

Holy Eucharist

The Third Sunday of Easter

Sunday, April 14, 2024

Liturgy of the Word

Entrance Rite

At the sound of the bell, all stand for the Entrance of the Ministers into the church.

Hymn

The strife is o'er, the battle done

Hymnal 208

Antiphon (at the beginning)

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

Ped.

1	The	strife	is	o'er,	the	bat - tle	done,	the	vic - to -		
2	The	powers	of	death	have	done	their	worst,	but	Christ	their
*3	The	three	sad	days	are	quick - ly	sped,	he	ris - es		
4	He	closed	the	yawn - ing	gates	of	hell,	the	bars	from	
5	Lord!	by	the	stripes	which	wound - ed	thee,	from	death's	dread	

1 ry of life is won; the song of tri - umph
 2 le - gions hath dis - persed: let shout of ho - ly
 3 glo - rious from the dead: all glo - ry to our
 4 heaven's high por - tals fell; let hymns of praise his
 5 sting thy serv - ants free, that we may live and

1 has be - gun. Al - le - lu - ia!
 2 joy out - burst. Al - le - lu - ia!
 3 ris - en Head! Al - le - lu - ia!
 4 tri - umphs tell! Al - le - lu - ia!
 5 sing to thee. Al - le - lu - ia! [Ant.]

Antiphon (at the end)

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

Ped.

Antiphon (at the beginning)

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

Ped.

All standing, the Celebrant says

Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People

The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

The Celebrant says the Collect for Purity

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The following is sung, all standing

1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and
peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly
King, al - mighty God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we
give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus
Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you
take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy
on us; 5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -
ceive our prayer. 6. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One,

you a-lone are the Lord, 7. you a-lone are the Most
 High, Je-sus Christ, with the Ho-ly Spi-rit, in the
 glo-ry of God the Fa-ther. A-men.

Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People And also with you.
Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, whose blessed Son made himself known to his disciples in the breaking of bread: Open the eyes of our faith, that we may behold him in all his redeeming work; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

First Reading

Acts 3:12-19

All sit.

A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

Peter addressed the people, “You Israelites, why do you wonder at this, or why do you stare at us, as though by our own power or piety we had made this man walk? The God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, the God of our ancestors has glorified his servant Jesus, whom you handed over and rejected in the presence of Pilate, though he had decided to release him. But you rejected the Holy and Righteous One and asked to have a murderer given to you, and you killed the Author of life, whom God raised from the dead. To this we are witnesses. And by faith in his name, his name itself has made this man strong, whom you see and know; and the faith that is through Jesus has given him this perfect health in the

presence of all of you. And now, friends, I know that you acted in ignorance, as did also your rulers. In this way God fulfilled what he had foretold through all the prophets, that his Messiah would suffer. Repent therefore, and turn to God so that your sins may be wiped out.”

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

Psalm

Remain seated.

Psalm 4

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Cum invocarem

- 1 Answer me when I call, O God, defender of my cause; *
 you set me free when I am hard-pressed;
 have mercy on me and hear my prayer.
- 2 “You mortals, how long will you dishonor my glory; *
 how long will you worship dumb idols
 and run after false gods?”
- 3 Know that the LORD does wonders for the faithful; *
 when I call upon the LORD, he will hear me.
- 4 Tremble, then, and do not sin; *
 speak to your heart in silence upon your bed.
- 5 Offer the appointed sacrifices *
 and put your trust in the LORD.
- 6 Many are saying,
 “Oh, that we might see better times!” *
 Lift up the light of your countenance upon us, O LORD.
- 7 You have put gladness in my heart, *
 more than when grain and wine and oil increase.
- 8 I lie down in peace; at once I fall asleep; *
 for only you, LORD, make me dwell in safety.

Second Reading

1 John 3:1-7

A Reading from the First letter of John.

See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure. Everyone who commits sin is guilty of lawlessness; sin is lawlessness. You know that he was revealed to take away sins, and in him there is no sin. No one who abides in him sins; no one who sins has either seen him or known him. Little children, let no one deceive you. Everyone who does what is right is righteous, just as he is righteous.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Sequence

All stand.

Love's redeeming work is done

Hymnal 188



1 Love's re - deem - ing work is done, fought the fight, the bat - tle won.
2 Lives a - gain our glo - rious King; where, O death, is now thy sting?
3 Soar we now where Christ has led, fol - lowing our ex - alt - ed Head;



Death in vain for - bids him rise; Christ has o - pened par - a - dise.
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.

Gospel Acclamation

Easter Vigil

Chant, Mode VI
arr. Tom Nichols

REFRAIN (cantor alone, then ALL)

The musical score is written on two staves, treble and bass clef. The melody is in Mode VI (Dorian mode) and 4/4 time. The lyrics are: Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia. The first staff has a treble clef and the second has a bass clef. The music consists of a series of chords and single notes, with some notes tied across measures.

Holy Gospel

Luke 24:36b-48

All stand.

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.
People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus stood among the disciples and said to them, "Peace be with you." They were startled and terrified, and thought that they were seeing a ghost. He said to them, "Why are you frightened, and why do doubts arise in your hearts? Look at my hands and my feet; see that it is I myself. Touch me and see; for a ghost does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have." And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. While in their joy they were disbelieving and still wondering, he said to them, "Have you anything here to eat?" They gave him a piece of broiled fish, and he took it and ate in their presence. Then he said to them, "These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you—that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled." Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, and he said to them, "Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things."

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.
People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sermon

Nicene Creed

All stand.

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:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.

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.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He 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 the People

All remain standing.

Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

The Presider: Let us pray to God with the confidence of baptismal daughters and sons who stand in the light of the resurrection calling upon God through the power of the Holy Spirit.

The Leader: Let us pray for the Church throughout the world in all its many expressions that it may be filled with the new life of the Risen Crucified Christ. We pray especially for the Anglican Communion, for our own Episcopal Church, for our own diocese of Indianapolis, its people, parishes, and programs, and for our companion dioceses of Bor and Brasilia. Lord in your mercy,

The People: ***Hear our prayer.***

The Leader: We pray for all the newly baptized who have been united to us in the one body of Christ that transcends boundaries of time, social status, and denomination. Help each individual Christian to give witness to the unity of the Church in Jesus Christ in how they treat one another in the love Jesus commanded us to share. Lord, in your mercy,

The People: ***Hear our prayer.***

The Leader: We pray for all the people of this world for whom our Savior gave up his life that we might know the peace, justice, forgiveness, and love of God. Help the peoples and nations of the world commit themselves to turn from the ways of war, cruelty, oppression, and prejudice. Guide the leaders of all nations toward dialogue and away from confrontation, toward reconciliation and away from violence, toward inclusion and away from exclusion. And reshape the hearts of all people everywhere who see some group as their enemies to recognize in these enemies the same humanity God has given to all of us. Lord, in your mercy,

The People: *Hear our prayer.*

The Leader: We pray for all who suffer in any way, especially the sick, the homeless, the dying, and those who are alone. We remember especially _____, and all others we might name_____. Give all those who suffer healing in the resurrection power of Christ Jesus our Lord. Lord, in your mercy,

The People: *Hear our prayer.*

The Leader: We pray for all who have died and now rest with God in eternity. We remember especially those whom we hold close to our hearts _____. Give them peace and give us hope through the resurrection of Jesus, that the freedom of new eternal life given to us as baptized might even now penetrate and pervade our lives with faith, hope, _____ and love. Lord, in your mercy

The People: *Hear our prayer.*

The Presider: All these things, O God, we bring before you as your children committed to the world for whom your son gave his life and rose again. This we pray through the power of the Holy Spirit.

The People: *Amen.*

Confession of Sin

All kneel.

The Celebrant says

Let us confess our sins to God.

Silence.

Minister and People

God of all mercy,
we confess that we have sinned against you,

opposing your will in our lives.
We have denied your goodness in each other,
 in ourselves, and in the world you have created.
We repent of the evil that enslaves us,
 the evil we have done,
 and the evil done on our behalf.
Forgive, restore, and strengthen us
through our Savior Jesus Christ,
that we may abide in your love
and serve only your will. Amen.

The Priest stands and says

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. *Amen.*

Peace

All stand.

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People And also with you.

Then the Ministers and the People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

Announcements

Announcements may be made at this point in the service.

Holy Communion

The Celebrant says

Through Christ let us continually offer to God the sacrifice of praise, that is, the fruit of lips that acknowledge his Name. But do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God. *Hebrews 13:15, 16*

Offertory Hymn

Sing, ye faithful, sing with gladness

Hymnal 492



1 Sing, ye faith - ful, sing with glad - ness, wake your no - blest,
2 Sing how he came forth from hea - ven, bowed him - self to
3 So, he tast - ed death for mor - tals, he, of hu - man -
4 Now on high, yet ev - er with us, from his Fa - ther's



sweet - est strain, with the prais - es of your Sa - vior
Beth - lehem's cave, stooped to wear the ser - vant's ves - ture,
kind the head, sin - less one, a - mong the sin - ful,
throne the Son rules and guides the world he ran - somed,



let his house res - ound a - gain; him let all your
bore the pain, the cross, the grave, passed with - in the
Prince of life, a - mong the dead; thus he wrought the
till the ap - point - ed work be done, till he see, re -

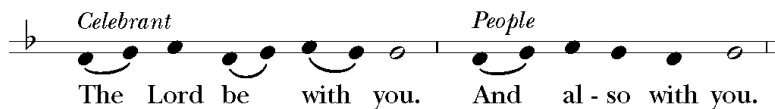


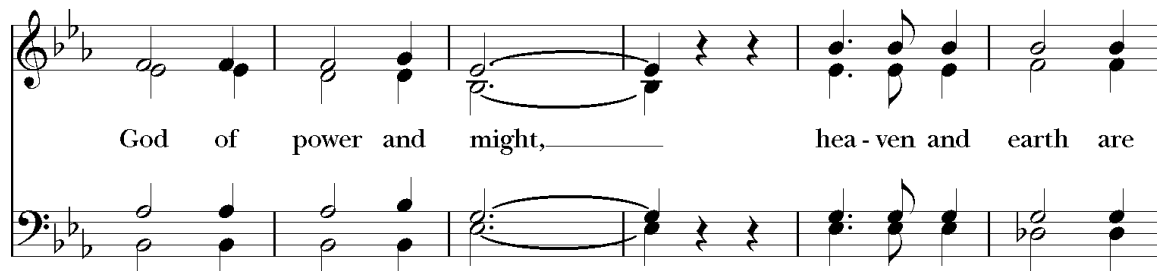
mu - sic hon - or, and your songs ex - alt his reign.
gates of dark - ness, thence his ban - ished ones to save.
full re - demp - tion, and the cap - tor cap - tive led.
newed and per - fect, all things gath - ered in - to one.

Representatives of the congregation bring the people's offerings of bread and wine, and money or other gifts, to the deacon or celebrant. The people stand while the offerings are presented and placed on the Altar.

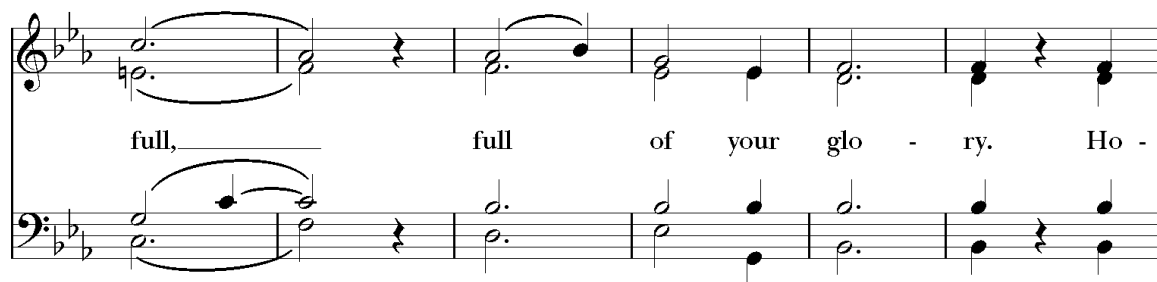
Great Thanksgiving

The people remain standing.

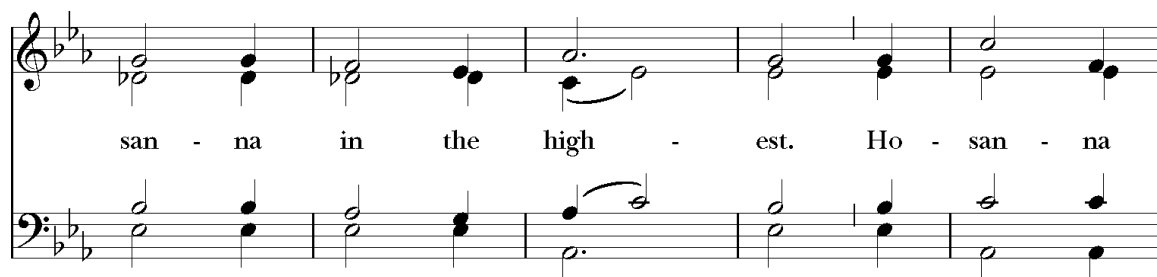




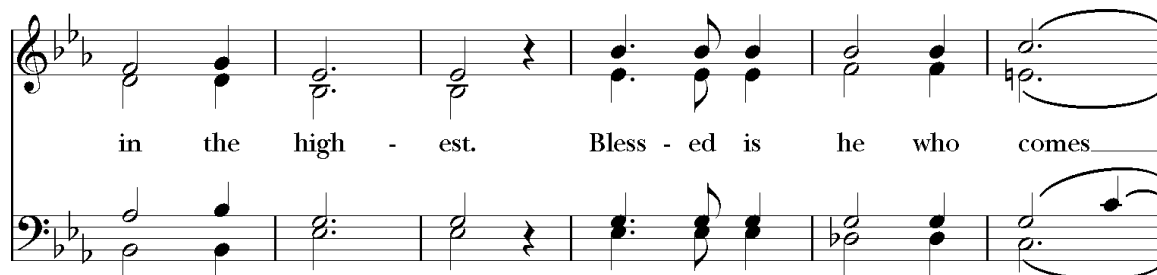
God of power and might, hea-ven and earth are



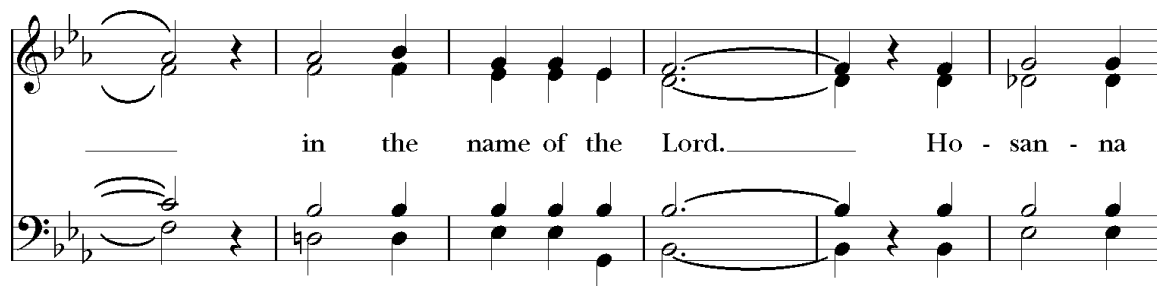
full, full of your glo - ry. Ho -



san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na



in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes



in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na

The image shows a musical score for a hymn. It consists of two staves: a treble clef staff on top and a bass clef staff on the bottom. The key signature is two flats (B-flat and E-flat), and the time signature is common time (C). The melody is written in the treble clef, and the bass line is in the bass clef. The lyrics are: "in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est." The music ends with a double bar line.

The people stand or kneel.

The Celebrant continues

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me." Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

Celebrant and People

We remember his death,
 We proclaim his resurrection,
 We await his coming in glory;

The Celebrant continues

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever.

The musical score is written in 4/4 time with a key signature of one flat (B-flat). It consists of two systems of music. Each system has a vocal line on a single treble clef staff and a piano accompaniment on two staves (treble and bass clefs). The vocal line consists of a series of notes with lyrics underneath: 'A - men. A - men. A - men.' in the first system, and 'A - men. A - men. A - men. A - men.' in the second system. The piano accompaniment features chords and moving lines in both hands, providing harmonic support for the vocal line.

The Celebrant then continues

As our Savior Christ
has taught us,
we now pray,

People and Celebrant

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 for ever. Amen.

Breaking of the Bread

A period of silence is kept.

Then may be sung or said

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

In Lent, Alleluia is omitted, and may be omitted at other times except during Easter Season.

Prayer of Spiritual Communion

(Those joining virtually should join with the Celebrant saying these words, those gathered in person will not say these words):

In union, O Lord, with your faithful people at every altar of your Church, where the Holy Eucharist is now being celebrated, I desire to offer to you praise and thanksgiving. I remember your death, Lord Christ; I proclaim your resurrection; I await your coming in glory. Since I cannot receive you today in the Sacrament of your Body and Blood, I beseech you to come spiritually into my heart. Cleanse and strengthen me with your grace, Lord Jesus, and let me never be separated from you.

May I live in you, and you in me, in this life and in the life to come. Amen.

The Invitation to the Table

The Celebrant says

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

All baptized persons are welcome to receive Holy Communion.

Communion Hymn

From the dawning of creation

WLP 748

1. From the dawn - ing of cre - a - tion, God was pres - ent in the Word.
2. Light ap - peared in deep - est dark - ness. Night was end - ed, morn - ing dawned.
3. Hu - man eyes have seen God's glo - ry; hu - man hands have touched God's own.

And the Word was God e - ter - nal, source of all that came to be.
And that light is ev - er burn - ing, bright - ness nev - er o - ver - come.
In our like - ness here a - mong us, dwells the Word of God made flesh.

Je - sus is that Word e - ter - nal. Je - sus is the Word of life.
Je - sus is that Light e - ter - nal. Je - sus is the Word of life.
Je - sus is that Word in - car - nate. Je - sus is the Word of life.

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

Almighty and everliving God,
we thank you for feeding us
with the spiritual food
of the most precious Body and Blood
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;
and for assuring us in these holy mysteries
that we are living members of the Body of your Son,
and heirs of your eternal kingdom.
And now, Father, send us out
to do the work you have given us to do,
to love and serve you
as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.
To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,
be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

Blessing

The priest blesses the people, saying

May Almighty God, who has redeemed us and made us his children through the resurrection of his Son our Lord, bestow upon you the riches of his blessing. *Amen.*

May God, who through the water of baptism has raised us from sin into newness of life, make you holy and worthy to be united with Christ for ever. *Amen.*

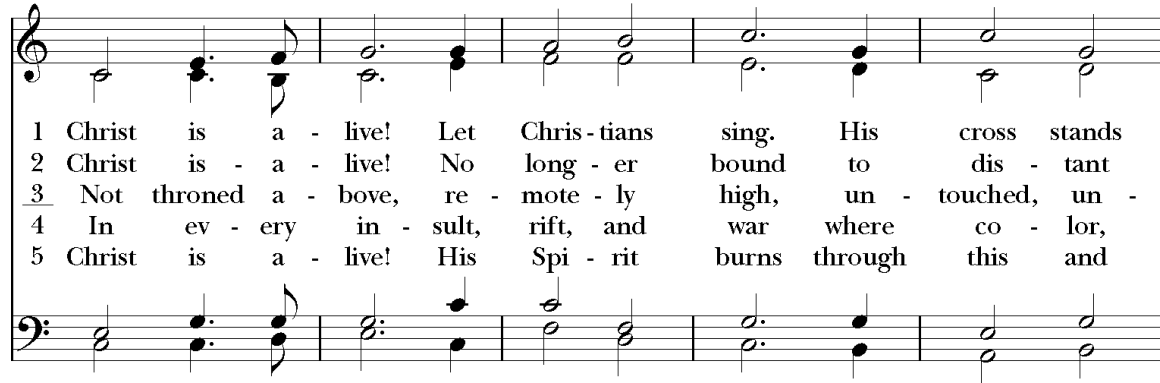
May God, who has brought us out of bondage to sin into true and lasting freedom in the Redeemer, bring you to your eternal inheritance. *Amen.*

And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. *Amen.*

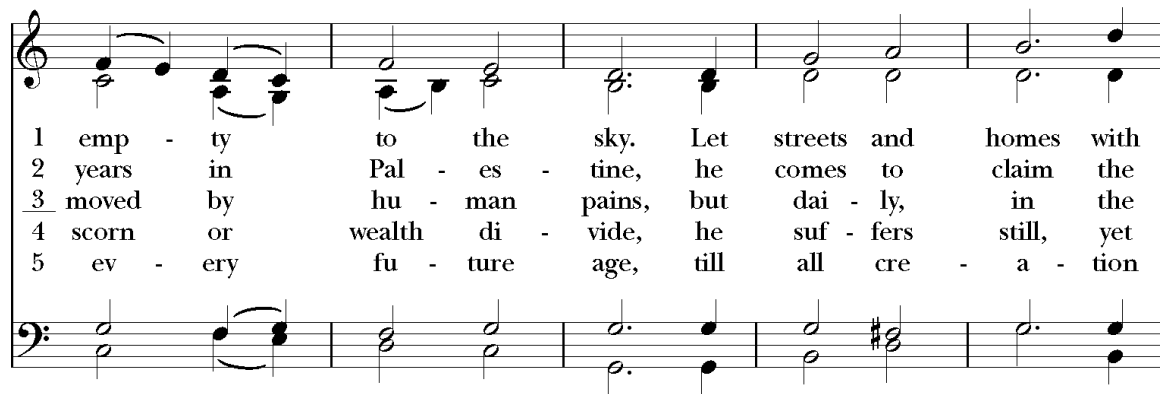
Recessional Hymn

Christ is alive! Let Christians sing

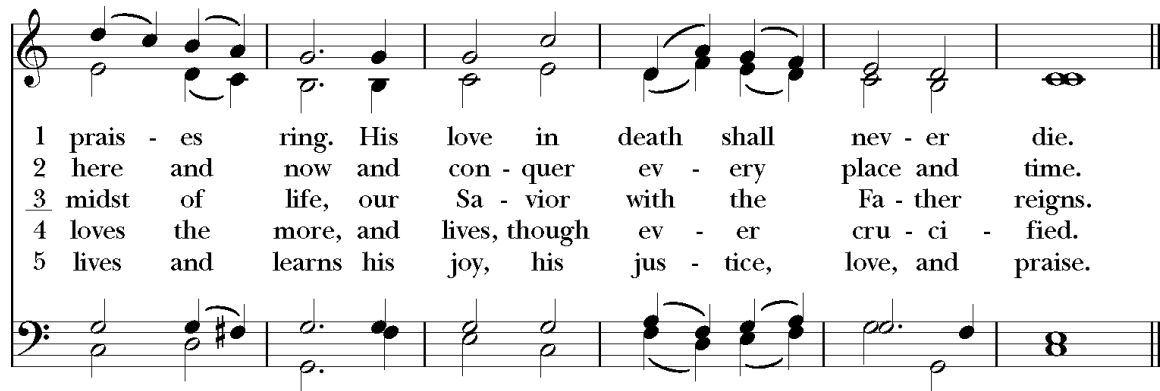
Hymnal 182



1 Christ is a - live! Let Chris - tians sing. His cross stands
2 Christ is - a - live! No long - er bound to dis - tant
3 Not throned a - bove, re - mote - ly high, un - touched, un -
4 In ev - ery in - sult, rift, and war where co - lor,
5 Christ is a - live! His Spi - rit burns through this and



1 emp - ty to the sky. Let streets and homes with
2 years in Pal - es - tine, he comes to claim the
3 moved by hu - man pains, but dai - ly, in the
4 scorn or wealth di - vide, he suf - fers still, yet
5 ev - ery fu - ture age, till all cre - a - tion



1 prais - es ring. His love in death shall nev - er die.
2 here and now and con - quer ev - ery place and time.
3 midst of life, our Sa - vior with the Fa - ther reigns.
4 loves the more, and lives, though ev - er cru - ci - fied.
5 lives and learns his joy, his jus - tice, love, and praise.

Dismissal

Celebrant Alleluia, alleluia. Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

A Note on Today's Readings

The Third Sunday of Easter—Year B

Welcome to our parish. On this Third Sunday of Easter, the Gospel reading directs our attention to the Eucharist as our ongoing experience of the resurrection. On the first Easter afternoon Jesus met two of his followers, and as they walked to the village of Emmaus he explained the scriptures concerning his death and resurrection to them. At table with them he said the blessing and broke the bread and they recognized him.

Today's Gospel reading carries that story to its conclusion. Those two disciples are in the midst of telling the others that Jesus was made known to them in the breaking of bread when he appears in their midst. He again explains the scriptures and shares food with them. Thus from the very beginning of the Church's life in the risen Lord, the meal has been the most common way Jesus' resurrection is revealed to his people.

Our reading from Acts today is an account of the manifestation of Christ's presence in and through his followers. Peter and John heal a cripple in the name of Jesus and then Peter proclaims the Gospel of the dying and rising of Jesus. The second reading this Sunday speaks of the forgiveness of sins we have as a result of our life in Christ.

We are a people who through Baptism and Eucharist live in Christ's dying and rising. We meet him again and again in the Breaking of the Bread and acclaim him. "Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us. Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!"

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