

**Today's Theme: He Lives to Dry My Tears and Take Away
my Fears**



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Order: Parts based on Historic Resurrection Vigil
Service

Welcome

Senior Choir: Christ the Lord is Risen Today

Service of Light

Stand

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

C: Amen.

On this most holy day, in which our Lord Jesus Christ passed over from death to life, we are gathered here in vigil and prayer. This is the commemoration of our Lord's resurrection in which, by hearing his Word and celebrating his sacraments, we share in his victory over death.

Let us pray.

O God, you are like a refiner's fire, and your Spirit kindles the hearts of your faithful people with the fire of your love. Bless us as we celebrate this Easter festival that, burning with desire for life with you, we may be found rightly prepared to share in the feast of light which has no end, through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Christ Jesus, the same yesterday, today, and forever, the beginning and the end, the Alpha and the Omega.

His are time and eternity; his are the glory and dominion now and forever.
By his wounds we are healed now and forever.

May the light of Christ, who is risen in glory from the dead, scatter all the
darkness of our hearts and minds.

Let us pray. Almighty and most merciful Father, once we were darkness, but
now we are light in Jesus Christ our Lord. Abundantly bless all who joyfully
celebrate this night in faith in the resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. Fill us
with your heavenly blessing in him, who lives and reigns with you and the
Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen. (Be Seated)

143 He's Risen

CW 445 sts. 1-3



1 He's ris - en, he's ris - en, Christ Je - sus, the Lord;
2 The foe was tri - um - phant when on Cal - va - ry
3 But short was their tri - umph; the Sav - ior a - rose,



he o - pened death's pris - on, the in - car - nate Word.
the Lord of cre - a - tion was nailed to the tree.
and death, hell, and Sa - tan he van-quished, his foes.



Break forth, hosts of heav - en, in ju - bi - lant song
In Sa - tan's do - main did the hosts shout and jeer,
The con - quer - ing Lord lifts his ban - ner on high;



and earth, sea, and moun - tain, the prais - es pro - long.
for Je - sus was slain, whom the e - vil ones fear.
he lives, yes, he lives, and will nev - er - more die.

Easter Proclamation (Stand)

P: Rejoice now, all you heavenly choirs of angels; rejoice now, all creation; sound forth, trumpet of salvation, and proclaim the triumph of our King.

Rejoice too, all the earth, in the radiance of the light now poured upon you and made brilliant by the brightness of the everlasting King; know that the ancient darkness has been forever banished.

Rejoice, O Church of Christ, clothed in the brightness of this light; let all this house of God ring out with rejoicing, with the praises of all God's faithful people.

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.
We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give him thanks and praise.

It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places, with all our hearts and minds and voices, praise you, O Lord, Holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, and your one and only Son, Jesus Christ. For he is the true Paschal Lamb, who offered himself for the sin of the world, who has cleansed us by the shedding of his precious blood.

This is the night when you brought our ancestors, the children of Israel, out of bondage in Egypt and led them through the Red Sea on dry ground. This is the night when all who believe in Christ are delivered from bondage to sin and are restored to life and immortality. This is the night when Christ, the Life, arose from the dead. The seal of the tomb is broken and the morning of the new creation breaks forth out of night. Oh, how wonderful and boundless is your mercy toward us, O God, that to redeem a slave you gave your Son.

How holy is this night when all wickedness is put to flight and sin is washed away. How holy is this night when innocence is restored to the fallen and joy is given to the downcast. How blessed is this night when mankind is reconciled to God in Christ.

Holy Father, accept now the evening sacrifices of our thanksgiving and praise. Let Christ, the true Light and Morning Star, shine in our hearts, he who gives light to all creation, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Be seated

143 He's Risen, He's Risen

CW 445 sts. 4-5



4 O, where is your sting, death? We fear you no more;
5 Then sing your ho - san - nas and raise your glad voice;



Christ rose, and now o - pen is fair E - den's door.
pro - claim the blest ti - dings that all may re - joice.



For all our trans - gres - sions his blood does a - tone;
Laud, hon - or, and praise to the Lamb that was slain:



re - deemed and for - giv - en, we now are his own.
with Fa - ther and Spir - it he ev - er shall reign.

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Service of Readings

Reading

Isaiah 12

¹In that day you will say:

“I will praise you, LORD.

Although you were angry with me,
your anger has turned away
and you have comforted me.

²Surely God is my salvation;

I will trust and not be afraid.

The LORD, the LORD himself, is my strength and my defense;
he has become my salvation.”

³With joy you will draw water
from the wells of salvation.

⁴In that day you will say:

“Give praise to the LORD, proclaim his name;
make known among the nations what he has done,
and proclaim that his name is exalted.

⁵Sing to the LORD, for he has done glorious things;
let this be known to all the world.

⁶Shout aloud and sing for joy, people of Zion,
for great is the Holy One of Israel among you.”

Reading

1 Corinthians 5:6b–8

Don't you know that a little yeast leavens the whole batch of dough? ⁷Get rid of the old yeast, so that you may be a new unleavened batch—as you really are. For Christ, our Passover lamb, has been sacrificed. ⁸Therefore let us keep the Festival, not with the old bread leavened with malice and wickedness, but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth.

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

Almighty God, through your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, you overcame death and opened to us the gate of everlasting life. We humbly pray that we may live before you in righteousness and purity forever; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

156 Awake, My Heart, with Gladness

CW 443 sts. 1-3



1 A - wake, my heart, with glad - ness— see what to -
2 The foe in tri - umph shout - ed when Christ lay
3 This is a sight that glad - dens— what peace it



day is done! Now, af - ter gloom and sad - ness, comes
in the tomb; but lo, he now is rout - ed, his
does im - part! Now noth - ing ev - er sad - dens the



forth the glo - rious sun. My Sav - ior there was
boast is turned to gloom. For Christ a - gain is
joy with - in my heart. No gloom shall ev - er



laid where our bed must be made when to the
free; in glo - rious vic - to - ry he who is
shake, no foe shall ev - er take the hope which



realms of light our spir - it wings its flight.
strong to save has tri - umphed o'er the grave.
God's own Son in love for me has won.

Sermon – Gone are Tears and Fears!

Gospel

John 20:1–18

¹Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene went to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the entrance. ²So she came running to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one Jesus loved, and said, “They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we don’t know where they have put him!”

³So Peter and the other disciple started for the tomb. ⁴Both were running, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. ⁵He bent over and looked in at the strips of linen lying there but did not go in. ⁶Then Simon Peter came along behind him and went straight into the tomb. He saw the strips of linen lying there, ⁷as well as the cloth that had been wrapped around Jesus’ head. The cloth was still lying in its place, separate from the linen. ⁸Finally the other disciple, who had reached the tomb first, also went inside. He saw and believed. ⁹(They still did not understand from Scripture that Jesus had to rise from the dead.) ¹⁰Then the disciples went back to where they were staying.

¹¹Now Mary stood outside the tomb crying. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb ¹²and saw two angels in white, seated where Jesus’ body had been, one at the head and the other at the foot.

¹³They asked her, “Woman, why are you crying?”

“They have taken my Lord away,” she said, “and I don’t know where they have put him.” ¹⁴At this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not realize that it was Jesus.

¹⁵He asked her, “Woman, why are you crying? Who is it you are looking for?”

Thinking he was the gardener, she said, “Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have put him, and I will get him.”

¹⁶Jesus said to her, “Mary.”

She turned toward him and cried out in Aramaic, “Rabboni!” (which means “Teacher”).

¹⁷Jesus said, “Do not hold on to me, for I have not yet ascended to the Father. Go instead to my brothers and tell them, ‘I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.’”

¹⁸Mary Magdalene went to the disciples with the news: "I have seen the Lord!" And she told them that he had said these things to her.

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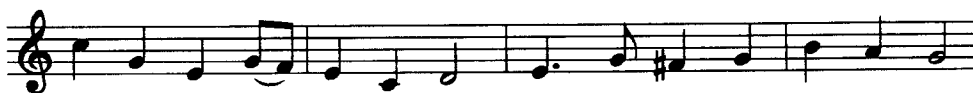
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153 Alleluia! Jesus Lives

CW 455



1 Al - le - lu - ia! Je - sus lives! He is now the Liv - ing One;
2 Je - sus lives! Let all re - joice; praise him, ran-somed ones of earth.
3 Je - sus lives! Why do you weep? Why that sad and fre - quent sigh?
4 Je - sus lives! And thus, my soul, life is yours e - ter - nal - ly;



from the gloom - y house of death forth the con - quer - or has gone,
Praise him in a no - bler song, cher - u - bim of heav'n - ly birth.
He who died our broth - er here lives our broth - er still on high,
joined to him, your liv - ing head, where he is, you too shall be;



bright fore - run - ner to the skies of his peo - ple, yet to rise.
Praise the Vic - tor - King, whose sway sin and death and hell o - bey.
lives for - ev - er to be - stow bless - ings on his Church be - low.
you with him at his right hand vic - tor o - ver death shall stand.

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Stand

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.

Words of Institution

268 Lamb of God

CW 947 st. 3

3 Lamb of God, pure and ho - ly, who on the cross did suf - fer,
ev - er pa - tient and low - ly, your-self to scorn did of - fer.
All sin you car - ried for us, else had de - spair reigned o'er us:
your peace be with us, O Je - sus! O Je - sus!

Text: Nicolaus Decius, c. 1485–after 1546; tr. The Lutheran Hymnal, 1941

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Be seated

Distribution

Communion Hymn: 150 Christ the Lord Is Risen Today

CW 442



1 Christ the Lord is ris'n to - day; Al - le - lu - ia!
2 For the sheep the Lamb has bled, Al - le - lu - ia!
3 Christ, the vic - tim un - de - filed, Al - le - lu - ia!
4 Christ, who once for sin - ners bled, Al - le - lu - ia!



Chris-tians, has - ten on your way; Al - le - lu - ia!
sin - less in the sin - ners' stead. Al - le - lu - ia!
God and sin - ners rec - on - ciled, Al - le - lu - ia!
now the first - born from the dead, Al - le - lu - ia!



see the place where he was laid; Al - le - lu - ia!
"Christ is ris'n," to - day we cry; Al - le - lu - ia!
while, in strange and awe - full strife, Al - le - lu - ia!
throned in end - less might and pow'r, Al - le - lu - ia!



praise him for the ran - som paid. Al - le - lu - ia!
now he lives, no more to die. Al - le - lu - ia!
met to - geth - er death and life. Al - le - lu - ia!
lives and reigns for - ev - er - more. Al - le - lu - ia!

Text: Latin, 11th cent., attr. Wipo of Burgundy, d. c. 1050, abr.; tr. Jane E. Leeson, 1807–1882, alt.

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Stand

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;
his mercy endures forever.

Whenever we eat this bread and drink this cup,
we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

We thank you, Lord, that you have nourished us with your Easter sacraments. Fill us with your Spirit, the Spirit of your love, that those whom you have satisfied with one heavenly bread may be united in one holy will, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Almighty God, you give us the joy of celebrating our Lord's resurrection. Give us also the joys of life in your service and bring us at last to the full joy of life eternal, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Blessing

The almighty and merciful Lord—the Father, the + Son, and the Holy Spirit—
bless us and keep us.

Amen.