

Jesus Continues to Work

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THE ASCENSION OF OUR LORD
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Divine Service Setting Three with Holy Communion

Easter Acclamation

P Alleluia! Christ is risen!

C He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

Stand

Look, Ye Saints, the Sight Is Glorious

LSB 495



1 Look, ye saints, the sight is glo - rious; See the Man of
2 Crown the Sav - ior! An - gels, crown Him! Rich the tro - phies
3 Sin - ners in de - ri - sion crowned Him, Mock - ing thus the
4 Hark, those bursts of ac - cla - ma - tion! Hark, those loud tri -



Sor - rows now! From the fight re - turned vic - to - rious,
Je - sus brings; On the seat of pow'r en - throne Him
Sav - ior's claim; Saints and an - gels crowd a - round Him,
um - phant chords! Je - sus takes the high - est sta - tion;



Ev - 'ry knee to Him shall bow. Crown Him! Crown Him!
While the vault of heav - en rings. Crown Him! Crown Him!
Own His ti - tle, praise His name. Crown Him! Crown Him!
Oh, what joy the sight af - fords! Crown Him! Crown Him!



Crown Him! Crown Him! Crown Him! Crown Him! Crowns be - come the
Crown Him! Crown Him! Crown Him! Crown Him! Crown the Sav - ior
Crown Him! Crown Him! Crown Him! Crown Him! Spread a - broad the
Crown Him! Crown Him! Crown Him! Crown Him! King of kings and



vic - tor's brow. Crowns be - come the vic - tor's brow.
King of kings. Crown the Sav - ior King of kings.
vic - tor's fame. Spread a - broad the vic - tor's fame.
Lord of lords! King of kings and Lord of lords!

The Lord Absolves Us of Our Sins Invocation

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

C **Amen.**

Exhortation

LSB 184

P *Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.*

P *Our help is in the name of the Lord,*

C **who made heaven and earth.**

P *I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,*

C **and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

Confession of Sins

LSB 184

P *O almighty God, merciful Father,*

C **I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.**

Absolution

LSB 185

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

C **Amen.**

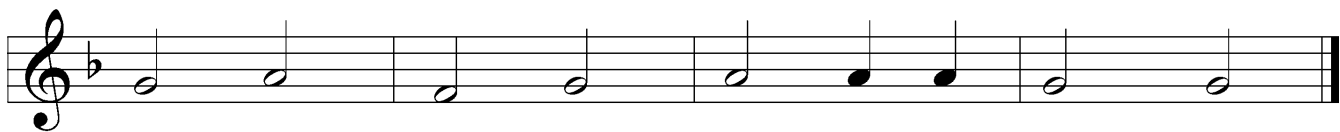
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We Welcome our Victorious Lord

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C Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -



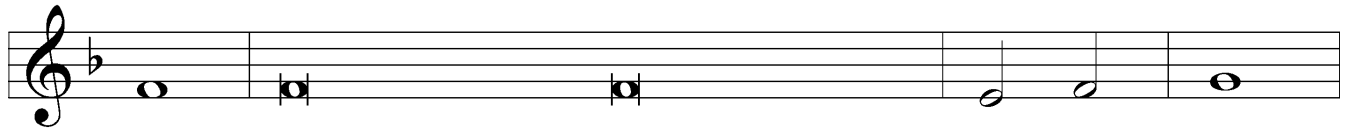
on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

We Rejoice in Christ's Victory

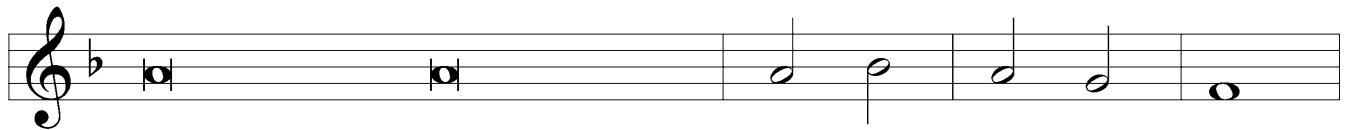
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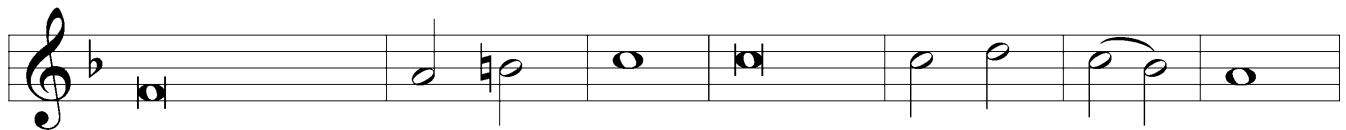
P Glory be to God on high: **C** and on earth peace, good - will toward



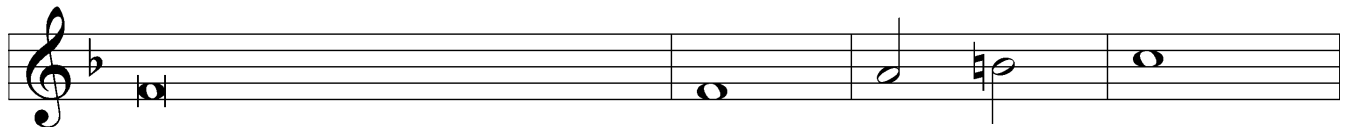
men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we wor - ship Thee,



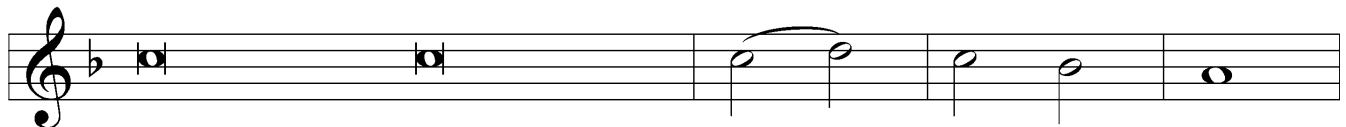
we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.



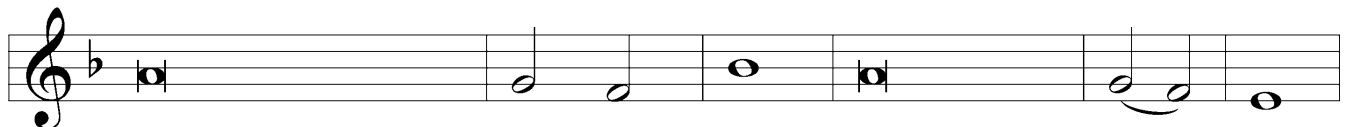
O Lord God, heav'n-ly King, God the Fa-ther Al - mighty.



O Lord, the only begotten Son, Je - sus Christ;



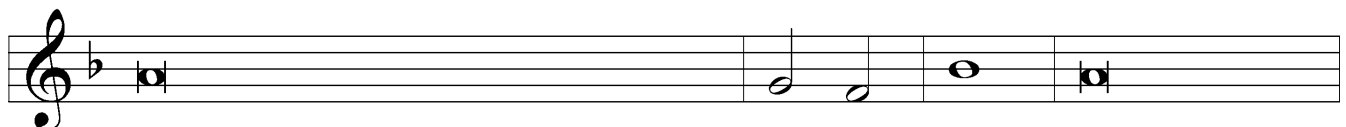
O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,



that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy up-on us.



Thou that takest away the sin of the world, re-ceive our prayer.



Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy up -



on us. For Thou only art holy; Thou on - ly art the Lord.

Thou only, O Christ, with the Ho - ly Ghost,
art most high in the glory of God the Father. A - men.

We Pray as the Lord Enables Us

P The Lord be with you.
C And with thy spir - it.

P Let us pray.

P *Almighty God, as Your only-begotten Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, ascended into the heavens, so may we also ascend in heart and mind and continually dwell there with Him, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.*

C A - men.

Sit

The Lord's Word in the Acts

Acts 1:1–11

¹In the first book, O Theophilus, I have dealt with all that Jesus began to do and teach, ²until the day when he was taken up, after

he had given commands through the Holy Spirit to the apostles whom he had chosen. ³To them he presented himself alive after his suffering by many proofs, appearing to them during forty days and speaking about the kingdom of God. ⁴And while staying with them he ordered them not to depart from Jerusalem, but to wait for the promise of the Father, which, he said, “you heard from me; ⁵for John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now.” ⁶So when they had come together, they asked him, “Lord, will you at this time restore the kingdom to Israel?” ⁷He said to them, “It is not for you to know times or seasons that the Father has fixed by his own authority. ⁸But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth.” ⁹And when he had said these things, as they were looking on, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. ¹⁰And while they were gazing into heaven as he went, behold, two men stood by them in white robes, ¹¹and said, “Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking into heaven? This Jesus, who was taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven.”

P *This is the Word of the Lord.*

C **Thanks be to God.**

Reading *(sung by half verse)*

Psalm 47

¹*Clap your hands, all | peoples!**

Shout to God with loud | songs of joy!

²*For the LORD, the Most High, is | to be feared, **

a great king over | all the earth.

³*He subdued peoples | under us, **

and nations un- | der our feet.

*⁴He chose our heritage | for us, **

the pride of Jacob | whom he loves.

*⁵God has gone up | with a shout, **

the LORD with the sound of a | trumpet.

*⁶Sing praises to God, sing | praises! **

Sing praises to our King, sing | praises!

*⁷For God is the King of | all the earth; **

sing praises | with a psalm!

*⁸God reigns over the | nations; **

God sits on his | holy throne.

*⁹The princes of the peoples gather as the people of the God of | Abraham. **

**For the shields of the earth belong to God; he is highly ex-
| alted!**

Glory be to the Father and | to the Son*

and to the Holy | Spirit;

as it was in the be- | ginning, *

is now, and will be forever. | Amen

The Lord's Word through the Apostles *Ephesians 1:15–23*

¹⁵For this reason, because I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, ¹⁶I do not cease to give thanks for you, remembering you in my prayers, ¹⁷that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and of revelation in the knowledge of him, ¹⁸having the eyes of your hearts enlightened, that you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance in the saints, ¹⁹and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power toward us who believe, according to the working of his great might ²⁰that he worked in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his

right hand in the heavenly places, ²¹far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the one to come. ²²And he put all things under his feet and gave him as head over all things to the church, ²³which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

P *This is the Word of the Lord.*

C **Thanks be to God.**

Stand

Alleluia

LSB 190




C Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

The Lord's Word in the Gospels

Luke 24:44–53

P *The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the twenty-fourth chapter.*

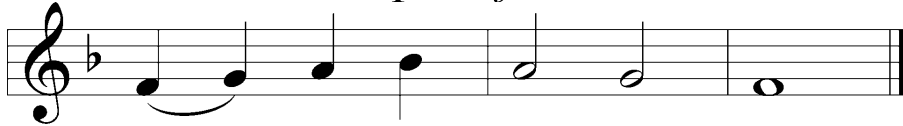


C Glo - ry be to Thee, O Lord.

⁴⁴Then [Jesus] 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 and the Prophets and the Psalms must be fulfilled.” ⁴⁵Then he opened their minds to understand the Scriptures, ⁴⁶and said to them, “Thus it is written, that the Christ should suffer and on the third day rise from the dead, ⁴⁷and that repentance and forgiveness of sins should be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. ⁴⁸You are

witnesses of these things. ⁴⁹And behold, I am sending the promise of my Father upon you. But stay in the city until you are clothed with power from on high.” ⁵⁰Then he led them out as far as Bethany, and lifting up his hands he blessed them. ⁵¹While he blessed them, he parted from them and was carried up into heaven. ⁵²And they worshiped him and returned to Jerusalem with great joy, ⁵³and were continually in the temple blessing God.

P *This is the Gospel of the Lord.*



C Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

Nicene Creed

C 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.**

Sit

Children's Message

Celtic Alleluia

(Heather Bickel)

Alleluia, alleluia!

Alleluia, alleluia!

(Congregation)
Alleluia, alleluia!
Alleluia, alleluia!

Sermon

Jesus Continues to Work

Stand

We Ask the Lord to Work in Us

LSB 192

Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -
new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -
way from Thy pres-ence, and take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it
from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of Thy sal - va -
tion, and up - hold me with Thy free spir-it. A - men.

Sit

Offering- The Mercy Tree

Choir

On a hill called Calvary
There stands an endless Mercy Tree.
Every broken weary soul
Find your rest and be made whole.

Stripes of blood that stain its frame,
Shed to wash away our shame.
From the scars, pure Love released,
Salvation by the Mercy Tree.

In the sky, between two thieves
Hung the blameless Prince of Peace.
Bruised and battered, scarred and
scorned
Sacred Head pierced by our thorns.

“It is finished”, was His cry.
The perfect Lamb was crucified.
His sacrifice, our victory
Our Savior chose the Mercy Tree.

Hope went dark that violent day
The whole earth quaked at Love's
display.
Three days silent in the ground
This body born for Heaven's crown.

On that bright and glorious day
When Heaven opened up the grave
He's alive and risen indeed!
Oh, praise Him for the Mercy Tree!

Death has died; love has won;
Hallelujah! Hallelujah!
Jesus Christ has overcome;
He has risen from the dead.

One day soon we'll see His face
Every tear, He'll wipe away.
No more pain or suffering
Praise Him for the Mercy Tree!

Death has died; love has won!
Hallelujah! Hallelujah!
Jesus Christ has overcome;
He has risen from the dead.
Death has died; love has won!

Hallelujah! Hallelujah!
Jesus Christ has overcome;
He has risen from the dead.
On a hill called Calvary
Stands an endless Mercy Tree.

Stand

Prayer of the Church

P *Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.*

Lord God, King over all the earth, reigning over the nations from on Your holy throne: Graciously receive our prayers and praises. Subdue the devil, the world and our sinful flesh under the feet of Your people, that we may share in the victory Christ has won for us. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Merciful Lord, You have put all things under Jesus' feet and given Him as head to the Church. Have mercy on the congregations where You gather Your people. Give pastors wisdom and insight to hold fast to the message of repentance and the forgiveness of sins. Be with the leaders of St. John's, including the members of our member care team: Helen, Carol, June, Gladys, Helen, Flora, Paulette, Geneva, Bev, Linda and Carol. Open the ears of all who hear, that we may rejoice to be Christ's Body, the fullness of Him who fills all in all. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P Father of glory, You raised Your only begotten Son from the dead and established Him at Your right hand so that we might be part of Your household forever. Bless our homes as we await our day of resurrection. Be the companion and consolation of those who live in solitude. Strengthen husbands and wives, that their love would exemplify the love between Christ and His Church. Bless parents and children as they gather around Your Word. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P Almighty God, You have raised Christ from the dead and seated Him at Your right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion. Guide all such authorities on earth, that they may govern wisely, operate with integrity and maintain peace after Your good pleasure. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P Heavenly Father, give patience and endurance to all who are sick or in any need, especially Heather, Larry, Rodney, Rodney, Inez, Jim, Barrie, Orval, Norman, Michael, Inge, Forest, Noel, Pastor Dan, Michael, Shirley, Danny, and Doug, and heal them according to Your will. Give comfort and hope to all who mourn. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P Lord of hosts, You have instituted and given Your Sacrament for the faithful to receive the very body and blood of Your Son for their forgiveness, life and salvation. Grant us all pure hearts to receive this gift worthily. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P O Lord, heavenly Father, we gratefully remember the sufferings and death of Your dear Son, Jesus Christ, for our salvation. Rejoicing in His victorious resurrection from the dead, we draw strength from His ascension before You, where He ever stands for us as our own High Priest. Gather us together from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers, deliver and preserve us, for to You alone we give all glory, honor and worship, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

We Prepare to Receive Christ's Body and Blood LSB 194



P The Lord be with you.

C And with thy spir - it.

P Lift up your hearts.

C We lift them up un - to the Lord.

P Let us give thanks un - to the Lord, our God.

C It is meet and right so to do.

Proper Preface

***P** It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who after His resurrection appeared openly to all His disciples and in their sight was taken up into heaven that He might make us partakers of His divine life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:*

The Song of Angels and Disciples

LSB 195

C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth;



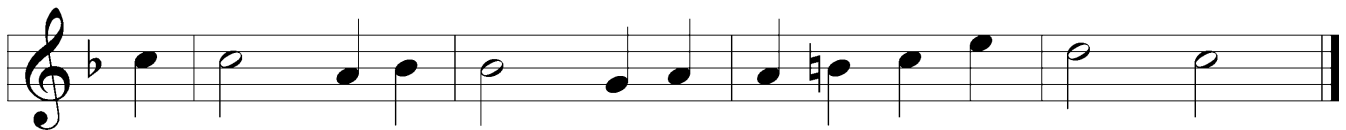
heav'n and earth are full of Thy glo - ry. Ho - san - na,



ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless-ed is He,



bless-ed is He, bless - ed is He that com-eth in the name of the Lord.



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

Lord's Prayer

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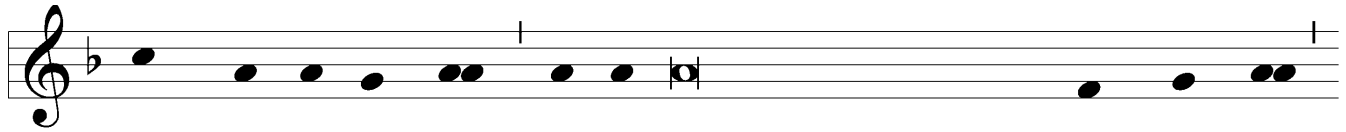
P *Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:*

C **Our Father who art in heaven,
hallowed be Thy name,
Thy kingdom come,
Thy will be done on earth
as it is in heaven;
give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses
as we forgive those
who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.**

**For Thine is the kingdom
and the power and the glory
forever and ever. Amen.**

The Words of Our Lord

LSB 197



The Song of John the Baptist

LSB 198

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a-way the sin of the world, have mer - cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a-way the sin of the world, have mer - cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a-way the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace. A - men.

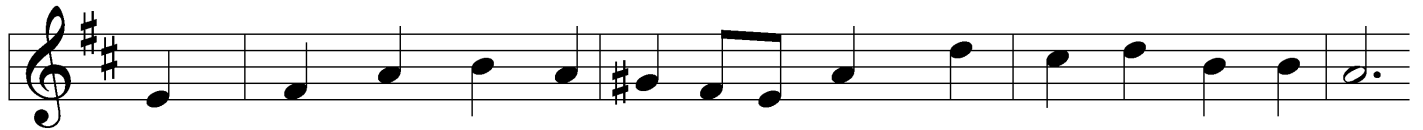
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Distribution

Crown Him with Many Crowns

LSB 525

1 Crown Him with man - y crowns, The Lamb up - on His throne;
2 Crown Him the vir - gin's Son, The God in - car - nate born,
3 Crown Him the Lord of love. Be - hold His hands and side,
4 Crown Him the Lord of life, Who tri - umphed o'er the grave
5 Crown Him the Lord of heav'n, En - throned in worlds a - bove,



Hark how the heav'n-ly an - them drowns All mu - sic but its own.
 Whose arm those crim-son tro - phies won Which now His brow a-dorn:
 Rich wounds, yet vis - i - ble a - bove, In beau - ty glo - ri-fied.
 And rose vic - to - rious in the strife For those He came to save.
 Crown Him the king to whom is giv'n The won-drous name of Love.



A - wake, my soul, and sing Of Him who died for thee, And
 Fruit of the mys-tic rose, Yet of that rose the stem, The
 No an - gels in the sky Can ful - ly bear that sight, But
 His glo - ries now we sing, Who died and rose on high, Who
 Crown Him with man - y crowns As thrones be - fore Him fall; Crown



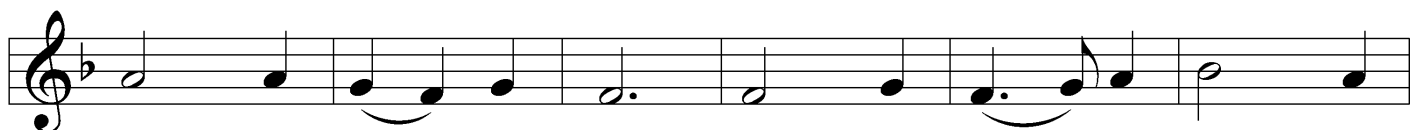
hail Him as thy match-less king Through all e - ter - ni - ty.
 root whence mer - cy ev - er flows, The babe of Beth - le - hem.
 down-ward bend their won-d'ring eyes At mys - ter - ies so bright.
 died e - ter - nal life to bring And lives that death may die.
 Him, ye kings, with man - y crowns, For He is king of all.

Alleluia! Sing to Jesus

LSB 821



1 Al - le - lu - ia! Sing to Je - sus; His the
 2 Al - le - lu - ia! Not as or - phans Are we
 3 Al - le - lu - ia! Bread of heav - en, Here on
 4 Al - le - lu - ia! King e - ter - nal, Lord om -
 5 Al - le - lu - ia! Sing to Je - sus; His the



scep - ter, His the throne; Al - le - lu - ia! His the
 left in sor - row now; Al - le - lu - ia! He is
 earth our food, our stay; Al - le - lu - ia! Here the
 nip - o - tent we own; Al - le - lu - ia! Born of
 scep - ter, His the throne; Al - le - lu - ia! His the



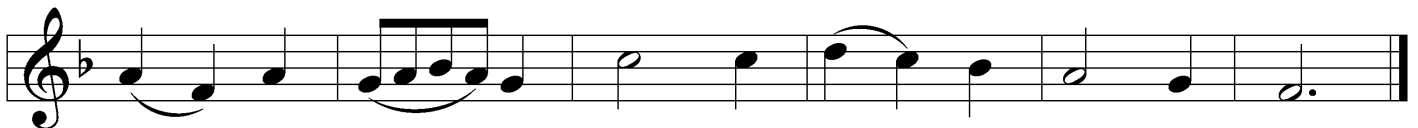
tri - umph, His the vic - to - ry a - lone.
 near us; Faith be - lieves, nor ques - tions how.
 sin - ful Flee to You from day to day.
 Mar - y, Earth Your foot - stool, heav'n Your throne.
 tri - umph, His the vic - to - ry a - lone.



Hark! The songs of peace - ful Zi - on Thun - der
 Though the cloud from sight re - ceived Him When the
 In - ter - ces - sor, Friend of sin - ners, Earth's Re -
 As with - in the veil You en - tered, Robed in
 Hark! The songs of peace - ful Zi - on Thun - der



like a might - y flood: "Je - sus out of
 for - ty days were o'er, Shall our hearts for -
 deem - er, hear our plea Where the songs of
 flesh, our great High Priest, Here on earth both
 like a might - y flood: "Je - sus out of



ev - 'ry na - tion Has re - deemed us by His blood."
 get His prom - ise: "I am with you ev - er - more?"
 all the sin - less Sweep a - cross the crys - tal sea.
 priest and vic - tim In the eu - cha - ris - tic feast.
 ev - 'ry na - tion Has re - deemed us by His blood."

A Hymn of Glory Let Us Sing

LSB 493



1 A hymn of glo - ry let us sing! New
 2 The ho - ly ap - os - tol - ic band Up -
 3 To them the shin - ing an - gels cry, "Why
 4 "You see Him now, as - cend - ing high Up



hymns through - out the world shall ring: Al - le - lu - ia,
 on the Mount of Ol - ives stand. Al - le - lu - ia,
 stand and gaze up - on the sky?" Al - le - lu - ia,
 to the por - tals of the sky." Al - le - lu - ia,



al - le - lu - ia! Christ, by a road be - fore un -
 al - le - lu - ia! And with His faith - ful fol - l'wers
 al - le - lu - ia! "This is the Sav - ior," thus they
 al - le - lu - ia! "Here - af - ter Je - sus you shall



trod, As - cends un - to the throne of
 see Their Lord as - cend in maj - es -
 say; "This is His glo - rious tri - umph
 see Re - turn - ing in great maj - es -



God. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Al - le -
 ty. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Al - le -
 day!" Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Al - le -
 ty." Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Al - le -



lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
 lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
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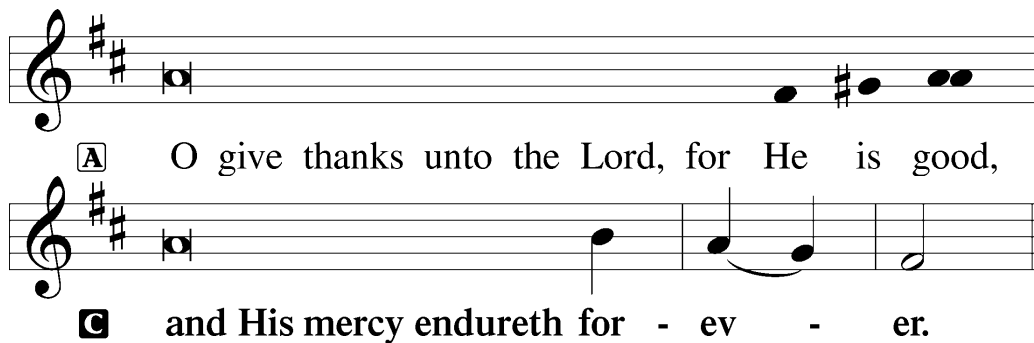
5 Be now our joy on earth, O Lord,
 And be our future great reward.

Alleluia, alleluia!

Then, throned with You forever, we
 Shall praise Your name eternally.



a light to light-en the Gen-tiles and the glo-ry of Thy
 peo-ple Is - ra-el. Glo-ry be to the Father and
 to the Son and to the Ho-ly Ghost; as it was in the beginning,
 is now, and ev-er shall be, world with-out end. A-men.

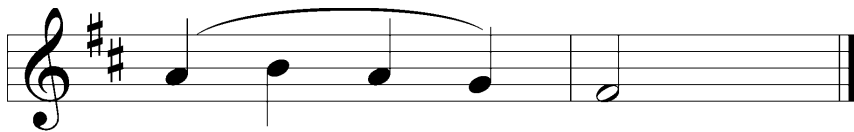


A O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,
C and His mercy endureth for - ev - er.

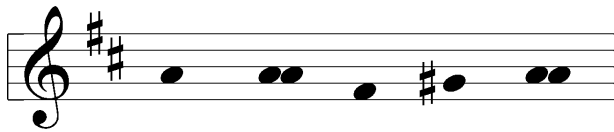
Post-Communion Collect

P *Let us pray.*

O God the Father, the fountain and source of all goodness, who in loving-kindness sent Your only-begotten Son into the flesh, we thank You that for His sake You have given us pardon and peace in this Sacrament, and we ask You not to forsake Your children but always to rule our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that we may be enabled constantly to serve You; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



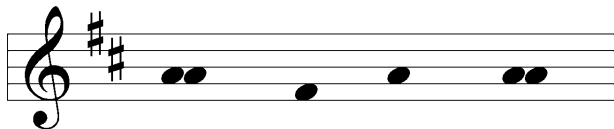
C A - men.



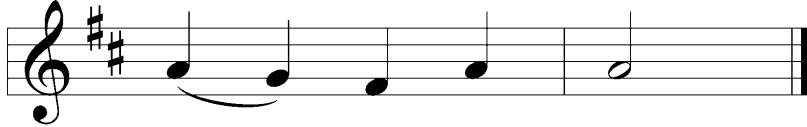
P The Lord be with you.



C And with thy spir - it.



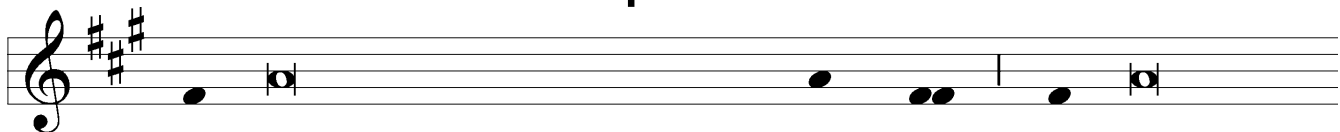
A Bless we the Lord.



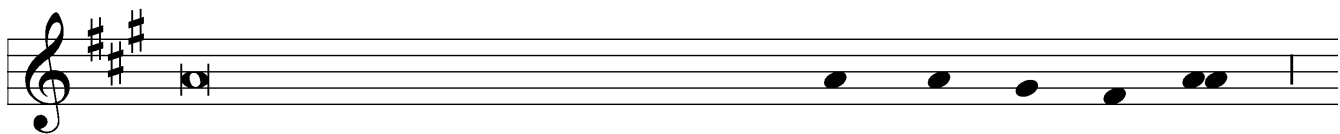
C Thanks be to God.

The Lord Blesses His People

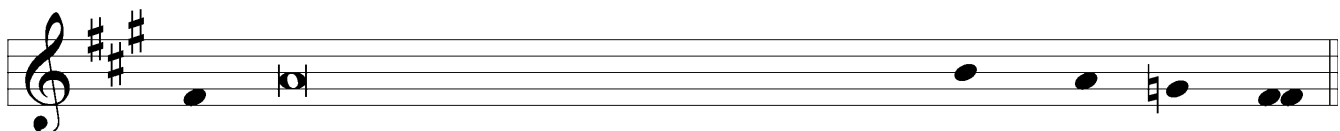
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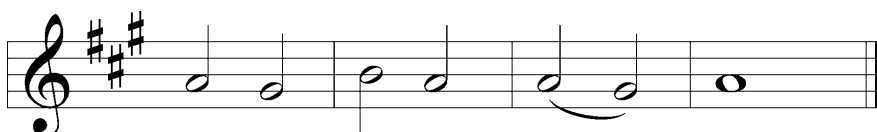
P The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make



His face shine upon you and be gra - cious un - to you.



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



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

See, the Lord Ascends in Triumph

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1 See, the Lord as - cends in tri - umph; Con - qu'ring King in
2 Who is this that comes in glo - ry With the trump of
3 While He lifts His hands in bless - ing, He is part - ed
4 Now our heav'n - ly Aar - on en - ters With His blood with -
5 He has raised our hu - man na - ture On the clouds to



roy - al state, Rid - ing on the clouds, His char - iot, To His
ju - bi - lee? Lord of bat - tles, God of ar - mies, He has
from His friends; While their ea - ger eyes be - hold Him, He up -
in the veil; Josh - ua now is come to Ca - naan, And the
God's right hand; There we sit in heav'n - ly plac - es, There with



heav'n - ly pal - ace gate. Hark! The choirs of an - gel voic - es
gained the vic - to - ry. He who on the cross did suf - fer,
on the clouds as - cends. He who walked with God and pleased Him,
kings be - fore Him quail. Now He plants the tribes of Is - rael
Him in glo - ry stand. Je - sus reigns, a - dored by an - gels;



Joy - ful al - le - lu - ias sing, And the por - tals
He who from the grave a - rose, He has van - quished
Preach - ing truth and doom to come, He, our E - noch,
In their prom - ised rest - ing place; Now our great E -
Man with God is on the throne. By our might - y



high are lift - ed To re - ceive their heav'n - ly King.
sin and Sa - tan; He by death has crushed His foes.
is trans - lat - ed To His ev - er - last - ing home.
li - jah of - fers Dou - ble por - tion of His grace.
Lord's as - cen - sion We by faith be - hold our own.

The Sacrament of Holy Communion – All baptized and confirmed members of St. John's are invited to receive Christ's true body and blood, given and shed for the forgiveness of sins. If you are a guest, or want to be rooted in Jesus with us, Pastor Charles would love to talk with you about our congregation and what it means to commune here.

St. John's is a member congregation of The Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod (lcms.org). We're in communion with the congregations of the Lutheran Church – Canada (lutheranchurchcanada.ca) and many other Lutheran churches around the world (ilcouncil.org).

SERVING IN THE LORD'S HOUSE TODAY

ELDERS: Dave Trautrim

ACOLYTE & CROSS BEARER: Cole Phinney

PSALM CANTOR: Heather Bickel

COMMUNION: Marcel Daoust/Dave Trautrim

HOSPITALITY: Anderson/Hammel

SOUND: Brian Schroeder

SCREENS: Lauren Biggs

ELEVATOR: Idalee Shalla

ORGANIST: Debbie Bernard

LIVE STREAM: Richard Kramer/Karen, Rachel & Ashlyn Craig

COMMUNION SET-UP: Angie Anderson

ALTAR GUILD: Linda Bramburger, Darlene Couette, Marilyn Hampel

OUR LIFE TOGETHER THIS WEEK

TODAY (May 17)

- 9:00 AM Sunday School
- 9:00 AM Bible Study
- 10:00 AM Divine Worship/Holy Communion
- 11:30 AM Fellowship/Tea & Coffee
- 11:30 AM VBS Meeting
- 2:00 PM Youth Spring Clean-up

MONDAY (May 18) ***OFFICE CLOSED *PASTOR AWAY**

TUESDAY (May 19) ***PASTOR AWAY**

- 7:00 PM Choir
- 7:30 PM AA

WEDNESDAY (May 20) ***PASTOR AWAY**

- 9:30 AM Quilters
- 5:00 PM Worship Service
- 6:30 PM Bible Study

THURSDAY (May 21) ***PASTOR AWAY**

FRIDAY (May 22) ***PASTOR AWAY**

SATURDAY (May 23) ***PASTOR AWAY**

NEXT SUNDAY (May 24)

- 9:00 AM Sunday School
- 9:00 AM Bible Study
- 10:00 AM Divine Worship/Holy Communion
- 11:30 AM Fellowship/Tea & Coffee
- 11:30 AM Witness & Outreach Meeting
- 1:00 PM Music Recital

NEWS & NOTES

SPRING CLEAN-UP The Youth will be offering their services today for yard clean-up. If you would like help with your yard please sign up on the sheets on the Welcome Table and the Fellowship Hall bulletin board.

HOSPITALITY We still have more dates that we need covered for hospitality this year...June 21, July 19, August 23, and September 13. If you would like to help out, please contact Susan.

LIFE QUOTE FROM LUTHERANS FOR LIFE “We are no longer terrified sinners but God’s own children because of what Jesus has done for us. And so, the Day of Judgment becomes good news for us—because it is the day when the One we love most returns to bring us home in peace.” ~*Dr. Kari Vo, Lutheran Hour Ministries*

PLEASE PRAY FOR - OUR CHURCH FAMILY: Heather Wilson; Larry Markus; Rodney Risto; Rodney Hoffman; Inez Leroux; Jim Karau; Barrie Hartwick; Orval Schultz; Norman Wodtke; Michael Hodgins; Inge Reckzin. **FRIENDS & FAMILY:** Forest Kitely; Noel Dupuis; Pastor Dan Kletke; Michael Duquette; Shirley Duquette; Danny Carnwright; Doug Sell.