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Jan Brueghel the Elder, Adam and Eve in the Garden of Eden, 1615

Gardens of Salvation Passion Sunday 6 April 2025

Penitential Litany

○ GOD the Father of heaven:
have mercy upon us miserable sinners.

○ God the Son, Redeemer of the world:
have mercy upon us miserable sinners.

○ God the Holy Ghost, proceeding from the Father and the Son:
have mercy upon us miserable sinners.

○ holy, blessed, and glorious Trinity, three Persons and one God:
have mercy upon us miserable sinners.

Remember not, Lord, our offences, nor the offences of our forefathers; neither take thou vengeance of our sins: spare us, good Lord, spare thy people, whom thou hast redeemed with thy most precious blood, and be not angry with us for ever.
Spare us, good Lord.

From all evil and mischief; from sin, from the crafts and assaults of the devil; from thy wrath, and from everlasting damnation,
Good Lord, deliver us.

From all blindness of heart; from pride, vain-glory, and hypocrisy; from envy, hatred, and malice, and all uncharitableness,
Good Lord, deliver us.

From fornication, and all other deadly sin; and from all the deceits of the world, the flesh, and the devil,
Good Lord, deliver us.

By the mystery of thy holy Incarnation; by thy holy Nativity and Circumcision; by thy Baptism, Fasting, and Temptation,
Good Lord, deliver us.

By thine Agony and bloody Sweat; by thy Cross and Passion; by thy precious Death and Burial; by thy glorious Resurrection and Ascension; and by the coming of the Holy Ghost,
Good Lord, deliver us.

In all time of our tribulation; in all time of our wealth; in the hour of death, and in the day of judgement,
Good Lord, deliver us.

Hymn

231 My song is love unknown omit *

The Garden of Eden: The Fall

Reading

The Garden of Eden and the Fall

Now the serpent was more crafty than any other wild animal that the LORD God had made. He said to the woman, “Did God say, ‘You shall not eat from any tree in the garden?’”² The woman said to the serpent, “We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden;³ but God said, ‘You shall not eat of the fruit of the tree that is in the middle of the garden, nor shall you touch it, or you shall die.’”⁴ But the serpent said to the woman, “You will not die;⁵ for God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God,^[a] knowing good and evil.”⁶ So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate; and she also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate.⁷ Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together and made loincloths for themselves.

And the Lord God said to the man
By the sweat of your face
you shall eat bread
until you return to the ground,
for out of it you were taken;
you are dust,
and to dust you shall return.”

²² Then the LORD God said, “See, the man has become like one of us, knowing good and evil; and now, he might reach out his hand and take also from the tree of life, and eat, and live forever”—
²³ therefore the LORD God sent him forth from the garden of Eden, to till the ground from which he was taken. ²⁴ He drove out the man; and at the east of the garden of Eden he placed the cherubim, and a sword flaming and turning to guard the way to the tree of life.

Genesis 3:1-7, 19, 22-end

Hymn

243 The royal banners forward go

Collect

God our Saviour, by the free gift of your grace in Christ you have brought new life to the children of Adam and Eve. Recall for us the story of your mercy and renew our faith in your salvation; teach us, to live by your word, trust in your protection and worship you alone. We ask this through Jesus Christ who is one with you and the Holy Spirit, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Choir

Wash me throughly

Words: Psalm 51 vv.2-3

Music: David Halls b.1963



Wenzel Peter, *Adam and Eve in the Garden of Eden*

The Garden of Gethsemane

Reading

St Mark's account of the Garden of Gethsemane

³² They went to a place called Gethsemane; and he said to his disciples, "Sit here while I pray." ³³ He took with him Peter and James and John, and began to be distressed and agitated. ³⁴ And he said to them, "I am deeply grieved, even to death; remain here, and keep awake." ³⁵ And going a little farther, he threw himself on the ground and prayed that, if it were possible, the hour might pass from him. ³⁶ He said, "Abba, Father, for you all things are possible; remove this cup from me; yet, not what I want, but what you want." ³⁷ He came and found them sleeping; and he said to Peter, "Simon, are you asleep? Could you not keep awake one hour?" ³⁸ Keep awake and pray that you may not come into the time of trial; the spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak." ³⁹ And again he went away and prayed, saying the same words. ⁴⁰ And once more he came and found them sleeping, for their eyes were very heavy; and they did not know what to say to him. ⁴¹ He came a third time and said to them, "Are you still sleeping and taking your rest? Enough! The hour has come; the Son of Man is betrayed into the hands of sinners. ⁴² Get up, let us be going. See, my betrayer is at hand."

Mark 14:32-42

Hymn

108 Praise to the Holiest in the height

Collect

O Saviour of the world, who in Gethsemane didst accept the bitter cup of submission to the Father's will: Look mercifully upon our weak and wayward lives, and arm us with such strength and courage that we may tread without fear the appointed path of duty, and evermore follow the pattern of thy costly obedience; for thy honour and glory, who livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Sermon



Andrea Mantegna - Agony in the Garden

Golgotha

Reading

Golgotha – the place of the skull

²² Then they brought Jesus to the place called Golgotha (which means the place of a skull). ²³ And they offered him wine mixed with myrrh; but he did not take it. ²⁴ And they crucified him, and divided his clothes among them, casting lots to decide what each should take.

³³ When it was noon, darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon. ³⁴ At three o'clock Jesus cried out with a loud voice, "Eloi, Eloi, lema sabachthani?" which means, "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?"^[1] ³⁵ When some of the bystanders heard it, they said, "Listen, he is calling for Elijah." ³⁶ And someone ran, filled a sponge with sour wine, put it on a stick, and gave it to him to drink, saying, "Wait, let us see whether Elijah will come to take him down." ³⁷ Then Jesus gave a loud cry and breathed his last. ³⁸ And the curtain of the temple was torn in two, from top to bottom. ³⁹ Now when the centurion, who stood facing him, saw that in this way he^[g] breathed his last, he said, "Truly this man was God's Son!"

Mark 15:22-24, 33-39

Hymn

244 There is green hill far away

Collect

God our Saviour, by the passion and death of Christ your Son on the hill of Golgotha, you have abolished the eternal death which was our ancient inheritance. Form us afresh in your image, so that freed from sin and death, we may know the full glory of your love revealed in the same Christ our Lord, who is one with you and the Holy Spirit, One God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Prayers

Concluding with

[Though knowest, Lord](#)

Words: from the Burial Service, Book of Common Prayer

Music: Henry Purcell (1959-95)



Jan Brueghel the Elder - Calvary

The Garden Tomb

Reading

The Garden Tomb

⁴⁰ They took the body of Jesus and wrapped it with the spices in linen cloths, according to the burial custom of the Jews. ⁴¹ Now there was a garden in the place where he was crucified, and in the garden there was a new tomb in which no one had ever been laid. ⁴² And so, because it was the Jewish day of Preparation, and the tomb was nearby, they laid Jesus there.

John 19:40-42

Collect

O Lord Jesus Christ, Son of the Living God, who didst rest in the sepulchre and didst thereby sanctify the grave to be a bed of hope to thy people: Make us so to abound in sorrow for our sins, which were the cause of thy passion, that when our bodies rest in the dust, our souls may live with thee; who livest and reignest with the father and the Holy Spirit, One God, world without end. **Amen.**

Hymn

219 From heav'n you came

God our Father, we come in sorrow for our loss of innocence in the Garden of Eden; grant us the strength so to watch with our Lord in Gethsemane, follow his footsteps up the hill of Golgotha and greet him as our Risen Saviour in the Garden of Easter Morning. **Amen**

