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MASSES
Daily: Mon - Fri : 8:00 AM
Saturday 4:30 PM
Sunday 10 AM
PENANCE Saturdays 2:30-3:30 PM



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Mission Statement:

"Our Lady of Lourdes Parish, disciples of Jesus Christ in Worcester, MA, reaches out with love into the neighborhoods to welcome, serve, support, and engage the community in Jesus. In creating a welcoming relationship with Eucharistic and prayerful celebrations, we gather to make a difference by coming closer to God and one another."

April 13, 2025
Palm Sunday of the
Passion of the Lord



"...I tell you, Peter, before the cock crows this day, you will deny three times that you know me."

(LUKE 22:34)

How many times have you heard someone make a disparaging comment about God or our Catholic faith? How did you react? Do you remain quiet so not to cause a disturbance? Or, because you don't want people to think negatively about you? Or, because you don't think you know enough about the Catholic faith? Pray for the courage to speak up and enter into a respectful conversation when the opportunity to talk about our faith arises. Joyfully share your faith with others.

Mass Intentions & Calendar

Sat, Apr 12

4:15 pm **Maria Amendola** req by the D'Andrea family

Sun, Apr 13 Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

9:45 am **George & Emily Yankus** anniv req by daughter
Cynthia

Mon, Apr 14

8:00 am

Tue, Apr 15 Tax Day

8:00 am

Wed, Apr 16

8:00 am

Thu, Apr 17

8:00 am **Holy Week Morning Prayer**

7:00 pm **Holy Thursday Liturgy**

Fri, Apr 18

8:00 am **Holy Week Morning Prayer**

7:00 pm **Good Friday Liturgy**

Sat, Apr 19 Holy Saturday-Vigil

8:00 am **Holy Week Morning Prayer**

7:30 pm **Feola Family, Antoinetta Rossetti and Rosalba**

Puca req by the D'Andrea family

Robert Luikey req by the family

Sun, Apr 20 Easter Sunday

10:00 am

Daily Rosary-Praying of the Rosary will continue after the 8am daily mass in the church on Monday through Friday and at 9:15am before the 10am Sunday Mass. If you would still like to participate via Zoom, please let us know.

SCRIPTURE READINGS

- 13 SUN** Lk 19:28-40/Is 50:4-7/Ps 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24 (2a)/Phil 2:6-11/Lk 22:14—23:56 or 23:1-49
- 14 MON** Is 42:1-7/Ps 27:1, 2, 3, 13-14/Jn 12:1-11
- 15 TUE** Is 49:1-6/Ps 71:1-2, 3-4a, 5ab-6ab, 15 and 17/Jn 13:21-33, 36-38
- 16 WED** Is 50:4-9a/Ps 69:8-10, 21-22, 31 and 33-34/Mt 26:14-25
- 17 THU** *Chrism Mass:* Is 61:1-3a, 6a, 8b-9/Ps 89:21-22, 25 and 27/Rv 1:5-8/Lk 4:16-21
Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper: Ex 12:1-8, 11-14/Ps 116:12-13, 15-16bc, 17-18 (see 1 Cor 10:16)/1 Cor 11:23-26/Jn 13:1-15
- 18 FRI** Is 52:13—53:12/Ps 31:2, 6, 12-13, 15-16, 17, 25 (Lk 23:46)/Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9/Jn 18:1—19:42
- 19 SAT** *Easter Vigil:* Gn 1:1—2:2 or 1:1, 26-31a/Ps 104:1-2, 5-6, 10, 12, 13-14, 24, 35 or Ps 33:4-5, 6-7, 12-13, 20-22 (5b)/Gn 22:1-18 or 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18/Ps 16:5, 8, 9-10, 11 (1)/Ex 14:15—15:1/ Ex 15:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 17-18 (1b)/Is 54:5-14/Ps 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11-12, 13 (2a)/Is 55:1-11/Is 12:2-3, 4, 5-6 (3)/Bar 3:9-15, 32-4:4/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11 (Jn 6:68c)/Ez 36:16-17a, 18-28/Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 18-19 (12a)/Rom 6:3-11/Lk 24:1-12

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

WEEKLY OFFERING

Sunday Offertory 4/5-4/6	\$3,490.00
Online Giving	275.00
Catholic Relief Services	150.00
Easter Sunday	105.00
Candles	96.68
Easter Flowers	74.00
Fuel & Heating	5.00
Ascension	5.00
Holy Land/Good Friday	65.00
Maintenance	519.00
Mass Offerings	30.00
Parish Income	300.00
Room & Board	1,000.00
Snow Removal	195.00

*Thank you for your continued, generous support.
We appreciate your support of the church*

Pontifical Good Friday Collection

Pope Francis has asked our parish to support the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, which helps Christians in the Holy Land, where they are now less than 2% of the population. Your support is essential to help the Church minister in parishes, provide Catholic schools, and offer religious education. The Pontifical Good Friday Collection also helps to preserve the sacred shrines of Christianity, including Jerusalem, Nazareth, and Bethlehem, to name only a few.

The pandemic had hit Christians in the Holy Land particularly hard. Most of them depend on pilgrimages for work. The war made their situation even more dire. In these times of crisis, the Pontifical Good Friday Collection is necessary to meet the basic needs of the People of God still living in this Land and to maintain a Christian presence where the Church was born.

When you contribute to the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, you join with Catholics around the world in solidarity with the Church in the Holy Land. Please be generous!

For more information about Christians in the Holy Land, visit www.myfranciscan.org or www.custodia.org.

OCIA Program

On **Sunday, April 6**, Maddison Lauzon received her 1st Communion.

On Saturday, April 19, at our Easter

Vigil, Desmond Longeway, Charles Longeway, Victoria Rodriguez, Aurora Spencer, and Mai Nguyen will receive Baptism, Confirmation, and First Communion.

Brianne Sentance & William Frigon will also receive First Communion and Confirmation.

Kasey Gargas will also receive her First Communion.

Please pray for these young people as they have worked hard all year to learn about their faith and will be rewarded at the Easter Vigil by receiving the gift of their sacraments.

STEWARDSHIP OF TIME & TALENT

June Calendar Raffle/April Newsletter

The April newsletter with calendar raffle was mailed on April 7 and April 8. If you have not received, please call the rectory so we can figure out why. You have the months of April and May to sell the June Calendar Raffles for \$10 each. Please return bottom slip and money to Our Lady of Lourdes by May 31st.

Prayer Shawls

We have blessed prayer shawls. If you need one or know someone that needs one, please call the rectory. We will resume the first Thursday of the month in the church hall in March or April or you can also work on at home and donate when completed.

Knights of Columbus

Pope John XXIII Council #5481 has an on-going can/bottle collection program. **The council will also collect scrap metal.** Proceeds from this collection funds the Visitation House. If you wish to donate any redeemable cans/bottles or metal, please contact Grand Knight, Nick Marrier at 774-230-1414 or via email at nmarrier@gmail.com.

Finance Committee

We are looking for a couple of volunteers to be part of our Finance Committee. We meet quarterly to review the financials and discuss ways to increase income and decrease expenses. If you have a background in business/accounting or just want to be involved and would like to meet with us quarterly for about one hour, please reach out to Fr. Brian or Cheryl at the rectory.

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Men's Cursillo Weekend in May

Upcoming Men's Weekend this May: "Behold, I stand at the door and knock..." It's time. Time to learn more about your Faith. Time to experience what our religion can do for you. Jesus is waiting for you, personally. Cursillo weekends are a wonderful, fun way to give you a start on this journey. Runs **Thursday evening, May 15 through Sunday, May 18**, Go to www.fourthday.org and download an application today. If you have any questions call Pam Hamilton 774-239-8909 or Joan Laracy 774-239-2474. You will be so very glad you did!

PARTNERS IN CHARITY -2025

Our Lady of Lourdes is called upon to support the work of our Lord Jesus made possible through the annual appeal. Our parish goal is \$47,500. It is important for all of us to participate in order to support our mission as a diocese. If you have already made a gift to the 2025 appeal, we thank you. Your gift will help us in reaching our parish goal. You can also make your gift online at www.partners-charity.net. Or you can visit partners-charity.net and you can make your donation securely online and note your parish so that it is counted towards our target. You can even make your gift from a Smartphone by texting DONATE to 84576! Thank you!

Rosary Makers Needed

Mary's rosary ministry meets on the 2nd Wednesday of each month at St. Brigid's CPO (rectory) office at 5:00 PM. We teach corded rosary making and supply materials to make rosaries. We supply rosaries to churches in the Worcester diocese and also to Holy Cross Family Ministries in North Easton, MA for worldwide distribution. The ministry is non-profit with support of donations. Rosaries are freely given in response to Our Lady of Fatima request to promote the rosary throughout the world.

Lenten Meditation at Blessed Sacrament Church

Please join us on April 13th at 3:00pm (doors open at 2:30pm) at Blessed Sacrament Church, 551 Pleasant St, Worcester featuring Canticum Novum Ensemble, Travis Benoit (conductor/artistic director) and Elizabeth Noone (organ/piano) for the choral works of James McMillan, Paul Jernberg, Palestrina and more! Free admission but good will offerings are appreciated.

REST IN PEACE

*We, the parish community of Our Lady of Lourdes,
extend our deepest sympathy
to the family of*

**Mary Ann Shakour
who died on April 5, 2025**

*Please keep her family and friends in your prayers
as they grieve the loss of their loved one.*

HOLY WEEK

PASSION SUNDAY

CYCLE C



BLESSING & DISTRIBUTION OF PALMS

(Gather in the Vestibule)

PROCESSION INTO THE CHURCH

Hosanna to the Son of David

Dan Schutte

Refrain

Ho - san - na to the Son of Da - vid! O
blest is he, O blest is he who comes in the name of the

Verses

Lord!

1. Re - joice,	daugh - ter of	Zi - on,
2. Re - joice,	all who are	thirst - ing
3. Re - joice,	all who are	long - ing
4. Re - joice,	all who are	search - ing
5. Re - joice,	all who are	hop - ing
6. Re - joice,	all who are	wait - ing
7. Re - joice,	all who are	call - ing
8. Re - joice,	all who are	hun - gry

1. in the One who brings great joy!
2. for the streams of liv - ing joy!
3. to be - hold the face of God!
4. for the truth of ho - ly light!
5. for the reign of peace and love!
6. for the dawn of heav - en's light!
7. on the name of God on high!
8. for the taste of liv - ing bread!

Sing praise, chil -

to Refrain

1-8. - dren of Ju - dah, for the Lord is close at hand!

OPENING PRAYER

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING

ISAIAH 50:4-7

The Lord GOD has given me a well-trained tongue, that I might know how to speak to the weary a word that will rouse them. Morning after morning he opens my ear that I may hear; and I have not rebelled, have not turned back. I gave my back to those who beat me, my cheeks to those who plucked my beard; my face I did not shield from buffets and spitting. The Lord GOD is my help, therefore I am not disgraced; I have set my face like flint, knowing that I shall not be put to shame.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

PSALM 22



SECOND READING

PHILLIPPIANS 2:6-11

Christ Jesus, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God something to be grasped. Rather, he emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, coming in human likeness; and found human in appearance, he humbled himself, becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. Because of this, God greatly exalted him and bestowed on him the name which is above every name, that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, of those in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Mass of Christ the Savior
Dan Schutte



PASSION ACCORDING TO LUKE

LK 22:14—23:56

(See insert and be the "Crowd")

HOMILY

APOSTLES CREED (Stand)



I believe in God, the Father almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth,
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;
he descended into hell;
on the third day he rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty;
from there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and life everlasting.

Amen.

GENERAL INTERCESSIONS

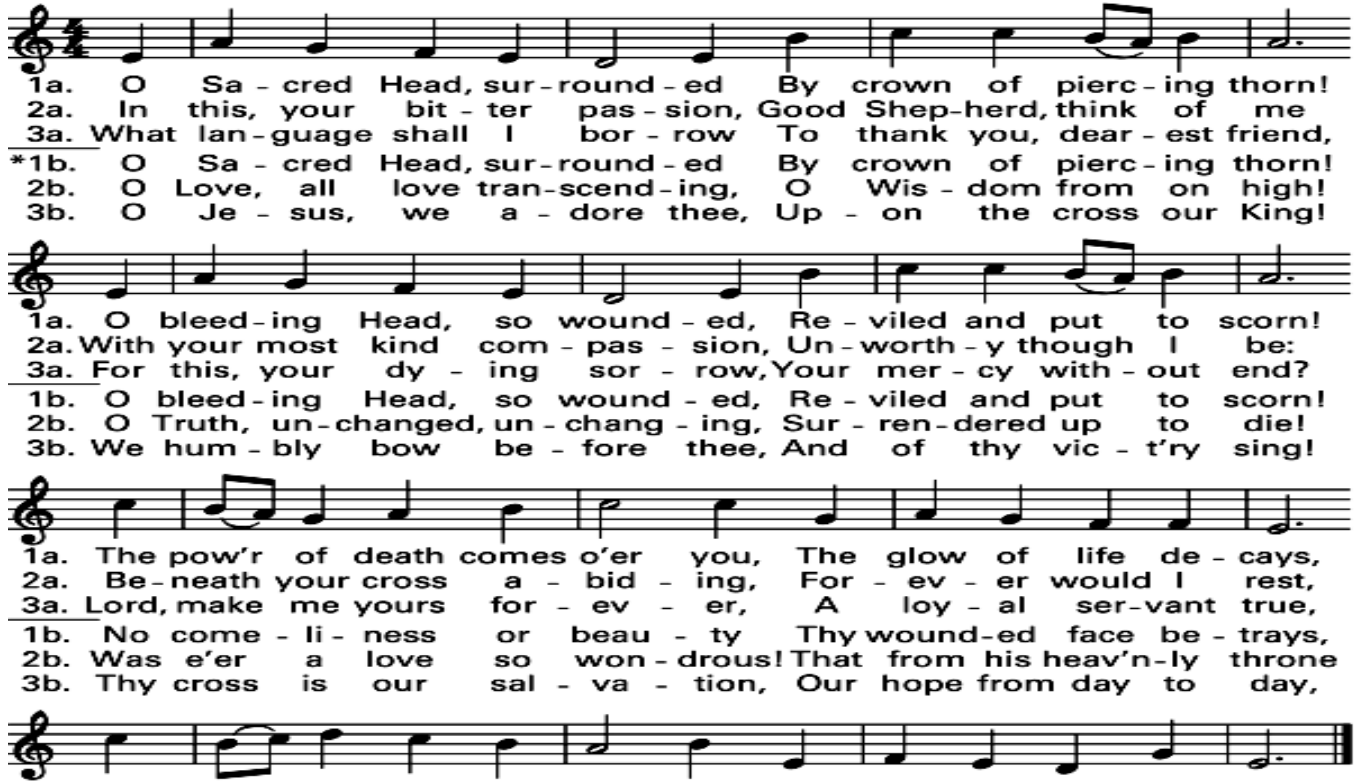
The Response is: *"Hear Our Prayer."*

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS

O Sacred Head, Surrounded

PASSION CHORALE



1a. O Sa - cred Head, sur - round - ed By crown of pierc - ing thorn!
2a. In this, your bit - ter pas - sion, Good Shep - herd, think of me
3a. What lan - guage shall I bor - row To thank you, dear - est friend,
*1b. O Sa - cred Head, sur - round - ed By crown of pierc - ing thorn!
2b. O Love, all love tran - scend - ing, O Wis - dom from on high!
3b. O Je - sus, we a - dore thee, Up - on the cross our King!

1a. O bleed - ing Head, so wound - ed, Re - viled and put to scorn!
2a. With your most kind com - pas - sion, Un - worth - y though I be:
3a. For this, your dy - ing sor - row, Your mer - cy with - out end?
1b. O bleed - ing Head, so wound - ed, Re - viled and put to scorn!
2b. O Truth, un - changed, un - chang - ing, Sur - ren - dered up to die!
3b. We hum - bly bow be - fore thee, And of thy vic - t'ry sing!

1a. The pow'r of death comes o'er you, The glow of life de - cays,
2a. Be - neath your cross a - bid - ing, For - ev - er would I rest,
3a. Lord, make me yours for - ev - er, A loy - al ser - vant true,
1b. No come - li - ness or beau - ty Thy wound - ed face be - trays,
2b. Was e'er a love so won - drous! That from his heav'n - ly throne
3b. Thy cross is our sal - va - tion, Our hope from day to day,

1a. Yet an - gel hosts a - dore you, And trem - ble as they gaze.
2a. In your dear love con - fid - ing, And with your pres - ence blest.
3a. And let me nev - er, nev - er Out - live my love for you.
1b. Yet an - gel hosts a - dore thee And trem - ble as they gaze.
2b. God should de - scend a - mong us To suf - fer for his own.
3b. Our peace and con - so - la - tion When life shall fade a - way.

HOLY, HOLY

MASS OF CHRIST THE SAVIOR

Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord, God of hosts.
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

MASS OF CHRIST THE SAVIOR

Save us, Savior of the World,
By your Cross & Resurrection
You have set us free.

GREAT AMEN

MASS OF CHRIST THE SAVIOR

OUR FATHER

SIGN OF PEACE

LAMB OF GOD

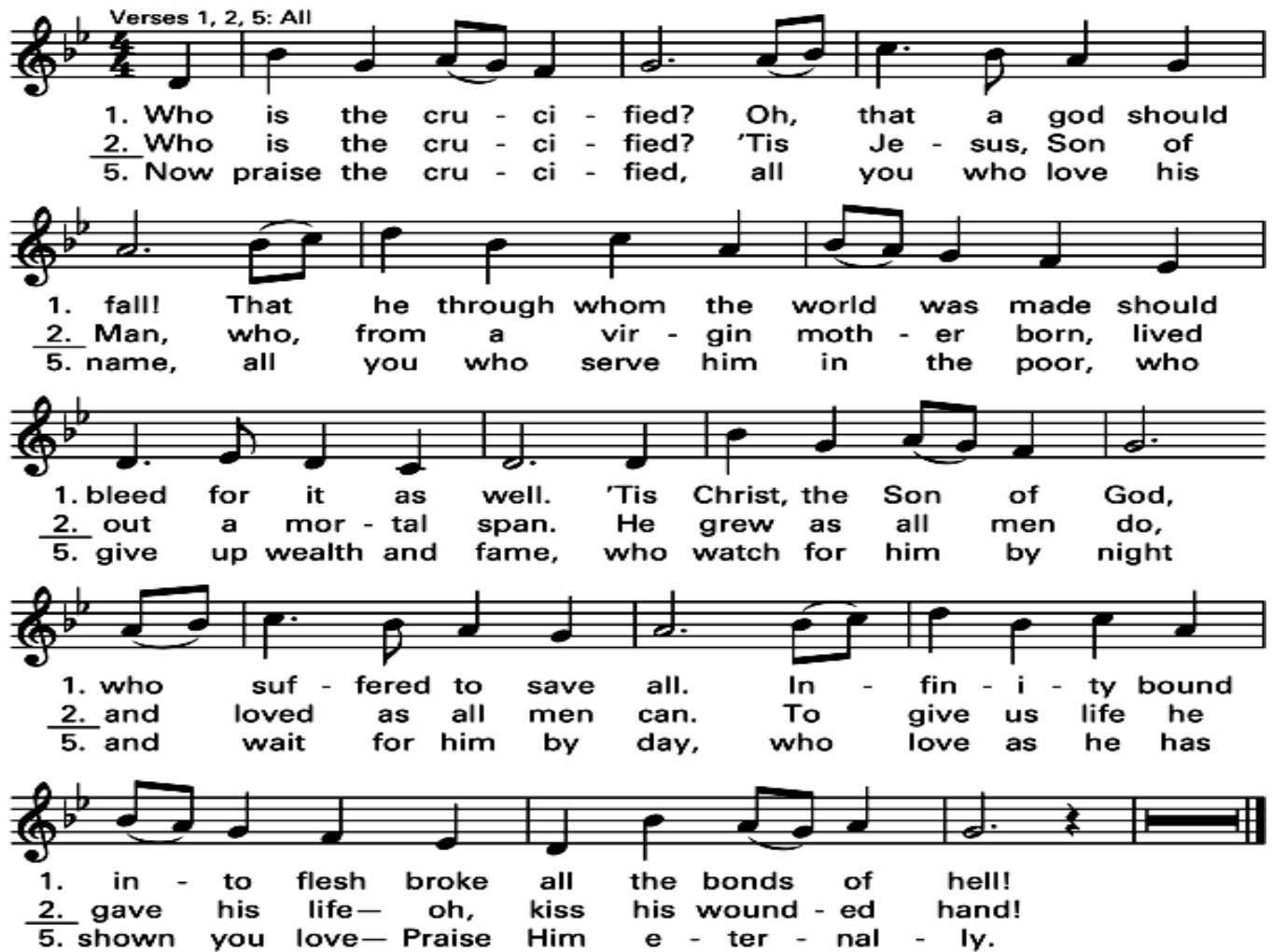
MASS OF CHRIST THE SAVIOR

COMMUNION

Who Is The Crucified?

Kevin Keil

Verses 1, 2, 5: All



1. Who is the cru - ci - fied? Oh, that a god should
2. Who is the cru - ci - fied? 'Tis Je - sus, Son of
5. Now praise the cru - ci - fied, all you who love his

1. fall! That he through whom the world was made should
2. Man, who, from a vir - gin moth - er born, lived
5. name, all you who serve him in the poor, who

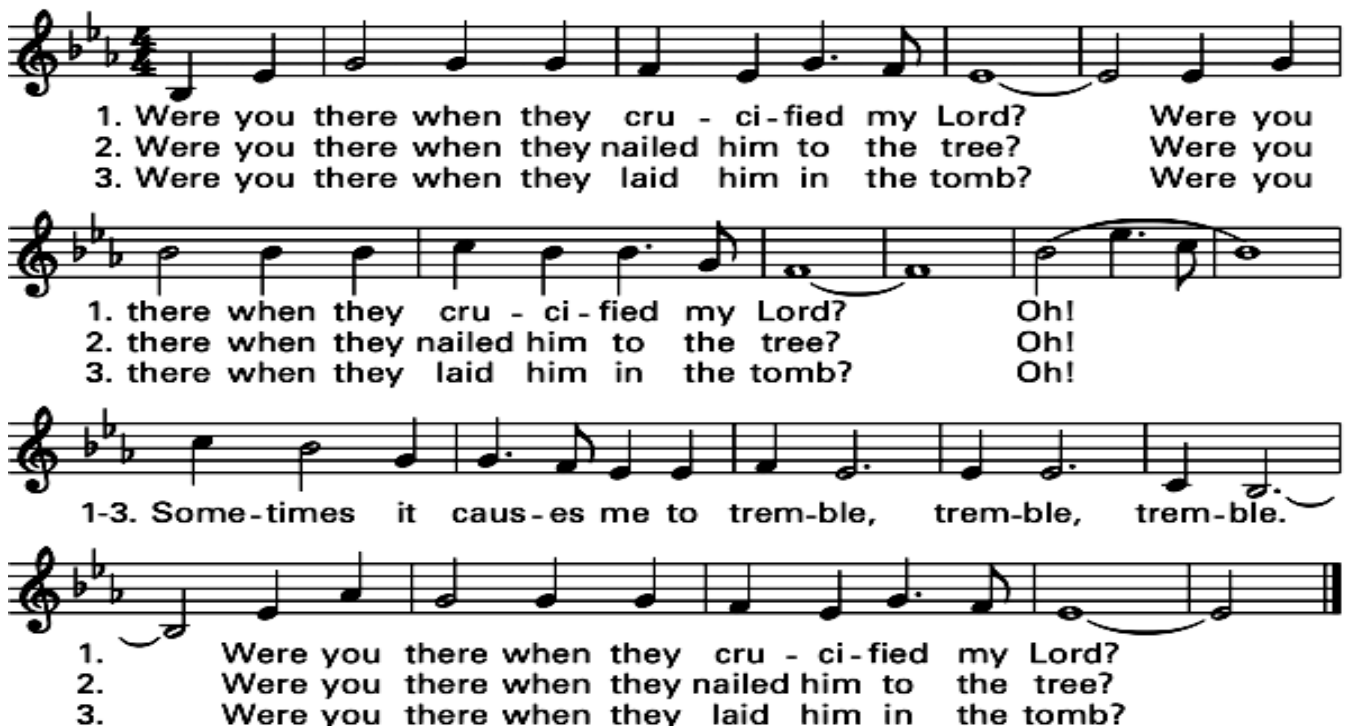
1. bleed for it as well. 'Tis Christ, the Son of God,
2. out a mor - tal span. He grew as all men do,
5. give up wealth and fame, who watch for him by night

1. who suf - fered to save all. In - fin - i - ty bound
2. and loved as all men can. To give us life he
5. and wait for him by day, who love as he has

1. in - to flesh broke all the bonds of hell!
2. gave his life— oh, kiss his wound - ed hand!
5. shown you love— Praise Him e - ter - nal - ly.

RECESSIONAL

Were You There



1. Were you there when they cru - ci - fied my Lord? Were you
2. Were you there when they nailed him to the tree? Were you
3. Were you there when they laid him in the tomb? Were you

1. there when they cru - ci - fied my Lord? Oh!
2. there when they nailed him to the tree? Oh!
3. there when they laid him in the tomb? Oh!

1-3. Some-times it caus-es me to trem-ble, trem-ble, trem-ble.

1. Were you there when they cru - ci - fied my Lord?
2. Were you there when they nailed him to the tree?
3. Were you there when they laid him in the tomb?

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