Prologue 1. Come to the Cross and Remember

Unison with opt. Congregation

Words and Music by Pepper Choplin

Narrator: *(begin at m. 3)* Today we gather at the cross to bring symbols of Jesus' passion and suffering. As we bring the palm branches and the garden flowers,



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The Palms 2. The Messiah Has Come

SATB

Words and Music by **Pepper Choplin**



* Accent the consonants on each downbeat to add extra sparkle throughout.

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The Cup and the Bread **3. Bring the Cup and the Bread**

Unison with opt. Congregation



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4. Love Filled the Cup

Narrator: (*as music begins*) The bread and the cup remind us how You met with Your disciples in the upper room. We reflect on all You said in Your final hours with Your closest friends.





















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The Flowers, Thirty Silver Coins, Torch and Sword **5. Go to Dark Gethsemane**

SATB or Unison* with opt. Congregation

Words by Pepper Choplin

Arranged by **Pepper Choplin** Tune: **REDHEAD** by **Richard Redhead**, 1853



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6. Bring the Thirty Silver Coins

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(*Narration continues as music begins and coins, torch and/or sword are brought forward.*) We remember that it was also there in the garden that Judas betrayed You and led a mob with torches and swords to arrest You.



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7. Judas

Words and Music by Pepper Choplin

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The Robe and the Crown 8. Bring the Robe and the Crown

Unison with opt. Congregation

Words and Music by **Pepper Choplin**



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9. Surely He Has Borne Our Griefs

Words Based on Isaiah 53:4-5

Words and Music by Pepper Choplin









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The Nails 10. O Sacred Hands, Now Wounded

SATB with opt. Congregation

Words by **Pepper Choplin**

Arranged by **Pepper Choplin** Tune: PASSION CHORALE by **Hans Leo Hassler**, 1601



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11. You Will Be with Me in Paradise

SATB with opt. Duet and Solo

Words and Music by Pepper Choplin

Narrator: Lord, when we see the nails, we remember how You were crucified on the cross. Even in the midst of Your great suffering, You prayed for Your tormentors, "Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do." Near the end of Your life, You even showed mercy to a man who was crucified by Your side. We echo his words when he said, "Remember me when You come into Your kingdom." Lord, we carry Your response with us until the end of our days. And when we say goodbye to a loved one, we find comfort when we hear Your words, "You will be with Me in paradise." *(music begins)*





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The Shroud **12. Hold the Shroud in Your Hands**

Unison with opt. Congregation

Words and Music by Pepper Choplin

Narrator: (as music begins; bring shroud forward and drape it on the cross.) At about noon, the sun stopped shining, and darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon.



Then the curtain of the temple was torn in two. Jesus called out with a loud voice, "Father, into Your hands I commit My spirit." When He had said this, He breathed His last.



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13. Waitin' for the Mornin'

SATB with opt. Descant

Words and Music by Pepper Choplin



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Finale 14. Every Knee Shall Bow

SATB

Words Based on **Philippians 2:6-11**

Words and Music by **Pepper Choplin**

Narrator: Through Christ, we can have hope, even in the darkest of times. And though the night of death may overtake us, a new morning will surely come, and the sun will surely rise. *(pause as music begins)*



(Narration resumes with strength at m.4)

Christ humbled Himself by becoming obedient unto death, even death on a cross. Therefore God also



has highly exalted Him, and has given Him a name which is above every name: that at the name of Jesus



every knee should bow, of things in heaven, and things in earth, and things under the earth; and that



every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father. *(end Narration)*



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