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The Resurrection of Our Lord

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## Prelude

**Processional Hymn** *Please Stand* Music: “Onward, Christian Soldiers”, Hymn 662 “Welcome,”

♪ “Welcome, happy morning!” Age to age shall say;  
“Hell today is vanquished, Heav’n is won today!” Christ, once dead, is living,  
God forevermore! Him, their true creator, All His works adore.

~”Welcome, happy morning!” Age to age shall say,  
“Hell today is vanquished, Heav’n is won today!”

♪ Maker and redeemer, Life and health of all,  
God from heav’n beholding Human nature’s fall,  
You, the true and only Son of God above,  
Died as mortal man to Save us by Your love. ~Welcome...

♪ Source of all things living, You came down to die,  
Plumbed the depths of hell to Raise us up on high.  
Come, then, true and faithful; Come, fulfill Your Word;  
This is Your third morning: Rise, O buried Lord! ~Welcome...

♪ Free the souls long prisoned, Bound with Satan’s chain;  
All that once had fallen Raise to life again;  
Show Your face in brightness, Shine in ev’ry land  
As in Eden’s garden When the world began. ~Welcome....

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## Children’s Message

### Invocation

In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

*Matthew 28:19b*

**Amen.**

“Death is swallowed up in victory.” “O death, where is your victory?”

**O death, where is your sting?”**

The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law.

**But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.**

*1 Corinthians 15:54b–57*

### Confession and Absolution

Therefore, my beloved brothers and sisters, let us confess our sins to God our Father.

**We confess to You, most merciful God, that we have sinned against You in our thoughts, words and deeds, those that we have done as well as the good we have failed to do. It is our own sin that condemns us. In Your mercy and according to Your promise, forgive us of our sin, create a new heart within us, and restore to us the joy of Your salvation for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord and our God. Amen.**

Upon this, your confession, I by virtue of my office as a called and ordained servant of the Word announce the grace of God to you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**Amen.**

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

**He is risen, indeed! Alleluia!**

### **Hymn of Praise** *Please Be Seated*

“This Is the Feast”

~This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

♪ Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain,

Whose blood set us free to be people of God. ~This is the feast...

♪ Power, riches, wisdom and strength,

And honor, blessing, and glory are His. ~This is the feast...

♪ Sing with all the people of God, and join in the hymn of all creation.

Blessing, honor, glory, and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen.

~This is the feast...

♪ For the Lamb who was slain has begun His reign. Alleluia. ~This is the feast....

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### **First Reading**

Acts 10:34–43

<sup>34</sup>So 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.”

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

### **The Epistle**

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.

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## Response Hymn

“Jesus Christ Is Risen Today”

- ♪ Jesus Christ is ris'n today, Alleluia! Our triumphant holy day, Alleluia!  
Who did once upon the cross, Alleluia! Suffer to redeem our loss. Alleluia!
- ♪ Hymns of praise then let us sing, Alleluia! Unto Christ, our heav'nly king, Alleluia!  
Who endured the cross and grave, Alleluia! Sinners to redeem and save. Alleluia!
- ♪ But the pains which He endured, Alleluia! Our salvation have procured. Alleluia!  
Now above the sky He's king, Alleluia! Where the angels ever sing. Alleluia!

*Please Stand*

- ♪ Sing we to our God above, Alleluia! Praise eternal as His love; Alleluia!  
Praise Him, all ye heav'nly host, Alleluia! Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia!

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## The Prayer

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Let us pray.

**Almighty God, through Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, You have overcome death 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 risen Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

## Gradual

- ♪ Halle, halle, halle lu-jah! Halle, halle, halle lu-jah! Halle, halle, halle lu-jah!  
Hallelujah! Hallelujah.
- ♪ **Halle, halle, halle lu-jah! Halle, halle, halle lu-jah! Halle, halle, halle lu-jah!**  
**Hallelujah! Hallelujah.**
- ♪ O God, to whom shall we go? You alone have the words of life.  
Let Your words be our prayer and the song we sing: Hallelujah! Hallelujah!
- ♪ **Halle, halle, halle lu-jah! Halle, halle, halle lu-jah! Halle, halle, halle lu-jah!**  
**Hallelujah! Hallelujah.**
- ♪ **Halle, halle, halle lu-jah! Halle, halle, halle lu-jah! Halle, halle, halle lu-jah!**  
**Hallelujah! Hallelujah.**

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## Holy Gospel

Matthew 28:1–10

The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the twenty-eighth chapter.

**Glory to You, O Lord.**

<sup>1</sup>Now after the Sabbath, toward the dawn of the first day of the week, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to see the tomb. <sup>2</sup>And behold, there was a great earthquake, for an angel of the Lord descended from heaven and came and rolled back the stone and sat on it. <sup>3</sup>His appearance was like lightning, and his clothing white as snow. <sup>4</sup>And for fear of him the guards trembled and became like dead men. <sup>5</sup>But the angel said to the women, “Do not be afraid, for I know that you seek Jesus who was crucified. <sup>6</sup>He is not here, for he has risen, as he said. Come, see the place where he lay. <sup>7</sup>Then go quickly and tell his disciples that he has risen from the dead, and behold, he is

going before you to Galilee; there you will see him. See, I have told you.”<sup>8</sup> So they departed quickly from the tomb with fear and great joy, and ran to tell his disciples. <sup>9</sup> And behold, Jesus met them and said, “Greetings!” And they came up and took hold of his feet and worshiped him. <sup>10</sup> Then Jesus said to them, “Do not be afraid; go and tell my brothers to go to Galilee, and there they will see me.”

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to You, O Christ.**

## Nicene Creed

### The Hymn *Please Be Seated*

“This Joyful Eastertide”

♪ This joyful Eastertide Away with sin and sor---row!

My love, the Crucified, Has sprung to life this mor---row;

~Had Christ, who once was slain, Not burst His three-day prison, Our faith had been in vain:

But now has Christ arisen, arisen, arisen; But now has Christ aris--en!

♪ Death’s flood has lost its chill Since Jesus crossed the ri---ver;

Lover of souls, from ill My passing soul deliv---er: ~Had Christ,...

♪ My flesh in hope shall rest And for a season slum---ber

Till trump from east to west Shall wake the dead in num---ber: ~Had Christ,....

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## Proclamation of the Word

“As He Said!”

Matthew 28:1–10

## Offering and Musical Offering

### Preface

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

*2 Timothy 4:22*

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

*Colossians 3:1*

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

*Psalm 136*

### Proper Preface

### Sanctus Hymn

“Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds” (v. 4)

♪ Adoring praises now we bring And with the heav’nly blessed sing:

“Christ has triumphed! Alleluia!” Be to the Father and our Lord,

To Spirit blest, most holy God, All the glory, never ending! Alleluia, alleluia, allelu-ia!

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## Words of Our Lord

## The Peace

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**Amen.**

## Lord's Prayer

### Agnus Dei Hymn

“At the Lamb’s High Feast” (v. 1 & 8)

- ♪ At the Lamb’s high feast we sing Praise to our victorious King,  
Who has washed us in the tide Flowing from His pierced side. Alleluia!
- ♪ 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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### Distribution Hymns *Please Be Seated*

“I Know that My Redeemer Lives”

- ♪ I know that my Redeemer lives; What comfort this sweet sentence gives!  
He lives, He lives, who once was dead; He lives, my ever-living head.
- ♪ He lives triumphant from the grave; He lives eternally to save;  
He lives all-glorious in the sky; He lives exalted there on high.
- ♪ He lives to bless me with His love; He lives to plead for me above;  
He lives my hungry soul to feed; He lives to help in time of need.
- ♪ He lives to grant me rich supply; He lives to guide me with His eye;  
He lives to comfort me when faint; He lives to hear my soul’s complaint.
- ♪ He lives to silence all my fears; He lives to wipe away my tears;  
He lives to calm my troubled heart; He lives all blessings to impart.
- ♪ He lives, my kind, wise, heav’nly friend; He lives and loves me to the end;  
He lives, and while He lives, I’ll sing; He lives, my Prophet, Priest, and King.
- ♪ He lives and grants me daily breath; He lives, and I shall conquer death;  
He lives my mansion to prepare; He lives to bring me safely there.
- ♪ He lives, all glory to His name! He lives, my Jesus, still the same;  
Oh, the sweet joy this sentence gives: I know that my Redeemer lives!

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“Christ the Lord Is Risen Today”

- ♪ Christ the Lord is ris’n today; Alleluia! Christians, hasten on your way; Alleluia!  
Offer praise with love replete, Alleluia! At the paschal victim’s feet. Alleluia!
- ♪ For the sheep the Lamb has bled, Alleluia! Sinless in the sinner’s stead. Alleluia!  
Christ the Lord is ris’n on high; Alleluia! Now He lives, no more to die. Alleluia!
- ♪ Hail, the victim undefiled, Alleluia! God and sinners reconciled, Alleluia!  
When contending death and life, Alleluia! Met in strange and awesome strife. Alleluia!
- ♪ Christians, on this holy day, Alleluia! All your grateful homage pay; Alleluia!  
Christ the Lord is ris’n on high; Alleluia! Now He lives, no more to die. Alleluia!

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## Dismissal

### Prayer of the Church *Please Stand*

Lord, in Your mercy.

**Hear our prayer.**

### Benediction

The Lord bless you and keep you.

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

The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.

*Numbers 6:24–26*

**Amen.**

### Recessional Hymn

“In Christ Alone”

- ♪ In Christ alone my hope is found; He is my light, my strength, my song;  
This Cornerstone, this solid Ground, Firm through the fiercest drought and storm.  
What heights of love, what depths of peace, When fears are stilled, when strivings cease!  
My Comforter, my All in All, here in the love of Christ I stand.
- ♪ In Christ alone, who took on flesh, Fullness of God in helpless babe.  
This gift of love and righteousness, Scorned by the ones he came to save.  
Till on that cross as Jesus died, The wrath of God was satisfied;  
For every sin on Him was laid; Here in the death of Christ I live.
- ♪ There in the ground His body lay, Light of the world by darkness slain:  
Then bursting forth in glorious day, Up from the grave He rose again!  
And as He stands in victory, Sin’s curse has lost its grip on me;  
For I am His and He is mine— Bought with the precious blood of Christ.
- ♪ No guilt in life, no fear in death, This is the power of Christ in me;  
From life’s first cry to final breath. Jesus commands my destiny.  
No power of hell, no scheme of man, Can ever pluck me from His hand;  
Till He returns or calls me home — Here in the power of Christ I’ll stand.

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### Postlude