



Easter Sunday
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Gathering

Music to Prepare Us For Worship

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Call to Worship

(Reader 1): Christ is Risen!

(ALL): Christ is risen indeed Alleluia!

(Reader 1): We thought you were dead.

(Reader 2): We thought the cross was the end.

(Reader 3): We thought that when the stone rolled over the tomb,
that was it.

(Reader 1): But this is it:

**(ALL): the dead are living; the cross is empty; the stone is rolled,
and one word describes it all: Alleluia!**

(Reader 1): Christ is Risen!

(ALL): Christ is risen indeed Alleluia!

(Reader 1): We thought you had said your final word.

(Reader 2): We thought those with the power had won.

(Reader 3): We thought that when you cried out,
that was it.

(Reader 1): But this is it:

**(ALL): the word breathes; the powers are defeated; the final cry was
only the beginning, and one word says it all: Alleluia!**

(Reader 1): Christ is Risen!

(ALL): Christ is risen indeed Alleluia!

(Reader 1): We thought the story was finished.

(Reader 2): We thought the hope had ended.

(Reader 3): We thought that when the tomb was sealed, that was it.

(Reader 1): But this is it:

**(ALL): the story has just begun; the hope is newly born; the tomb is
empty, and one word says it all: Alleluia!**

(Reader 1): Christ is Risen!

(ALL): Christ is risen indeed Alleluia!

(Reader 1): This is the news:

(ALL): Jesus is risen!

(Reader 2): This is the moment

(ALL): Jesus is alive!

(Reader 3): This is the gospel

(ALL): Jesus is with us!

(Reader 1): We thought that when they crucified you, death had defeated life, and that was it. But this is it:

(ALL): Love is stronger than death, and one word says it all: Alleluia!

(Reader 1): Christ is Risen!

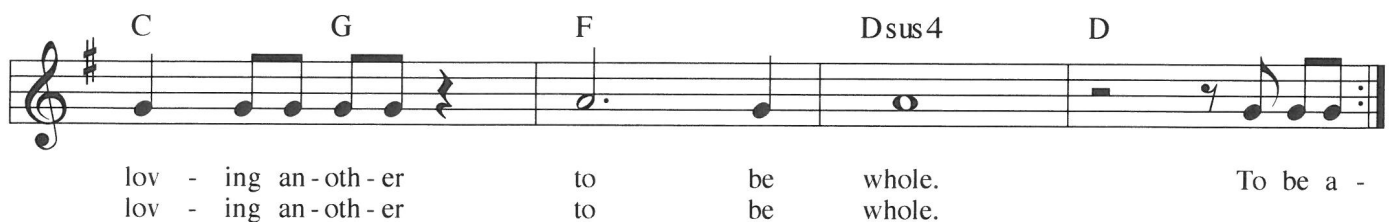
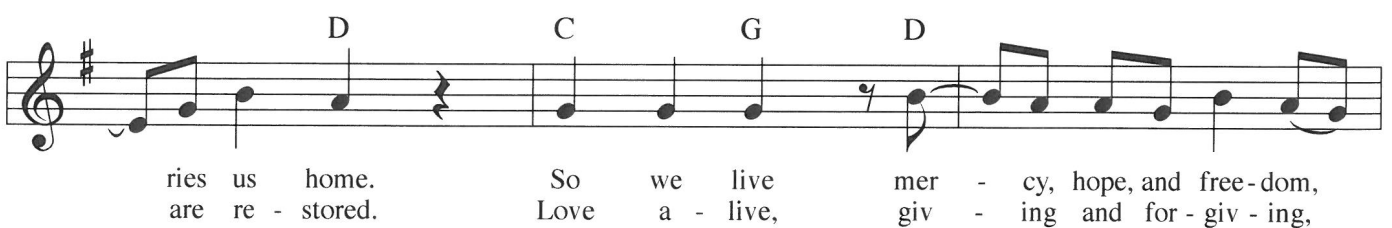
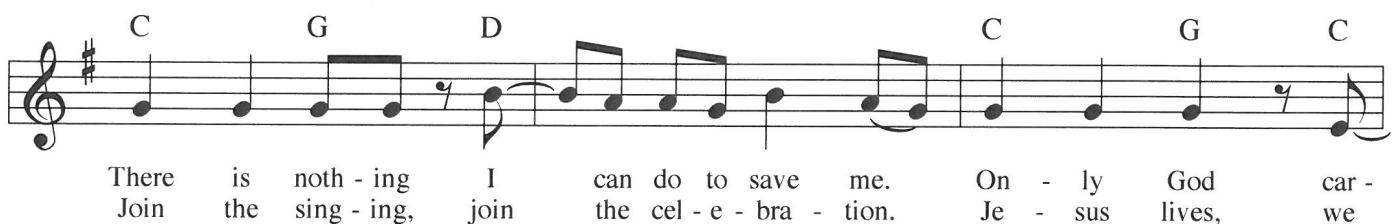
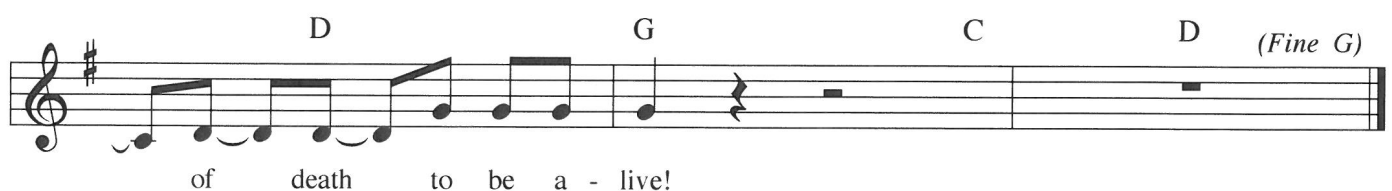
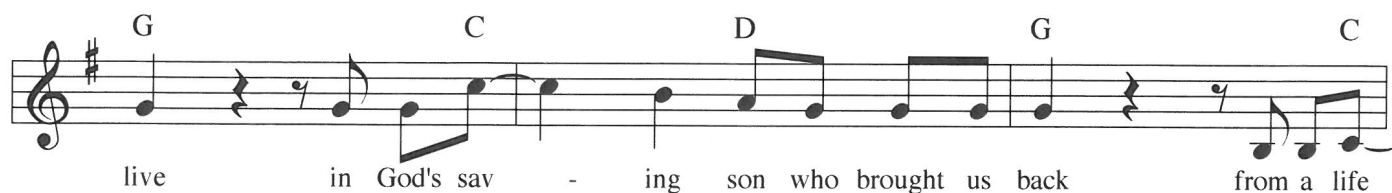
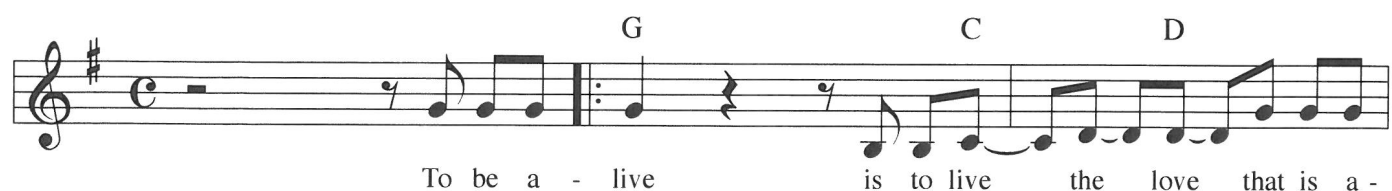
(ALL): Christ is risen indeed Alleluia!

~ adapted from call to worship by Roddy Hamilton, and posted on **Mucky Paws**.
<http://www.nkchurch.org.uk/index.php/mucky-paws>

Gathering Songs – “To Be Alive”

TO BE ALIVE

Larry Olson
David Lee Brown



Greeting

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the community of the Holy Spirit is with you all. **And also with you.**

Welcome * Welcome Pads * Post it Notes

Wherever you are on your journey of faith, we believe God meets you right where you are, and you are welcome here.

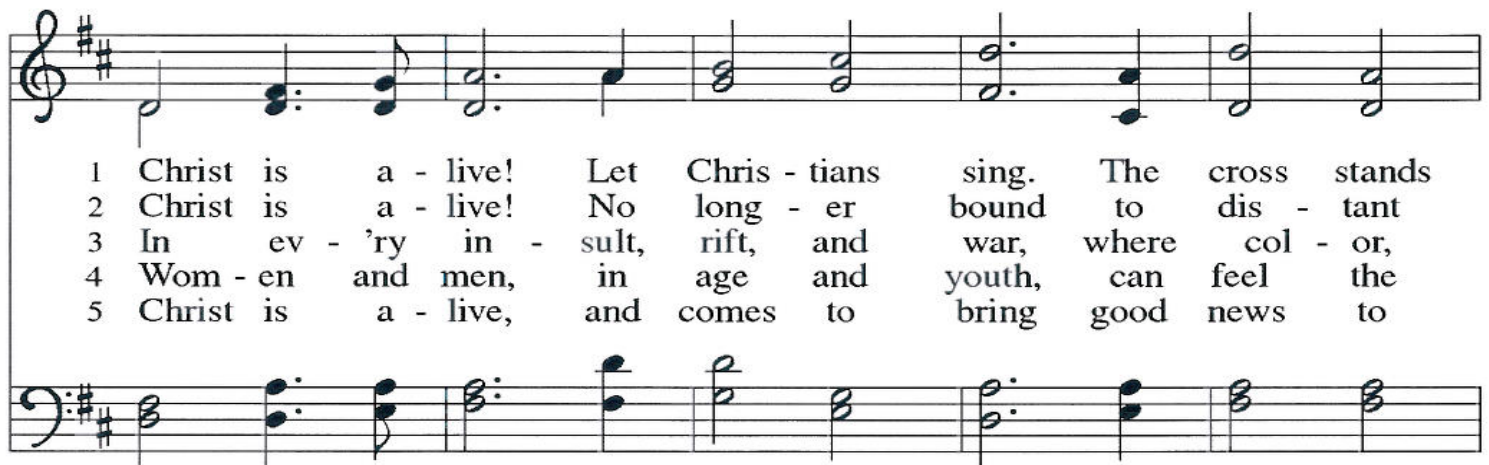
Prayer of the Day

God of mercy, **we no longer look for Jesus among the dead, for the tomb is empty and Christ is alive. Increase in our minds and hearts the risen life we share with Christ, and help us to grow as your people toward the fullness of abundant life with you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

Greet Someone New

Music to bring people back together.
(Christ is Alive vs 1, 2 and 5)

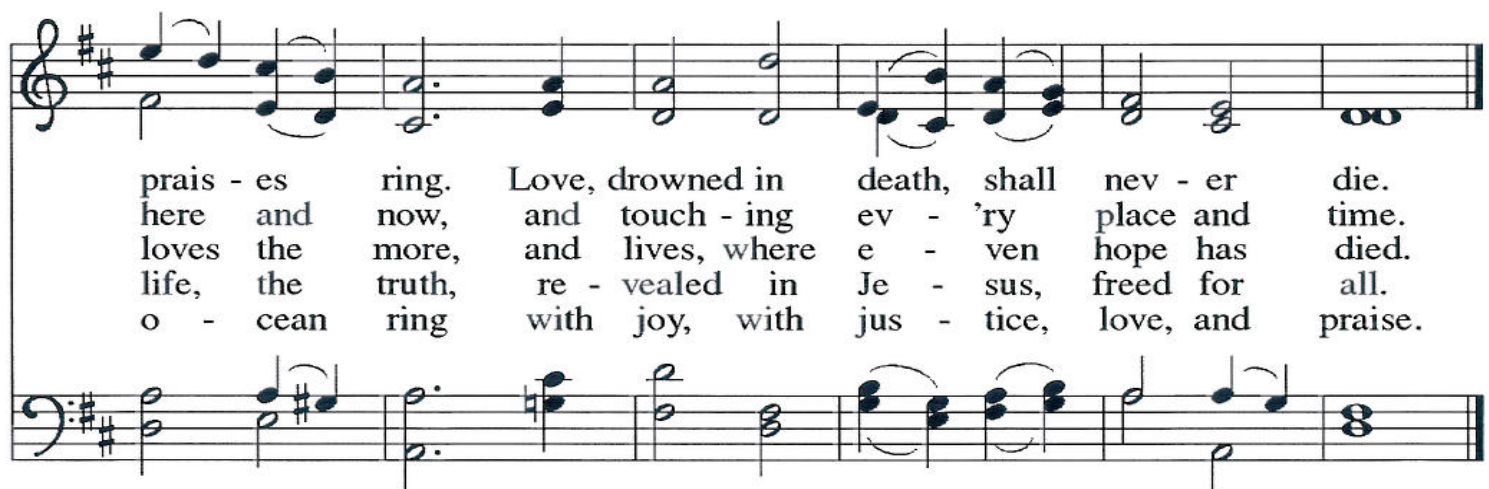
Christ Is Alive! Let Christians Sing



1 Christ is a - live! Let Chris - tians sing. The cross stands
 2 Christ is a - live! No long - er bound to dis - tant
 3 In ev - 'ry in - sult, rift, and war, where col - or,
 4 Wom - en and men, in age and youth, can feel the
 5 Christ is a - live, and comes to bring good news to



emp - ty to the sky. Let streets and homes with
 years in Pal - es - tine, but sav - ing, heal - ing,
 scorn, or wealth di - vide, Christ suf - fers still, yet
 Spir - it, hear the call, and find the way, the
 this and ev - 'ry age, till earth and sky and



prais - es ring. Love, drowned in death, shall nev - er die.
 here and now, and touch - ing ev - 'ry place and time.
 loves the more, and lives, where e - ven hope has died.
 life, the truth, re - vealed in Je - sus, freed for all.
 o - cean ring with joy, with jus - tice, love, and praise.

Text: Brian A. Wren, b. 1936

Music: TRURO, T. Williams, *Psalmody Evangelica*, 1789

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Children's Message

The Word

(Reader): Our story and God's story continues today with a reading from the Gospel according to Matthew chapter 28, verses 1-10.

"We have seen the Messiah" Refrain, Vs. 2, Refrain

WE HAVE SEEN THE MESSIAH

Larry Olson
Hans Peterson

$\text{♩} = 76$

D A G D A G

We have seen the Mes-si - ah, here for all the world.

D A G D A D *Fine*

We have seen the Mes-si - ah, here for all the world.

Bm F#m Gsus2 D Gsus2 D G A

Shep-herds came to see the sight, a ba-by born to be the light.
Ma-ry came with tears of grief but she found life be-yond be-lief.
Have you seen the ach-ing hearts, the hu-man hurts, lives torn a-part?

Bm F#m Gsus2 D Gsus2 D A

Then they went and spread the word, 'cause they had to tell all they had heard.
She found joy where she had hurt, when the ris-en Lord appeared to her.
When we see the least of these, do we real-ly know who we have seen?

(Reader): After the sabbath, as the first day of the week was dawning, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to see the tomb. And suddenly there was a great earthquake; for an angel of the Lord, descending from heaven, came and rolled back the stone and sat on it. His appearance was like lightning, and his clothing white as snow. For fear of him the guards shook and became like dead men. But the angel said to the women,

(Side 1): “Do not be afraid; I know that you are looking for Jesus who was crucified. He is not here; for he has been raised, as he said.

(Side 2): Come, see the place where he lay. Then go quickly and tell his disciples, ‘He has been raised from the dead, and indeed he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him.’ This is my message for you.”

(Reader): So they left the tomb quickly with fear and great joy, and ran to tell his disciples. Suddenly Jesus met them and said, “Greetings!” And they came to him, took hold of his feet, and worshiped him. Then Jesus said to them,

(ALL): “Do not be afraid; go and tell my brothers to go to Galilee; there they will see me.”

(Reader): *Stay tuned for the continuing saga that is our story and God’s story.*

(ALL): Thanks be to God.

Sermon – Pastor Hans Peterson

Song of the Day “Hallelujah Daffodil”

HALLELUJAH DAFFODIL

Hans Peterson

(guitar: capo 3)

♩ = 96

F(D) F/A(D/F#) B♭(G) Csus(Asus) C(A) F(D) F/A(D/F#)

Hal - le - lu - jah, ma - ples flow. Hal - le - lu, an
 Hal - le - lu - jah, grace is green. Hal - le - lu, with
 Hal - le - lu - jah, daf - fo - dil. Hal - le - lu, come
 Hal - le - lu - jah, you give sight. Hal - le - lu, the
 Hal - le - lu - jah, breath you bring. Hal - le - lu, death
 Hal - le - lu - jah, life has come. Hal - le - lu, warmth
 Hal - le - lu - jah, the world — sighs. Hal - le - lu, Christ

Gm(Em) C(A) F(D) F/A(D/F#) B♭(G) C(A)

a - corn grows. Hal - le - lu - jah, there is hope we —
 ev - 'ry - thing. Hal - le - lu - jah, wher - ev - er beau - ty is
 drink your fill. Hal - le - lu - jah, where, oh heart is your
 moon shines bright. Hal - le - lu - jah, we make it through the —
 lose your sting. Hal - le - lu - jah, to the One we —
 of the sun. Hal - le - lu - jah, peace for ev - er - y -
 is a - live. Hal - le - lu - jah, from ash - es we all a -

B♭(G) C(A) Gm(Em) B♭(G) C(A) F(D) F/A(D/F#) Gm7(Em7) C(A)

know. Hal - le - lu - jah.
 seen. Hal - le - lu - jah.
 will? Hal - le - lu - jah.
 night. Hal - le - lu - jah.
 sing. Hal - le - lu - jah.
 one. Hal - le - lu - jah.
 rise. Hal - le - lu - jah.

Prayers for the World

Together we pray for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

Each petition will close with the words: God of Life

*And you are invited to respond: **Hear our Prayer***

Offering

Worship Leader: *Thank you for your continued generosity and for all the ways you support God's ministry here at River of Hope. You can contact the church office and sign up for simply giving or give online or drop a check off at the church office.*

Offering Song "Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds"
(Vs. 1,4)

Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds



1 Now all the vault of heav'n re - sounds
 2 E - ter - nal is the gift he brings,
 3 Oh, fill us, Lord, with daunt - less love;
 4 A - dor - ing prais - es now we bring



in praise of love that still a - bounds: "Christ has
 there - fore our heart with rap - ture sings: "Christ has
 set heart and will on things a - bove that we
 and with the heav'n-ly bless - ed sing: "Christ has



tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!" Sing, choirs of
 tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!" Now still he
 con - quer through your tri - umph; grant grace suf -
 tri - umphed! Al - le - lu - ia!" Be to the



an - gels, loud and clear! Re - peat their song of glo - ry
 comes to give us life and by his pres - ence stills all
 fi - cient for life's day that by our lives we tru - ly
 Fa - ther, and our Lord, to Spir - it blest, most ho - ly



here: "Christ has tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!"
 strife. "Christ has tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!"
 say: "Christ has tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!"
 God, all the glo - ry, nev - er end - ing!



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Text: Paul Z. Strodach, 1876–1947, alt.

Music: LASST UNS ERFREUEN, *Geistliche Kirchengesänge*, Köln, 1623

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The Feast

Setting the Table *the children lead us as we sing together:*

O Come Lord Jesus be our Guest and let these gifts to us be blest. All praise to God who is our bread, may all the world be clothed and fed.

Thanksgiving at the Table

The Lord is with you

And also with you

Lift up your hearts!

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

As we gather in this place, we remember, that in the night when Jesus was betrayed by his best friends, he took bread. He blessed it and broke it and gave it to these same friends saying, "Take and eat. This is my body given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup, blessed it and gave it for all to drink saying, "This is the new covenant, the new promise, for the forgiveness of sins. Do this for the remembrance of me." Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray:

The Lord's Prayer

We pray our common prayer that Christ taught us.

**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.**

This is Christ's table. It's a table of love and welcome. It's a table of fellowship with the poor and communion with the earth.

So, come, those of you with great faith and those of you who wish you had more. Come, those of you who have tried to follow Jesus and those of you who have failed. Come, those of you who depend on this meal for your lives, and those of you for whom it is a strange thing. These are the gifts of God for the people of God.

Communion Songs/Hymns "Halleluiah, Jesus Lives", "Thine is the Glory", "Low in the Grave He Lay"

Hallelujah! Jesus Lives!

1 Hal-le - lu - jah! Je - sus lives! He is now the Liv - ing One;
2 Je - sus lives! Why do you weep? Why that sad and mourn-ful sigh?
3 Je - sus lives! And thus, my soul, life e - ter - nal waits for you;
4 Je - sus lives! Let all re - joice. Praise him, ran-somed of the earth.
5 Hal-le - lu - jah! An - gels, sing! Join with us in hymns of praise.

The first system of the hymn features a treble and bass staff in D major (two sharps). The melody is in the treble staff, and the bass staff provides a harmonic accompaniment. The lyrics are numbered 1 through 5, corresponding to the five lines of the first verse.

from the gloom-y halls of death Christ, the con-quer-or, has gone,
Christ who died our broth-er here lives our broth-er still on high,
joined to Christ, your liv-ing head, where he is, you shall be too;
Praise him in a no-bler song, cher-u-bim of heav'n-ly birth.
Let your cho-rus swell the strain which our fee-bler voic-es raise:

The second system continues the melody and accompaniment. The lyrics are numbered 6 through 10, corresponding to the five lines of the second verse.

bright fore-run-ner to the skies of his peo-ple, yet to rise.
lives for-ev-er to be-stow bless-ings on his church be-low.
with the Lord, at God's right hand, as a vic-tor you shall stand.
Praise the vic-tor king, whose sway sin and death and hell o-bey.
Glo-ry to our God a-bove and on earth his peace and love!

The third system concludes the hymn. The melody and accompaniment end with a final cadence. The lyrics are numbered 11 through 15, corresponding to the five lines of the third verse.

Thine Is the Glory

1 Thine is the glo - ry, ris - en, con-qu'ring Son; end - less is the
 2 Lo, Je - sus meets thee, ris - en from the tomb! Lov - ing - ly he
 3 No more we doubt thee, glo - rious Prince of life; life is naught with-

vic - t'ry thou o'er death hast won! An - gels in bright rai - ment
 greets thee, scat - ters fear and gloom; let his church with glad - ness
 out thee; aid us in our strife; make us more than con-qu'rors,

rolled the stone a - way, kept the fold - ed grave - clothes
 hymns of tri - umph sing, for the Lord now liv - eth;
 through thy death - less love; bring us safe through Jor - dan

Refrain
 where thy bod - y lay.
 death hath lost its sting! Thine is the glo - ry, ris - en, con-qu'ring
 to thy home a - bove.

Son; end - less is the vic - t'ry thou o'er death hast won!

Low in the Grave He Lay

Up from the Grave He Arose

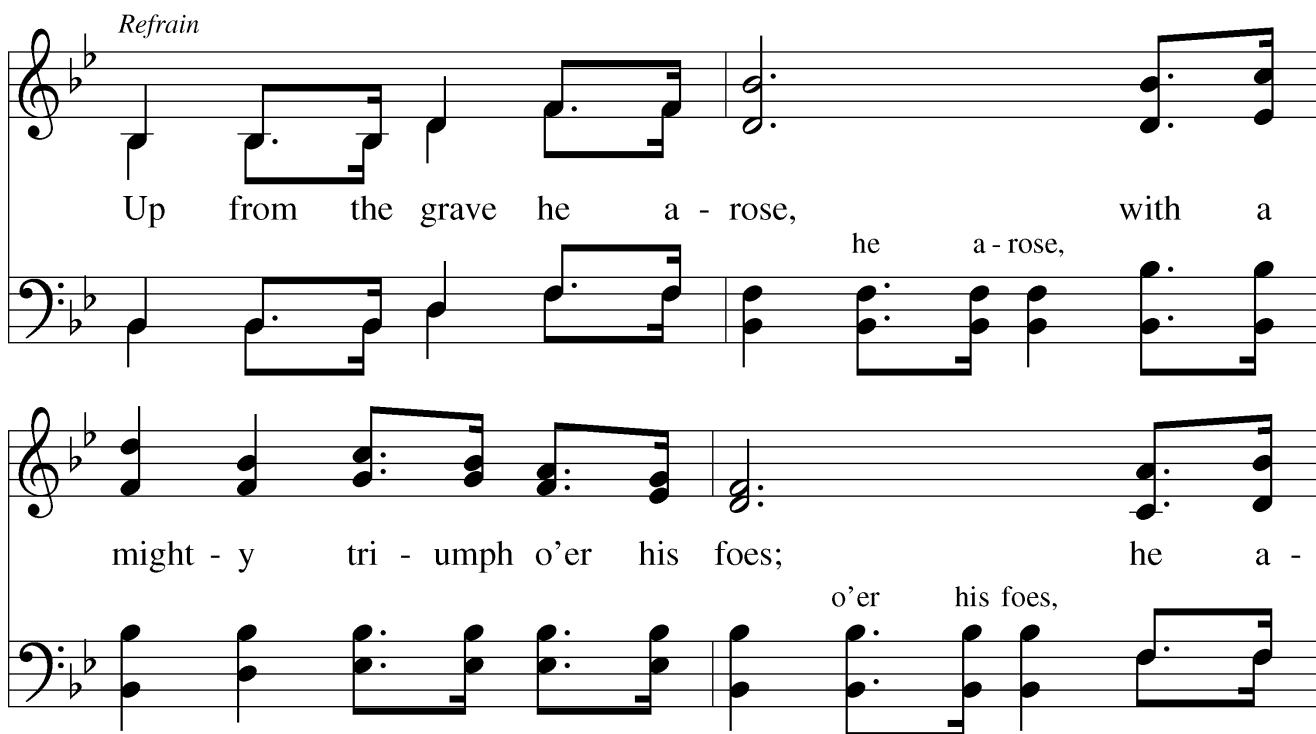


1 Low in the grave he lay, Je - sus my Sav - ior,
 2 Vain - ly they watch his bed, Je - sus my Sav - ior;
 3 Death can - not keep its prey, Je - sus my Sav - ior;



wait - ing the com - ing day, Je - sus my Lord.
 vain - ly they seal the dead, Je - sus my Lord.
 he tore the bars a - way, Je - sus my Lord.

Refrain



Up from the grave he a - rose, with a
 he a - rose,
 might - y tri - umph o'er his foes; he a -
 o'er his foes,

rose a vic - tor o - ver death's do - main, and he

lives for - ev - er, with his saints to reign. He a -

rose! He a - rose! Hal - le - lu - jah! Christ a - rose!

He a-rose! He a-rose!

Text: Robert Lowry, 1826–1899
 Music: CHRIST AROSE, Robert Lowry, 1826–1899

Blessing after Communion

Now may the body and blood of our Lord, Jesus Christ,
 strengthen you and keep you in his peace. **Amen.**

The Sending

Why does our church exist? What is our purpose?
We go out to transform lives through Jesus Christ.

Purpose Sightings

MILESTONES! – “Low in the Grave He Lay” refrain

It's time for sharing milestones - a time where we join together as a community to share the big, small, good, and hard milestones in our life.

Final Blessing

May God give you grace never to sell yourself short, grace to risk something big for something good, and grace to remember that the world is too dangerous for anything but truth and too small for anything but Love. *William Sloane Coffin*

Sending Song “Jesus Christ is Risen Today”

(Kids parade with Alleluia Ribbons and/or rhythm instruments)

Jesus Christ Is Risen Today

1 Je - sus Christ is ris'n to - day, Al - le - lu - ia!
 2 Hymns of praise then let us sing, Al - le - lu - ia!
 3 But the pains which he en - dured, Al - le - lu - ia!
 4 Sing we to our God a - bove, Al - le - lu - ia!

our tri - um - phant ho - ly day, Al - le - lu - ia!
 un - to Christ, our heav'n - ly king, Al - le - lu - ia!
 our sal - va - tion have pro - cured; Al - le - lu - ia!
 praise e - ter - nal as his love; Al - le - lu - ia!

who did once up - on the cross, Al - le - lu - ia!
 who en - dured the cross and grave, Al - le - lu - ia!
 now a - bove the sky he's king, Al - le - lu - ia!
 praise him, all you heav'n - ly host, Al - le - lu - ia!

suf - fer to re - deem our loss. Al - le - lu - ia!
 sin - ners to re - deem and save. Al - le - lu - ia!
 where the an - gels ev - er sing. Al - le - lu - ia!
 Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. Al - le - lu - ia!

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Go in peace. Tell what God has done.

Thanks be to God.

Music to Send You Out

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