

# 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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## *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.*

## FIRST READING

*Acts 10:34-43*

**T**HEN PETER BEGAN TO SPEAK TO THEM: "I truly understand that God shows no partiality, <sup>35</sup> but in every people anyone who fears him and practices righteousness is acceptable to him. <sup>36</sup> You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all. <sup>37</sup> That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: <sup>38</sup> 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. <sup>39</sup> 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, <sup>40</sup> but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, <sup>41</sup> 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. <sup>42</sup> 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. <sup>43</sup> 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.**

**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**

**ELW 366**

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

The musical notation consists of two staves, a treble clef on top and a bass clef on the bottom. The key signature has two sharps (F# and C#), and the time signature is 4/4. The melody is written in the treble clef, and the bass line is written in the bass clef. The lyrics 'Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!' are written below the treble staff. The music features a simple, rhythmic melody with a steady bass accompaniment.

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.*

**SERMON**

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

## HOLY BAPTISM AND AFFIRMATION OF BAPTISM

### PRESENTATION

*Candidates for baptism, sponsors, and parents gather with the minister at the font. The assembly is seated.*

*The presiding minister may address the assembly in these or similar words:*

God, who is rich in mercy and love, gives us a new birth into a living hope through the sacrament of baptism. By water and the Word God delivers us from sin and death and raises us to new life in Jesus Christ. We are united with all the baptized in the one body of Christ, anointed with the gift of the Holy Spirit, and joined in God's mission for the life of the world.

*Sponsors for each candidate, in turn, present the candidates:*

I present Micca Hatfield, who desires to make public affirmation of her baptism.  
I present Elise Hatfield for baptism.

*The presiding minister addresses candidates who are able to answer for themselves:*

Elise, called by the Holy Spirit, trusting in the grace and love of God, do you desire to be baptized into Christ?

*Each candidate responds:* I do.

*The presiding minister addresses sponsors:*

Sponsors, do you promise to nurture these persons in the Christian faith as you are empowered by God's Spirit, and to help them live in the covenant of baptism and in communion with the church?

*Response:* I do.

*The presiding minister addresses the assembly:*

People of God, do you promise to support Micca and Elise and pray for them in their new life in Christ?

**We do.**

*The assembly stands.*

### PROFESSION OF FAITH

*The presiding minister addresses candidates as well as the parents and sponsors.*

*The assembly may join in the responses.*

I ask you to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, reject sin, and confess the faith of the church.

Do you renounce the devil and all the forces that defy God,  
the powers of this world that rebel against God,  
and the ways of sin that draw you from God?

*Response:*

I renounce them.

*The presiding minister addresses the candidates and the assembly.*

Do you believe in God the Father?

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.**  
Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?  
**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried;  
he descended to the dead.  
On the third day he rose again;  
he ascended into heaven,  
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**  
Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?  
**I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

#### **AFFIRMATION**

*The presiding minister addresses those making public affirmation of baptism.*

You have made public profession of your faith. Do you intend to continue in the covenant God made with you in holy baptism:  
to live among God's faithful people,  
to hear the word of God and share in the Lord's supper,  
to proclaim the good news of God in Christ through word and deed,  
to serve all people, following the example of Jesus,  
and to strive for justice and peace in all the earth?

*Each person responds:*

**I do, and I ask God to help and guide me.**

*The minister addresses the assembly.*

People of God, do you promise to support this sister and pray for her in her life in Christ?

**We do, and we ask God to help and guide us.**

#### **THANKSGIVING AT THE FONT**

*Water may be poured into the font before or during the thanksgiving. At the font, the presiding minister begins the thanksgiving:*

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters and by your Word you created the world, calling forth life in which you took delight. Through the waters of the flood you delivered Noah and his family, and through the sea you led your people Israel from slavery into freedom. At the river your Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit. By the baptism of Jesus' death and resurrection you set us free from the power of sin and death and raise us up to live in you.

Pour out your Holy Spirit, the power of your living Word, that those who are washed in the waters of baptism may be given new life. To you be given honor and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

**Amen.**

**BAPTISM**

*The presiding minister baptizes each candidate. The candidate is immersed into the water, or water is poured on the candidate's head, as the presiding minister says:*

Elise, I baptize you in the name of the Father,

*The candidate is immersed or water is poured on the candidate's head a second time:*

and of the Son,

*The candidate is immersed or water is poured on the candidate's head a third time:*

and of the Holy Spirit.

**Amen.**

*After the baptism, the assembly responds with the following:*

**You belong to Christ,  
in whom you have been baptized.**

**Alleluia.**

*Clothed with Christ in baptism, the newly baptized may receive a baptismal garment.*

*The presiding minister continues:*

Let us pray.

We give you thanks, O God, that through water and the Holy Spirit you give your child new birth, cleanse her from sin, and raise her to eternal life.

*Laying both hands on the head of each of the newly baptized, the minister prays for each:*

Sustain Elise with the gift of your Holy Spirit: the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord, the spirit of joy in your presence, both now and forever.

**Amen.**

*The presiding minister marks the sign of the cross on the forehead of each of the baptized. Oil prepared for this purpose may be used. As the sign of the cross is made, the minister says:*

Elise, child of God, you have been sealed by the Holy Spirit and marked with the cross of Christ forever.

**Amen.**

## WELCOME

*A lighted candle may be given to each of the newly baptized as a representative of the congregation says:*

Jesus said, I am the light of the world.

Whoever follows me  
will have the light of life.

*The minister and the baptismal group face the assembly. A representative of the congregation leads the assembly in the welcome.*

Let us welcome the newly baptized.

**We welcome you into the body of Christ and into the mission we share:  
join us in giving thanks and praise to God  
and bearing God's creative and redeeming word to all the world.**

## PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

### PEACE

The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you always.

**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.

**Amen.**

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

### ADULT CHOIR ANTHEM

*Alleluia, Christ is Risen!*

*Stuttgart; arr. J. Kirby*

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.



## DIALOGUE

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.

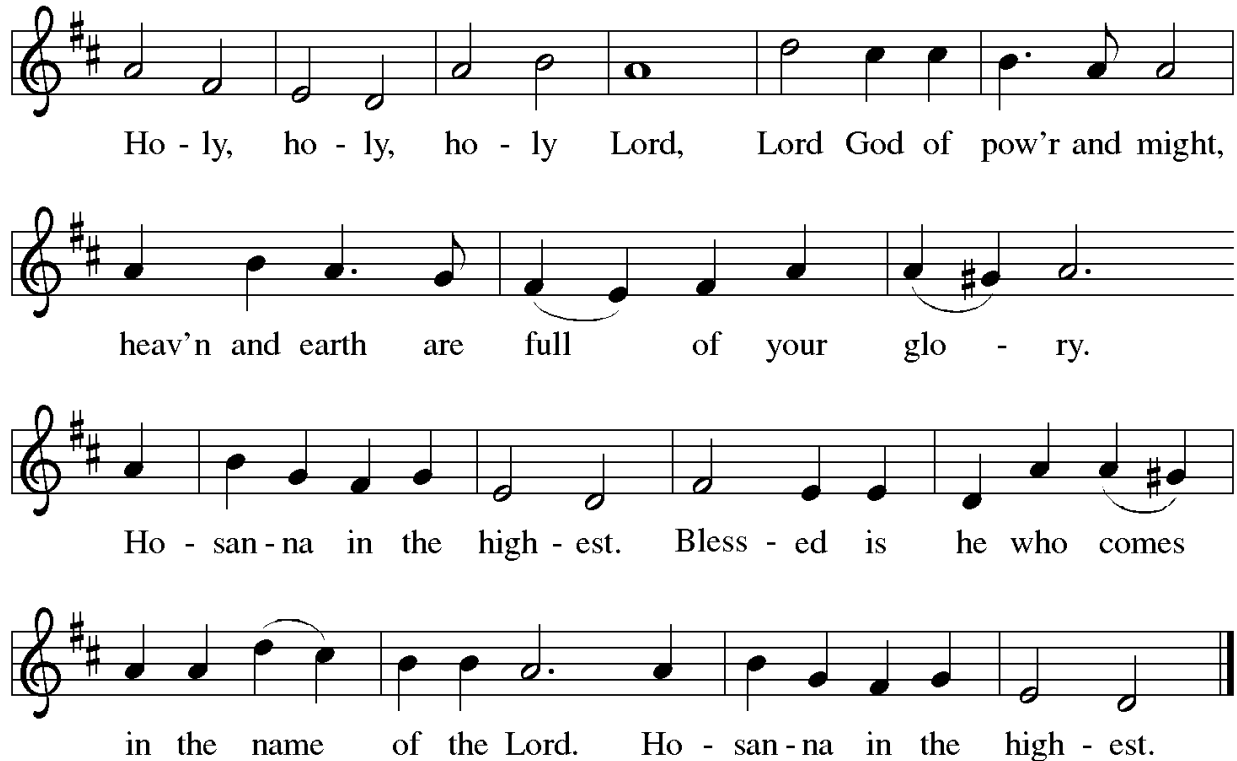
C **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

## 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

John 1:29

*Please be seated*



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on



us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have



mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the



sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

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**

*Please stand*

**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.*

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**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!

**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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