

# The Resurrection of the Lord

Easter Sunday

April 9, 2023

## Pre-Service Music

### Opening Hymn 457 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 ye 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!

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## + THE PREPARATION +

P: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

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

P: This is the day the Lord has made;

C: **Let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

P: Give thanks to the Lord for He is good;

C: **His love endures forever.**

P: Let Israel say:

C: **His love endures forever.**

P: Let the House of Aaron say:

C: **His love endures forever.**

P: Let those who fear the Lord say:

C: **His love endures forever.**

P: This is the day the Lord has made;

C: **Let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

P: Shouts of joy and victory resound in the tents of the righteous:

C: **The Lord's right hand has done mighty things!**

P: The Lord's right hand is lifted high;

C: **The Lord's right hand has done mighty things!**

P: I will not die but live,

C: **and will proclaim what the Lord has done.**

P: The Lord has chastened me severely,

C: **but He has not given me over to death.**

P: Open for me the gates of righteousness;

C: **I will enter and give thanks to the Lord.**

P: This is the gate of the Lord through which the righteous may enter.

C: **I will give You thanks, for You answered me; You have become my salvation.**

P: The stone the builders rejected has become the capstone;

C: **The Lord has done this, and it is marvelous in our eyes.**

**All: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**


P: This is the day the Lord has made.

C: Let us rejoice and be glad in it.


### This Is the Feast

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*Refrain*




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



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




1 — Wor-thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose  
2 Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and strength, and  
3 Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and  
4 Bless - ing, hon - or, glo - ry, and might be to  
5 For the Lamb \_\_\_\_\_ who was slain has be -



blood set us free to be peo - ple of God. *Refrain*  
hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are His. *Refrain*  
join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion: *Stanza 4*  
God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men. *Refrain*  
gun His reign. Al - le - lu - ia. *Final Refrain*

*Final Refrain*



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



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

P: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

C: He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

P: The uncountable multitude of nations and peoples stand before the Lamb upon His throne and cry out with a loud voice:

**C: Salvation belongs to our God, who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!**

P: And all the angels around the throne worship Him saying:

**C: Blessing and honor, glory and thanksgiving, power and might be to our God for ever and ever! Amen.**

P: And all the creatures of the earth shout:

**C: Amen!**

P: And all the saints and angels shout:

**C: Amen!**

P: And the people of the Lamb shout:

**C: Amen and Amen!**

P: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

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

**+ INVOCATION +**

P: In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen.**

**+ PRAYER OF THE DAY +**

P: The Lord be with you.

**C: And with your spirit.**

P: Let us pray. Almighty God the Father, through Your only begotten Son, Jesus Christ, You have overcome death and the grave and opened the gate of everlasting life to us. Grant that we, who celebrate with joy the day of our Lord's resurrection, may be raised from the death of sin by Your life-giving Spirit; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**All: Amen.**

## THE WORD OF THE LORD +

The First Reading is from Acts, the 10<sup>th</sup> chapter.

Acts 10:34–43

<sup>34</sup>Peter opened his mouth and said: “Truly I understand that God shows no partiality, <sup>35</sup>but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. <sup>36</sup>As for the word that he sent to Israel, preaching good news of peace through Jesus Christ (he is Lord of all), <sup>37</sup>you yourselves know what happened throughout all Judea, beginning from Galilee after the baptism that John proclaimed: <sup>38</sup>how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power. He went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. <sup>39</sup>And we are witnesses of all that he did both in the country of the Jews 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 made him to appear, <sup>41</sup>not to all the people but to us who had been chosen by God as witnesses, who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. <sup>42</sup>And he commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one appointed by God to be judge of the living and the dead. <sup>43</sup>To him all the prophets bear witness that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.”

- L** This is the Word of the Lord.
- C** Thanks be to God! Christ is Risen!

### Hymn of Praise

#### 469 Christ the Lord Is Risen Today

sts. 1–3



1 “Christ the Lord is ris’n to - day!” Saints on earth and 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 hath burst the gates of hell.



Raise your joys and tri - umphs high; Sing, ye heav’ns, and earth, re - ply.  
Lo! Our 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.

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The Epistle Reading is from Colossians, the 3<sup>rd</sup> chapter.

Colossians 3:1–4

<sup>1</sup>If then you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. <sup>2</sup>Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth. <sup>3</sup>For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. <sup>4</sup>When Christ who is your life appears, then you also will appear with him in glory.

- L** This is the Word of the Lord.
- C** Thanks be to God! Christ is Risen!

## Hymn of Praise

### 469 Christ the Lord Is Risen Today

sts. 4–6



4 Lives a - gain our glo - rious King! Where, O death, is now thy sting?  
 5 Soar we now where Christ has led; Fol - l'wing our ex - alt - ed Head.  
 6 Hail the Lord of earth and heav'n! Praise to Thee by both be giv'n!



Once He died our souls to save; Where thy vic - to - ry, O grave?  
 Made like Him, like Him we rise; Ours the cross, the grave, the skies.  
 Thee we greet tri - um - phant now: Hail, the res - ur - rec - tion, Thou!

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## The Holy Gospel

*[as you are able, please stand for the reading of the Holy Gospel]*

### Alleluia and Verse

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**C** Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the



words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

P: The Holy Gospel is from Saint John, the 20<sup>th</sup> chapter.

C: **Glory to You, O Lord.**

**John 20:1–9**

<sup>1</sup>Now on the first day of the week Mary Magdalene came to the tomb early, while it was still dark, and saw that the stone had been taken away 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>So Peter went out with the other disciple, and they were going toward the tomb. <sup>4</sup>Both of them were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. <sup>5</sup>And stooping to look in, he saw the linen cloths 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 cloths lying there, <sup>7</sup>and the face cloth, which had been on Jesus' head, not lying with the linen cloths but folded up in a place by itself. <sup>8</sup>Then the other disciple, who had 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.

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to You, O Christ.

### Hymn 482 This Joyful Eastertide



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

sor - row! My love, the Cru - ci - fied,  
riv - er; Lov - er of souls, from ill  
slum - ber Till trump from east to west

Has sprung to life this mor - row:  
My pass - ing soul de - liv - er:  
Shall wake the dead in num - ber:

*Refrain*  
Had Christ, who once was slain, Not burst His three-day pris - on,  
Our faith had been in vain: But now has Christ a - ris - en, a -  
ris - en, a - ris - en; But now has Christ a - ris - en!

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### Homily

### He's Alive!

### Nicene Creed

**I believe in one God,  
the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth  
and of all things visible and invisible.**

**And in one Lord Jesus Christ,  
the only-begotten Son of God,  
begotten of His Father before all worlds,  
God of God, Light of Light,  
very God of very God,  
begotten, not made,  
being of one substance with the Father,  
by whom all things were made;  
who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven  
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary  
and was made man;  
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.  
He suffered and was buried.  
And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures  
and ascended into heaven  
and sits at the right hand of the Father.  
And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead,  
whose kingdom will have no end.**

**And I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the Lord and giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,  
who spoke by the prophets.  
And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,  
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,  
and I look for the resurrection of the dead  
and the life ✝ of the world to come. Amen.**

**+ PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH +**

**P:** Holy Lord, mighty God, in the triumph of Christ's resurrection You have revealed Your saving will to the whole world. Hear us on behalf of ourselves and all people as they have need.

*[a moment of silence for personal reflection]*

**P:** Holy Lord, mighty God, You have borne the sin of the whole world and given to those marked with death the promise of new and everlasting life. Receive our thanks for Christ's glorious resurrection, and bring us with Him to our own joyful resurrection and the grand reunion of all Your saints, prepared for us in the Marriage Supper of the Lamb without end. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C: hear our prayer.**



P: Holy Lord, mighty God, Your power is over all things and even death has become Your footstool. Rein in the might of man, and preserve us against all that threatens the reign of peace. Give wisdom to our president, and to all those elected and appointed to serve our government; and all who judge and enforce the rule of law.

Deliver us from pride and from the deception of self-sufficiency and technology without moral conscience and purpose. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C: hear our prayer.**

P: Holy Lord, mighty God, You have established the Church as the instrument of Your saving purpose and endowed us with the gift of Your Word and Sacrament. Embolden us with Your Spirit, that we may be renewed in witness, sustained in trial and refreshed through the Means of Grace. Bless those who bring us Your gifts and preach to us Your Word, and give us willing ears to hear and willing hearts to keep this Easter faith. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C: hear our prayer.**

P: Holy Lord, mighty God, Your healing and strength are the hope of all the weary and afflicted. According to Your gracious will, give to all the sick and those who suffer healing and relief, but especially remember those for whom our prayers are requested, and those named in our hearts... Grant to all for whom we pray patience and hope until that day when they wear the new and glorious flesh Jesus now wears and all their afflictions cease. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C: hear our prayer.**

P: Holy Lord, mighty God, this is the feast of victory for our God, for the Lamb who was slain has begun His reign. By Your Spirit, prepare us to receive the body and blood of our Lord now for the strengthening of our faith in this mortal life, and build in us anticipation for the Marriage Supper of the Lamb, which we and all the people of God shall feast upon in His kingdom without end. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C: hear our prayer.**

P: Holy Lord, mighty God, death has been undone by Jesus' resurrection, and Your Son now reigns over all our enemies. Recalling the saints who lived and died in Christ, we give You thanks for their witness in life, and we wait with them for the glorious day when all are united before You, when the veil of death is cast off forever, and we shall know You face to face. Keep us faithful unto that day when Christ shall come to usher in the new heavens and the new earth and reign eternally over all things. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C: hear our prayer.**

P: We pray for all these things, holy Lord, and for all things needful, trusting that You will grant to us what will benefit us and our lives in faith and will keep from us all things harmful; through Jesus Christ, our crucified and risen Lord. Through Him, with Him and in Him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory is Yours, almighty Father, forever and ever.

All: Amen.

### Offering -Let us thank the Lord with the Offering

#### Offertory

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What shall I ren-der to the Lord for all His ben-e-fits to  
me? I will of - fer the sac-ri-fice of thanks-giv - ing and will  
call on the name of the Lord. I will take the cup of sal-  
va - tion and will call on the name of the Lord. I will pay my  
vows to the Lord now in the pres-ence of all His peo-ple, in the  
courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Je - ru - sa-lem.

#### + CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION +

All: Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You by thought, word, and deed: by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart. We have not loved our neighbor as ourselves. We justly deserve Your temporal and eternal punishment.

**But, we are heartily sorry for them, and truly repent of them, and we pray You for the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to us poor miserable sinners. Amen.**

P: Our Heavenly Father has had mercy upon us children of Men, and has given His Only-Begotten Son to die for us, and for His sake forgives us all of our sins. As a called and ordained servant of the Word, at the command and in the stead of my Lord Jesus Christ, I therefore forgive you all of your sins, in the Name of the Father, and of the † Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**All: Amen.**

### + THE LORD'S SUPPER +

#### Preface

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** And also with you.

**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 Him thanks and praise.

#### Proper Preface

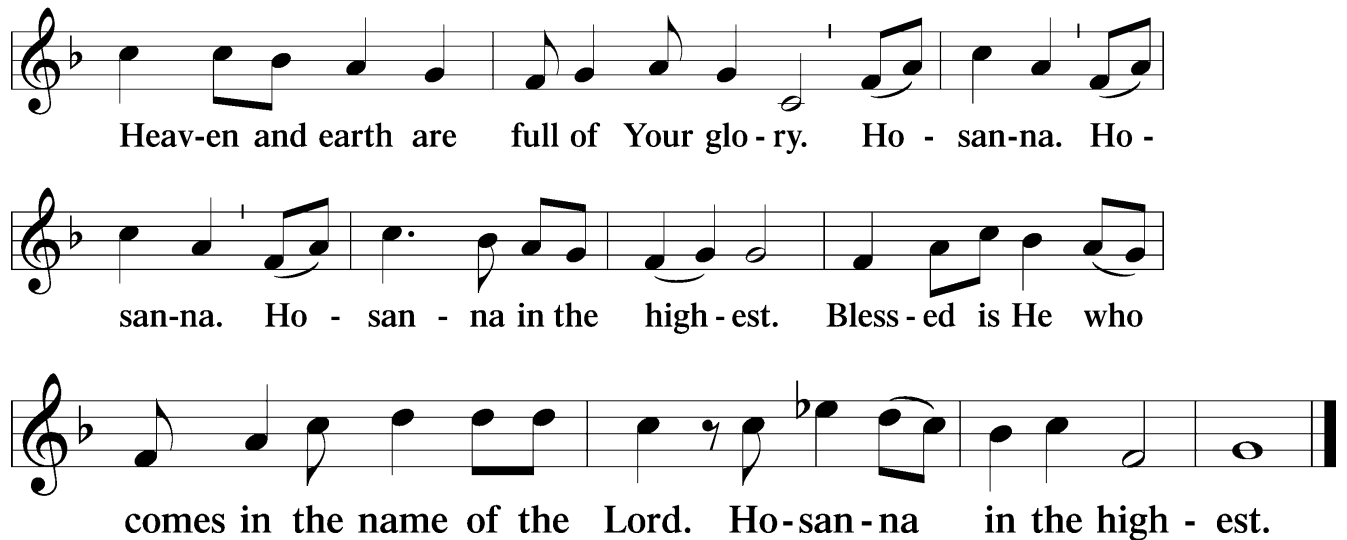
**P** It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God. For though You in Your grace and mercy remain hidden in darkness because of the blindness of sin, nevertheless the light of Your salvation shines through Your Word of promise fulfilled on this day when Your Word, Jesus Christ, arose triumphant through His sacrificial death for us and for the life of the whole world. Living and present now, especially in this Sacrament of His very body and blood, enable us by the light of faith with Mary Magdalene, Peter and John, and with all the witnesses of the resurrection throughout the ages, with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven to laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

#### Sanctus

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**C** Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:



Heav-en and earth are full of Your glo-ry. Ho - san-na. Ho -  
 san-na. 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.

### Prayer of Thanksgiving

**P** Blessed are You, O Lord our God, King of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life.

In Your infinite love, You sent Him to live as one of us here on earth that He might die for us. As a faithful subject to Your royal plan, He gave His body and poured out His blood on the cross, the punishment due us. And in Your almighty power, You raised Him from death to glorious life, the firstfruits of those who sleep. For the life we have now and shall enjoy fully in eternity, we give You thanks and ask Your Holy Spirit to strengthen us in the conviction that because He lives, we shall live also; nothing shall separate us from Your love. To You, O Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be praise and honor, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

### 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 Words of Our Lord

**P** Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: “Take, eat; this is My ✠ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me.”

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: “Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My ✠ blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me.”

### Pax Domini

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

**C** Amen.

### Agnus Dei

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**C** 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.

### Distribution

**Solo: “I Know that My Redeemer Liveth” –Messiah**

## Distribution Hymn 633 At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing



1 At the Lamb's high feast we sing Praise to  
2 Praise we Him, 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 - umphant go  
vic - tim, pas - chal bread; With sin - cer - i - ty and love



Flow - ing from His pierc - 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!

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!

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!

△ 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!

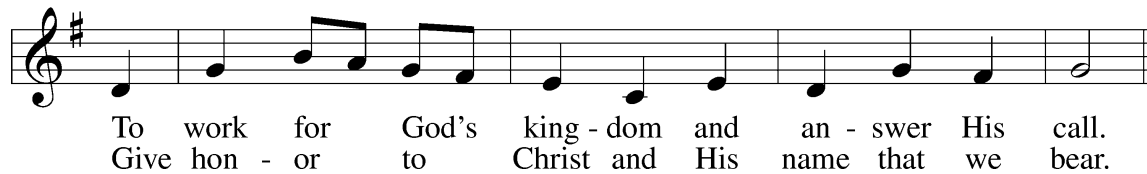
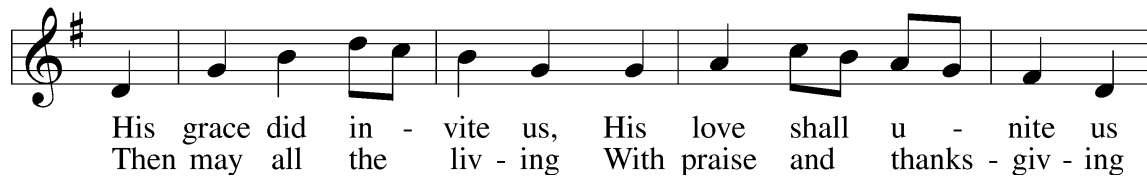
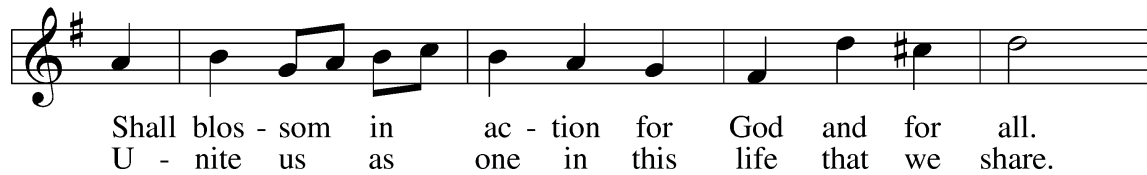
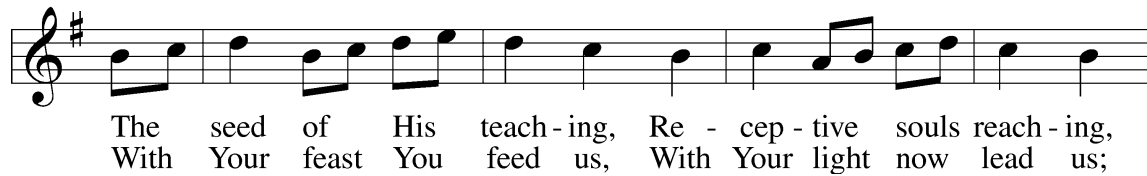
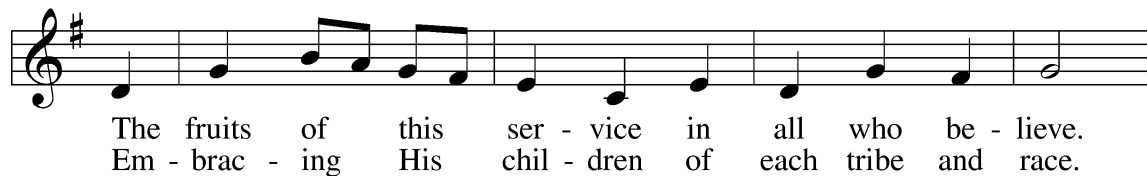
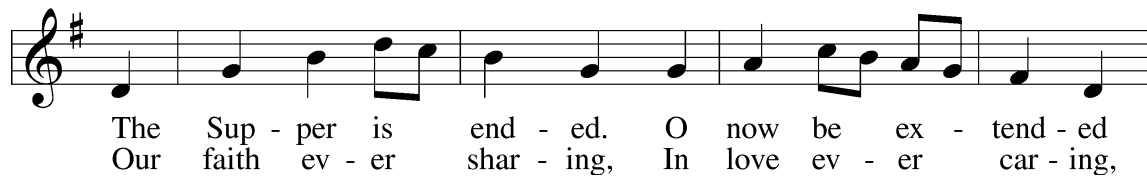
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## Post Communion Canticle

### 643 Sent Forth by God's Blessing



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## Post-Communion Thanksgiving

P: Let us pray. Almighty, everlasting God, whose Son has forgiven our sins and delivered us from eternal death, strengthen us by Your Holy Spirit that our faith in Christ increase daily and we hold fast the hope that we shall not die, but fall asleep and on the last day be raised to eternal life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C: Amen.

## Benediction

**P** The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord lift up His countenance upon you, and ✠ give you peace.

**C** Amen.

## Closing Hymn 465 Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds



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



praise of love that still a - bounds: "Christ has tri - umphed!  
fore our heart with rap - ture sings: "Christ has tri - umphed!  
heart and will on things a - bove That we con - quer  
with the heav'n - ly bless - ed sing: "Christ has tri - umphed!



He is liv - ing!" Sing, choirs of an - gels, loud and  
He is liv - ing!" Now still He comes to give us  
through Your tri - umph; Grant grace suf - fi - cient for life's  
Al - le - lu - ia!" Be to the Fa - ther and our



clear! Re - peat their song of glo - ry  
life And by His pres - ence stills all  
day That by our lives we tru - ly  
Lord, To Spir - it blest, most ho - ly



here: "Christ has tri - umphed! Christ has tri - umphed!"  
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!



