



HE
IS
RISEN

indeed

*April 7, 2024
2nd Sunday of Easter*

PRELUDE

EASTER HYMN

Joel Raney

Jesus Christ Is Risen Today

*Char Pope, piano;
Curtis L. King, organ*

Please stand.

CALL TO WORSHIP

Softly spoken.

P: Christ is Risen!

C: He is Risen, Indeed!

In a regular voice.

P: Christ is Risen!

C: He is Risen, Indeed!

Lifting our voices toward heaven.

P: Christ is Risen!

C: He is Risen, Indeed!

Alleluia!



Miracles Happen

GATHERING SONG

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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!

Text: Latin carol, 14th cent., sts. 1-3; tr. J. Walsh, *Lyra Davidica*, 1708, alt.; Charles Wesley, 1707-1788, st. 4

Music: EASTER HYMN, J. Walsh, *Lyra Davidica*, 1708

GREETING

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.

GATHERING LITANY

P: We gather, a community of faith to celebrate.

C: God is among us.

P: We gather to celebrate:

C: That no darkness can extinguish the light.

P: We gather to celebrate:

C: That love is more powerful than death.

P: We gather to celebrate:

C: That peace is stronger than violence.

L: Together we celebrate that, we are called:

C: To go out!

L: We are called:

C: To care for all!

L: We are called:

C: To share the Gospel!

L: We are called:

C: To forgive and reconcile!

L: We are called:

C: To trust God for all that we need!

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: As a community of faith, celebrating the light, love, and peace of the Risen Christ, 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.**

Please be seated.

SENIOR CHOIR ANTHEM

EASTER JOY, ALLELUIA!

Jon Paige

Senior Choir; Char Pope, piano

A READING FROM ACTS

10:34-43

R: A reading from Acts the 10th chapter.

³⁴Peter began to speak to [the people]: “I truly understand that God shows no partiality, ³⁵but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. ³⁶You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all. ³⁷That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: ³⁸how 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. ³⁹We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; ⁴⁰but God raised him on the third

day and allowed him to appear, ⁴¹not 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. ⁴²He 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. ⁴³All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.”

R: Word of God! Word of Life!

C: **Thanks be to God!**

A READING FROM 1ST CORINTHIANS

15:1-11

R: ¹Now 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, ²through 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.

³For 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, ⁴and that he was buried, and that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures, ⁵and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. ⁶Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers and sisters at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died. ⁷Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. ⁸Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me. ⁹For I am the least of the apostles, unfit to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. ¹⁰But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace toward me has

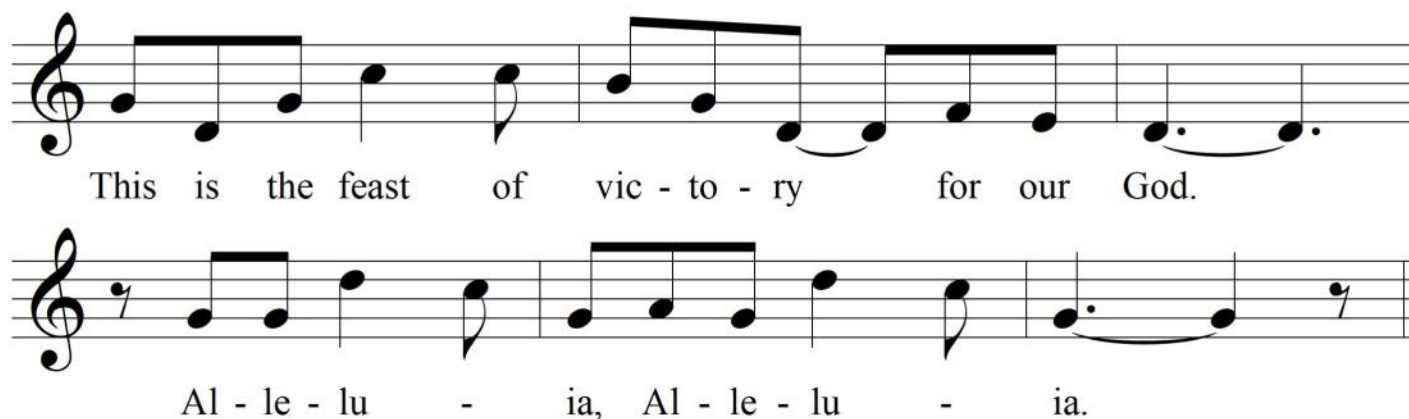
not been in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them—though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me. ¹¹Whether then it was I or they, so we proclaim and so you have come to believe.

R: Word of God! Word of Life!

C: **Thanks be to God!**

Please stand for the reading of the Gospel.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

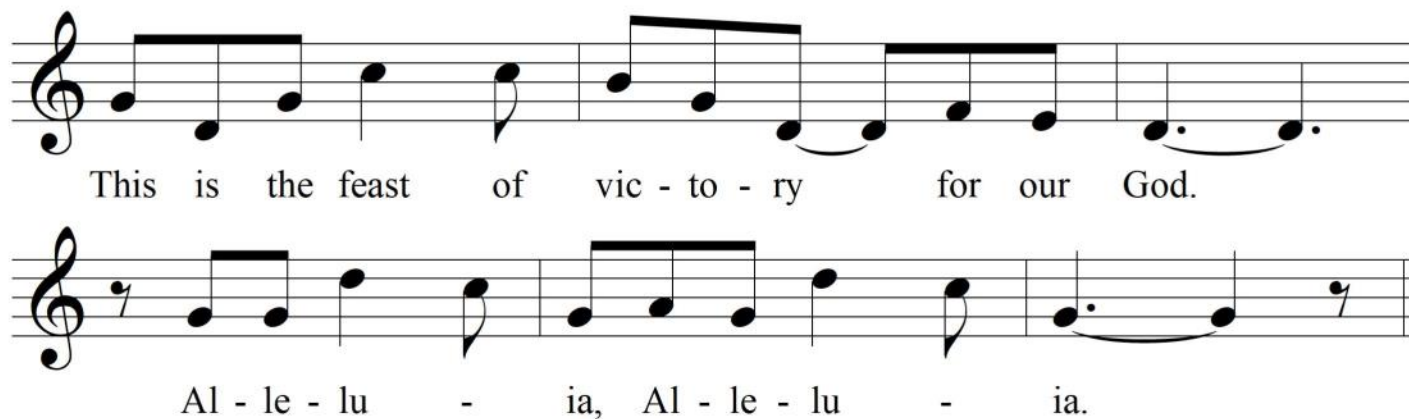


This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God.

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

The first system of musical notation for the Gospel Acclamation. It consists of two staves. The first staff is in treble clef and contains the melody for the verse "This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God." The second staff is in treble clef and contains the melody for the response "Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia." The lyrics are written below the notes.

After cantor sings the verse, we respond:



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

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

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P: This is the Holy Gospel according to St. Mark.

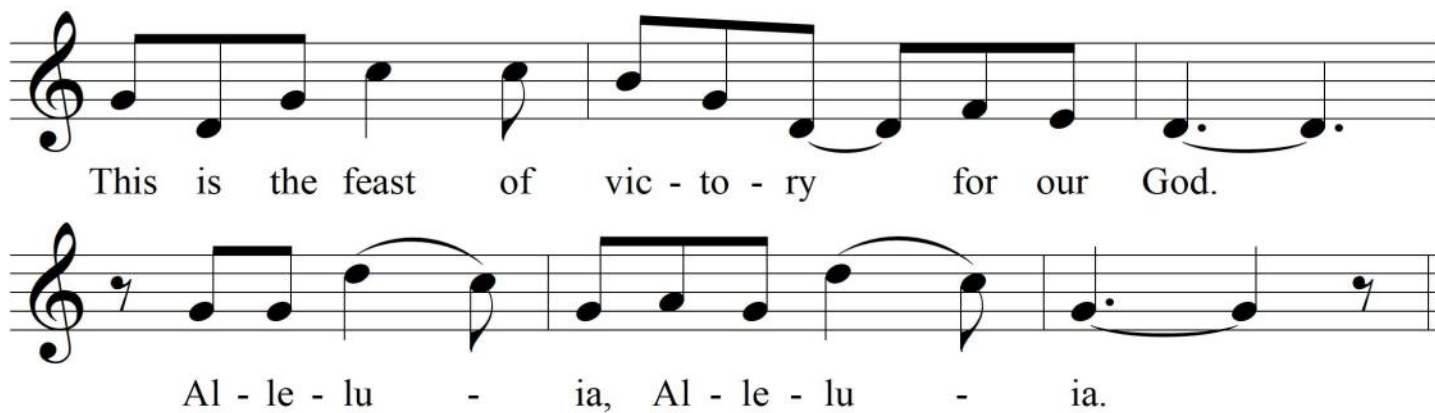


P: ¹When the sabbath was over, Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices, so that they might go and anoint [Jesus' body]. ²And very early on the first day of the week, when the sun had risen, they went to the tomb. ³They had been saying to one another, "Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance to the tomb?" ⁴When they looked up, they saw that the stone, which was very large, had already been rolled back. ⁵As they entered the tomb, they saw a young man, dressed in a white robe, sitting on the right side; and they were alarmed. ⁶But 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. ⁷But 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." ⁸So they went out and fled from the tomb, for terror and amazement had seized them; and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.

P: This is the Gospel of our Lord!



GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

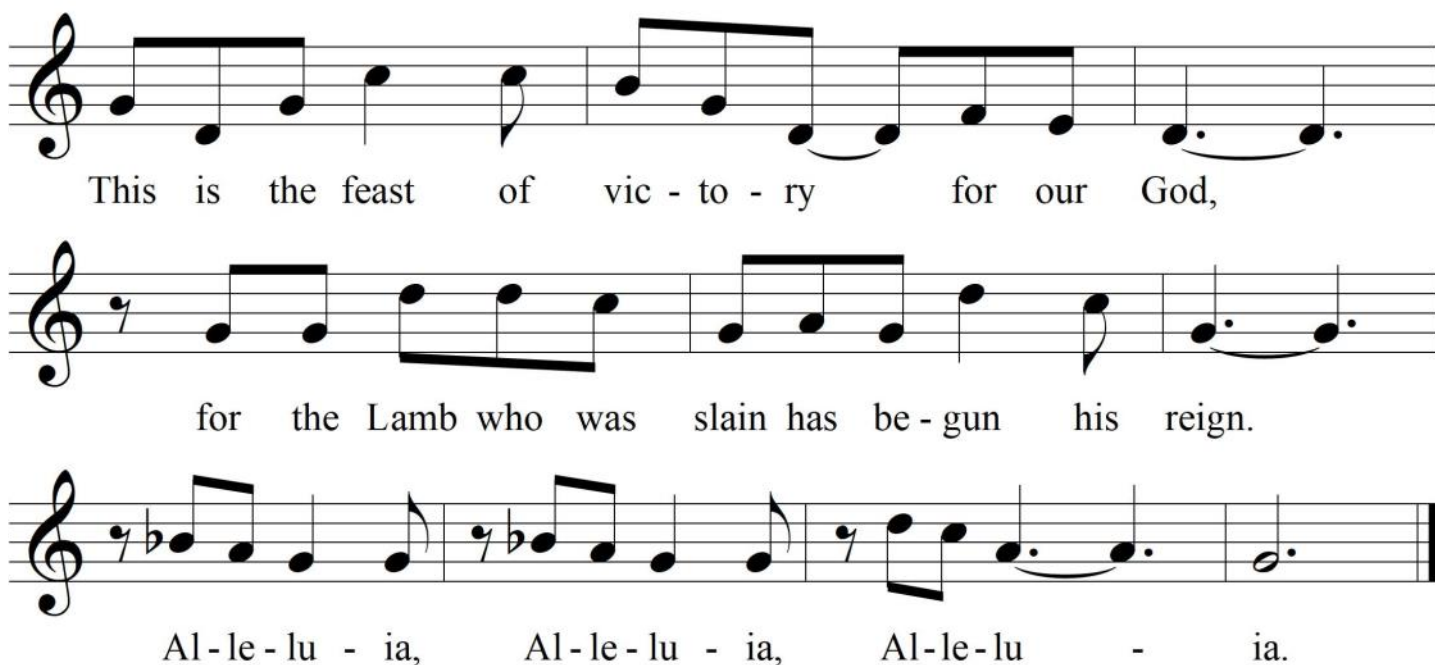


This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God.

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

The first system of music is in G major, 4/4 time, with a treble clef. It consists of two staves. The first staff contains the melody for the first line of text, and the second staff contains the melody for the second line of text. The melody is simple and melodic, with a mix of eighth and quarter notes.

Our Cantor will sing the verse. Then we respond:



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, Al - le - lu - ia.

The second system of music is in G major, 4/4 time, with a treble clef. It consists of three staves. The first staff contains the melody for the first line of text, the second staff contains the melody for the second line of text, and the third staff contains the melody for the third line of text. The melody is simple and melodic, with a mix of eighth and quarter notes.

Please be seated.

EASTER REFLECTION

Pastor C.J. Bailey

HYMN OF THE DAY

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CHRIST IS RISEN! ALLELUIA!

Please stand.



- 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!

A LITANY FOR EASTER

P: O God, who made the world and everything in it,
we pray with one voice, proclaiming your presence to all the earth.

L: For skeptics and believers, for clergy high and low;
For those who seek God at home, at work, in the streets, and in the
pews, For all who search for life, come and listen:

C: And we will tell you what our God has done for us.

P: We are alive in the spirit.
We are saved through water.
Because Christ lives, we also live.

C: For we too are God's offspring.

L: For presidents and prime ministers, for bosses and wardens;
For those who set the course at home, at work, in the streets, and
in the pews, For all who wield power, come and listen:

C: And we will tell you what our God has done for us.

P: We do not fear what others fear.
We proclaim the hope that is in us.
Because Christ lives, we also live.

C: For we too are God's offspring.

L: For friends and lovers, for neighbors and strangers,
For those who eat bread at home, at work, in the streets,
and in the pews, For all who live in the world, come and listen:

C: And we will tell you what our God has done for us.

P: In God, we live and move and have our being.
From God, we have life and breath and all things.
Because Christ lives, we also live.

C: For we too are God's offspring.

L: For the sick and troubled, for the fearful and alone,
For those in pain at home, at work, in the streets, and in the pews,
For all who suffer, come and listen:

C: And we will tell you what our God has done for us.

P: Our prayers are not rejected.
Our souls are held in life.
In truth, our God has heard us,
and love is not withheld.
Because Christ lives, we also live.

C: For we too are God's offspring.

L: For those kept in memory, for those long forgotten,
For all who ever took the breath of life at home, at work, in the
streets, and in the pews, For the dead and those who mourn them,
come and listen:

C: And we will tell you what our God has done for us.

P: We are blessed by your presence.
We are filled with the Spirit.
Because Christ lives, we also live.

C: For we too are God's offspring.

L: God of heaven and earth, Companion in life, Spirit of truth,
to you alone we turn our eyes and lift our hearts.

C: Thanks be to God!

THE SHARING OF THE PEACE

You are encouraged to share the Peace of Christ with those around you as you feel comfortable.

OFFERING

ARIOSO

Joseph Fiocco

Steve Preisner, trumpet

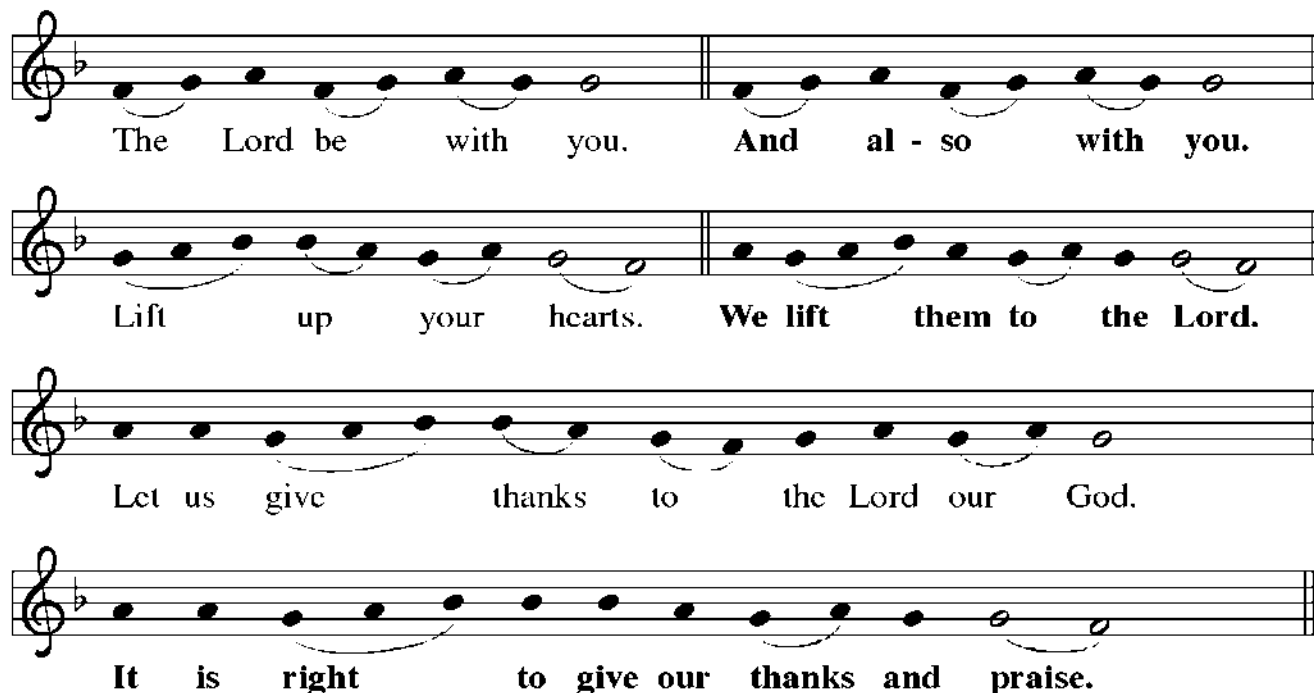
Please stand.

THE PRAYER BEFORE COMMUNION

L: Let us pray. Risen One, you call us to believe and bear fruit. May the gifts that we offer here be signs of your abiding love. Form us to be your witnesses in the world. This we pray in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING



The musical notation consists of four staves, each with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The notes are quarter notes, mostly beamed in pairs or groups of four. The lyrics are written below the notes, with some words split across lines. The first staff has a double bar line after the first phrase. The second staff also has a double bar line after the first phrase. The third and fourth staves end with double bar lines.

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

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

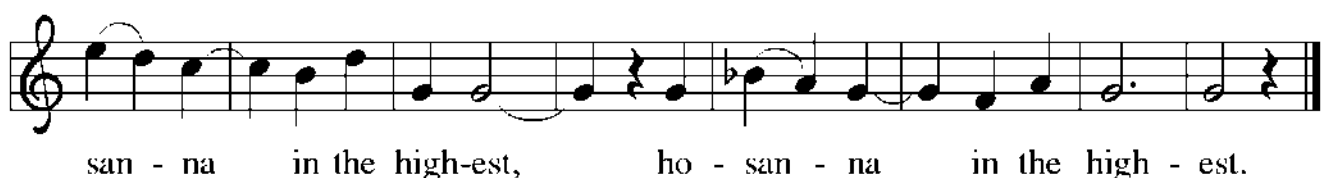
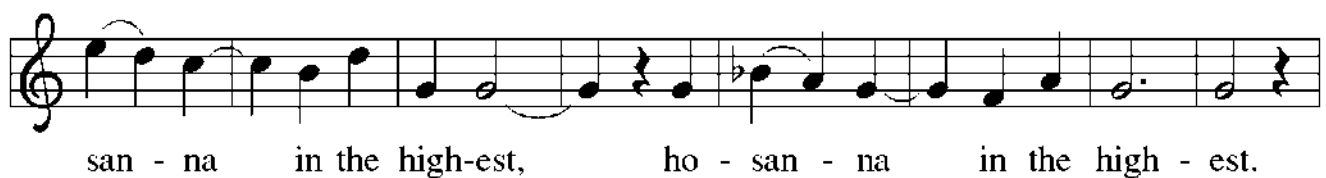
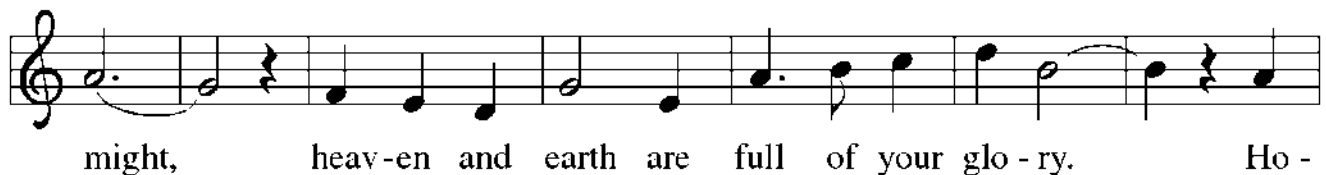
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

BLESSING OF THE MEAL

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:

SANCTUS



THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

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.

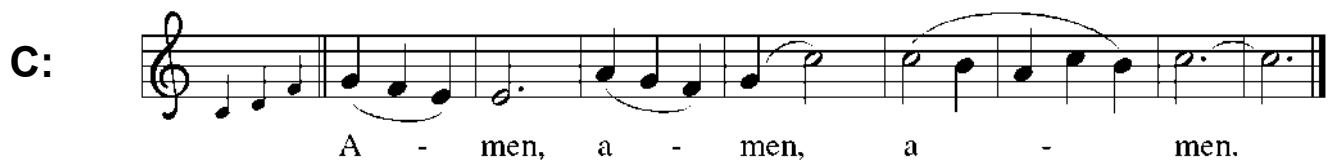
Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

C: 
Christ has died. Christ is ris-en. Christ will come a - gain.

P: Remembering, therefore, his salutary command, his life-giving passion and death, his glorious resurrection and ascension, and the promise of his coming again, we give thanks to you, O Lord God Almighty, not as we ought but as we are able; We ask you mercifully to accept our praise and thanksgiving and with your Word and Holy Spirit to bless us, your servants, and these your own gifts of bread and wine, so that we and all who share in the body and blood of Christ and, receiving the forgiveness of sin, may be formed to live as your holy people and be given our inheritance with all your saints.

To you, O God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory in your holy church, now and forever.



LORD'S PRAYER

L: Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

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.**

Please be seated.

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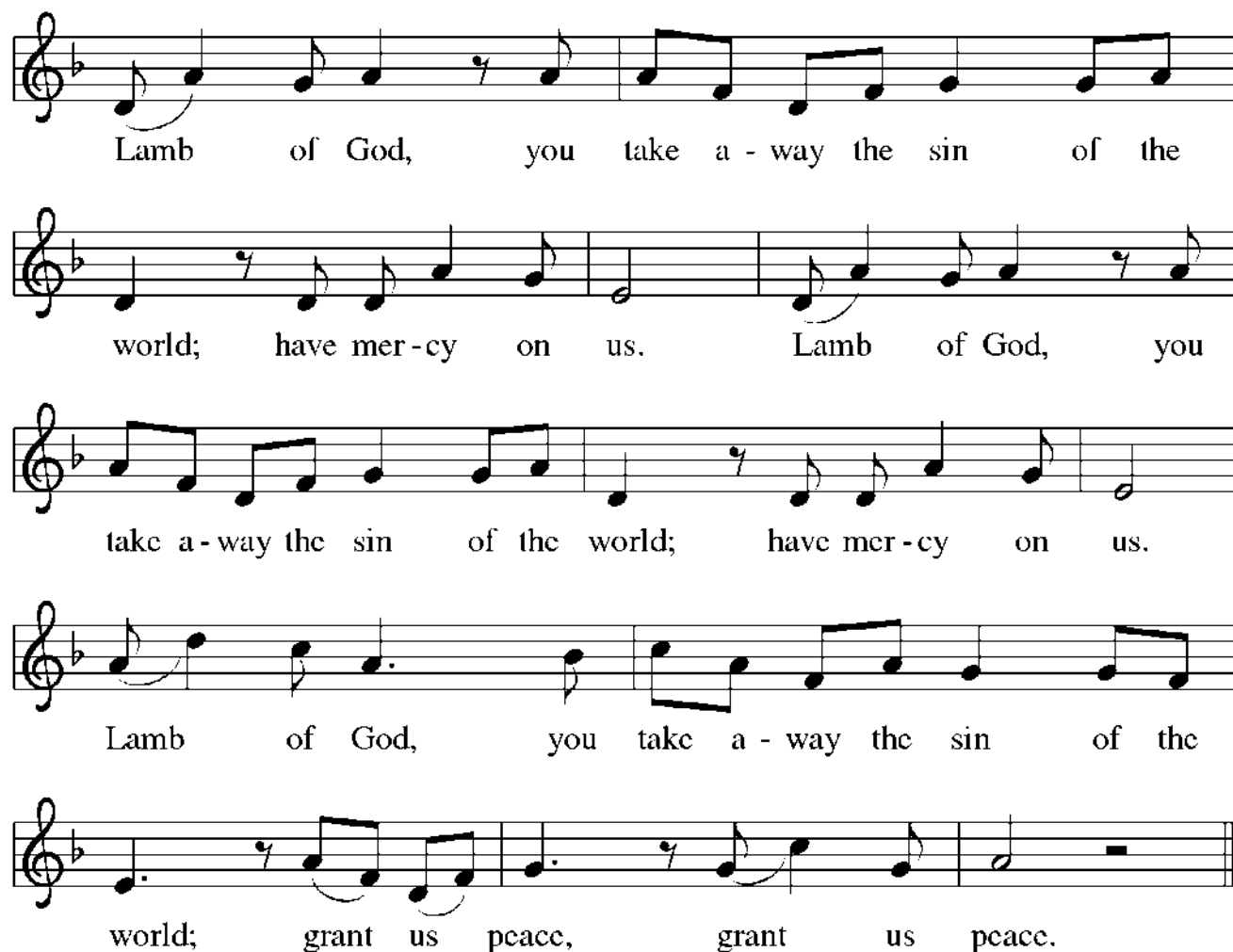
INVITATION TO COMMUNION

P: The Risen Christ is made known to us in the breaking of the bread.
Come and eat at God's table!

Communion is distributed in two manners at First Lutheran.

- You may commune in your pews. Individual communion kits are available at the Narthex Doors. Pastor will share a blessing and all communing in place will commune together.*
- You may come forward, where you will receive the bread from pastor and a small cup of wine from the worship assistant. Cups can be disposed of in a basket located by our projector.*

AGNUS DEI



The musical notation for the Agnus Dei is presented in five staves, each with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The lyrics are written below the notes. The first staff contains the lyrics "Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the". The second staff contains "world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you". The third staff contains "take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us.". The fourth staff contains "Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the". The fifth staff contains "world; grant us peace, grant us peace." and ends with a double bar line.

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 HYMN

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AT THE LAMB'S HIGH FEAST WE SING



1 At the Lamb's high feast we sing praise to
2 Praise we Christ, whose love di - vine gives his
3 Where the pas - chal blood is poured death's dread
4 Praise we Christ, whose blood was shed, pas - chal



our vic - to - rious king, who has washed us in the tide
sa - cred blood for wine, gives his bod - y for the feast—
an - gel sheathes the sword; Is - rael's hosts tri - um - phant go
vic - tim, pas - chal bread; with sin - cer - i - ty and love



flow - ing from his wound - ed side. Al - le - lu - ia!
Christ the vic - tim, Christ the priest. Al - le - lu - ia!
through the wave that drowns the foe. Al - le - lu - ia!
eat we man - na from a - bove. Al - le - lu - ia!

5 Mighty victim from the sky,
hell's fierce pow'rs beneath you lie;
you have conquered in the fight,
you have brought us life and light.
Alleluia!

7 Easter triumph, Easter joy!
This alone can sin destroy;
from sin's pow'r, Lord, set us free,
newborn souls in you to be.
Alleluia!

6 Now no more can death appall,
now no more the grave enthrall;
you have opened paradise,
and your saints in you shall rise.
Alleluia!

8 Father, who the crown shall give,
Savior, by whose death we live,
Spirit, guide through all our days:
Three in One, your name we praise.
Alleluia!

Text: Latin hymn, 17th cent.; tr. Robert Campbell, 1814–1868, alt.

Music: SONNE DER GERECHTIGKEIT, Bohemian Brethren, *Kirchengeseng*, 1566

Please Stand.

THE TABLE BLESSING

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

C: **Amen.**

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

L: Let us pray. Shepherding God, you have prepared a table before us
and nourished us with your love.

Send us forth from this banquet to proclaim our goodness and
share the abundant mercy of Jesus, our Redeemer and friend.

C: **Amen.**

THE BENEDICTION

P: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

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

P: May the God of the resurrection, the Christ of unending joy, the
Spirit of Easter hope. Bless you now and always.

Al - le - lu - ia, A - men.

Al - le - lu - ia, A - men!

The image shows two staves of musical notation in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The first staff begins with a whole rest, followed by a half note G, a quarter note A, a quarter note B, a half note C, a quarter note D, a quarter note E, and a quarter note F. The lyrics 'Al - le - lu - ia, A - men.' are written below the notes. The second staff begins with a quarter rest, followed by a half note G, a quarter note A, a quarter note B, a half note C, a quarter note D, a quarter note E, and a quarter note F. The lyrics 'Al - le - lu - ia, A - men!' are written below the notes. Both staves end with a double bar line.

SENDING SONG

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NOW ALL THE VAULT OF HEAVEN RESOUNDS



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!

THE SENDING

L: Alleluia! Christ is Risen!

C: **Christ is Risen indeed, Alleluia!**

P: Go in peace!

L: Rejoice and be glad!

C: **Thanks be to God! Alleluia!**

POSTLUDE

Symphony No. V, Opus 42

V. Toccata

Charles=Marie Widor

Today's Worship Leaders

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Jackson Vallery

Cantor: Jayce Porter

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Steve Preisner

Reader: Shelley Ross

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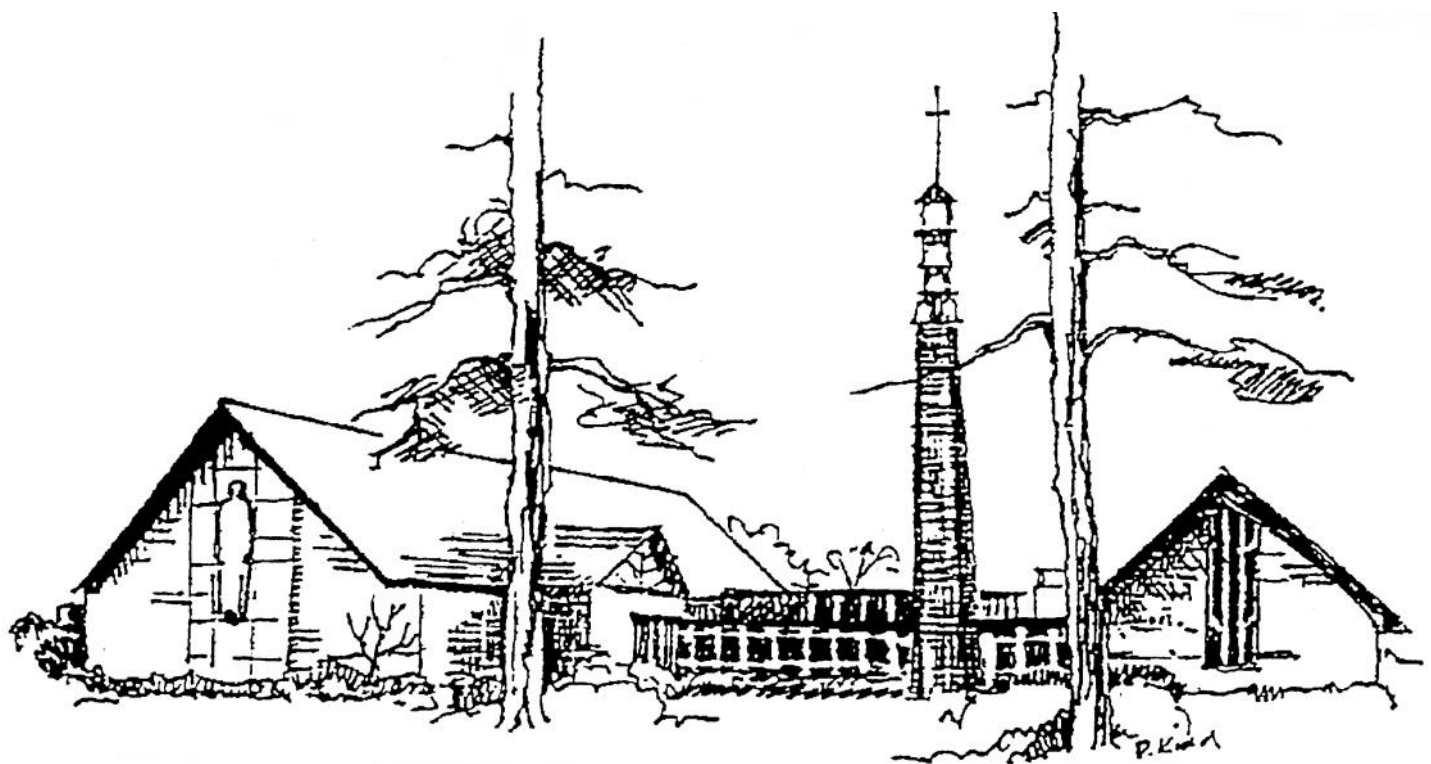
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Our Mission Statement

“God is among us!”
**“We are called to go out, care for all, share the gospel,
forgive, reconcile and trust God for all that we need.”**

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