GATHERING

**RINGING OF THE BELL** 

#### EASTER GREETING

Alleluia! Christ is Risen!

#### Christ is Risen indeed! Alleluia!

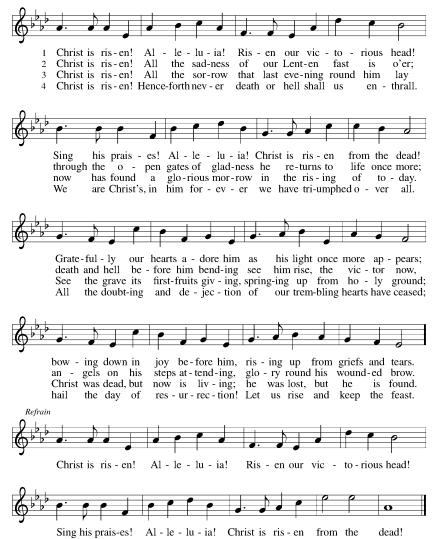
**PROCESSIONAL HYMN** 

#### Christ Is Risen! Alleluia!

(ELW 382)

*Congregation sings all 4 verses, after 4<sup>th</sup> verse repeat refrain as directed.* 

#### **HOSANNA HANDBELLS**



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

## **WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### CONFESSION

Let us confess our sins before God and before one another.

Holy, Holy, Holy God, as we draw near to the mouth of the tomb and find the stone rolled away, as we bend with racing hearts to look inside, we are struck dumb.

All our words are as prattle before the awe and majesty of your power. In silence we bow before you, for we have fallen short of the glory for which you created us.

Lord, have mercy upon us, and make us worthy to be called your own.

### FORGIVENESS

In the empty tomb, God declares that nothing can separate us from the love of God; nothing we have done, or left undone; no one whom we have been or failed to be. Nothing can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. Friends, believe the good news: in Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

### Alleluia! Alleluia! Amen.

#### ANTHEM

**To God Be the Glory** Arr. Cynthia Dobrinski **HOSANNA HANDBELLS** 

### **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Let us pray. 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.

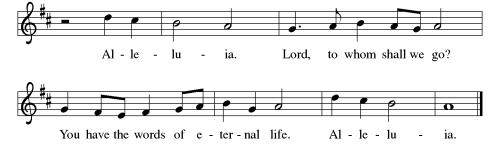
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Come and Praise the Risen Lord By Joseph M. Martin

ADULT CHOIR TRUMPET ~ GRYPHON LILLIS

### **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

(ELW p. 151)



### GOSPEL: Mark 16:1-8

The holy gospel according to Mark.

### 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.

### **CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

## **VICKI HANNEMAN & KRISTY WICKLUND**

#### SERMON

### PASTOR TIFFANY SUNDEEN

HYMN OF THE DAY

### The Strife Is O'er, the Battle Done

(ELW 366)

The offering will be collected during the Hymn of the Day



Text: Symphonia Sirenum, Köln, 1695; tr. Francis Pott, 1832–1909 Music: VICTORY, Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina, 1525–1594; arr. William H. Monk, 1823–1889

## **OFFERING PRAYER**

Let us pray. Blessed are you, O God, ruler of heaven and earth. Day by day you shower us with blessings. As you have raised us to new life in Christ, give us glad and generous hearts, ready to praise you and to respond to those in need, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

NICENE CREED	(ELW p. 104)
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 THE PEOPLE

Rejoicing that Jesus is risen and love has triumphed over fear, let us pray for the church, the world, and all those in need of good news.

Holy God, we pray for the body of Christ, the church. Where the church is persecuted, protect it. Where the church is privileged, grant it humility. Where the church is fractured, heal it. Guide us all to embody Christ's love in the world. God of grace,

# hear our prayer.

Life-giving God, we pray for the earth, your good creation. Join our prayers with branches lifted in praise and roaring waters of new life, that together we may proclaim Easter hope. God of grace,

# hear our prayer.

Merciful God, we pray for all peoples and nations. Free oppressed communities from occupation, exploitation, and abuse. Teach leaders your way of justice. Empower peacemakers and all who work to end violence and strife. God of grace,

# hear our prayer.

Liberating God, we pray for people everywhere who long for good news. Roll away the stones that keep people from living with dignity and wholeness. Breathe new life and hope into people struggling to make it through each day. God of grace,

## hear our prayer.

Loving God, we pray for this community of faith (*name/s may be spoken here*) and for your Spirit in our midst. Feed us at your Easter table and fill us with your wisdom, that we may serve and care for others. God of grace,

## hear our prayer.

Eternal God, we remember those who have gone before us in death (*especially John Donne and all whose ministry in the arts inspired generations to faith*). Renew our trust in your promises, that we live with joyful courage and compassion. God of grace,

## hear our prayer.

Into your hands, most merciful God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your abiding love; through Jesus Christ, our resurrected and living Lord. **Amen.** 

## WORDS OF INSTITUTION

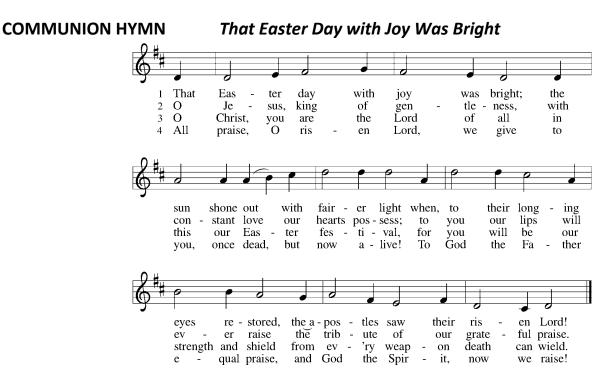
In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

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.

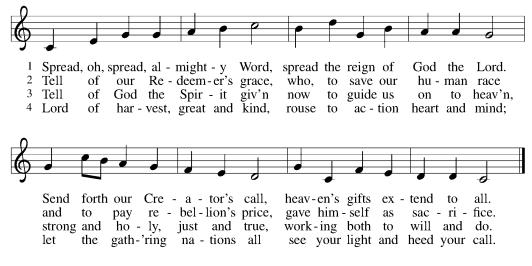
#### LORD'S PRAYER

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.

#### **COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION**

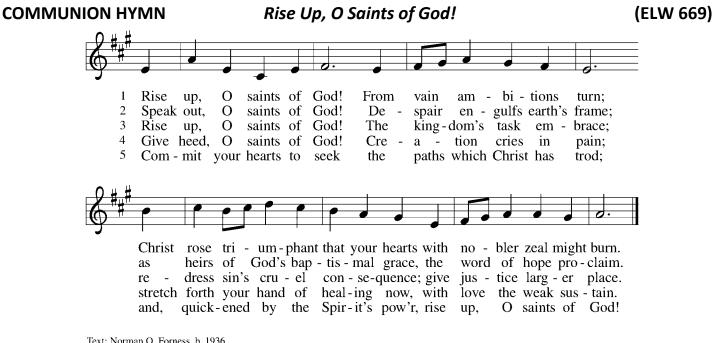


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Text: Jonathan F. Bahnmaier, 1774–1841; tr. *Lutheran Book of Worship*, alt. Music: GOTT SEI DANK, J. A. Freylinghausen, *Geistreiches Gesangbuch*, 1704 Text © 1978 *Lutheran Book of Worship*, admin. Augsburg Fortress

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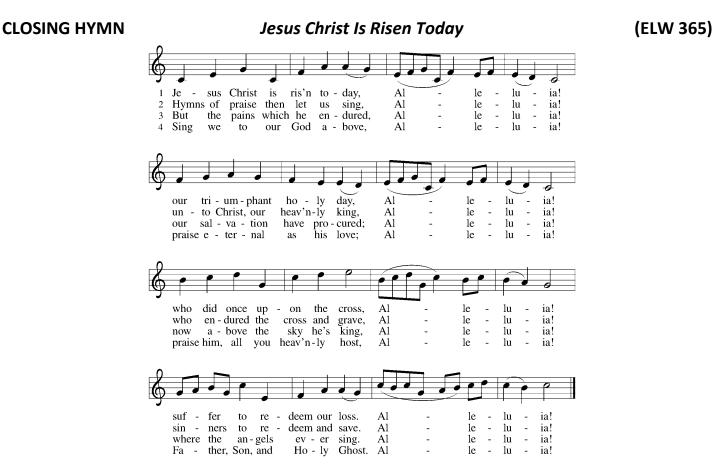
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#### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

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

### BLESSING

Almighty God, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever. **Amen.** 



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

#### DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Share the good news. Thanks be to God.

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