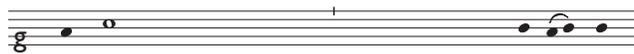


 *Palm Sunday*

Short Preface



And now we give you thanks because, for our sal-va-tion,



he was obedient ev-en to death on the cross.

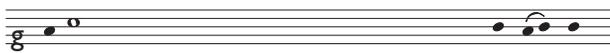


The tree of shame was made the tree of glo-ry;



and where life was lost, there life has been re-stored.

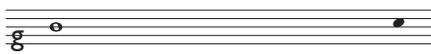
Extended Preface



It is indeed right and just, our duty and our sal-va-tion,



al-ways and everywhere to give you thanks,



holy Father, almighty and eternal God,



through Je-sus Christ our Lord.



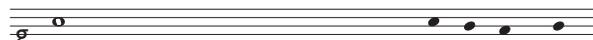
For as the time of his passion and re-sur-rec-tion draws near



the whole world is called to ac-know-ledge his hid-den ma-jes-ty.



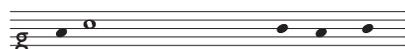
The power of the life-giving cross



reveals the judgement that has come up-on the world



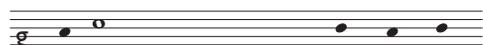
and the tri-umph of Christ cru-ci-fied.



He is the victim who dies no more,



the Lamb once slain, who lives for ev - er,



our advocate in heaven to plead our cause,



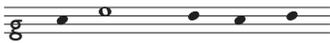
ex -alting us there to join with angels and arch-an - gels,

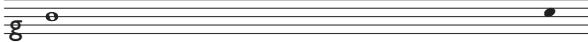


for ever prais-ing you and sing-ing:

 *Maundy Thursday*

Short Preface


And now we give you thanks


because, having loved his own who were in the world,


he loved them to the end;


and on the night before he suf-fered,


sit-ting at table with his dis-ci-ples,


he in-sti-tu-ted these ho-ly mys-ter-ies,


that we, redeemed by his death


and restored to life by his re-sur-rec-tion,


might be par-ta-kers of his di-vine na-ture.

Extended Preface



It is indeed right to give you thanks,



Father most ho-ly, through Je-sus Christ our Lord.



For on this night he girded himself with a towel



and, taking the form of a ser-vant, washed the feet of his dis-ci-ples.



He gave us a new com-mand-ment



that we should love one a-no-ther as he has loved us.



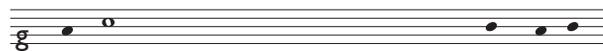
Know-ing that his hour had come,



in his great love he gave this supper to his dis-ci-ples



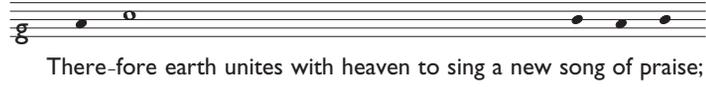
to be a me-mo-rial of his pas-sion,



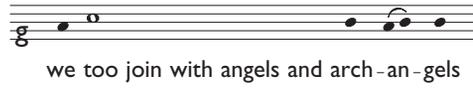
that we might proclaim his death until he comes a-gain,



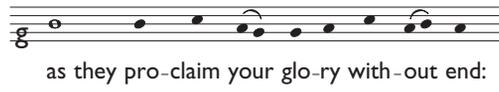
and feast with him in his king-dom.



There-fore earth unites with heaven to sing a new song of praise;



we too join with angels and arch-an-gels



as they pro-claim your glo-ry with-out end:

The Easter Liturgy

Short Preface



But chiefly are we bound to praise you



because you raised him glo-rious-ly from the dead.



For he is the true paschal lamb who was of-fered for us,



and has taken a-way the sin of the world.



By his death he has des-troyed death,

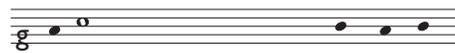


and by his ri-sing to life a-gain



he has re-stored to us ev-er-last-ing life.

Extended Preface



It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,



al-ways and everywhere to give you thanks,



al-migh-ty and e-ter-nal Fa-ther,



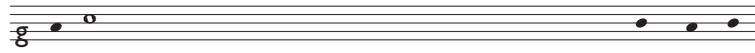
and on this night/day of our redemption to celebrate with joy-ful hearts



the me-mo-ry of your won-der-ful works.



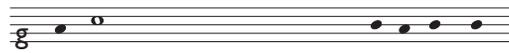
For by the mystery of his pas-sion



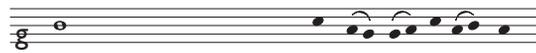
Je-sus Christ, your risen Son, has conquered the powers of death and hell



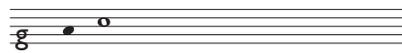
and restored in men and women the im-age of your glo-ry.



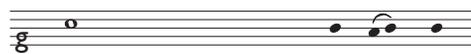
He has placed them once more in pa-ra-dise



and opened to them the gate of life e-ter-nal.



And so, in the joy of this Passover,



earth and heaven resound with glad-ness,



while angels and archangels and the powers of all cre-a-tion

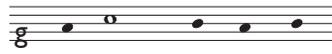


sing for ev-er the hymn of your glo-ry:

Easter Day

Short Prefaces

*The Short Preface provided for The Easter Liturgy (page 494)
or this Short Preface may be used*



And now we give you thanks



be-cause in his victory over the grave a new age has dawned,



the long reign of sin is end-ed,



a broken world is be-ing re-newed



and hu-ma-ni-ty is once a-gain made whole.

Extended Preface

*The Extended Preface provided for The Easter Liturgy may be used
(pages 494–495).*