

Matins

Prelude: Pastorale on VRUECHTEN (This Joyful Eastertide) setting, Jeffrey Blersch

490 Jesus Lives! The Victory's Won



1 Je - sus lives! The vic - t'ry's won! Death no long - er can ap -  
 2 Je - sus lives! To Him the throne High a - bove all things is  
 3 Je - sus lives! For me He died, Hence will I, to Je - sus  
 4 Je - sus lives! I know full well Noth - ing me from Him shall  
 5 Je - sus lives! And now is death But the gate of life im -



pall me; Je - sus lives! Death's reign is done!  
 giv - en. I shall go where He is gone,  
 liv - ing, Pure in heart and act a - bide,  
 sev - er. Nei - ther death nor pow'rs of hell  
 mor - tal; This shall calm my trem - bling breath



From the grave will Christ re - call me. Bright - er  
 Live and reign with Him in heav - en. God is  
 Praise to Him and glo - ry giv - ing. All I  
 Part me now from Christ for - ev - er. God will  
 When I pass its gloom - y por - tal. Faith shall



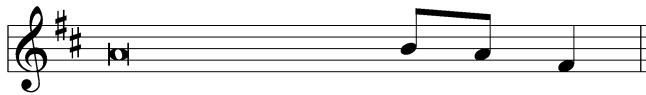
scenes will then com - mence; This shall be my con - fi - dence.  
 faith - ful; doubt - ings, hence! This shall be my con - fi - dence.  
 need God will dis - pense; This shall be my con - fi - dence.  
 be my sure de - fense; This shall be my con - fi - dence.  
 cry, as fails each sense: Je - sus is my con - fi - dence!

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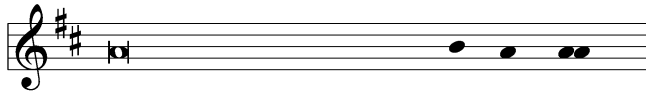
Stand



**L** O Lord, o - pen my lips,



**C** and my mouth will de - clare Your praise.



**L** Make haste, O God, to de - liv - er me;



**C** make haste to help me, O Lord.



**C** Glo - ry be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spir - it;

as it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and will be for - ev - er. A - men.

Praise to You, O Christ. Al - le - lu - ia.

**Psalmody**

- L** Blessed be God, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.
- C** O come, let us worship Him.

**Venite**

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- C** 1 O come, let us sing . . . . . to the Lord,
- 2 For the Lord is a . . . . . great God
- 3 The sea is His, for He . . . . . made it,
  
- 5 Glory be to the Father and . . . . . to the Son

- 1 let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our sal - va - tion.
- 2 and a great . . . . . king a - bove all gods.
- 3 and His hand . . . . . formed the dry land.
  
- 5 and to the . . . . . Ho - ly Spir - it;

- 1 Let us come into His presence with thanks - giv - ing,
- 2 The deep places of the earth are . . . . . in His hand;
- 3 O come, let us worship and . . . . . bow down,
- 4 For He . . . . . is our God,
- 5 as it was in the be - gin - ning,

- 1 let us make a joyful noise to . . . . . Him with songs of praise.
- 2 the strength of the hills is . . . . . His al - so.
- 3 let us kneel before the . . . . . Lord, our mak - er.
- 4 and we are the people of His pasture and the sheep of His hand.
- 5 is now, and will be for - ev - er. A - men.

- L** Blessed be God, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.
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**Introit**

*Psalms 81:1, 7a, 10, 16b; antiphon: 1 Peter 2:2a*

Like newborn infants, Alle- | luia,\*  
 long for the pure spiritual milk [of the Word.] Alle- | luia.  
**Sing aloud to | God our strength;\***  
**shout for joy to the God of | Jacob!**  
 In distress you called, and I de- | livered you;\*  
 I answered you in the secret place of | thunder.

**I am the | LORD your God,\***  
**who brought you up out of the land of | Egypt.**  
 Open your mouth wide, and I will | fill it;\*  
 and with honey from the rock I would sat- | isfy you.  
**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.**  
 Like newborn infants, Alle- | luia,\*  
 long for the pure spiritual milk [of the Word.] Alle- | luia.

Sit

**470 O Sons and Daughters of the King** *Women sing stz 7, Men sing stz 8*



1 O sons and daugh - ters of the King, Whom heav'n - ly  
 2 That Eas - ter morn, at break of day, The faith - ful  
 3 An an - gel clad in white they see, Who sits and  
 4 That night the a - pos - tles met in fear; A - mong them



hosts in glo - ry sing, To - day the grave has lost its sting!  
 wom - en went their way To seek the tomb where Je - sus lay.  
 speaks un - to the three, "Your Lord will go to Gal - i - lee."  
 came their mas - ter dear And said, "My peace be with you here."



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

5 When Thomas first the tidings heard  
 That they had seen the risen Lord,  
 He doubted the disciples' word.  
 Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

M 8 How blest are they who have not seen  
 And yet whose faith has constant been,  
 For they eternal life shall win.  
 Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

6 "My piercèd side, O Thomas, see,  
 And look upon My hands, My feet;  
 Not faithless but believing be."  
 Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

9 On this most holy day of days  
 Be laud and jubilee and praise:  
 To God your hearts and voices raise.  
 Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

W 7 No longer Thomas then denied;  
 He saw the feet, the hands, the side;  
 "You are my Lord and God!" he cried.  
 Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

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**Readings**

**Old Testament Reading**

*Ezekiel 37:1-14*

<sup>1</sup>The hand of the LORD was upon me, and he brought me out in the Spirit of the LORD and set me down in the middle of the valley; it was full of bones. <sup>2</sup>And he led me around among them, and behold, there were very many on the surface of the valley, and behold, they were very dry. <sup>3</sup>And he said to me, "Son of man, can these bones live?" And I answered, "O Lord GOD, you know." <sup>4</sup>Then he said to me, "Prophecy over these bones, and say to them, O dry bones, hear the word of the LORD. <sup>5</sup>Thus says the Lord GOD to these bones: Behold, I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live.

<sup>6</sup>And I will lay sinews upon you, and will cause flesh to come upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath in you, and you shall live, and you shall know that I am the LORD.”

<sup>7</sup>So I prophesied as I was commanded. And as I prophesied, there was a sound, and behold, a rattling, and the bones came together, bone to its bone. <sup>8</sup>And I looked, and behold, there were sinews on them, and flesh had come upon them, and skin had covered them. But there was no breath in them. <sup>9</sup>Then he said to me, “Prophesy to the breath; prophesy, son of man, and say to the breath, Thus says the Lord GOD: Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe on these slain, that they may live.” <sup>10</sup>So I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived and stood on their feet, an exceedingly great army.

<sup>11</sup>Then he said to me, “Son of man, these bones are the whole house of Israel. Behold, they say, ‘Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost; we are clean cut off.’” <sup>12</sup>Therefore prophesy, and say to them, Thus says the Lord GOD: Behold, I will open your graves and raise you from your graves, O my people. And I will bring you into the land of Israel. <sup>13</sup>And you shall know that I am the LORD, when I open your graves, and raise you from your graves, O my people. <sup>14</sup>And I will put my Spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you in your own land. Then you shall know that I am the LORD; I have spoken, and I will do it, declares the LORD.”

**L** O Lord, have mercy on us.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## Epistle

*1 John 5:4–10*

<sup>4</sup>For everyone who has been born of God overcomes the world. And this is the victory that has overcome the world—our faith. <sup>5</sup>Who is it that overcomes the world except the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?

<sup>6</sup>This is he who came by water and blood—Jesus Christ; not by the water only but by the water and the blood. And the Spirit is the one who testifies, because the Spirit is the truth. <sup>7</sup>For there are three that testify: <sup>8</sup>the Spirit and the water and the blood; and these three agree. <sup>9</sup>If we receive the testimony of men, the testimony of God is greater, for this is the testimony of God that he has borne concerning his Son. <sup>10</sup>Whoever believes in the Son of God has the testimony in himself. Whoever does not believe God has made him a liar, because he has not believed in the testimony that God has borne concerning his Son.

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## Holy Gospel

*John 20:19–31*

<sup>19</sup>On the evening of that day, the first day of the week, the doors being locked where the disciples were for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said to them, “Peace be with you.”

<sup>20</sup>When he had said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples were glad when they saw the Lord. <sup>21</sup>Jesus said to them again, “Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, even so I am sending you.” <sup>22</sup>And when he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, “Receive the Holy Spirit. <sup>23</sup>If you forgive the sins of anyone, they are forgiven; if you withhold forgiveness from anyone, it is withheld.”

<sup>24</sup>Now Thomas, one of the Twelve, called the Twin, was not with them when Jesus came. <sup>25</sup>So the other disciples told him, “We have seen the Lord.” But he said to them, “Unless I see in his hands the mark of the nails, and place my finger into the mark of the nails, and place my hand into his side, I will never believe.”

<sup>26</sup>Eight days later, his disciples were inside again, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were locked, Jesus came and stood among them and said, “Peace be with you.” <sup>27</sup>Then he said to Thomas, “Put your finger here, and see my hands; and put out your hand, and place it in my side. Do not disbelieve, but believe.” <sup>28</sup>Thomas answered him, “My Lord and my God!” <sup>29</sup>Jesus said to him, “Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed.”

<sup>30</sup>Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of the disciples, which are not written in this book; <sup>31</sup>but these are written so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name.

**L** O Lord, have mercy on us.

**C** Thanks be to God.

# Responsory (Easter)

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- 1 Sing to the Lord and bless His name, proclaim His salvation from day to day.
- 2 Now is Christ risen from the dead and become the firstfruits of them that sleep.
- 3 Glory be to the  
Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spir - it.



- Give to the Lord all glo - ry and strength, give Him the  
hon - or due His name. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

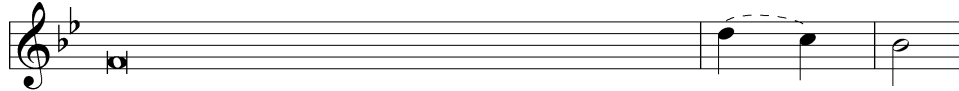
## Sermon

## Canticle

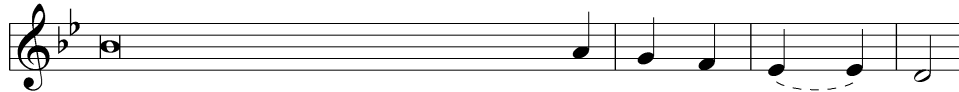
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## Te Deum

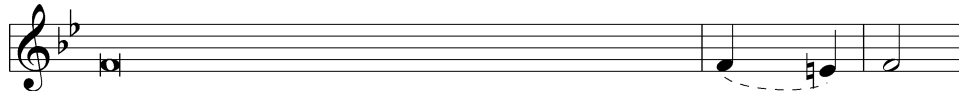
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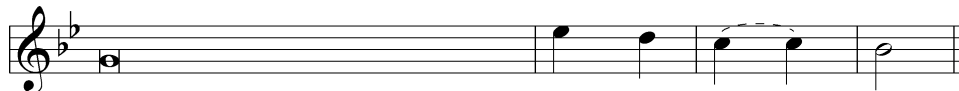
- 1 We praise You, O God; we acknowledge You to be the Lord.
- 2 Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of . . . . . Sab - a - oth;
- 3 The noble army of martyrs . . . . . praise You.



- 1 All the earth now worships You, the Fa-ther ev - er - last - ing.
- 2 heaven and earth are full of the majes - ty of Your glo - ry.
- 3 The holy Church throughout all the world does ac - knowl-edge You:



- 1 To You all angels cry aloud, the heavens and all the pow'rs there-in.
- 2 The glorious company of the apostles . . . . . praise You.
- 3 The Father of an infinite majesty; Your adorable, true, and on - ly Son;
- 4 You are the king of glory, . . . . . O Christ;



- 1 To You cherubim and seraphim con - tin - ual - ly do cry:
- 2 The goodly fellowship of the . . . . . proph-ets praise You.
- 3 also the Holy . . . . . Ghost, the Com-fort - er.
- 4 You are the everlasting Son . . . . . of the Fa - ther.

5 When You took upon Yourself to de - liv - er man,  
6 You sit at the right . . . . . hand of God

5 You humbled Yourself to be born of a vir - gin.  
6 in the glory . . . . . of the Fa - ther.

5 When You had overcome the . . . . . sharpness of death,  
6 We believe that . . . . . You will come

5 You opened the kingdom of heaven to all be - liev - ers.  
6 to . . . . . be our judge.

7 We therefore pray You to help Your . . . . . ser - vants,  
8 O Lord, save Your people and bless Your . . . her - i - tage.  
9 Grant, O Lord, to keep us this day with - out sin.

7 whom You have redeem - ed with Your pre - cious blood.  
8 Govern them and lift . . . . . them up for - ev - er.  
9 O Lord, have mercy upon us, have mercy up - on us.

7 Make them to be numbered . . . . . with Your saints  
8 Day by day we . . . . . magni - fy You.  
9 O Lord, let Your mercy be upon us, as our trust is in You.

7 in glory . . . . . ev - er - last - ing.  
8 And we worship Your name for - ever and ev - er.  
9 O Lord, in You have I trusted; let me never be con - found - ed.

Sit

**Offering** Music: In the Morning When I Rise (Give Me Jesus) Janet Nicol, soprano.

**Installation of Officers**

**Prayer**

Kneel/Stand

**Kyrie**

Lord, have mer-cy; Christ, have mer-cy; Lord, have mer-cy.

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## Lord's Prayer

**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.**

## Collects



**P** The Lord be with you.



**C** And with your spir - it.

## Collect of the Day

Almighty God, grant that we who have celebrated the Lord's resurrection may by Your grace confess in our life and conversation that Jesus is Lord and God; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C Amen.**

## Other Prayers and Petitions

### Collect for Grace

**L** O Lord, our heavenly Father, almighty and everlasting God, You have safely brought us to the beginning of this day. Defend us in the same with Your mighty power and grant that this day we fall into no sin, neither run into any kind of danger, but that all our doings, being ordered by Your governance, may be righteous in Your sight; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C Amen.**

*Stand*

## Benedicamus

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**L** Let us bless the Lord.



**C** Thanks be to God.

**P** The grace of our Lord † Je - sus Christ and the love of God  
and the communion of the Holy Spir - it be with you all.

**C** A - men.

468 I Am Content! My Jesus Ever Lives

1 I am con - tent! My Je - sus ev - er lives, In whom my  
2 I am con - tent! My Je - sus is my head; His mem - ber  
3 I am con - tent! My Je - sus is my light, My ra - diant  
4 I am con - tent! At length I shall be free, A - wak - ened

heart is pleased. He has ful - filled the Law of God for me,  
I shall be. He bowed His head when on the cross He died  
sun of grace. His cheer - ing rays beam bless - ings forth for all,  
from the dead, A - ris - ing glo - rious ev - er - more to be

God's wrath He has ap - peased. Since He in death  
With cries of ag - o - ny. Now death is brought  
Sweet com - fort, hope, and peace. This Eas - ter sun  
With You, my liv - ing head. The chains that hold

could per - ish nev - er, I al - so shall  
in - to sub - jec - tion For me by Je -  
has brought sal - va - tion And ev - er - last -  
my bod - y, sev - er; Then shall my soul

not die for - ev - er. I am con - tent! I am con - tent!  
sus' res - ur - rec - tion. I am con - tent! I am con - tent!  
ing ex - ul - ta - tion. I am con - tent! I am con - tent!  
re - joice for - ev - er. I am con - tent! I am con - tent!

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