



Holy Eucharist with Baptism

The Third Sunday of Easter

10:00 a.m. — April 14, 2024

Rite II

Welcome

We welcome you to St. James this morning and are delighted you are here. Please join us for coffee and conversation after the service in Centennial Hall, located directly below the church. **The Service** is outlined from the *Book of Common Prayer* (BCP). **The Music** is found in the *Hymnal 1982*.

During the Voluntary we invite you to a time of quiet reflection and prayer as you prepare for the service.

Voluntary Prélambule, from *24 Pieces en style libre*

Louis Vierne (1870-1937)

The Word of God

Please stand as able and sing

Hymn 296 We know that Christ is raised and dies no more

Engelberg

The Opening Acclamation

Book of Common Prayer, p. 299

Presider Alleluia! Christ is risen.
People **The Lord is risen indeed, Alleluia!**
Presider There is one Body and one Spirit;
People **There is one hope in God's call to us;**
Presider One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;
People **One God and Father of all.**

The Collect of the Day

BCP p. 224

Presider The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Presider 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.**

The First Lesson

Acts 3:12-19

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 him 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.**

The choir sings the psalm.

Psalm 4 *Cum invocarem*

Anglican Chant: William Knyvett (1779-1856)

- 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.

The Second Lesson

1 John 3:1-7

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.**

Please stand as able and sing the hymn.

Hymn WLP 766 You're called by name, forever loved

Sara H.



1. You're called by name, for - ev - er loved, a -
2. Marked as Christ's own, signed by the cross where
3. Raised to new life, a life of grace, set
4. Sealed by the Spi - rit, Lord of life, sus -

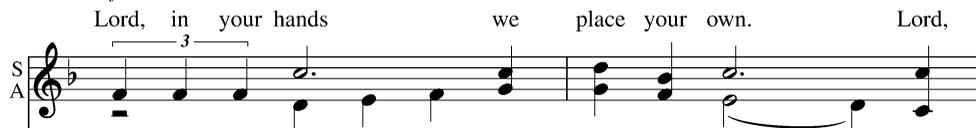


dopt - ed as a child of God. Now one with us, the
Je - sus for our sins once died. with Je - sus bur - ied
free from sin, in Christ to grow; his res - ur - rec - tion
tained and strength - ened by his might. Joined to the church to

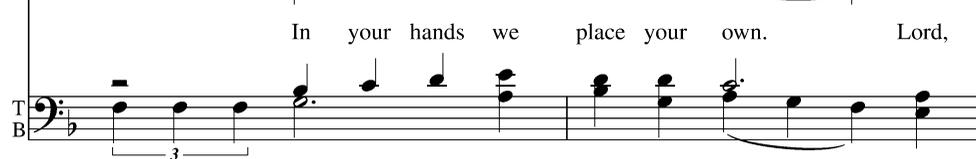


fam - i - ly of those who know and love the Lord.
in his death, called to con - fess Christ cru - ci - fied.
to pro - claim, his love in all of life to know.
share, with us, the in - her - i - tance of saints in light.

Refrain



Lord, in your hands we place your own. Lord,



In your hands we place your own. Lord,

Lord, in your hands we place your own. Lord,



in their lives make your love known.



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The Holy Gospel

Luke 24:36b-48

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

Jesus himself 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.

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

The Sermon

The Rev. Josh Hoover

Holy Baptism

Presentation and Examination of the Candidates

BCP p. 301

Presider The Candidate for Holy Baptism will now be presented.

Sponsors I present Elias Daniel to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.

Presider Will you be responsible for seeing that the child you present is brought up in the Christian faith and life?

Sponsors I will, with God’s help.

Presider Will you by your prayers and witness help this child to grow into the full stature of Christ?

Sponsors I will, with God’s help.

Presider Do you renounce Satan and all the spiritual forces of wickedness that rebel against God?

Sponsors I renounce them.

Presider Do you renounce the evil powers of this world which corrupt and destroy the creatures of God?

Sponsors I renounce them.

Presider Do you renounce all sinful desires that draw you from the love of God?

Sponsors I renounce them.

Presider Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Savior?

Sponsors I do.

Presider Do you put your whole trust in his grace and love?

Sponsors I do.

Presider Do you promise to follow and obey him as your Lord?

Sponsors I do.

Presider Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support this person in their life in Christ?

People We will.

Presider Let us join with those who are committing themselves to Christ and renew our own baptismal covenant.

The Baptismal Covenant

BCP p. 304

Presider Do you believe in God the Father?

People I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.

Presider Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

People I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the Virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

Presider Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

People I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,

**the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting.**

Presider Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of the bread, and in the prayers?

People **I will, with God's help.**

Presider Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

People **I will, with God's help.**

Presider Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

People **I will, with God's help.**

Presider Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?

People **I will, with God's help.**

Presider Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?

People **I will, with God's help.**

Prayers for the Candidate

BCP p. 305

Presider Let us now pray for Elias, who is to receive the Sacrament of new birth.

Intervenor Deliver Elias, O Lord, from the way of sin and death.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Intervenor Open Elias's heart to your grace and truth.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Intervenor Fill Elias with your holy and life-giving Spirit.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Intervenor Keep Elias in the faith and communion of your holy Church.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Intervenor Teach Elias to love others in the power of the Spirit.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Intervenor Send Elias into the world in witness to your love.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Intervenor Bring Elias to the fullness of your peace and glory.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Presider Grant, O Lord, that all who are baptized into the death of Jesus Christ your Son may live in the power of his resurrection and look for him to come again in glory; who lives and reigns now and forever. **Amen.**

The choir sings the Vidi aquam.

Anthem

Plainsong, Mode VIII

I saw water flowing from the right side of the temple, Alleluia. It brought God's life, and his salvation, and the people sang in joyful praise: Alleluia, alleluia.

words from Ezekiel 47; music arranged by John Scott (1956-2015)

Thanksgiving Over the Water

Presider The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give him thanks and praise.

We thank you, Almighty God, for the gift of water. Over it the Holy Spirit moved in the beginning of creation. Through it you led the children of Israel out of their bondage in Egypt into the land of promise. In it your Son Jesus received the baptism of John and was anointed by the Holy Spirit as the Messiah, the Christ, to lead us, through his death and resurrection, from the bondage of sin into everlasting life.

We thank you, Father, for the water of Baptism. In it we are buried with Christ in his death. By it we share in his resurrection. Through it we are reborn by the Holy Spirit. Therefore in joyful obedience to your Son, we bring into his fellowship those who come to him in faith, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Now sanctify this water, we pray you, by the power of your Holy Spirit, that those who here are cleansed from sin and born again may continue for ever in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Savior. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Baptism

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Elias Daniel Turczynski

Parents: Daniel & Kelly Turczynski

Sponsors: Stacy Lynne Martin & Courtney Pilibosian

Presider Elias, I baptize you in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

The Presider then marks the sign of the cross with chrism on Elias' forehead.

Presider Elias, you are sealed by the Holy Spirit in Baptism and marked as Christ's own for ever. **Amen.**

Presider Let us pray.
Heavenly Father, we thank you that by water and the Holy Spirit you have bestowed upon your servant Elias the forgiveness of sin, and have raised him to the new life of grace. Sustain him, O Lord, in your Holy Spirit. Give him an inquiring and discerning heart, the courage to will and to persevere, a spirit to know and to love you, and the gift of joy and wonder in all your works. **Amen.**

Presider Let us welcome the newly baptized.
People **We receive you into the household of God. Confess the faith of Christ crucified, proclaim his resurrection, and share with us in his eternal priesthood.**

The Peace

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

Welcome and Announcements

The Holy Communion

The Offertory is a time when we offer back to God some of what God gives to us. God gives us wheat and grapes and, through our labor, we turn them into bread and wine.

God gives us bodies and minds, and we use these in our life and labor to earn our daily bread. When we give a portion of our income back to God, God blesses it, and returns it to us as services provided by the church, in outreach to those in need, and in lives changed by God's spirit.

The choir sings the anthem.

Anthem

William H. Harris (1883-1973)

Most glorious Lord of life, that on this day didst make Thy triumph over death and sin, and having harrowed hell, didst bring away captivity thence captive, us to win. This joyous day, dear Lord, with joy begin, and grant that we for whom Thou diddest die, being with Thy dear blood clean washed from sin, may live for ever in felicity: And that Thy love we weighing worthily, may likewise love Thee for the same again; and for Thy sake, that all like dear didst buy with love may one another entertain. So let us love, dear Love, like as we ought; love is the lesson which the Lord us taught. *Words: Edmund Spenser (c. 1522-1599)*

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer B

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Presider The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them to the Lord.**

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

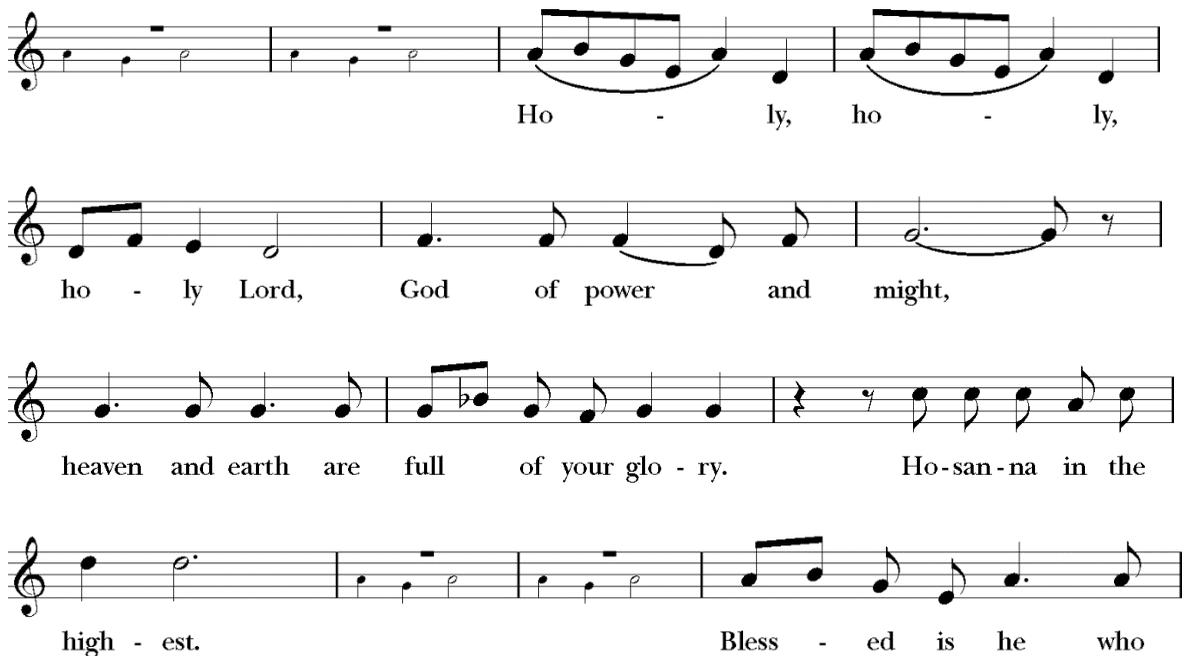
People **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. But chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again he has won for us everlasting life.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

All sing.

Sanctus and Benedictus



Ho - ly, ho - ly,
ho - ly Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho-san-na in the
high - est. Bless - ed is he who



The people stand or kneel as able.

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

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 James, the ever blessed Virgin Mary, and 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. **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

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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, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

The Presider breaks the consecrated bread. Then, all remain kneeling or standing for the Fraction Anthem.

Fraction Anthem: Christ our Passover

David Hurd, Hymnal S-154

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Christ our Pass - o - ver is sac - ri - ficed for us;

there - fore let us keep the feast.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Invitation to Communion

Presider These are the gifts of God for the people of God, take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

All are invited to God's table. The response after receiving communion is AMEN. Gluten-free bread is available. If you choose not to receive communion, we welcome you to come forward for a blessing, indicated by crossing both arms over your chest. If you have not yet been baptized, we encourage you to speak to the Clergy.

All sing the hymn.

Hymn 343 Shepherd of souls, refresh and bless

St. Agnes

1 Shep - herd of souls, re - fresh and bless thy cho - sen
2 We would not live by bread a - lone, but by thy
3 Be known to us in break - ing bread, and do not
4 Lord, sup with us in love di - vine thy Bo - dy

pil - grim flock with man - na in the
word of grace, in strength of which we
then de - part; Sa - rior, a - bide with
and thy Blood, that liv - ing bread, that

wil - der - ness, with wa - ter from the rock.
trav - el on to our a - bid - ing - place.
us, and spread thy ta - ble in our heart.
heaven - ly wine, be our im - mor - tal food.

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Please stand or kneel as able.

The Postcommunion Prayer

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Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

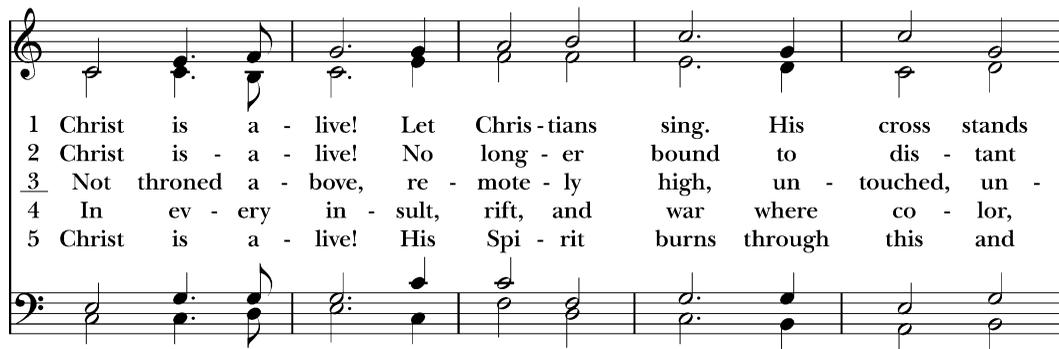
The Blessing

People Amen.

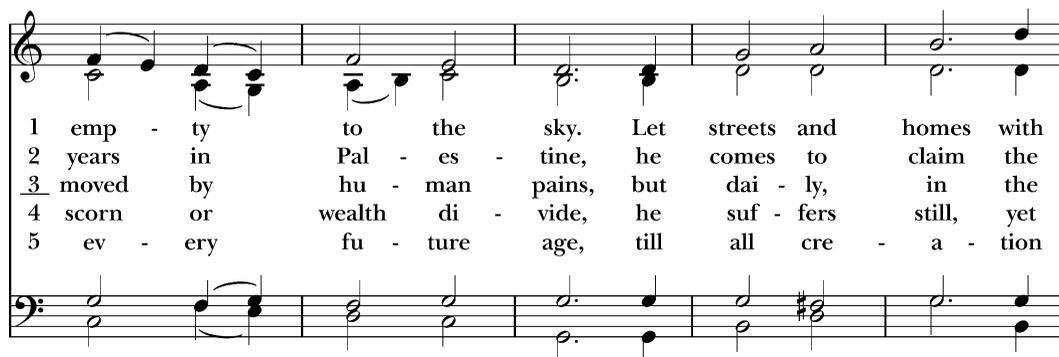
All sing.

Hymn 182 Christ is alive! Let Christians sing

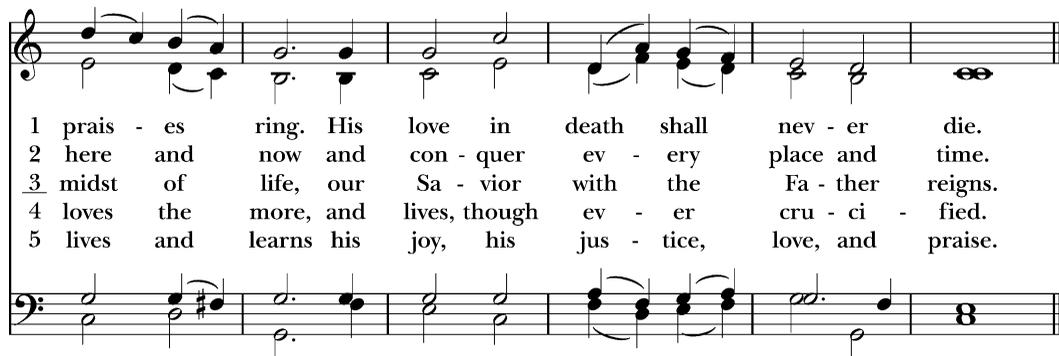
Truro



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.

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The Dismissal

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia.

Voluntary Fantasy on *Easter Hymn*

William Henry Harris

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Sundays 8:00 a.m. in person

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Weekdays Compline 7:50 p.m. on [Zoom](#)

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