

# The Resurrection of Our Lord

March 31, 2024



*Sadao Watanabe (1913-1996)*

## Prelude Music

## Easter Greeting

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

**Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

## Welcome and Worship Announcements

## Invocation

In the name of the Father,  
and of the ✙ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.  
**Amen.**

## Thanksgiving for Baptism

Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism,  
we are clothed with God's mercy and forgiveness.  
Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

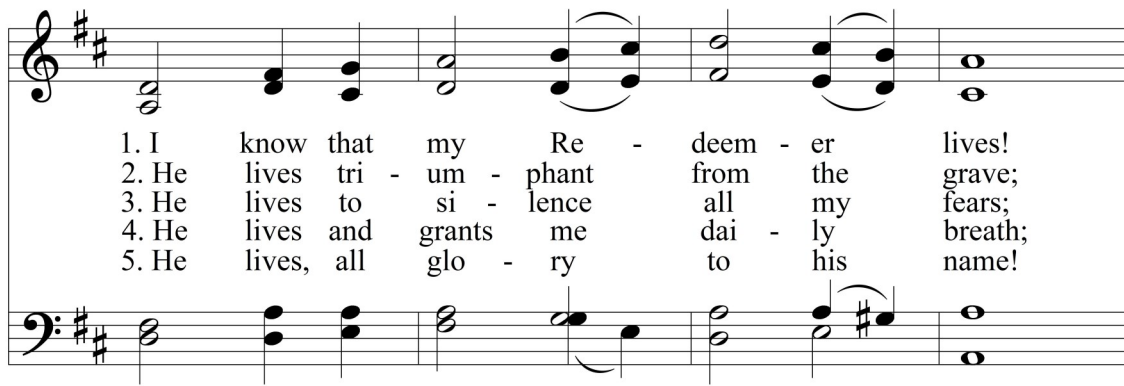
**We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters  
and by your Word you created the world, calling forth life in which you took delight.**

Through the waters of the flood you delivered Noah and his family.  
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 water and your Word you claim us as daughters and sons,  
making us heirs of your promise and servants of all.

**We praise you for the gift of water that sustains life,  
and above all we praise you for the gift of new life in Jesus Christ.  
Shower us with your Spirit, and renew our lives with your forgiveness, grace, and love.**

To you be given honor and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.  
**Amen.**

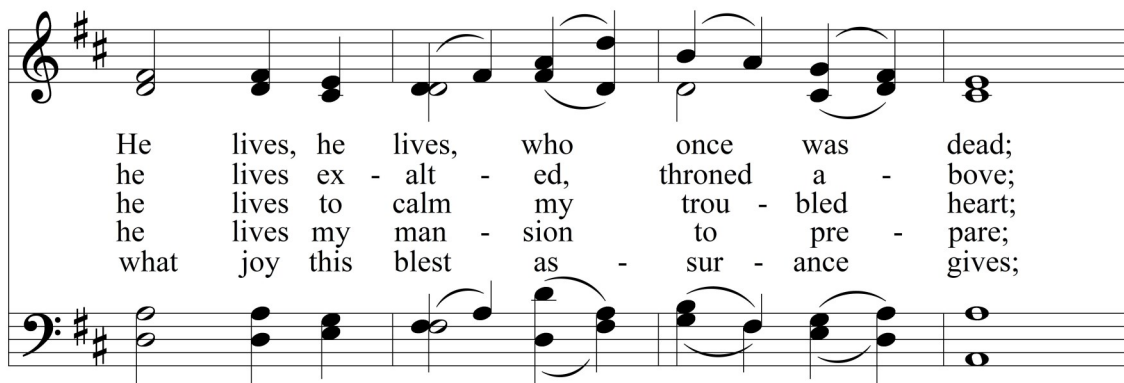
We acknowledge and honor the Cherokee people upon whose ancestral homelands we gather for worship, as well as our Indigenous siblings who have cared for and continue to care for this land and call it their home.



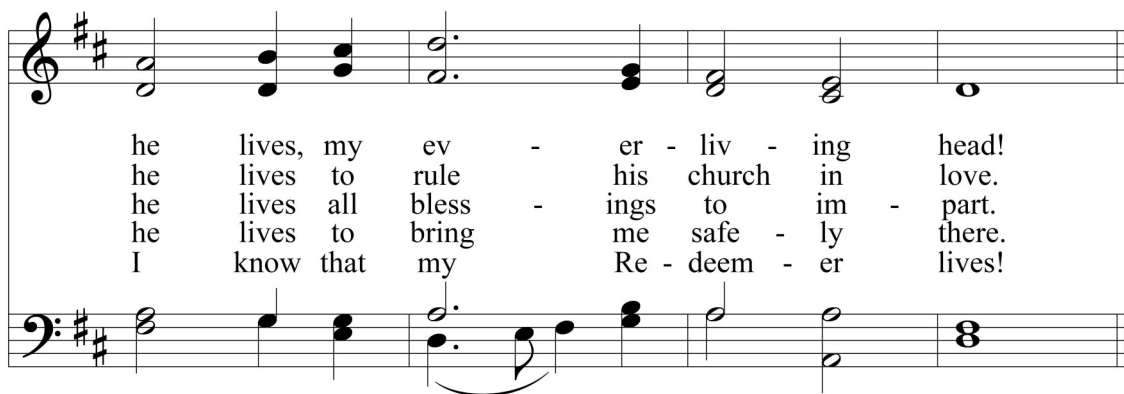
1. I know that my Re - deem - er lives!  
 2. He lives tri - um - phant from the grave;  
 3. He lives to si - lence all my fears;  
 4. He lives and grants me dai - ly breath;  
 5. He lives, all glo - ry to his name!



What com - fort this sweet sen - tence gives!  
 he lives e - ter - nal - ly to save;  
 he lives to wipe a - way my tears;  
 he lives, and I shall con - quer death;  
 He lives, my Sav - ior still the same;



He lives, he lives, who once was dead;  
 he lives ex - alt - ed, throned a - bove;  
 he lives to calm my trou - bled heart;  
 he lives my man - sion to pre - pare;  
 what joy this blest as - sur - ance gives;



he lives, my ev - er - liv - ing head!  
 he lives to rule his church in love.  
 he lives all bless - ings to im - part.  
 he lives to bring me safe - ly there.  
 I know that my Re - deem - er lives!

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 Music: attr. John Hatton, d. 1793

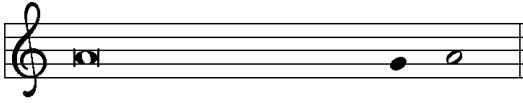
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## Greeting

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,  
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.  
**And also with you.**

## Kyrie

**"Lord, Have Mercy"**



In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



**Lord, have mer - cy.**



For the peace from a-bove, and for our sal - vation, let us pray to the Lord.



**Lord, have mer - cy.**



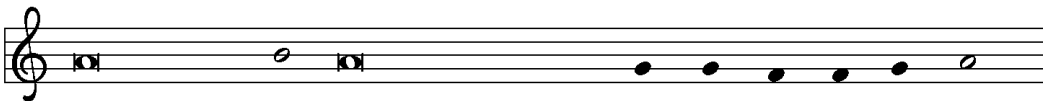
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



**Lord, have mer - cy.**



For this holy house, and for all who offer here their wor-ship and praise,



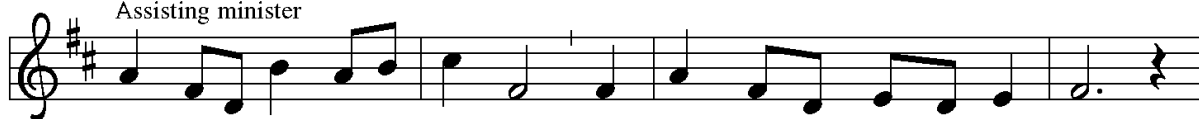
let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord have mer - cy.**



Help, save, comfort, and de-fend us, gra-cious Lord. **A - men.**

Assisting minister



Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.

All



Lord God, heav-en-ly King, al-might-y God and Fa-ther, we



wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo-ry.



Lord Je-sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God,



you take a-way the sin of the world: have mer-cy on us;



you are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther: re-ceive our prayer.



For you a-lone are the Ho-ly One, you a-lone are the Lord,



you a-lone are the Most High, Je-sus Christ, with the Ho-ly Spir-it,



in the glo-ry of God the Fa-ther. A-men.

## **Prayer of the Day**

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.

**Amen.**

## **Children's Sermon**

**Deacon Katie Rivers**

## **First Reading**

**Acts 10: 34-43**

<sup>34</sup>Then Peter began to speak to them: 'I truly 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>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.'

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## **Psalm 118: 24, 25**

**Paraphrase by Isaac Watts**

**Sung by the choir**

This is the day the Lord hath made, he calls the hours his own;  
Let heaven rejoice, let earth be glad, and praise surround the throne!

Today he rose and left the dead, and Satan's empire fell;  
Today the saints his triumphs spread, and all his wonders tell.

Hosanna in the highest strains the church on earth can raise;  
The highest heavens, in which he reigns, shall give him nobler praise.

## **Second Reading**

**1 Corinthians 15: 1-11**

<sup>1</sup>Now 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.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**



1 Come, you faith - ful, raise the strain of tri - um - phant glad - ness!

2 Al - le - lu - ia! now we cry to our Lord im - mor - tal,



God has brought forth Is - ra - el in - to joy from sad - ness,  
who tri - um - phant burst the bars of the tomb's dark por - tal;



loosed from Pha-raoh's bit - ter yoke Ja - cob's sons and daugh - ters;  
Al - le - lu - ia! with the Son God the Fa - ther prais - ing;



led them with un-moist-ened foot through the Red Sea wa - ters.  
Al - le - lu - ia! yet a - gain to the Spir - it rais - ing.

Text: John of Damascus, c. 696–c. 754; tr. John Mason Neale, 1818–1866, alt.  
Music: GAUDEAMUS PARITER, Johann Horn, 1490–1547

## Gospel

Mark 16: 1-8

The Holy Gospel according to Mark, the 16<sup>th</sup> chapter.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>1</sup>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' body]. <sup>2</sup>And very early on the first day of the week, when the sun had risen, they went to the tomb. <sup>3</sup>They had been saying to one another, "Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance to the tomb?" <sup>4</sup>When they looked up, they saw that the stone, which was very large, had already been rolled back. <sup>5</sup>As they entered the tomb, they saw a young man, dressed in a white robe, sitting on the right side; and they were alarmed. <sup>6</sup>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. <sup>7</sup>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." <sup>8</sup>So 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.

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

*Repeat "Come, You Faithful, Raise the Strain"*

Sermon

Pastor Matt Smith

*Silence for reflection follows the sermon*

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

## 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.**

## Prayers of Intercession

Risen Lord, in your mercy,  
**hear our prayer.**

## Peace

## Offering

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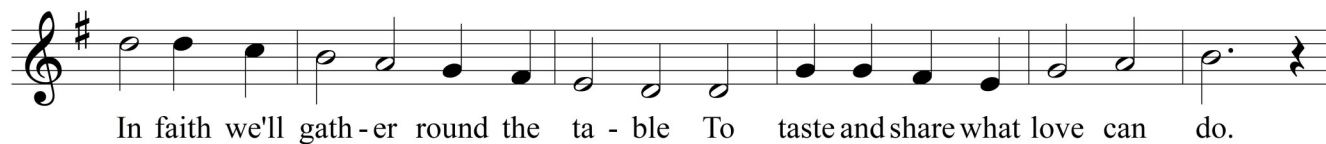
This is a day of new beginnings, time to remember and move on,  
Time to believe what love is bringing, laying to rest the pain that's gone.  
For by the life and death of Jesus, God's mighty Spirit, now as then,  
Can make for us a world of difference, as faith and hope are born again.

A woman of Samaria draws water from the well.  
A stranger's word strikes deep within; she cannot wait to tell.  
"He spoke of worship, spirit, truth; he surely is the One.  
This one who is Messiah knows all I have ever done!"

Then let us, with the Spirit's daring, step from the past and leave behind  
Our disappointment, guilt, and grieving, seeking new paths, and sure to find.  
Christ is alive, and goes before us to show and share what love can do.  
This is a day of new beginnings; Our God is making all things new.

A son takes his inheritance and sets out far to roam;  
As worldly pleasures flash and fade, he longs for food and home.  
A waiting father runs for joy and puts the past away;  
"The lost is found! The dead alive! Now let us feast today!"

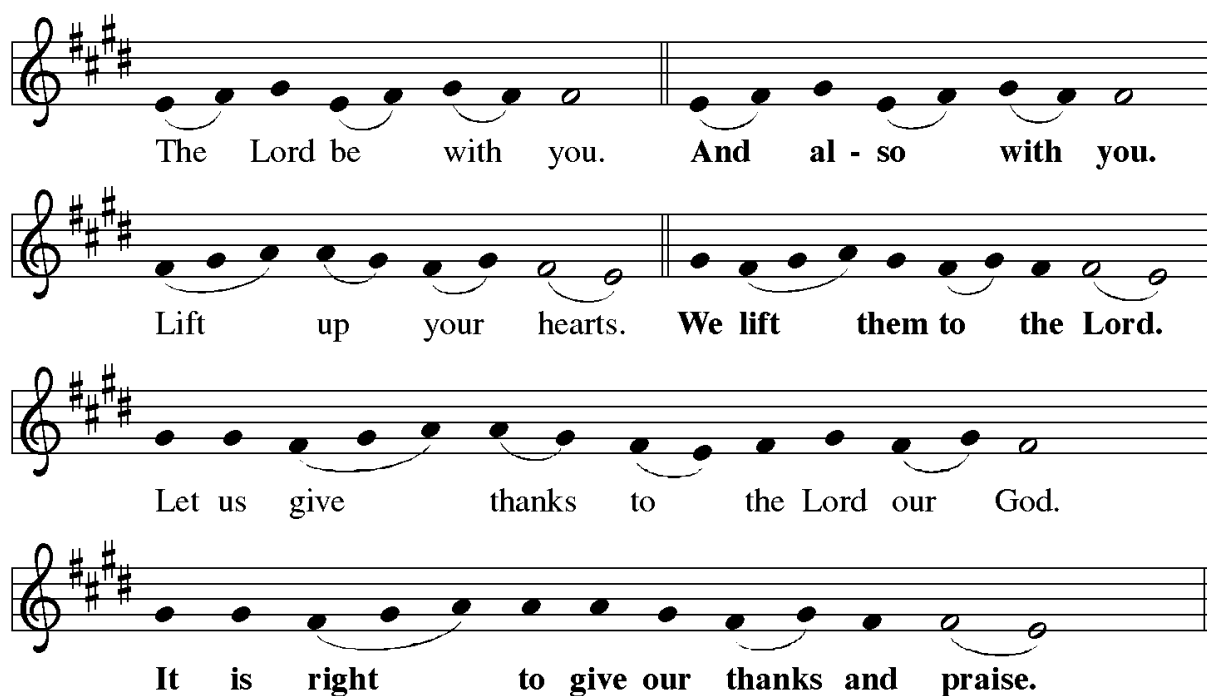
*The congregation stands and sings as the gifts are brought forward*



### Offering Prayer

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.  
**Amen.**

## Dialogue



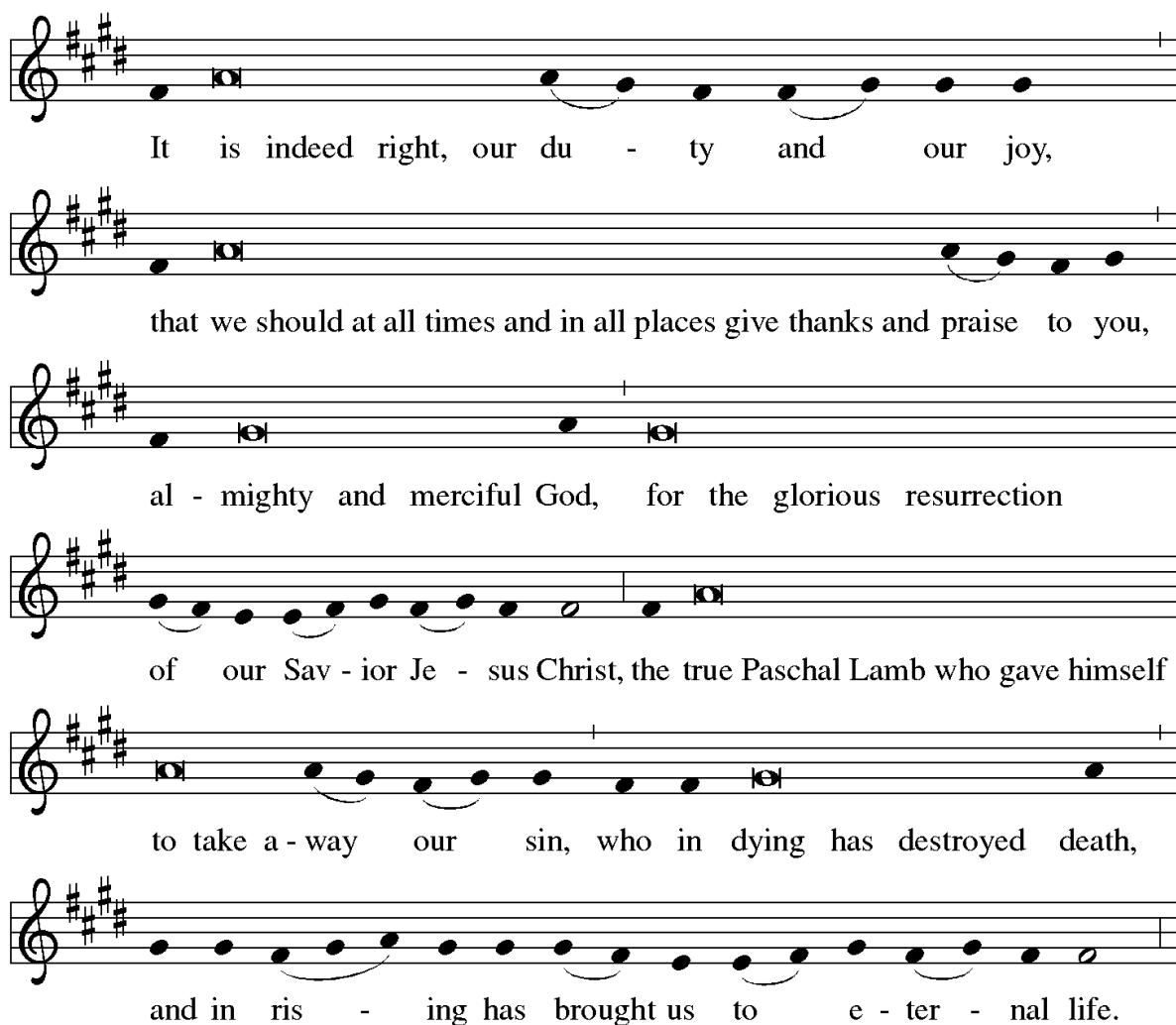
The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

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.

## Proper Preface



It is indeed right, our du - ty and our joy,

that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you,

al - mighty and merciful God, for the glorious resurrection

of our Sav - ior Je - sus Christ, the true Paschal Lamb who gave himself

to take a - way our sin, who in dying has destroyed death,

and in ris - ing has brought us to e - ter - nal life.

And so, with Mary Magdalene and Pe - ter and all the witnesses of the  
res - ur - rec - tion, with earth and sea and all their crea-tures,  
and with angels and archangels, cheru - bim and ser - a - phim,  
we praise your name and join their un - end - ing hymn:

# Sanctus

“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.

## Eucharistic Prayer

Holy God, mighty Lord, gracious Father: Endless is your mercy and eternal your reign.  
You have filled all creation with light and life; heaven and earth are full of your glory.

We praise you for the grace shown to your people in every age: the promise to Israel, the rescue from Egypt, the gift of the promised land, the words of the prophets; and, at this end of all the ages, the gift of your Son, who proclaimed the good news in word and deed, and was obedient to your will, even to giving his life.

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.

## Memorial Acclamation

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



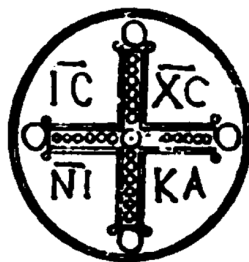
Christ has died. Christ is ris - en. Christ will come a - gain.

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 may be filled with heavenly blessing and grace, 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.



A - men, a - men, a - men.



## Lord's Prayer

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

**Our Father in heaven,**

**hallowed be your name,**

**your kingdom come, your will be done,**

**on earth as in heaven.**

**Give us today our daily bread;**

**forgive us our sins,**

**as we forgive those who sin against us;**

**save us from the time of trial,**

**and deliver us from evil.**

**For the kingdom, the power,**

**and the glory are yours, now and forever.**

**Amen**

## Agnus Dei

“Lamb of God”



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.

## Invitation to Communion

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

**Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!**

*We believe that the Lord Jesus Christ is truly present in, with, and under the forms of bread and wine,  
and we welcome all the baptized to the Lord's table.*

# Communion Hymn

## "Be Not Afraid"



Be not a-fraid, sing out for joy! Christ is ris-en, al-le - lu - ia!



Be not a-fraid, sing out for joy! Christ is ris-en, al-le - lu - ia!

Text: Matthew 28:5; Taizé Community

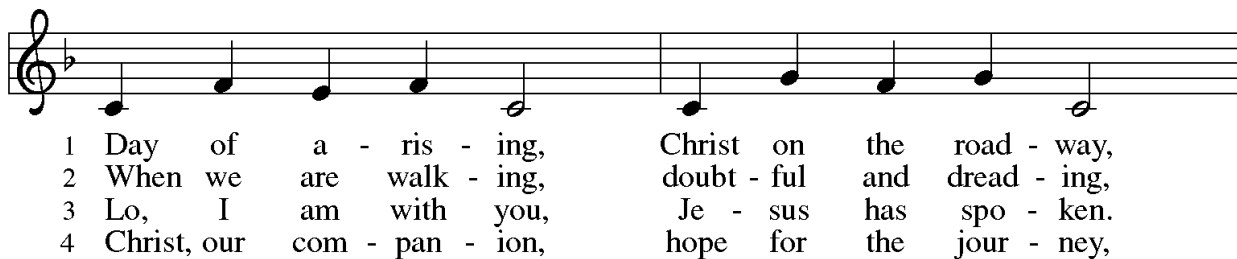
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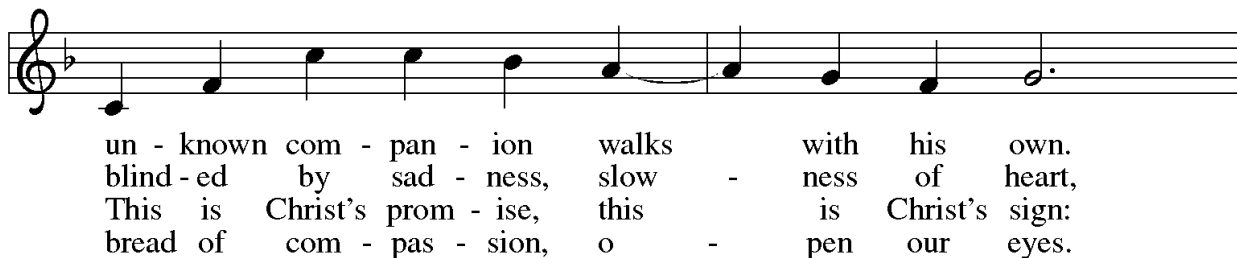
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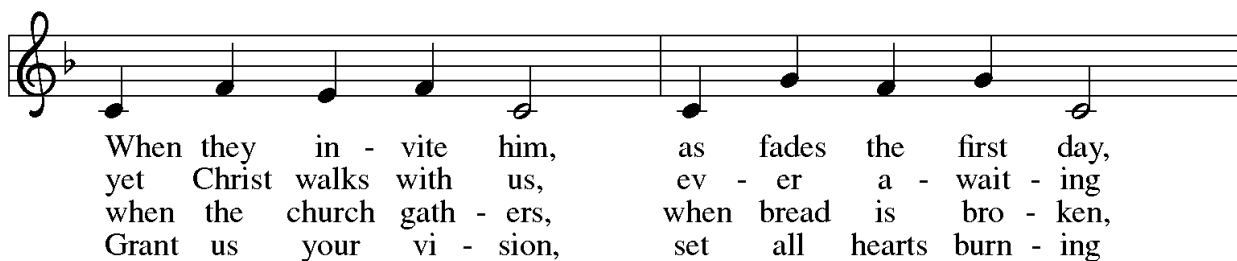
## "Day of Arising"



1 Day of a - ris - ing, Christ on the road - way,  
2 When we are walk - ing, doubt - ful and dread - ing,  
3 Lo, I am with you, Je - sus has spo - ken.  
4 Christ, our com - pan - ion, hope for the jour - ney,



un - known com - pan - ion walks with his own.  
blind - ed by sad - ness, slow - ness of heart,  
This is Christ's prom - ise, this is Christ's sign:  
bread of com - pas - sion, o - pen our eyes.



When they in - vite him, as fades the first day,  
yet Christ walks with us, ev - er a - wait - ing  
when the church gath - ers, when bread is bro - ken,  
Grant us your vi - sion, set all hearts burn - ing



and bread is bro - ken, Christ is made known.  
 our in - vi - ta - tion: Stay, do not part.  
 there Christ is with us in bread and wine.  
 that all cre - a - tion with you may rise.

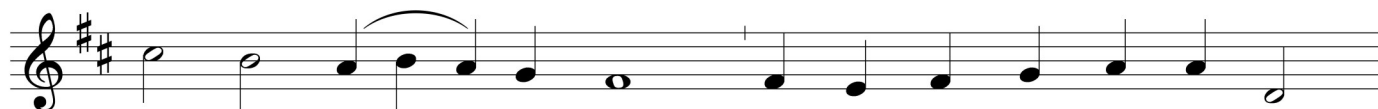
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## Communion Hymn

## "At the Lamb's High Feast"



1. At the Lamb's high feast we sing praise to  
 2. Praise we Christ, whose love di - vine gives his  
 3. Praise we Christ, whose blood was shed, pas - chal  
 4. Now no more can death ap - pall, now no  
 5. Hymns of glo - ry and of praise, ris - en



our vic - to - rious king, who has washed us in the tide  
 sa - cred - to blood - for wine, gives his bod - y for the feast,  
 vic - tim, pas - chal bread; with sin - cer - i - ty and love  
 more the grave en - thrall; you have o - pened pa - ra - dise,  
 Lord, to Thee we raise; Ho - ly Fa - ther, praise to Thee,



flow - ing from his wound - ed side. Al - le - lu - ia!  
 Christ the vic - tim, Christ the priest. Al - le - lu - ia!  
 eat we man - na from a - bove. Al - le - lu - ia!  
 and your saints in you shall rise. Al - le - lu - ia!  
 with the Spir - it, e - ver be. Al - le - lu - ia!

Text: Latin hymn, 17th cent.; tr. Robert Campbell, 1814-1868, alt.  
 Music: Bohemian Brethren, *Kirchengeseng*, 1566

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## Communion Blessing

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

**Amen**

## Prayer after Communion

Life-giving God, in the mystery of Christ's death and resurrection you send light to conquer darkness,  
water to give new life, and the bread of heaven to nourish your people. Send us forth as witnesses to Jesus'  
resurrection that we may show your glory to all the world; through the same Jesus Christ, our risen Lord.

**Amen.**

## Benediction

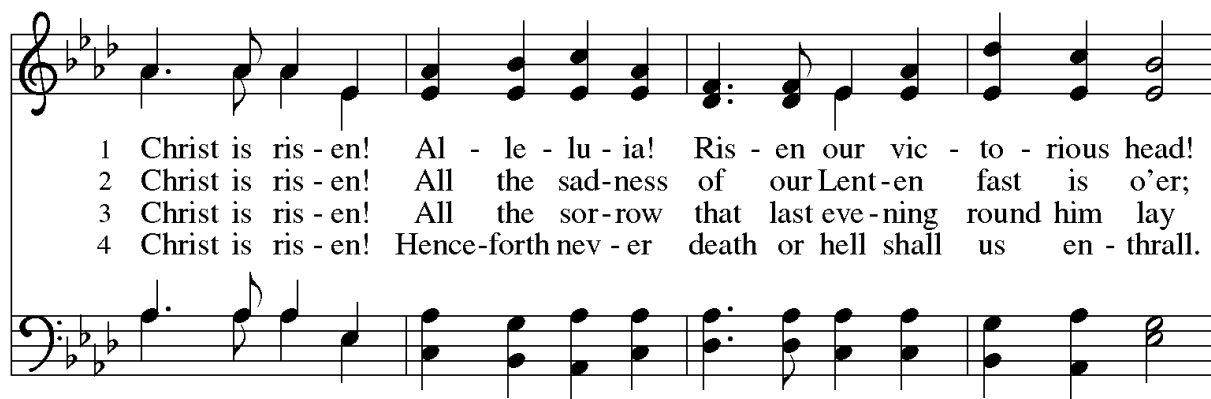
May God who has brought us from death to life fill you with great joy.

Almighty God, Father, ☩ Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

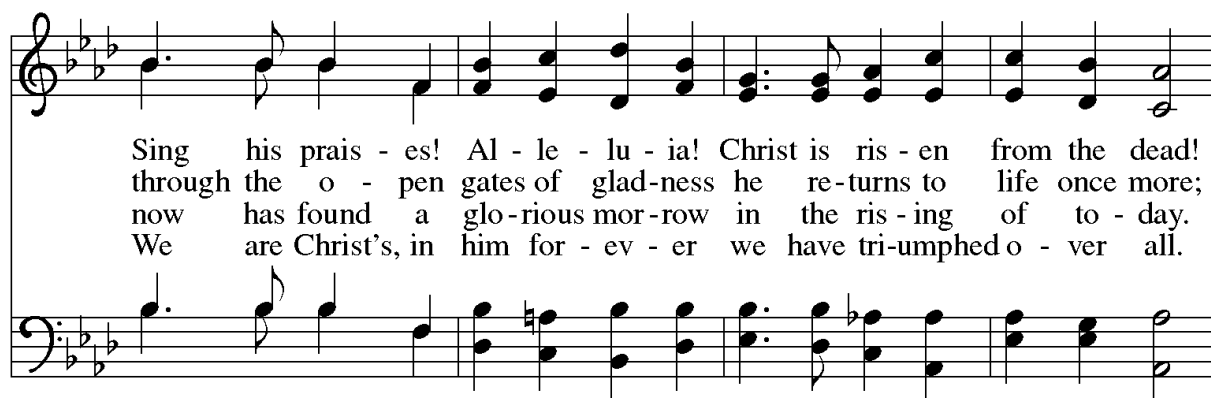
**Amen.**

## Closing Hymn

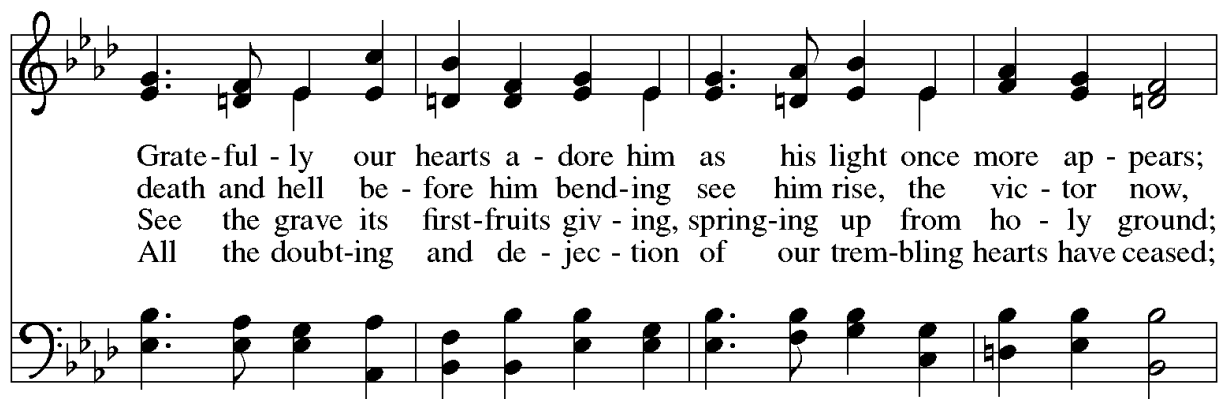
**"Christ is Risen! Alleluia!"**



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-turns to life once more;  
now has found a glo-rious mor-row in the ris - ing of to - day.  
We are Christ's, in him for - ev - er we have tri-umphed o - ver all.



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



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

*Refrain*

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

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

Text: John S. B. Monsell, 1811–1875, alt.  
 Music: MORGENLIED, Frederick C. Maker, 1844–1927

### Announcements and Dismissal

Go in peace: share the good news. Alleluia!  
**Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!**

### Postlude

**Christ the Lord is Risen Today**

arr. Ed Hogan

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## **Easter lilies are given to the glory of God by**

Bonnie Richards in honor of the St. Mark's Staff

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George and Rachel Hahn in honor of their parents

Roy and Donna Turnbaugh in memory of their parents

Linda Kinsinger in memory of her parents, Harold and Lois Kinsinger



### **Worship Assistants**

	<b>8:30</b>	<b>11:00</b>
<b>Greeters</b>	Vic and Mary Allwein	Anne Blackwell, Randy Warren
<b>Ushers</b>	Ken Clark	Scott Baumann, Alice Silver
<b>Altar Guild</b>	Amy Zellers	Bonnie Richards
<b>Acolyte</b>	Smith Family	Deacon Katie Rivers
<b>Crucifer</b>	Amy Zellers	Mary Brady
<b>Bible Bearer</b>	Henry Ulrichs	Tom Biltz
<b>Torch Bearer</b>	Natalie Haynes, Gloria Sainio	Natalie Haynes, Gloria Sainio
<b>Reader</b>	Connie Chaplin	Donna Turnbaugh
<b>Communion Assistants</b>	Nancy Dodenhoff, Sharon Herrmann	James Aydelotte, Bonnie Morris



### Easter Dawn

He blesses every love that weeps and grieves  
And now he blesses hers who stood and wept  
And would not be consoled, or leave her love's  
Last touching place, but watched as low light crept  
Up from the east. A sound behind her stirs  
A scatter of birdsong through the air.  
She turns, but cannot focus through her tears,  
Or recognize the Gardener standing there.  
She hardly hears his gentle question, 'Why,  
Why are you weeping?' or sees the play of light  
That brightens as she chokes out her reply,  
'They took my love away, my day is night.'  
And then she hears her name, she hears Love say  
The Word that turns her night, and ours, to Day.

Malcolm Guite, from "Sounding the Seasons: Seventy Sonnets for the Christian Year."  
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## Office Hours

Monday - Friday: 8:30am to 2:30pm

## Announcements

**Special thanks** to the choir and handbell ringers for leading us in worship this morning, and to our brass quintet: John Entzi and Steve Martinez, trumpets; Anthony Ammons, horn; Bob Gregory, trombone; and Matt Sanders, tuba.

Please join us for **Easter Breakfast** in the Fellowship Hall after the 8:30am service.  
Children are invited to an **Easter Egg Hunt** on the playground at 9:00am.

**The church office** will be closed on Monday 4/1, Thursday 4/4, and Friday 4/5. Regular hours (8:30am-2:30pm) will be held on Tuesday and Wednesday, 4/2 and 4/3. If there is an emergency need please email Danielle at [admin@stmarkslutheran.net](mailto:admin@stmarkslutheran.net) and she will get in contact with the necessary party.