



The
Resurrection
of our
Lord 2024

Prelude & Easter Greeting

Psalm 96

*O sing to the Lord a new song;
sing to the Lord, all the earth.*

**Sing to the Lord, bless his name;
tell of his salvation from day to day.**

*Declare his glory among the nations,
his marvelous works among all the peoples.*

**For great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised;
he is to be revered above all gods.**

*For all the gods of the peoples are idols,
but the Lord made the heavens.*

**Honor and majesty are before him;
strength and beauty are in his sanctuary.**

*Ascribe to the Lord, O families of the peoples,
ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.*

**Ascribe to the Lord the glory due his name;
bring an offering, and come into his courts.**

*Worship the Lord in holy splendor;
tremble before him, all the earth.*

Say among the nations, "The Lord is king!"

The world is firmly established; it shall never be moved.

He will judge the peoples with equity."

*Let the heavens be glad, and let the earth rejoice;
let the sea roar, and all that fills it;
let the field exult, and everything in it.*

**Then shall all the trees of the forest sing for joy before
the Lord!**

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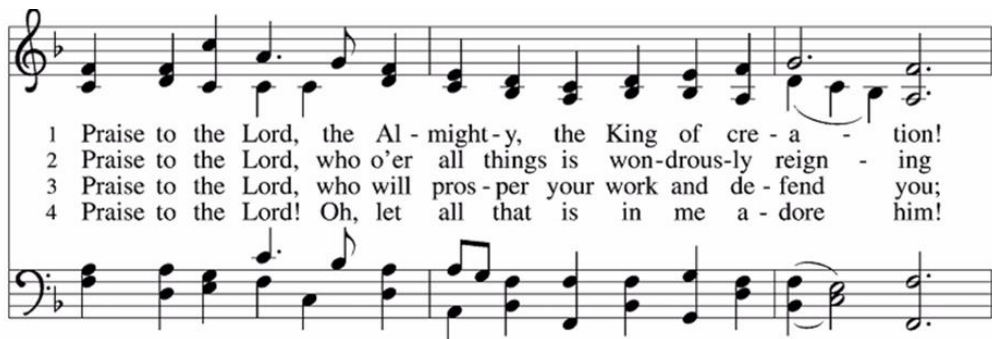
**C: Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!
Amen.**

P: The grace of our victorious and risen Lord, the love of God who raised him and the communion of the Holy Spirit which He gives to us be with you all.

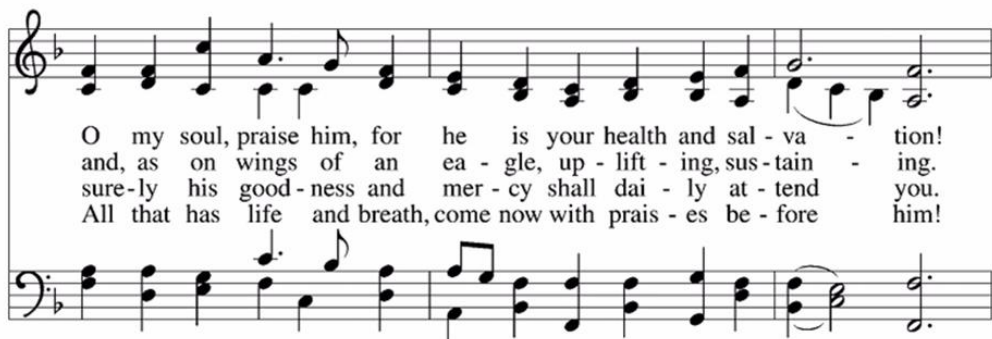
C: And also with you.

Entrance Hymn *Praise to the Lord Almighty*

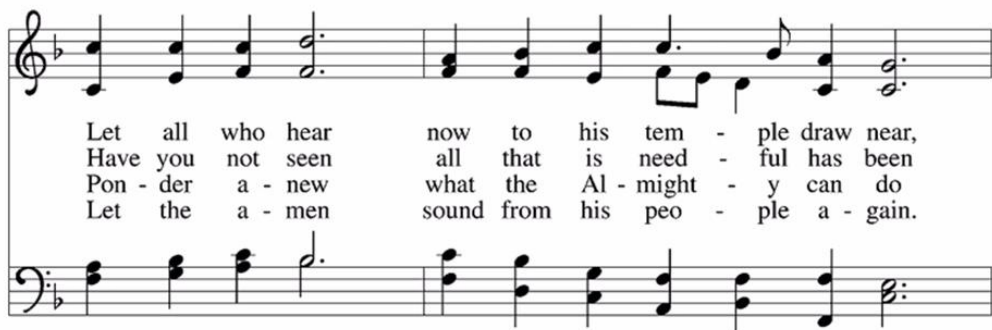
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1 Praise to the Lord, the Al - might - y, the King of cre - a - tion!
2 Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things is won - drous - ly reign - ing
3 Praise to the Lord, who will pros - per your work and de - fend you;
4 Praise to the Lord! Oh, let all that is in me a - dore him!



O my soul, praise him, for he is your health and sal - va - tion!
and, as on wings of an ea - gle, up - lift - ing, sus - tain - ing.
sure - ly his good - ness and mer - cy shall dai - ly at - tend you.
All that has life and breath, come now with prais - es be - fore him!



Let all who hear now to his tem - ple draw near,
Have you not seen all that is need - ful has been
Pon - der a - new what the Al - might - y can do
Let the a - men sound from his peo - ple a - gain.

join - ing in glad ad - o - ra - tion!
 sent by his gra - cious or - dain - ing?
 if with his love he be - friend you.
 Glad - ly for - ev - er a - dore him!

Prayer of the Day

P: The Lord be with you

C: And also with you

P: Let us pray:

C: Almighty God, through the raising up of your Son on this day you overpowered sin and death with the promise of grace and life in His name. So, fill us with the Spirit that our faith will rejoice in Your mighty act of salvation and love; proclaiming it to the ends of the earth and to the end of time. We ask this in the name of our risen Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.

First Lesson

Acts 10:34-43

In the months after Jesus' resurrection the disciples went about teaching and preaching about Jesus. Peter was visiting with a Gentile, Cornelius, when he said, "I am completely convinced that God does not discriminate at all. Anyone, from any nation, or race, or religion who honors God and serves God is acceptable to God. You have heard of the message God sent to the people of Israel - the preaching of peace through Jesus Christ (Jesus is Lord of all!!) - this is the message that spread throughout the country of Judea. It had its beginnings up in the area of Galilee right after the baptism that John talked about; how God first anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power. Then the story continues with Jesus going around doing good things and healing anyone who was being oppressed by the devil. Jesus could do this

because God was with him.

We, Jesus' disciples, are the witnesses who now testify to all that Jesus did, both in the countryside of Judea and in the city of Jerusalem. Jesus was eventually put to death by hanging him on a cross and then God awakened him on the third day and allowed him to appear, not to everyone, but only to those of us who were chosen by God as witnesses. We, Jesus' disciples, are the ones who then ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. Jesus then commanded us, his disciples, to preach to all people and to testify that Jesus is the one ordained by God as judge of both the living and the dead.

This Jesus is the one that all God's prophets of old testified about. And even they say that everyone - without exception - everyone who has faith in God's faithfulness receives forgiveness of sins through Jesus' name."

Psalm

118:1-2, 14-24

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

*O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;
his steadfast love endures forever!*

Let Israel say,

"His steadfast love endures forever."

R

*The Lord is my strength and my might;
he has become my salvation.*

**There are glad songs of victory
in the tents of the righteous:**

*"The right hand of the Lord does valiantly;
the right hand of the Lord is exalted;
the right hand of the Lord does valiantly."*

**I shall not die, but I shall live,
and recount the deeds of the Lord. R**

*The Lord has punished me severely,
but he did not give me over to death.*

**Open to me the gates of righteousness,
that I may enter through them
and give thanks to the Lord.**

*This is the gate of the Lord;
the righteous shall enter through it.*

**I thank you that you have answered me
and have become my salvation. R**

*The stone that the builders rejected
has become the chief cornerstone.*

**This is the Lord's doing;
it is marvelous in our eyes.**

*This is the day that the Lord has made;
let us rejoice and be glad in it. R*

Second Lesson

I Corinthians 15

Now I, Paul, would remind you, brothers and sisters, of the good news that I proclaimed to you, which you in turn listened to, which you now use as your evaluative point of view of the world, and through which you also are now being saved – that is, if you remain completely convinced by the message that I proclaimed to you – which you must be doing – otherwise, what's the point?! I passed along to you what had been passed along to me: that Christ died for our sins just as the scripture required, and that he was raised on the third day just as the scriptures required, and that he appeared to Peter, then to the twelve disciples. After that, Jesus appeared to more than five hundred brothers and sisters all at once – and most of them are still alive! - though, sadly, a few have died. Then Jesus appeared to James, and then to all the apostles. Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me. For I am the least of the apostles – actually, I am not fit to be called an apostle because I seriously persecuted the church of God. But it is by the grace of God that I am now what I am

now! And I assure you that God's grace toward me has not been pointless! No, it is actually just the opposite because I worked harder than any of the other apostles--though it was not I who was doing this work, but the grace of God that is with me. But, regardless of whether it was me or the other apostles who proclaimed the message to you, it was proclaimed and you have believed!

So, help me out here – if we have proclaimed that Christ was the one who was raised from the dead how can some of you say, “there is no resurrection of the dead?!” Because, if you are right that there is no resurrection of the dead then it must also be true that Christ has not been raised from the dead; and if it is true that Christ has not been raised then it must also be true that our proclamation to you was pointless and the faith that it stirred up in you is also pointless! Worse than that, if what you are saying about there being no resurrection from the dead is true then we are actually even misrepresenting God, because what we testified about God was that God raised Christ – whom God did not actually raise if what you say is true. As I just reasoned out for you: if the dead are not raised, then Christ has not been raised, and if Christ has not been raised, then your faith is pointless. And then, here are the logical conclusions of your thinking that “the dead are not raised:” you are still in your sins, and even the faithful who have died in Christ have actually just, well, died, end of story. And I have to tell you that we are a pretty pitiful bunch of folks if our hope in Christ is only all about this life.

Fortunately, the truth is that Christ has been raised from the dead, the very first of all who have died. And the true logic is this: since death came into the world through a human being, the resurrection of the dead has also come in the world through a human being. Just as everyone dies in Adam, so also will everyone be made alive in Christ!

Children's Sermon

Verse

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, give
 thanks to the ris - en Lord; Al - le -
 lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, give - praise to his name.
 Spread the good news o'er all the - earth;
 Je - sus has died and has ris - sen!

Gospel Acclamation

P: The Holy Gospel according to Mark the 16th chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord!

Gospel

Mark 16

When the Sabbath was over, Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices so that they might go and anoint Jesus. And very early on the first day of the week, when the sun had risen, they went to the tomb.

They had been saying to one another, "Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance to the tomb?"

But, when they looked up, they saw that the stone, which was very large, had already been rolled back. As they entered the tomb, they saw a young man, dressed in a white robe, sitting on the right side; and they were alarmed.

But he said to them, "Do not be alarmed; you are looking for Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has been raised; he is not here. Look, there is the place they laid him. But go, tell his disciples and Peter that he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him, just as he told you."

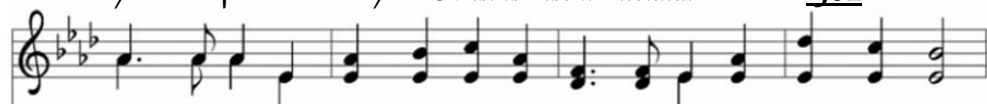
So they went out and fled from the tomb, for trembling and excitement had seized them; and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.

P: The Gospel of the Lord! C: Praise to you, O Christ!

Sermon

Hymn of the Day *Christ is Risen! Alleluia!*

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1 Christ is ris-en! Al-le-lu-ia! Ris-en our vic-to-ri-ous 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-ri-ous 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!

Nicene Creed

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.

The Prayers of the Church & Passing the Peace



- 1 Praise, my soul, the God of heav - en; joy - ful - ly your trib-ute bring.
- 2 God be praised for grace and fa - vor to our fore-bears in dis-tress.
- 3 Frail as sum-mer's flow'r we flour - ish, blows the wind and it is gone;
- 4 An - gels sing in ad - o - ra - tion, in God's pres-ence, face to face.



Ran-somed, healed, re - stored, for - giv - en, ev - er - more God's prais-es sing.
 God be praised, the same for - ev - er, slow to chide and swift to bless.
 but, as mor - tals rise and per - ish, God en - dures un - chang - ing on.
 Sun and moon and all cre - a - tion, all who dwell in time and space.



Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Prais - es ev - er - last - ing ring!
 Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Glo - rious is God's faith - ful - ness!
 Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Praise the great E - ter - nal One!
 Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Praise with us the God of grace!



Offertory Prayer

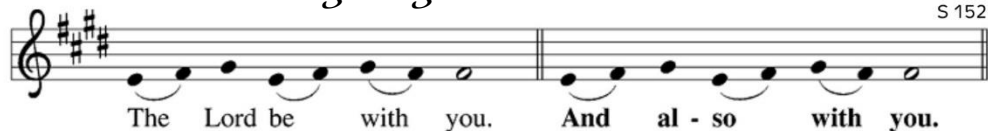
P: Let us Pray

C: God of great generosity and endless abundance, we give you thanks for the blessings we experience in our lives by returning these offerings of thanks to you, your Church and your work in the world. And we pray that you use our offerings and each of us, to bring the

gifts of hope, faith and new life wherever there is need. For, it is in the name of the one who has offered hope, faith and new life to us, Jesus our Lord, that we pray. Amen.

Great Thanksgiving

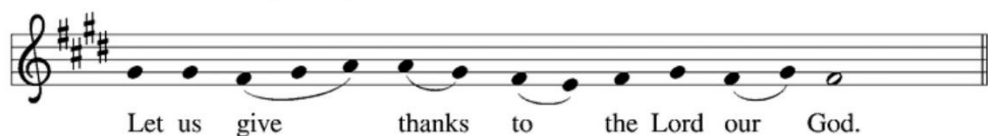
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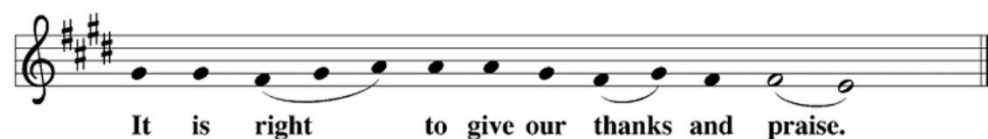
The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.



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.

P: It is indeed . . .



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.

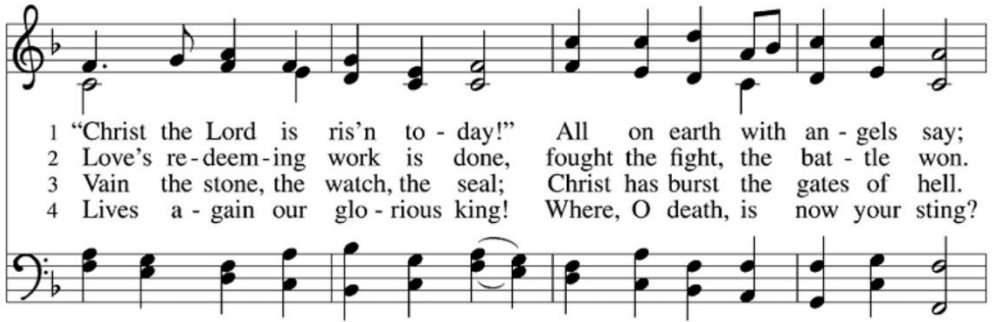
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The Lord's Prayer

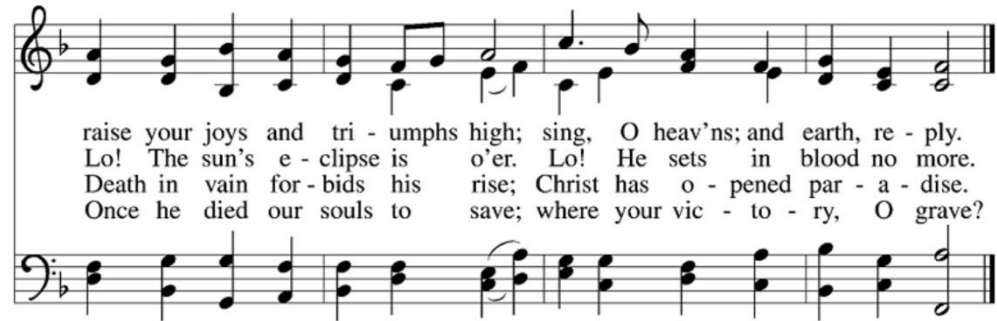
Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy Kingdom come. Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. Forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us and lead us not into temptation. For, Thine is the Kingdom and the Power and the Glory now and forever. Amen.

Distribution Hymns

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1 "Christ the Lord is ris'n to - day!" All on earth with an - gels say;
2 Love's re - deem - ing work is done, fought the fight, the bat - tle won.
3 Vain the stone, the watch, the seal; Christ has burst the gates of hell.
4 Lives a - gain our glo - rious king! Where, O death, is now your sting?



raise your joys and tri - umphs high; sing, O heav'ns; and earth, re - ply.
Lo! The sun's e - clipse is o'er. Lo! He sets in blood no more.
Death in vain for - bids his rise; Christ has o - pened par - a - dise.
Once he died our souls to save; where your vic - to - ry, O grave?

5 Hail the Lord of earth and heav'n!
Praise to thee by both be giv'n.
Thee we greet triumphant now:
hail, the resurrection, thou!

6 King of glory, soul of bliss,
everlasting life is this:
thee to know, thy pow'r to prove,
thus to sing, and thus to love!

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!

1 Christ the Lord is ris'n to - day; Al - le - lu - ia!
 2 For the sheep the Lamb has bled, Al - le - lu - ia!
 3 Christ, the vic - tim un - de - filed, Al - le - lu - ia!
 4 Chris - tians, on this ho - ly day, Al - le - lu - ia!

Chris - tians, has - ten on your way; Al - le - lu - ia!
 sin - less in the sin - ner's stead. Al - le - lu - ia!
 God and sin - ners rec - on - ciled, Al - le - lu - ia!
 all your grate - ful hom - age pay; Al - le - lu - ia!

of - fer praise with love re - plete, Al - le - lu - ia!
 Christ the Lord is ris'n on high; Al - le - lu - ia!
 when con - tend - ing death and life, Al - le - lu - ia!
 Christ the Lord is ris'n on high; Al - le - lu - ia!

at the pas - chal vic - tim's feet. Al - le - lu - ia!
 now he lives, no more to die. Al - le - lu - ia!
 met in strange and awe - some strife. Al - le - lu - ia!
 now he lives, no more to die. Al - le - lu - ia!

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.

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!

Post Communion Canticle

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1 Sent forth by God's bless - ing, our true faith con - fess - ing,
 2 With praise and thanks - giv - ing to God ev - er - liv - ing,



the peo - ple of God from this dwell - ing take leave.
 the tasks of our ev - 'ry - day life we will face—



The sup - per is end - ed. Oh, now be ex - tend - ed
 our faith ev - er shar - ing, in love ev - er car - ing,



the fruits of this ser - vice in all who be - lieve.
 em - brac - ing God's chil - dren, the whole hu - man race.



The seed of Christ's teach - ing, re - cep - tive souls
 With your feast you feed us, with your light now



reach - ing, shall blos - som in ac - tion for God and for all.
 lead us; u - nite us as one in this life that we share.



Your grace shall in - cite us, your love shall u - nite us
 Then may all the liv - ing with praise and thanks - giv - ing



to give work for your king - dom and an - swer your call.
 give hon - or to Christ and his name that we bear.

Post Communion Prayer & Benediction

Recessional

Now all the Vault of Heaven Resounds

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1 Now all the vault of heav'n re - sounds
2 E - ter - nal is the gift he brings,
3 Oh, fill us, Lord, with daunt - less love;
4 A - dor - ing prais - es now we bring



in praise of love that still a - bounds: "Christ has
there - fore our heart with rap - ture sings: "Christ has
set heart and will on things a - bove that we
and with the heav'n - ly bless - ed sing: "Christ has



tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!" Sing, choirs of
tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!" Now still he
con - quer through your tri - umph; grant grace suf -
tri - umphed! Al - le - lu - ia!" Be to the



an - gels, loud and clear! Re - peat their song of glo - ry
comes to give us life and by his pres - ence stills all
fi - cient for life's day that by our lives we tru - ly
Fa - ther, and our Lord, to Spir - it blest, most ho - ly



here: "Christ has tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!"
strife. "Christ has tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!"
say: "Christ has tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!"
God, all the glo - ry, nev - er end - ing!



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

Dismissal

A: Go in peace! C: Serve the Lord



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