

THE CHRISTIAN YEAR - PASSIONTIDE

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PASSION CHORALE. (7 6. 7 6. D.)

Melody by H. L. HASSLER, 1564-1612. Adapted and harmonized by J. S. BACH.

Very slow and solemn $\text{♩} = 42$.

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pal - lid hue comes o'er Thee, The glow of life de - cays,
a - go - ny and dy - ing! O love to sin - ners free!
make me Thine for - ev - er, And should I faint - ing be,

Yet hosts of heaven a - dore Thee And trem - ble as they gaze.
Je - sus, all grace sup - ply - ing, Turn Thou Thy face on me.
Lord, let me ne - ver, ne - ver Out - live my love to Thee.

*P. Gerhardt, 1607-76, based on Salve caput cruentatum
(ascribed to St. Bernard).*

Tr. Henry Williams Baker, 1821-77 and James Waddel Alexander, 1804-1859

⊕ Haupt voll Blut und Wunden.

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