

PRELUDE

INTRODUCTION

PRAYER

All: O Merciful Savior, grant that while we follow your blessed footsteps along this Way of Sorrow, our hearts may be so touched with true contrition that you may turn our weeping into gladness by giving us remission of all our sins. Amen.

JESUS IS CONDEMNED TO DEATH

SCRIPTURE & MEDITATION

MOMENT OF SILENT REFLECTION

PRAYER

All: O Lord, how can you let the Son of God be condemned to die by this son of a man, named Pilate? The world is full of unjust people and their unjust decisions are hard to endure. Yet, I believe "that all things work together for the good of those who love you and who are called according to your purpose." Help me to trust that the dying places in my life will lead to new life and a resurrection; for you, O Lord, are my salvation. Amen.

SUNG RESPONSE

O Lord, Hear My Prayer

The musical score is written in treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a common time signature (C). The tempo is marked as quarter note = 72. The score consists of three staves of music with corresponding lyrics and guitar chords. The chords are: Em, Em/D, C6, Am, B, Em, Em, Em/D, C6, D, G/B, C, Am6, B, Em, Em, Em/D, C6, D, G6, Am, B, Em. The lyrics are: Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer. When I call, an - swer me. O Lord is my song, the Lord is my praise: All my hope comes from God. The Lord, hear my prayer. O Lord, hear my prayer. Come and lis - ten to me. O Lord is my song, the Lord is my praise: God, the well - spring of life. The. The score ends with a double bar line and a 'fine' marking.

JESUS RECEIVES THE CROSS

SCRIPTURE

MOMENT OF SILENT REFLECTION

PRAYER

All: O Lord, my life seems almost unbearable, at times. It is monotonous, unfair, and nothing ever turns out the way I want it to. Even so, before I complain about my suffering, let me remember how you felt when you took that cross onto your shoulders for me. While my problems appear small compared to yours, they are difficult and grieve me all the same. Grant me strength to bear my cross; for you, O Lord, are my salvation. Amen.

SUNG RESPONSE

O Lord, Hear My Prayer

The musical score is written for a single melodic line in treble clef, key of D major (one sharp), and common time (C). The tempo is marked as quarter note = 72. The score consists of three systems of music with lyrics underneath. The first system has a key signature change to D major. The second system includes two alternative endings for the final note: '1. O' and '2. The'. The third system ends with a 'fine' marking.

Chord progressions: Em, Em/D, C⁶, Am, B, Em, Em, Em/D, C⁶, D, G/B, C, Am⁶, B, Em, Em, Em/D, C⁶, D, G⁶, Am, B, Em.

Lyrics:
Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer. When I call, an - swer me. O
Lord is my song, the Lord is my praise: All my hope comes from God. The
Lord, hear my prayer. O Lord, hear my prayer. Come and lis - ten to me. O
Lord is my song, the Lord is my praise: God, the well - spring of life. The

JESUS FALLS THE FIRST TIME UNDER THE WEIGHT OF THE CROSS

SCRIPTURE & MEDITATION

MOMENT OF SILENT REFLECTION

PRAYER

All: O Lord, I too, must stop and catch my breath. Life is hard: irritations, fatigue, illness, and disappointment. They are all handicaps of my humanity. Lift me up with the strength of your hand and let me struggle after you; for you, O Lord, are my salvation. Amen.

SUNG RESPONSE

O Lord, Hear My Prayer

SEE ABOVE

JESUS MEETS HIS BLESSED MOTHER

SCRIPTURE & MEDITATION

MOMENT OF SILENT REFLECTION

PRAYER

All: O Lord, it is hard to watch the suffering of those I love. What I would not do to take their pain onto my own shoulders. Help me to stand beside those who are anguished and distressed; for you, O Lord, are my salvation. Amen.

SUNG RESPONSE

O Lord, Hear My Prayer

The musical score is written in G major (one sharp) and common time (C). It consists of three staves of music. The first staff begins with a tempo marking of quarter note = 72. The second staff includes a repeat sign. The lyrics are written below the notes. The score concludes with a 'fine' marking and a repeat sign.

1. O
2. The

Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer. When I call, an - swer me. O
Lord is my song, the Lord is my praise: All my hope comes from God. The

Lord, hear my prayer. O Lord, hear my prayer. Come and lis - ten to me. O
Lord is my song, the Lord is my praise: God, the well - spring of life. The

THE CROSS IS LAID ON SIMON OF CYRENE

SCRIPTURE & MEDITATION

MOMENT OF SILENT REFLECTION

PRAYER

All: O Lord, just as I hurt, there are those around me who are hurting too. I know that you expect me to rejoice with those who rejoice and to weep with those who weep. Move me from complacency to action. Though it might be a bother to me, do not let me turn my back on those in need. Forgive me for wanting to simply be an uninvolved spectator of another's cross bearing. Grant me grace to help without any selfish motivation; for you, O Lord, are my salvation. Amen.

SUNG RESPONSE

O Lord, Hear My Prayer

SEE ABOVE

JESUS FALLS A SECOND TIME

SCRIPTURE & MEDITATION

MOMENT OF SILENT REFLECTION

PRAYER

All: O Lord, I feel all alone and the weight of failure and loneliness brings me to my knees. But, I am not alone. You fell repeatedly on your journey to the cross, yet found the strength to get up again and again. Grant me strength and lead me gently on my way; for you, O Lord, are my salvation. Amen.

SUNG RESPONSE

O Lord, Hear My Prayer

The musical score is written in treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a common time signature (C). The tempo is marked as quarter note = 72. The score consists of three staves of music with lyrics underneath. The first staff has a tempo marking of quarter note = 72. The second staff has a repeat sign at the beginning. The third staff ends with a 'fine' marking. The lyrics are: 'Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer. When I call, an - swer me. O Lord is my song, the Lord is my praise: All my hope comes from God. The Lord, hear my prayer. O Lord, hear my prayer. Come and lis - ten to me. O Lord is my song, the Lord is my praise: God, the well - spring of life. The'. There are two versions of the final line: '1. O' and '2. The'. The chords are: Em, Em/D, C6, Am, B, Em, Em, Em/D, C6, D, G/B, C, Am6, B, Em, Em, Em/D, C6, D, G6, Am, B, Em.

THE WOMEN OF JERUSALEM MOURN FOR THE LORD

SCRIPTURE & MEDITATION

MOMENT OF SILENT REFLECTION

PRAYER

All: O Lord, I know that I am weak when I should be strong, uncaring when I should be compassionate. Nevertheless, I know that you have died for me because you are strong and compassionate and you have assured me that my sins are forgiven. Lord, look into my eyes and help me to know that you will not desert me; for you, O Lord, are my salvation. Amen.

SUNG RESPONSE

O Lord, Hear My Prayer

SEE ABOVE

JESUS FALLS THE THIRD TIME UNDER THE CROSS

SCRIPTURE & MEDITATION

MOMENT OF SILENT REFLECTION

PRAYER

All: O Lord, I sometimes think that defeat has finally come, that I have fallen for the last time. But, I know that I too can rise up again, with your help. No matter what my dark past may be; you are always willing to give me another chance. My trust in you makes me trust in myself; for you, O Lord, are my salvation. Amen.

SUNG RESPONSE

O Lord, Hear My Prayer

The musical score is written in treble clef, key of D major, and common time (C). It consists of three staves of music with lyrics underneath. The tempo is marked as quarter note = 72. The first staff has a tempo marking of quarter note = 72. The second staff has a repeat sign at the beginning. The third staff ends with a 'fine' marking. The lyrics are: 'Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer. When I call, an - swer me. O Lord is my song, the Lord is my praise: All my hope comes from God. The Lord, hear my prayer. O Lord, hear my prayer. Come and lis - ten to me. O Lord is my song, the Lord is my praise: God, the well - spring of life. The'. There are two versions of the final line: '1. O' and '2. The B'.

JESUS IS STRIPPED OF HIS GARMENTS

SCRIPTURE & MEDITATION

MOMENT OF SILENT REFLECTION

PRAYER

All: O Lord, I strive so hard for worldly possessions. How important they are in my feeble life. Yet, you lost the only worldly possession you ever had – your robe, and saw it gambled for by the men who executed you. I too, throw away all my vanity, pride, and position. For in removing these from my life, I usher in your divine Love. Though I may be poor in spirit, I am rich in you; for you, O Lord, are my salvation. Amen.

SUNG RESPONSE

O Lord, Hear My Prayer

SEE ABOVE

JESUS IS NAILED TO THE CROSS

SCRIPTURE & MEDITATION

MOMENT OF SILENT REFLECTION

PRAYER

All: O Lord, why did you endure all of that for me? I am so pitiful. I am worthless. Or am I? If you could endure that for me – for ME - then the least I can do is humbly accept your grace and love and live my life with gratitude and thanksgiving. Help me to accept whatever life holds and draw me ever closer to you; for you, O Lord, are my salvation. Amen.

SUNG RESPONSE

O Lord, Hear My Prayer

The musical score is written in treble clef, key of D major (one sharp), and common time (C). The tempo is marked as quarter note = 72. The score consists of three staves of music with lyrics underneath. The first staff has a repeat sign at the beginning. The second staff has two endings. The third staff ends with a 'fine' marking. Chord symbols are placed above the notes: Em, Em/D, C⁶, Am, B, Em, Em, Em/D, C⁶, D, G/B, C, Am⁶, B, Em, Em, Em/D, C⁶, D, G⁶, Am, B, Em.

1. O
2. The

Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer. When I call, an - swer me. O
Lord is my song, the Lord is my praise: All my hope comes from God. The

Lord, hear my prayer. O Lord, hear my prayer. Come and lis - ten to me. O
Lord is my song, the Lord is my praise: God, the well - spring of life. The

JESUS DIED UPON THE CROSS

SCRIPTURE & MEDITATION

MOMENT OF SILENT REFLECTION

PRAYER

All: O Lord, I have many fears, but they are all dwarfed by my heart-wrenching fear of death. To lose my earthly life seems incomprehensible. Yet, I must accept that death comes to each of us. Help me to look upon death as a beginning and not an end. You promise that someday, all your people shall be with you in paradise and there, all of the love you feel for them will be truly manifested. You, O Lord, are my salvation. Amen.

SUNG RESPONSE

O Lord, Hear My Prayer

SEE ABOVE

JESUS IS TAKEN DOWN FROM THE CROSS

SCRIPTURE & MEDITATION

MOMENT OF SILENT REFLECTION

PRAYER

All: O Lord, I too must accept the death of loved ones. I know that grief is inevitable and that I doubt my ability to ever, be as strong as Jesus' mother. As difficult as it is at times, help me to find peace at the death of those I love. Accept my grief as a sign of the love I have felt for them and help me to eventually rejoice, knowing that they reside with you in the Eternal Kingdom, where there is no more pain, suffering, sorrow, and death. Help me to look forward with hope in that promised great heavenly reunion; for you, O Lord, are my salvation. Amen.

SUNG RESPONSE

O Lord, Hear My Prayer

The musical score is written in G major (one sharp) and common time. It consists of three staves of music with lyrics underneath. The first staff is a vocal line. The second staff shows the guitar accompaniment with chords: Em, Em/D, C⁶, D, G/B, C, Am⁶, and B. The lyrics for the first two lines are: "Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer. When I call, an - swer me. O Lord is my song, the Lord is my praise: All my hope comes from God. The". The third staff continues the accompaniment with chords: Em, Em/D, C⁶, D, G⁶, Am, B, and Em. The lyrics for the third line are: "Lord, hear my prayer. O Lord, hear my prayer. Come and lis - ten to me. O Lord is my song, the Lord is my praise: God, the well - spring of life. The". The piece ends with a fermata and the word "fine".

JESUS IS LAID IN THE TOMB

SCRIPTURE & MEDITATION

MOMENT OF SILENT REFLECTION

PRAYER

All: O Lord, we see that your earthly or mortal life is finished. Yet, you promised to never leave us alone – that you would send your disciples an Advocate, the Holy Spirit, to remind them of all that you taught. Now, we have the chance to bear the burdens you couldn't bear, teach the lessons you couldn't teach, do the works your short life would not permit, and to reach out to those you are not here to physically hold. Help me and my brothers and sisters in the faith, to be your body here on earth. We pray all these things on this dark night and ask that you cling to us, your family, for which you were betrayed, given into the hands of violent human beings, and suffered death on a cross. Bring your salvation, O Lord of Sorrow, and help me to remember that you died for me. Amen.

POSTLUDE

Via Delarosa

Following the Postlude, the congregation shall leave in reverent silence and gather in celebration to rejoice on Easter Sunday as we hear more Good News...