

# EASTER SUNDAY

I HAVE RISEN UP, BECAUSE THE LORD HATH PROTECTED ME. (PSALM 3: 6)



THE THIRD DAY HE WILL RAISE US UP, TO LIVE IN HIS SIGHT. (HOSEA 6: 3)

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**EASTER SUNDAY 2025:**  
***The Resurrection of Our Lord***  
**Holy Communion**

**GATHERING**

*The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God*

**PRELUDE**

*During our prelude, we invite you to meditate on the musical offering. Please respect those around you who are praying by refraining from loud conversation. Please silence your phones!*

**THE RITE OF ASPERGES, OR SPRINKLING**

*Please stand*

**P** Alleluia! Christ is risen!

**C** He is risen indeed. Alleluia!

**P** Beloved in the Lord, let us praise the Lord our God for this water he has created, and which will be sprinkled on us as a reminder of our Baptism. May he help us by his grace to remain faithful to the Spirit we have received.

**P** God of mercy, through these waters of baptism you have filled us with new life as your very own children. From all who are baptized in water and the Holy Spirit, you have formed one people, united in your Son Jesus Christ. You have set us free and filled our hearts with the Spirit of your love, that we may live in your peace. You call those who have been baptized to announce the Good News of Jesus Christ to people everywhere. We pray, by this water remind us of our new birth in Holy Baptism. Through Christ our Lord.

**C** Amen

*As the ministers enter, they sprinkle water upon the assembly in remembrance of the new life conferred in Holy Baptism.*

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 May almighty God cleanse us of our sins, grant us new life, and make us worthy to sit at his table in his heavenly kingdom.

C Amen

*Refrain*

Assisting minister



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le-lu-ia.

All



1 Wor-thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us



free to be peo-ple of God. Pow-er and rich-es and wis-dom and



strength, and hon-or and bless-ing and glo-ry are his.

*Refrain*

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le-lu-ia.



2 Sing with all the peo-ple of God and join in the



hymn of all cre-a-tion: Bless-ing and hon-or and glo-ry and



might be to God and the Lamb for-ev-er. A-men.

*Final refrain*

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God, for the Lamb who was slain



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

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

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.**

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**

## WORD

*We hear and respond to God's Word*

*Please be seated.*

## CHILDREN'S SERMON

*Children may come forward as we sing:*

This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine. (3x)

Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

## FIRST READING

**Acts 10:34-43**

**T**HEN PETER BEGAN TO SPEAK TO THEM: "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."

A The Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

## HANDBELL ANTHEM

*Hallelujah Chorus*

*G.F. Handel*

**N**OW I WOULD REMIND YOU, BROTHERS AND SISTERS, of the good news that I proclaimed to you, which you in turn received, in which also you stand, <sup>2</sup>through which also you are being saved, if you hold firmly to the message that I proclaimed to you—unless you have come to believe in vain.

<sup>3</sup>For I handed on to you as of first importance what I in turn had received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures, <sup>4</sup>and that he was buried, and that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures, <sup>5</sup>and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve.

<sup>6</sup>Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers and sisters at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died. <sup>7</sup>Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles.

<sup>8</sup>Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me. <sup>9</sup>For I am the least of the apostles, unfit to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. <sup>10</sup>But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace toward me has not been in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them—though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me.

<sup>11</sup>Whether then it was I or they, so we proclaim and so you have come to believe.

A The Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

# GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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*Please stand. As the Gospel is carried into the midst of the people, we sing:*

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!



P The Holy Gospel according to St. John.

C Glory to you, O Lord.

**E**ARLY ON THE FIRST DAY OF THE WEEK, WHILE IT WAS STILL DARK, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the tomb. <sup>2</sup>So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, "They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him."

<sup>3</sup>Then Peter and the other disciple set out and went toward the tomb. <sup>4</sup>The two were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. <sup>5</sup>He bent down to look in and saw the linen wrappings lying there, but he did not go in. <sup>6</sup>Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen wrappings lying there, <sup>7</sup>and the cloth that had been on Jesus' head, not lying with the linen wrappings but rolled up in a place by itself.

<sup>8</sup>Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; <sup>9</sup>for as yet they did not understand the scripture, that he must rise from the dead. <sup>10</sup>Then the disciples returned to their homes.

<sup>11</sup>But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb; <sup>12</sup>and she saw two angels in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had been lying, one at the head and the other at the feet.

<sup>13</sup>They said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping?"

She said to them, "They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him." <sup>14</sup>When she had said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it was Jesus.

<sup>15</sup>Jesus said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping? Whom are you looking for?"

Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, "Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away."

<sup>16</sup>Jesus said to her, "Mary!"

She turned and said to him in Hebrew, "Rabbouni!" (which means Teacher).

<sup>17</sup>Jesus said to her, "Do not hold on to me, because I have not yet ascended to the Father. But go to my brothers and say to them, 'I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.'"

<sup>18</sup>Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, "I have seen the Lord"; and she told them that he had said these things to her.

P The gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

*As the Gospel Procession returns, we repeat the Alleluias.*

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  
 greets 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!

Text: Edmond Budry, 1854–1932; tr. R. Birch Hoyle, 1875–1939  
 Music: JUDAS MACCABAEUS, George Frideric Handel, 1685–1759



## NICENE CREED

A: God has made us his people through our baptism into Christ. Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith in the Triune God.

**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.**

## PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

A Confident that the resurrection of Christ has defeated sin and death, we offer our prayers for the church, the world, and all people in need.

*After each petition, the assembly responds:*

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

*The prayers conclude:*

P Holy God, by the death and resurrection of your Son, you have granted us life, renewal, and salvation. Hear our prayers for the sake of the one who has set us free, Jesus Christ our Lord.  
C **Amen.**

## HANDBELL ANTHEM

*Meditation on "Beautiful Saviour"*

## MEAL

*God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ*

### PEACE

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C And also with you.

*We exchange a sign of God's peace with one another.*

### OFFERING

*Please be seated.*

P We offer with joy and thanksgiving what God has first given us: our selves, our time, and our possessions -- signs of God's gracious love.

*Gifts are received for the church's mission.*

### ADULT CHOIR ANTHEM

*Alleluia, Christ is Risen*

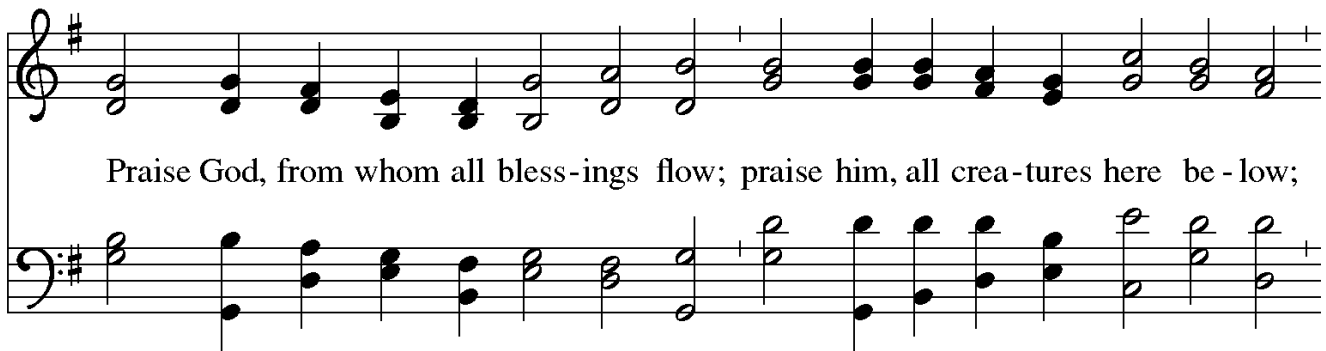
*Stuttgart; arr. J. Kirby*

### OFFERTORY PROCESSION

*Gifts of bread, wine and money are brought forward by ushers and altar servers.*

### OFFERTORY CANTICLE

*Please stand*



Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below;



praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.



A - men.



## OFFERING PRAYER

- A Let us pray. Be known to us, O Lord, in the breaking of the bread, as you were made known to the disciples. Receive these gifts, and the offering of our lives, that we may be your risen body in the world.
- C **Amen.**



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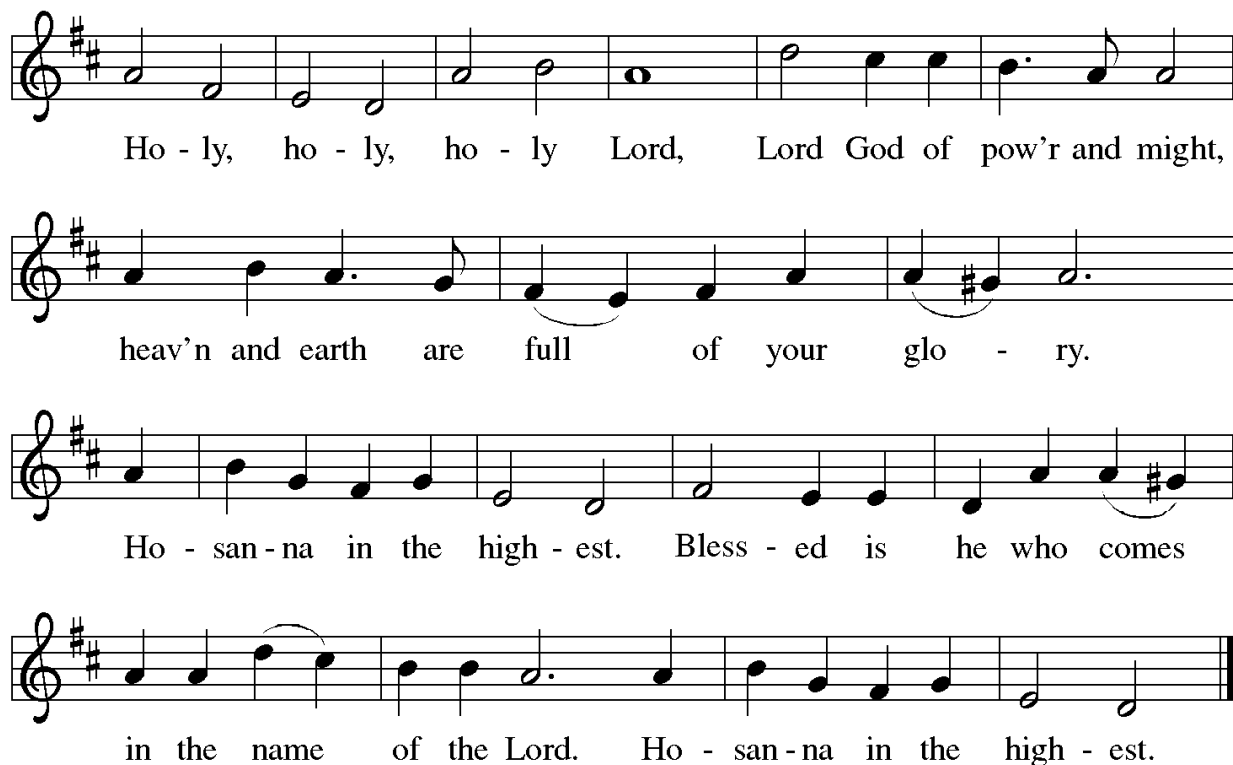
- P The Lord be with you.
- C **And with your spirit.**
- P Lift up your hearts.
- C **We lift them to the Lord.**
- P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- C **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

## PREFACE

*Spoken by the presiding minister*

- P It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,  
that we should at all times and in all places  
give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God,  
for the glorious resurrection of our Savior Jesus Christ,  
the true Paschal Lamb who gave himself to take away our sin;  
who in dying has destroyed death,  
and in rising has brought us to eternal life.  
And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the  
resurrection,  
with earth and sea and all their creatures,  
and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim,  
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

## HOLY, HOLY, HOLY



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might,  
heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry.  
Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes  
in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

## EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

*Led by the presiding minister*

*We give God thanks for this meal, recall God's saving deeds, and call the Holy Spirit to be present as we receive the Body and Blood of Jesus.*

## LORD'S PRAYER

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.

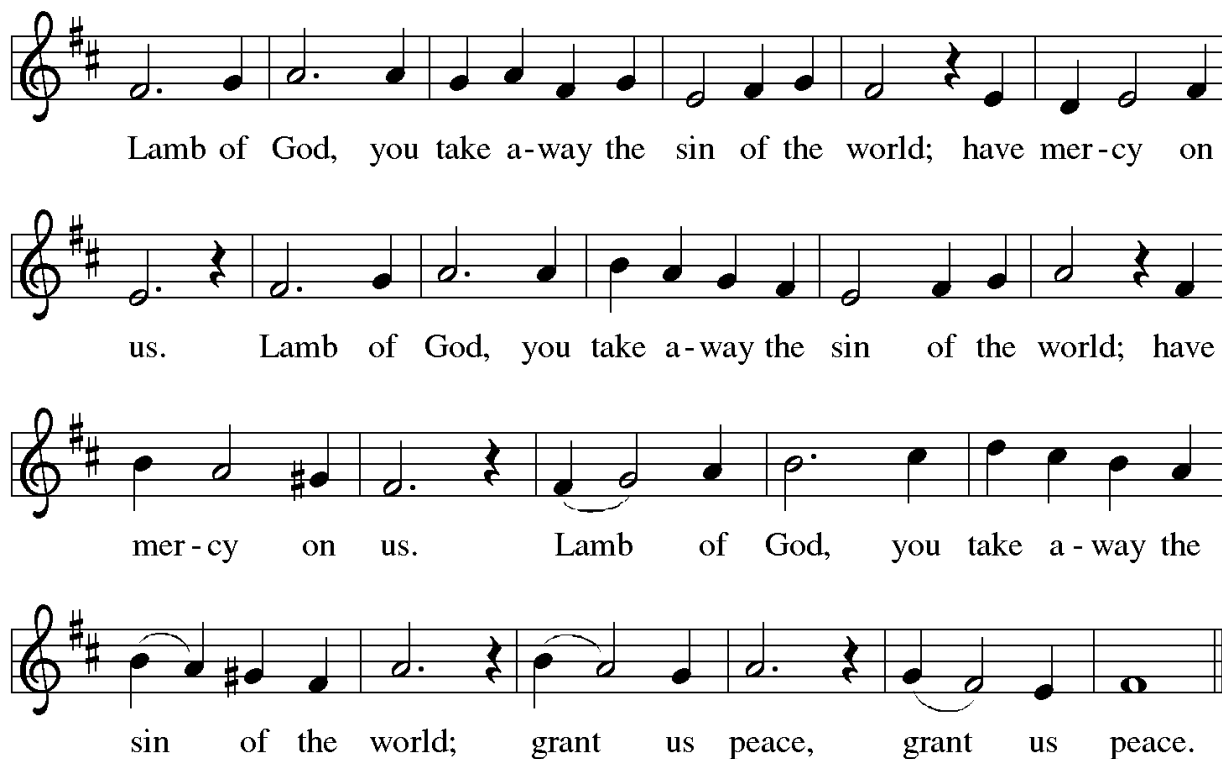
*The presiding minister invites the assembly to the table in the words of 1 Corinthians 5:7:*

P Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us!

C Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!

COMMUNION SONG  
*Please be seated*

*John 1:29*



COMMUNION

*As the Minister gives the bread and wine, he or she says these words to each communicant:*

The body of Christ, given for you. The blood of Christ, shed for you.

*The communicant may say: Amen.*

**A NOTE ABOUT EUCHARISTIC HOSPITALITY**

*We believe that Christ is truly present in the bread and wine of Holy Communion.*

*All baptized Christians are invited to share in the sacrament. Those who do not receive are welcome to come forward with their arms crossed and receive a blessing.*

*If you need communion brought to your seat, please tell an usher.*

*If you have not been baptized and would like to be, please speak to a pastor.*

COMMUNION MUSIC

*The organ plays as the sacrament is administered.*

### 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 CANTICLE

*Luke 2:29-32*



Now, Lord, you let your ser-vant go in peace: your word has been ful -



filled. My own eyes have seen the sal - va - tion which you have pre-pared in the



sight of ev - 'ry peo - ple: a light to re-veal you to the na - tions



and the glo - ry of your peo - ple Is - ra - el.



Now, Lord, you let your ser - vant go in peace.

### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

A Father of love, watch over your Church, and bring us to the glory of the resurrection promised by this holy meal of your Son's body and blood.

C Amen

### SENDING

*God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.*

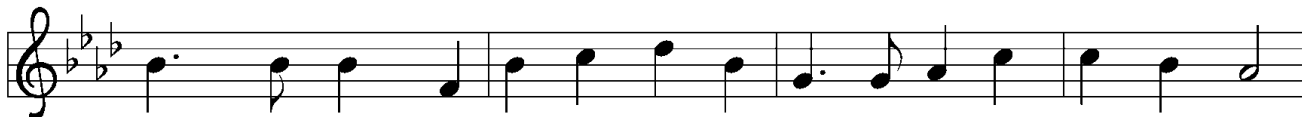
### BLESSING

P Almighty God, the Father, the Son + and the Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

C Amen.



1 Christ is ris-en! Al - le - lu - ia! Ris - en our vic - to - rious head!  
 2 Christ is ris-en! All the sad-ness of our Lent-en fast is o'er;  
 3 Christ is ris-en! All the sor-row that last eve-ning round him lay  
 4 Christ is ris-en! Hence-forth nev - er death or hell shall us en - thrall.



Sing his prais - es! Al - le - lu - ia! Christ is ris - en from the dead!  
 through the o - pen gates of glad-ness he re-turs to life once more;  
 now has found a glo-rious mor-row in the ris-ing of to - day.  
 We are Christ's, in him for - ev - er we have tri-umphed o - ver all.



Grate-ful - ly our hearts a - dore him as his light once more ap - pears;  
 death and hell be - fore him bend-ing see him rise, the vic - tor now,  
 See the grave its first-fruits giv - ing, spring-ing up from ho - ly ground;  
 All the doubt-ing and de - jec - tion of our trem-bling hearts have ceased;



bow - ing down in joy be-fore him, ris - ing up from griefs and tears.  
 an - gels on his steps at-tend-ing, glo - ry round his wound-ed brow.  
 Christ was dead, but now is liv - ing; he was lost, but he is found.  
 hail the day of res - ur - rec - tion! Let us rise and keep the feast.

*Refrain*

Christ is ris - en! Al - le - lu - ia! Ris - en our vic - to - rious head!



Sing his prais-es! Al - le - lu - ia! Christ is ris - en from the dead!

Text: John S. B. Monsell, 1811–1875, alt.

Music: MORGENLIED, Frederick C. Maker, 1844–1927



**DISMISSAL**

*The Assisting Minister dismisses the assembly:*

**A** Alleluia! Christ is risen!

**C** **He is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

**A** Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

**C** **Thanks be to God!**

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