

The Resurrection of Our Lord: Easter Day Festival Eucharist

St. Mark's Lutheran Church
Sunday, April 17, 2022
11:00 am

WELCOME TO WORSHIP AT ST. MARK'S LUTHERAN CHURCH!

Plain text indicates a part of the liturgy led by a worship leader.

Bold text indicates the congregational response.

Hymn numbers refer to their corresponding pages in the back of the cranberry-colored *Evangelical Lutheran Worship* hymnal.

On this day the Lord has acted! On the first day of the week God began creation, transforming darkness into light. On this, the "eighth day" of the week, Jesus Christ was raised from the dead. We celebrate this new creation in the waters of baptism and in the feast of victory. With great joy we celebrate this day of days, even as we begin the great fifty days of Easter. Filled with hope, we go forth to share the news that Christ is risen!



Prelude

This Joyful Eastertide

arr. Raymond Haan

Welcome

Prayer Requests

Music for Meditation

The Strife Is O'er

arr. Richard Webster

We stand and face the processional cross as it enters the nave, as we sing the hymn on the next page.

Standing is the posture of the resurrection. We stand when we sing hymns and for other parts of the service as an expression of resurrection joy. It is a way of proclaiming that Jesus is powerfully alive! Colossians 3:14-18

We begin services in Eastertide with the Paschal Greeting, which recalls the resurrected Jesus' greeting to Mary Magdalene and the other Mary (Matt 28:6). The apostolic greeting which follows quotes the apostle Paul (2 Cor. 13:14)

Hymn

Jesus Christ Is Risen Today



1 Je - sus Christ is ris'n to - day, Al - le - lu - ia!
 2 Hymns of praise then let us sing, Al - le - lu - ia!
 3 But the pains which he en - dured, Al - le - lu - ia!
 4 Sing we to our God a - bove, Al - le - lu - ia!



our tri - um - phant ho - ly day, Al - le - lu - ia!
 un - to Christ, our heav'n - ly king, Al - le - lu - ia!
 our sal - va - tion have pro - cured; Al - le - lu - ia!
 praise e - ter - nal as his love; Al - le - lu - ia!



who did once up - on the cross, Al - le - lu - ia!
 who en - dured the cross and grave, Al - le - lu - ia!
 now a - bove the sky he's king, Al - le - lu - ia!
 praise him, all you heav'n - ly host, Al - le - lu - ia!



suf - fer to re - deem our loss. Al - le - lu - ia!
 sin - ners to re - deem and save. Al - le - lu - ia!
 where the an - gels ev - er sing. Al - le - lu - ia!
 Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. Al - le - lu - ia!

Greeting

P Alleluia! Christ is risen!

C Christ is risen, indeed! Alleluia!

P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C And also with you.

We continue by singing the hymn of praise on the next page.

The Hymn of Praise, Worthy Is Christ, is sometimes referred to as the Easter song of triumph and is adapted from Revelation 5:9-13 and 19:4-9.

Hymn of Praise

Worthy Is Christ

Refrain



This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose
2 Sing . . with all the peo - ple of God, and



blood set us free to be peo - ple of God.
join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion:



Pow - er and rich - es, wis - dom and strength, and
Bless - ing and hon - or, glo - ry and might be to

Refrain



hon - or and bless - ing and glo - ry are his.
God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.



3 For the Lamb who was slain has be -

Refrain



gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.

The Prayer of the Day is tied to the overall theme of the scripture lessons or, sometimes, to the theme of day if it is a special occasion in the church calendar.

The tradition of reading sacred scripture in worship is a tie to our roots in Judaism. 1 Timothy 4:13 reminds us of the importance of this practice.

During the Sundays of Easter, the first lesson is from the Acts of the Apostles.

A psalm is spoken or sung in response to the first reading.

Prayer of the Day

P Let us pray. O God, you gave your only Son to suffer death on the cross for our redemption, and by his glorious resurrection you delivered us from the power of death. Make us die every day to sin, that we may live with him forever in the joy of the resurrection, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen

We are seated.



LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Lesson: Acts 10:34-43

L A reading from Acts.

Peter began to speak to [the people]: “I truly understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all. That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.”

L The word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Psalm: 118:14—17, 21—24

The choir sings the refrain, and all repeat it. The congregation sings the refrain as indicated.



On this day the Lord has act-ed; we will re-joice and be glad in it.

The Lord is my strength and my song,
and he has become my salvation.

There is a sound of exultation and victory in the tents of the righteous:

“The right hand of the Lord has triumphed!

The right hand of the Lord is exalted!

The right hand of the Lord has triumphed!”

I shall not die but live,

and declare the works of the Lord.

R

The Lord has punished me sorely,
 but he did not hand me over to death.
 Open for me the gates of righteousness;
 I will enter them; I will offer thanks to the Lord.
 "This is the gate of the Lord;
 he who is righteous may enter."
 I will give thanks to you for you have answered me
 and have become my salvation.
 The same stone which the builders rejected
 has become the chief cornerstone.
 This is the Lord's doing,
 and it is marvelous in our eyes.
 On this day the Lord has acted;
 we will rejoice and be glad in it. **R**

The second reading, usually from the New Testament letters, bears the witness of the early church.

Second Lesson: 1 Corinthians 15:1-11

L A reading from First Corinthians.

If for this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied. But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have died. For since death came through a human being, the resurrection of the dead has also come through a human being; for as all die in Adam, so all will be made alive in Christ. But each in his own order: Christ the first fruits, then at his coming those who belong to Christ. Then comes the end, when he hands over the kingdom to God the Father, after he has destroyed every ruler and every authority and power. For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. The last enemy to be destroyed is death.

L The word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

During the Gospel Hymn, we turn to face the processional cross as we prepare to encounter the Risen Christ in the reading of the Gospel.

Gospel Hymn

He Is Risen



1. He is ris - en, he is ris - en! Tell it out with joy - ful voice;
 2. Come, ye sad and fear - ful - heart - ed, with glad smile and ra - diant brow!

he has burst his three days' pris - on; let the whole wide earth re - joice;
 Death's long sha - dows have de - part - ed; Je - sus' woes are o - ver now,

death is con - quered, we are free, Christ has won the vic - to - ry.
 and the pas - sion that he bore— sin and pain can vex no more.

The Liturgy of the Word culminates in the reading of the gospel and the sermon by which Christ comes among his people and speaks to us in our own context. Because of this we stand to listen to the good news of our Lord.

The Gospel: Luke 24: 1-12

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 24th chapter.

C **Glory to you, O Lord.**

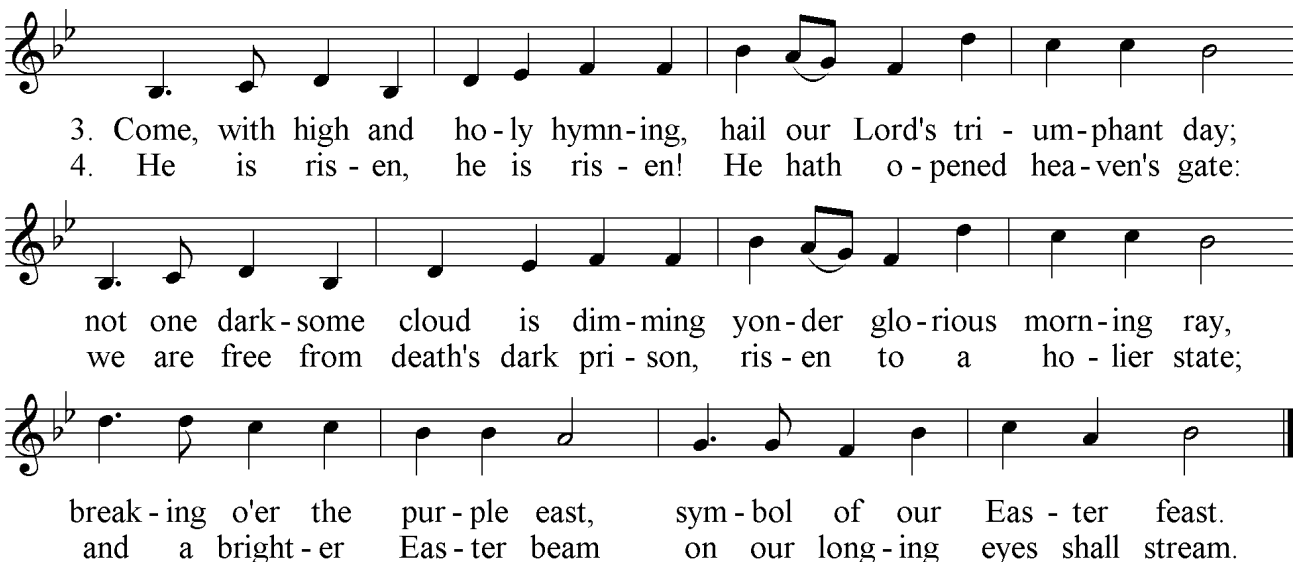
But on the first day of the week, at early dawn, they came to the tomb, taking the spices that they had prepared. They found the stone rolled away from the tomb, but when they went in, they did not find the body. While they were perplexed about this, suddenly two men in dazzling clothes stood beside them. The women were terrified and bowed their faces to the ground, but the men said to them, "Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here, but has risen. Remember how he told you, while he was still in Galilee, that the Son of Man must be handed over to sinners, and be crucified, and on the third day rise again." Then they remembered his words, and returning from the tomb, they told all this to the eleven and to all the rest. Now it was Mary Magdalene, Joanna, Mary the mother of James, and the other women with them who told this to the apostles. But these words seemed to them an idle tale, and they did not believe them. But Peter got up and ran to the tomb; stooping and looking in, he saw the linen cloths by themselves; then he went home, amazed at what had happened.

P The Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Gospel Hymn

He Is Risen



3. Come, with high and ho-ly hymn-ing, hail our Lord's tri - um-phant day;
 4. He is ris - en, he is ris - en! He hath o - pened hea-ven's gate:
 not one dark-some cloud is dim-ming yon-der glo-rious morn-ing ray,
 we are free from death's dark pri - son, ris - en to a ho - lier state;
 break - ing o'er the pur - ple east, sym - bol of our Eas - ter feast.
 and a bright - er Eas - ter beam on our long - ing eyes shall stream.

We sit.

Sermon

Pastor James Armentrout

We stand as we are able and sing the hymn.

This hymn complements the day's scripture readings and sermon.

Hymn

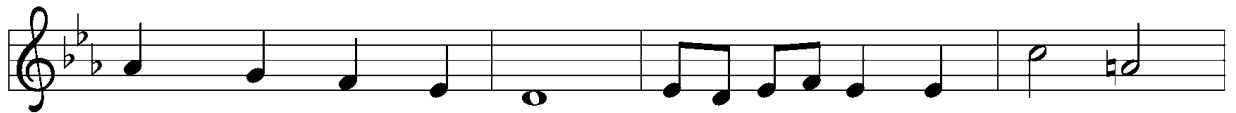
Thine Is the Glory



- 1 Thine is the glo - ry, ris - en, con-qu'ring Son; end - less is the
- 2 Lo, Je - sus meets thee, ris - en from the tomb! Lov - ing - ly he
- 3 No more we doubt thee, glo - rious Prince of life; life is naught with-



vic - t'ry thou o'er death hast won! An - gels in bright rai - ment
greet thee, scat - ters fear and gloom; let his church with glad - ness
out thee; aid us in our strife; make us more than con-qu'rors,



rolled the stone a - way, kept the fold - ed grave - clothes
hymns of tri - umph sing, for the Lord now liv - eth;
through thy death - less love; bring us safe through Jor - dan

Refrain



where thy bod - y lay.
death hath lost its sting! Thine is the glo - ry, ris - en, con-qu'ring
to thy home a - bove.



Son; end - less is the vic - t'ry thou o'er death hast won!



*The Nicene Creed
(which begins,
"We believe...")
has been used in
worship since the
5th century*

The Creed

P Living together in trust and hope we confess our faith.

C **We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary
and became truly human.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again in
accordance with the scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen**

*We join our hearts
in prayer as we
pray for the
Church, for the
well-being of crea-
tion, for peace and
justice, for those in
need. 1 Timothy
2:1-2*

The Prayers



Each petition concludes:

P Lord, in your mercy,
C **hear our prayer.**

*Much more than a
pleasant greet-
ing—we do this to
proclaim God's
promise of peace.
2 Corinthians
13:11*

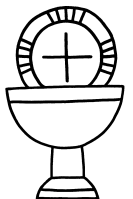
The Peace

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.
C **And also with you.**

We greet one another, saying "Peace be with you."

The Offering

THE EUCHARISTIC LITURGY



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Offertory Anthem

Arisen Is the Good Shepherd

K. Lee Scott

We stand and sing verse 4 and the final refrain together.

Arisen is the Good Shepherd, the one who gave his life for the sheep; sing alleluia, alleluia, the Lord is ris'n again.

1. Into our world of grief and pain, a realm of hardship, sin, and shame, the Son from highest heaven came to seek and save the lost.

Arisen is the Good Shepherd...

2. He lived among us here below and knew the depths of human woe, the paths of life that we may know; he guides us to his fold.

Arisen is the Good Shepherd...

3. But in the deepness of the night, when he beheld our darkest plight, he bore for us death's dreadful smite and died that we might live.

Arisen is the Good Shepherd...

4. His voice still calls his own to rest; to us his grace is man-i-fest; the
mys-t'ry of his love pos-sessed will be our song a-bove. A-ris-en
is the Good Shep-herd, the one who gave his
life for the sheep; sing al-le-lu-ia, al-le-
- lu-ia, the Lord is ris'n a-gain.

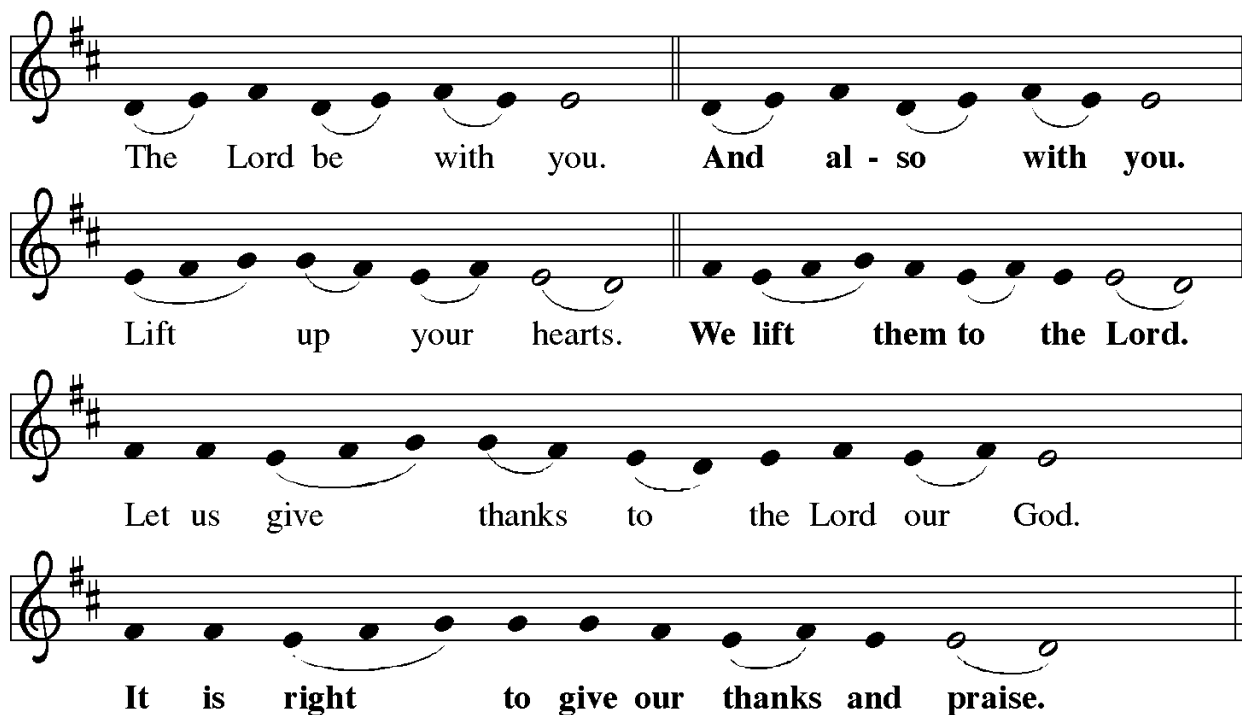
Our prayer is modeled after the Jewish prayer of thanksgiving and dedicates the giver to a stewardship of all life.

Offertory Prayer

- P Let us pray. Living God,
C **you gather the wolf and the lamb to feed together
in your peaceable reign,
and you welcome us all at your table.
Reach out to us through this meal,
and show us your wounded and risen body,
that we may be nourished and believe
in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
Amen**

The Thanksgiving Dialogue begins the part of our worship called the Great Thanksgiving.

Thanksgiving Dialogue



The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

The dialogue and the Proper Preface are ancient parts of the worship which proclaim our thanks for the gifts of God in the meal.

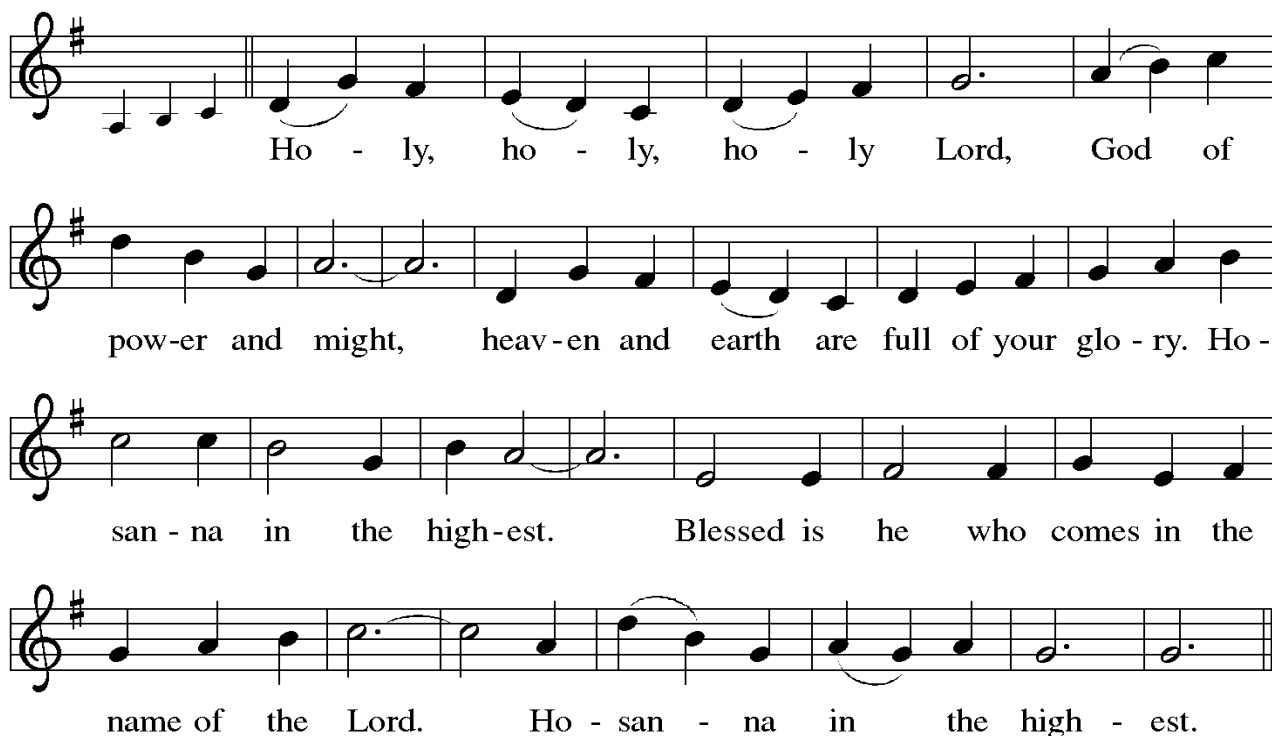
The Proper Preface

The presiding minister continues: "It is indeed right ..."

The proper preface concludes: "we praise your name and join their unending hymn."

The Sanctus ("holy") echoes the angels' cry in Isaiah 6:3 and the crowds of Mark 11:9 as Jesus entered Jerusalem. This reminds us that we are in the presence of a God identified both by holiness and humility.

Sanctus



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of

pow-er and might, heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -

san - na in the high-est. Blessed is he who comes in the

name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

The Eucharistic Prayer recalls God's saving acts throughout history and, particularly, the words and actions, the commands and promises of Jesus at the last supper with his disciples as recorded in scripture.

Eucharistic Prayer

P Blessed are you, O God of the universe.
Your mercy is everlasting
and your faithfulness endures from age to age.

Praise to you for creating the heavens and the earth.
Praise to you for saving the earth from the waters of the flood.
Praise to you for bringing the Israelites safely through the sea.
Praise to you for leading your people through the wilderness
to the land of milk and honey.
Praise to you for the words and deeds of Jesus, your anointed one.
Praise to you for the death and resurrection of Christ.
Praise to you for your Spirit poured out on all nations.

In the night in which he was betrayed,
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,
and gave it for all to drink, saying:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

P With this bread and cup
we remember our Lord's passover from death to life
as we proclaim the mystery of faith:

C **Christ has died.**
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.

P O God of resurrection and new life:
Pour out your Holy Spirit on us
and on these gifts of bread and wine.
Bless this feast.
Grace our table with your presence.

C **Come, Holy Spirit.**

P Reveal yourself to us in the breaking of the bread.
Raise us up as the body of Christ for the world.
Breathe new life into us.
Send us forth,
burning with justice, peace, and love.

C **Come, Holy Spirit.**

P With Saint Mark and your holy ones of all times and places,
with the earth and all its creatures,
with sun and moon and stars,
we praise you, O God,
blessed and holy Trinity,
now and forever.

C **Amen**

*The Lord's Prayer
brings the Great
Thanksgiving to a
conclusion.*

*Prayed here, this
familiar and be-
loved prayer be-
comes the table-
prayer of the con-
gregation. Luke
11:1-13; Matthew
6:5-15*

The Lord's Prayer

P Lord remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray:

C **Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.**

Give us this day our daily bread;

and forgive us our trespasses,

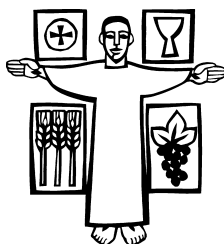
as we forgive those who trespass against us;

and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever.

Amen

We are seated.



**COMMUNION WITH OUR RISEN LORD
WELCOME TO CHRIST'S TABLE**

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We come forward by way of the center aisle, and we return
to our pews by way of the side aisles.



Communion Hymn

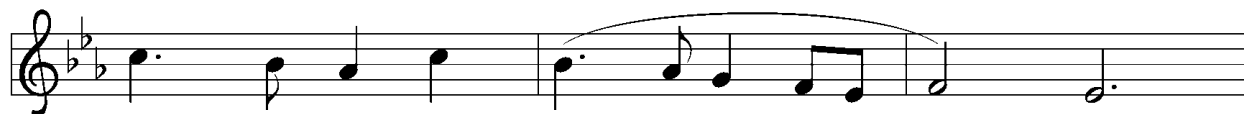
This Joyful Eastertide



1 This joy - ful Eas - ter - tide, a - way with sin and
2 My flesh in hope shall rest and for a sea - son
3 Death's flood has lost its chill since Je - sus crossed the

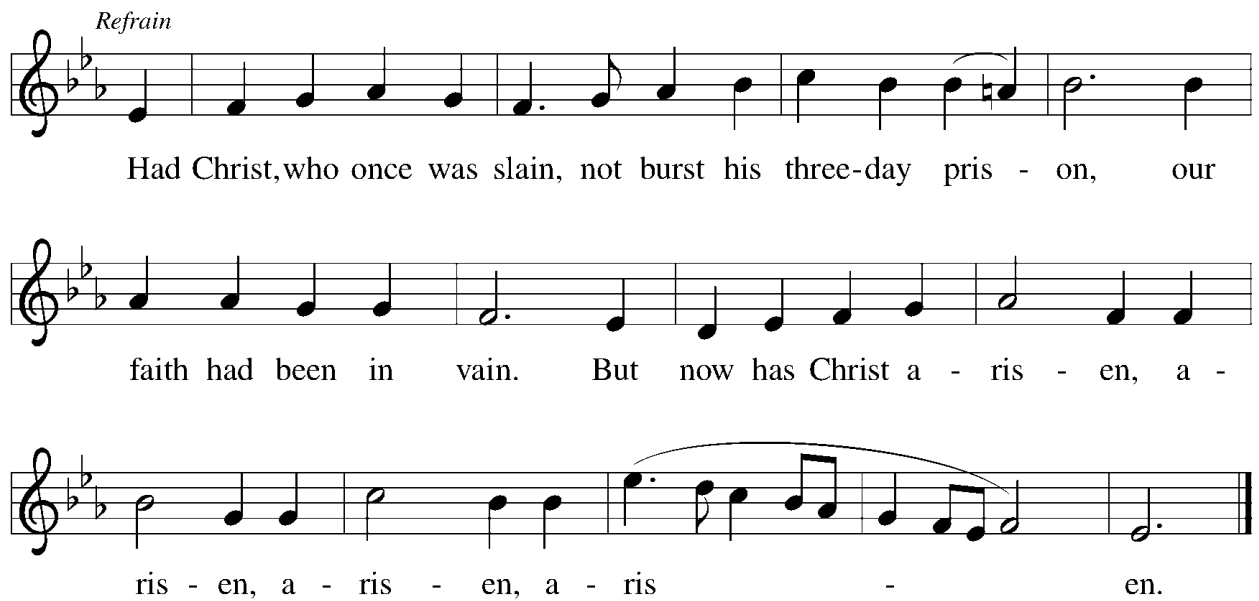


sor - - row! My love, the Cru - ci - fied, has
slum - - ber till trump from east to west shall
riv - - er. Lov - er of souls, from ill my



sprung to life this mor - - row.
wake the dead in num - - ber.
pass - ing soul de - liv - - er.

Refrain



Had Christ, who once was slain, not burst his three-day pris - on, our
 faith had been in vain. But now has Christ a - ris - en, a -
 ris - en, a - ris - en, a - ris - en.

*Once we have
 all received the
 sacrament and
 returned to our
 seats, we cele-
 brate the per-
 sonal encounter
 with the risen
 Christ through
 blessing, prayer,
 and singing.*

Post-Communion Blessing

P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you
 and keep you in his grace.

C **Amen**

Post-Communion Prayer

P Let us pray. We give you thanks, generous God,

C **for in this bread and cup
 we have tasted the new heaven and earth
 where hunger and thirst are no more.
 Send us from this table as witnesses to the resurrection,
 that through our lives, all may know life in Jesus' name.
 Amen**

Blessing

P God the Father, who raised Christ Jesus from the dead, continually show us loving
 kindness.

C **Amen**

P God the Son, victor over sin and death, grant us a share in the joy of his resurrection.

C **Amen**

P God the Spirit, giver of light and peace, renew our hearts in love.

C **Amen**

P May almighty God, the Father, + the Son, and the Holy Spirit, continue to bless us, now and
 forever.

C **Amen**



1 Christ is a - live! Let Chris - tians sing. The cross stands
 2 Christ is a - live! No long - er bound to dis - tant
 3 In ev - 'ry in - sult, rift, and war, where col - or,
 4 Wom - en and men, in age and youth, can feel the
 5 Christ is a - live, and comes to bring good news to



emp - ty to the sky. Let streets and homes with
 years in Pal - es - tine, but sav - ing, heal - ing,
 scorn, or wealth di - vide, Christ suf - fers still, yet
 Spir - it, hear the call, and find the way, the
 this and ev - 'ry age, till earth and sky and



prais - es ring. Love, drowned in death, shall nev - er die.
 here and now, and touch - ing ev - 'ry place and time.
 loves the more, and lives, where e - ven hope has died.
 life, the truth, re - vealed in Je - sus, freed for all.
 o - cean ring with joy, with jus - tice, love, and praise.

*We are dismissed
 from worship
 knowing that our
 service does not
 end. Rather,
 having been in
 the presence of
 the risen Lord,
 we leave so that
 our service may
 truly begin.*

Dismissal

P Alleluia! Christ is risen!

C **Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

P Go in peace loving the risen Lord and loving your neighbor. Alleluia, alleluia.

C **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.**

Postlude

Thine Is the Glory

arr. Karl Osterland

We give thanks to God for the gifts shared in worship today by trumpeters
 George Saunders and Matthew Warnock. Welcome, George & Matt!

The image on the bulletin cover is of an icon of the resurrection depicting Christ having destroyed the gates of Hades. Flanked by saints, Christ is pulling Adam and Eve out of death into life. At the bottom of the image, Satan appears as an old man bound and chained. The Greek title (*ē anastasis*) translates as “The Resurrection.”



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