the daughter of Zion, Look, your king is coming to you, humble and mounted on a donkey, and on a colt, the foal of a donkey."

⁶The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them; ⁷they brought the donkey and the colt and put their cloaks on them, and he sat on them. ⁸A very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. ⁹The crowds that went ahead of him and that followed were shouting,

"Hosanna to the Son of David!

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!

Hosanna in the highest heaven!"

¹⁰When he entered Jerusalem, the whole city was in turmoil, asking, "Who is this?" ¹¹The crowds were saying, "This is the prophet Jesus from Nazareth in Galilee."

- **Blessing of the Palms**

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C It is right to give him thanks and praise.

(the people raise their palm branches)

P We praise and thank you, O God, for the great acts of love by which you have redeemed us through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. On this day he entered the holy city of Jerusalem in triumph, and was acclaimed Son of David, and King of kings by those who scattered their garments and branches of palm in his path.

We ask that you bless these branches and those who bear them, and grant that we may ever hail him as our Lord and King and follow him with perfect confidence; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen

- **Processional Hymn** "The Palms" (See Insert)

- **Apostolic Greeting**

P The grace of Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C And also with you.

• **Prayer of the Day**

P Let us Pray,

C Sovereign God, you have established your rule in the human heart through the servanthood of Jesus Christ. By your Spirit, keep us in the joyful procession of those who with their tongues confess Jesus as Lord and with their lives praise him as Savior, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

FIRST READING: Isaiah 50:4-9a

The Lord GOD has given me
the tongue of a teacher,
that I may know how to sustain
the weary with a word.
Morning by morning he wakens--
wakens my ear
to listen as those who are taught.

⁵The Lord GOD has opened my ear,
and I was not rebellious,
I did not turn backward.

⁶I gave my back to those who struck me,
and my cheeks to those who pulled out the
beard;

I did not hide my face
from insult and spitting.

⁷The Lord GOD helps me;
therefore I have not been disgraced;
therefore I have set my face like flint,
and I know that I shall not be put to shame;
⁸he who vindicates me is near.

Who will contend with me?
Let us stand up together.

Who are my adversaries?
Let them confront me.

⁹It is the Lord GOD who helps me;
who will declare me guilty?

PSALM: Psalm 31:9-16

Have mercy on me, O LORD, for I | am in trouble;
my eye is consumed with sorrow, and also my
throat | and my belly.

**¹⁰For my life is wasted with grief, and my |
years with sighing;
my strength fails me because of affliction,
and my bones | are consumed.**

¹¹I have become a reproach to all my enemies and
even to my neighbors, a dismay to those of | my
acquaintance; when they see me in the street |
they avoid me.

**¹²I am forgotten like a dead man, | out of
mind;**

I am as useless as a | broken pot.

¹³For I have heard the whispering of the crowd;
fear is | all around;
they put their heads together against me; they
plot to | take my life.

**¹⁴But as for me, I have trusted in | you, O
LORD.**

I have said, "You | are my God.

¹⁵My times are | in your hand;
rescue me from the hand of my enemies, and from
those who | persecute me.


**¹⁶Make your face to shine up- | on your
servant,
and in your loving- | kindness save me."**

SECOND READING: Philippians 2:5-11

Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ
Jesus, ⁶who, though he was in the form of God,
did not regard equality with God as something to
be exploited, ⁷but emptied himself, taking the
form of a slave, being born in human likeness.
And being found in human form, ⁸he humbled
himself and became obedient to the point of
death-- even death on a cross.

⁹Therefore God also highly exalted him
 and gave him the name
 that is above every name,
¹⁰so that at the name of Jesus
 every knee should bend,
 in heaven and on earth and under the earth,
¹¹and every tongue should confess
 that Jesus Christ is Lord,
 to the glory of God the Father.

GOSPEL: Matthew 26:1-27:66



Re - turn to the Lord, your God, for he is gra - cious and
 mer - ci - ful, slow to an - ger, and a - bound - ing in
 stead - fast love, and a - bound - ing in stead - fast love.

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew,
 the twenty-sixth and twenty-seventh chapters.



Glo - ry to you, O Lord.

**The Passion of Our Lord According to St. Matthew
 Told By Heart by our Biblical Storytelling Team**

P The Gospel of the Lord.



Praise to you, O Christ.

Senior Choir Anthem

"The Messiah Has Come"
P. Choplin

Sermon

- Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,

maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,

the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the virgin Mary, and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of The Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son.

With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen

- **Hymn of the Day** LBW# 117
"O Sacred Head, Now Wounded"

- **The Prayer Of The Church**

P Let us pray for the whole people of God, in Christ Jesus, and for all people according to their needs.

A brief silence.

After each portion of prayers:

P Lord, in your mercy.

C hear our prayer

The prayers conclude

P Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

C Amen

- **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, forever and ever. Amen

- **Our Mission Statement**

P People of Trinity, what is our mission?

C We shall, as individuals and as a congregation, strive through word, worship, and witness to further the kingdom of God by knowing and sharing Christ's Love in our hearts, in our homes, in His church, in the community, and in the world.

- **Benediction**

P The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make his face to shine upon you
and be gracious unto you. The Lord look
upon you with favor and give you peace.

C Amen, Amen, Amen.

Recessional Hymn

LBW# 108

"All Glory, Laud and Honor"

Postlude

"Hosanna! Christ is King"
H. Livingston, Jr.

All may leave the church in silence.

**We will be worshipping this week on
Maundy Thursday at 7PM,
Good Friday at 7PM
Easter Worship is at 7AM, and 10:30AM.**

**(There will be a Continental Breakfast between
the Easter Services, please bring your favorite
breakfast item to share.)**

**(All Services will be Live-Streamed via
Facebook)**

This Week's Worship Assistants:**Maundy Thursday (April 2nd)**

Assisting Minister: Diane McElwee
 Server: Linda Ritter
 Ushers: Kay McGowan* & Craig Snyder
 Lector: Sharon Kemp
 Acolyte: Jennifer McCarron

Good Friday (April 3rd)

Acolyte: Jennifer MacDonald

Easter Sunday, April 5th (7:00 A.M.)

Assisting Minister: Jennifer McCarron
 Server: Diane McElwee
 Ushers: Dennis Schaeffer* & Bob McElwee
 Lector: Erika Zaiser
 Acolyte: Erika Zaiser
 Crucifer: Rich Deskie
 Banner Bearer: Kathy Farrington
 Pole Candles: Bob & Diane McElwee

Easter Sunday, April 5th (10:30 A.M.)

Assisting Minister: Erika Zaiser
 Server: Sheila Eddinger
 Ushers: Kay McGowan* & Linda Brunner
 Lector: Uta Hahn
 Acolyte: Jennifer McCarron
 Crucifer: Mark Sheetz
 Banner Bearer: Bob Eshbach
 Pole Candles: Bob & Diane McElwee

Congratulations and God's Blessings to Kenny Berger, Jr. and Cierra DeAgostino on the birth of their daughter Kaisleigh Wren DeAgostino, born on March 12, 2026 at St. Luke's Hospital in Quakertown, 8 lbs., 5 oz., 21 1/2" long. She is also the granddaughter to Ken Berger & Dee Isett-Berger.

This will be the last week, we will be collecting non-perishable items for the Boyertown Area Multi Service. A list of needed items is printed in the bulletin. Thank you for your generosity to help.

The 2025 Financial Statements are available, if you would like a statement, there is a sign up sheet posted on the bulletin board, or you may contact Heidi Yescavage or the church office.

Free Will Offerings will be received the 3rd Sunday of every month. The next Free Will Offering will be Sunday, April 19th for the Lutheran Disaster Relief. Thank you for your support.

Trinity Hoagies: "Hoagie Fundraiser" for the General Fund. 8" hoagies from Maurizio's Pizza (formerly Pappa Bernards) cost \$8.00. The hoagies will be ham, Italian and turkey (onion, no onion). There is a sign up sheet posted on the bulletin board. **Orders are due by Sunday, April 12th and pick up on Friday, April 17th — 11:00AM-11:30AM. Please make checks payable to Dennis Schaeffer. Any questions, please see Dennis Schaeffer. Thank You for your support. Thank you also to Dennis Schaeffer for organizing this fundraiser.**

You may sponsor Altar Flowers, the cost is \$32.00 for one vase and \$64.00 for 2 vases. Please Note: As of April 1st, the cost of the flowers will increase for (1) vase \$34.00 and (2) vases \$68.00, please contact Mary Snyder. **If you wish to sponsor flowers and that date is not available, you can always sponsor an extra bouquet of flowers for \$40.00. When sponsoring flowers, please use a flower envelope found in the rack in the narthex or clearly mark the envelope "Flowers". If you sponsored flowers in the past but no longer wish to, please let Mary Snyder 610-473-8885 or the church office know. You may also sponsor the bulletins for \$15.00 to offset the cost of printing them.**

Trinity's Gift Card Program - Gift card orders are accepted before and after the church service the first Sunday of each month and distributed the second Sunday. Order forms for Redners, Giant and Raise Right (for other retail gift cards) are available in the narthex. The Raise Right order form is also available for download on Trinity's website. Payment must be submitted with your order. **Please make checks payable to Trinity Lutheran Church and include your phone number on your order form.** If you have any questions regarding this fund raising program please see Sharon Kemp, Kathy Kuser or Kurt Yescavage.

WAWA Hoagie Coupons Available 1st Sunday of the month at the Scrip Table. Coupons are also available in the church office Monday—Thursday, 9:00AM-2:00PM. Tickets are \$5.00. This project benefits the Social Ministry.

Coffee Hour - Volunteers are needed to host Coffee Hour for April. Please sign up for this time of Fellowship. The sign up sheet is posted on the bulletin board in the Narthex.

Need a ride? We have volunteers in the congregation who are willing to provide transportation to medical appointments, etc., for those who can't find a ride. Please contact Pastor Gene 610-322-0901 if you need a ride or would like to volunteer as a driver.

Devotionals are available in the rack in the Narthex. If you enjoy the devotionals, please give a donation to help offset the cost. Thank You.

Bibles are available in the rack in the Narthex for you to reference during worship. You may also take home to reference, please return when you are finished.

HOSPITAL INPATIENT STAY: Please contact Pastor Gene if you are admitted to the hospital and would like a visit, due to privacy laws, the hospital no longer contacts the church.

Winter Weather In the event of inclement winter weather, news of cancellations or postponements of church activities will be posted on the following: 1) Channel 69 2) Online at WFMZ.com, or log on to the Trinity's website: www.trinitybech.com

Trinity's events for the upcoming week:Sunday, March 29th-***Palm Sunday***

9:15 Sunday School

10:30 Worship Service

Wednesday, April 1st- 6:15 First Communion Class

Thursday, April 2nd-***Maundy Thursday***7:00 Maundy Thursday Serv.
w/Communion

Sr. Choir Practice

Friday, April 3rd- 7:00 Good Friday Service

Sunday, April 5th-***Easter***7:00 Easter Sunrise Serv.
w/Communion

Continental Breakfast

10:30 Easter Worship Serv.
w/Communion**LAST WEEK'S STATISTICS: 03/15/2026**

<u>Attendance</u>	<u>Offerings</u>	
<u>Worship/S.S</u>	<u>General</u>	<u>Hunger</u>
73/16	\$3,258.00	\$55.00
	<u>Benevolence</u>	<u>Bldg. Maint.</u>
	0	\$85.00

Making a palm cross

1. Take one palm and remove hard green edge.

3. Arrange two palm pieces, vertical (V) and horizontal (H) like a backward L, with horizontal on top extending past vertical.

10. Fold H back through top slot leaving loop to form left arm of the cross.

11. Return H back through top slot leaving loop to form right arm of the cross.

4. Fold extended H tab behind V.

5. Fold V over H downward.

12. Fold V back to form top loop and slide down through back slot.

6. Fold V under H upward.

13. Fold V back to form bottom (longer) loop and slide up through back slot.

7. Fold H behind V toward right.

8. Return point end of H through top slot of V.

14. Trim excess from both strands to finish cross.

2. Fold palm in half and divide by cutting with a scissors.

9. Pull H tight to take up slack.

Monthly Free-will Offerings 2026

A free-will offering is scheduled for the third Sunday of each month. They are as follows:

April 19 – Lutheran Disaster Relief

May 17 – geraniums for Pentecost

June 21 – Save the Children

July 19 – Samaritan's Purse Shoe Boxes

August 16 – American Foundation for
Suicide Prevention

September 20 – Boyertown Area Multi Service

October 18 – Eastern Berks Fire Dept.

November 15 – Elf Bags (Multi-Service)

December – No free-will offering. Thank you for supporting the various Christmas giving opportunities.

Thank you for your contributions to these special causes!

**Boyertown Area Multi-Service
Non-Perishable Items Needed:**

1. Paper Towels
2. Tissues
3. Laundry Detergent
4. Shampoo and Conditioner
5. Syrup
6. Pancake Mix
7. Instant Mashed Potatoes
8. Stuffing Mix
9. Hamburger Helper
10. Chef Boyardee Meals
11. Cake/Brownie Mix
12. Jelly
13. Peanut Butter
14. Canned Chicken
15. Canned Mixed Vegetables

Sodium free, sugar free, gluten free and low-fat items are also appreciated for clients with dietary restrictions.

THANK YOU FOR HELPING THOSE IN NEED.



Turn everyday shopping
into fundraising dollars

 **RaiseRight.**
Simply the right way to fundraise

Earn up to 15% on birthday gifts,
graduation gifts, dinner out and
dinner in!

Give the gift that gives back

If you need a birthday present, Valentine's Day gift, date night dinner and a movie, or groceries for dinner at home, gift cards are always a great choice - whether you shop using gift cards or give them as gifts. It's even more thoughtful because you're giving back to Trinity.



**The Community Clothing Rack
Schedule**

1st Wednesday
Donations Accepted

2nd, 3rd & 4th Wednesdays
Shoppers Welcome

2nd Thursday
Shoppers Welcome
6:00PM-8:00PM

5th Wednesday
CLOSED

Hours
1:00PM-4:00PM

Summer Hours Only
June-August
9:00AM-12:00PM

Closed on all major holidays.
In the case of inclement weather,
Refer to Boyertown Area School district closure.
CCR is a ministry of St. Luke Lutheran Church
Our mission is to serve Jesus Christ by providing
necessary clothing to the underserved.

www.StLukeGilbertsville.org

Readings for Personal Devotion



M	John 12:1-11
T	John 12:20-36
W	John 13:21-32
Th	Exodus 12:1-4 [5-10] 11-14
F	Isaiah 52:13-53:12
Sa	Genesis 1:1--2:4a

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The Rev. Dr. Eugene C. Zaiser, DMin.,
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Ms. LaRue Sheetz, Director of Music

Mrs. Karen J. Smith, Parish Secretary

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“The Palms”
By Jean Baptiste Faure

1. O'er all the way, green palms and blossoms gay
Are strewn this day in festal preparation,
Where Jesus comes to wipe our tears away,
E'en now the throng to welcome Him prepare,
Join all and sing, His name declare,
Let ev'ry voice resound with acclamation.
Hosanna! Praised be the Lord!
Bless Him who cometh to bring us salvation!

2. His word goes forth, and peoples by its might
Once more regain freedom from degradation,
humanity doth give to each his right,
While those in darkness find restored the light,
Join all and sing, His name declare,
Let ev'ry voice resound with acclamation.
Hosanna! Praised be the Lord!
Bless Him who cometh to bring us salvation!

3. Sing and rejoice, O blest Jerusalem,
Of all Thy sons sing the emancipation.
Through boundless love the Christ of Bethlehem
Brings faith and hope to Thee forevermore.
Join all and sing, His name declare,
Let ev'ry voice resound with acclamation.
Hosanna! Praised be the Lord!

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O Sacred Head, Now Wounded

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down,
scorn;
friend,
die;

1 O sa - cred head, now wound - ed, With grief and shame weighed down,
2 How art thou pale 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;

own;
orn!
end?
igh.

Now scorn - ful - ly sur - round - ed With thorns, thine on - ly crown;
How does that vis - age 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.

thine!
gain;
be,
move:

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;

mine.
pain.
thee.
love.

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 he who dies be - liev - ing Dies safe - ly in thy love.

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 Are 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.

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.

Text: Theodulp
 Tune: Melchior

Go to

1 C
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 3 C
 4 1

Text: James M
 Tune: Richard

5 Their praises you accepted;
 Accept the prayers we bring,
 Great author of all goodness,
 O good and gracious King. *Refrain*

*Text: Theophilus of Orleans, c. 760-821; in John M. Neale, 1818-1866, alt.
 Tune: Melchior Teichner, 1584-1635*

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Go to Dark Gethsemane

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 ing,
 ring,
 Son,
 high;
 went,
 praise.
 Refrain
 One.
 - ply.
 - sent.
 raise.

1 Go to dark Geth-sem - a - ne, All who feel the tempt-er's pow'r;
 2 Fol-low to the judg - ment hall, View the Lord of life ar-raigned;
 3 Cal-v'ry's mourn - ful moun - tain climb; There, a - dor - ing at his feet,
 4 Ear - ly has - ten to the tomb Where they laid his breath-less clay;

Your Re-deem - er's con - flict see. Watch with him one bit - ter hour;
 Oh, the worm-wood and the gall! Oh, the pangs his soul sus-tained!
 Mark that mir - a - cle of time, God's own sac - ri - fice com-plete.
 All is sol - i - tude and gloom. Who has tak - en him a - way?

Turn not from his griefs a - way; Learn from Je - sus Christ to pray.
 Shun not suf - f'ring, shame, or loss; Learn from him to bear the cross.
 "It is fin - ished!" hear him cry; Learn from Je - sus Christ to die.
 Christ is ris'n! He meets our eyes. Sav - ior, teach us so to rise.

*Rev. James Montgomery, 1771-1854
 Tune: Richard Redhead, 1820-1901*

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