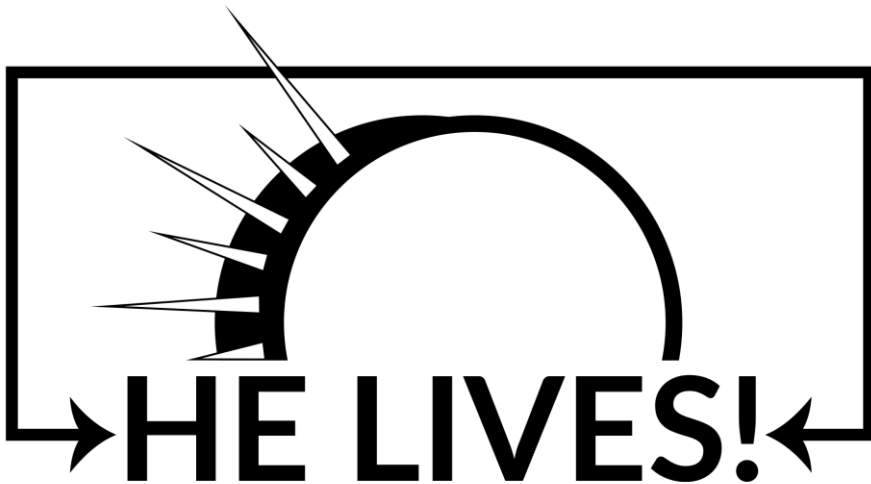


EASTER FESTIVAL WORSHIP

April 9, 2023

Worship Focus

He Lives to Take Me from Death to Life



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Order of Service for EASTER FESTIVAL WORSHIP

Order of Service

Festival Setting of Service of Word and Sacrament

Alleluia! Christ is risen! **He is risen indeed!** Alleluia!

OPENING HYMN

445 – He’s Risen, He’s Risen

Please stand for the final verse.



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



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



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



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

RESURRECTION DIALOGUE

This is the day the Lord has made.
We will rejoice and be glad in it.

I will sing to the Lord, for he is highly exalted.
The Lord is my strength and my song; he has become my salvation.
**Let us come before him with thanksgiving,
and extol him with music and song.**

I will not die, but live, and will proclaim what the Lord has done.
**Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.**

The Lord's right hand is majestic in power.
The Lord's right hand has shattered the enemy.
In the greatness of his majesty he threw down those who opposed him.
Death has been swallowed up in victory.

The Lord will not abandon me to the grave. He has made known to me the path of life.
Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed.

Where, O death, is your victory? Where, O death, is your sting?
Thanks be to God! He gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

I know that my Redeemer lives, and that in the end he will stand upon the earth.
**The kingdom of the world has become
the kingdom of our Lord and of his Christ,
and he will reign forever and ever.**

Salvation belongs to our God, who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb.
**Worthy is the Lamb, who was slain,
to receive power and wealth
and wisdom and strength
and honor and glory and praise!**

Alleluia! Christ is risen!
He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

Be Seated

SONG OF PRAISE

Sung by the worship team

447 – Christ is Risen, He is Risen Indeed

- 1 *How can it be, the One who died has borne our sin through sacrifice,
to conquer ev'ry sting of death? Sing, sing "Hallelujah!" (v. 2)*
- 2 *For joy awakes as dawning light when Christ's disciples lift their eyes.
Alive he stands, their friend and King; Christ, Christ, he is risen! (Refrain)*

Refrain

*Christ is risen, he is risen indeed! Oh, sing "Hallelujah!"
Join the chorus, sing with the redeemed: "Christ is risen, he is risen indeed."*

- 3 *Where doubt and darkness once had been, they saw him and their hearts believed.
But blest are those who have not seen, yet sing "Hallelujah!" (v. 4)*
- 4 *Once bound by fear, now bold in faith, they preached the truth and pow'r of grace
and pouring out their lives they gained life, life everlasting.*

Refrain

- 5 *The pow'r that raised him from the grave now works in us to pow'rf'ly save.
He frees our hearts to live his grace; go, tell of his goodness.*

Refrain

PRAYER OF THE DAY

O God, you made this holy day shine with the glory of our Lord's resurrection. Grant that we who have been raised from the death of sin by your Holy Spirit may worship you in sincerity and truth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



FIRST READING

Jonah 2:2-9

*Jesus compared himself to only one Old Testament prophet,
the one who escaped certain death after three days in the belly of a fish.*

JONAH 2:2 He said:

“In my distress I called to the Lord,
and he answered me.

From deep in the realm of the dead I called for help,
and you listened to my cry.

³You hurled me into the depths,
into the very heart of the seas,
and the currents swirled about me;
all your waves and breakers
swept over me.

⁴I said, ‘I have been banished
from your sight;
yet I will look again
toward your holy temple.’

⁵The engulfing waters threatened me,
the deep surrounded me;
seaweed was wrapped around my head.

⁶To the roots of the mountains I sank down;
the earth beneath barred me in forever.
But you, Lord my God,
brought my life up from the pit.

⁷“When my life was ebbing away,
I remembered you, Lord,
and my prayer rose to you,
to your holy temple.

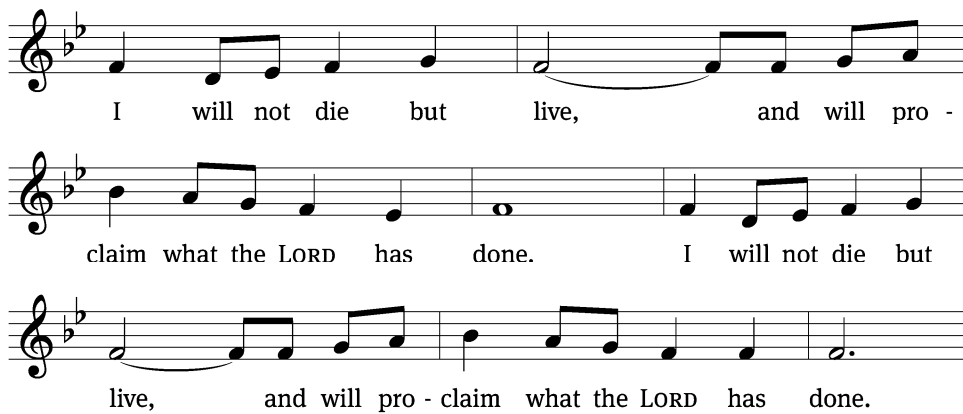
⁸“Those who cling to worthless idols
turn away from God’s love for them.

⁹But I, with shouts of grateful praise,
will sacrifice to you.
What I have vowed I will make good.
I will say, ‘Salvation comes from the Lord.’”

PSALM

Psalm 118F

Refrain



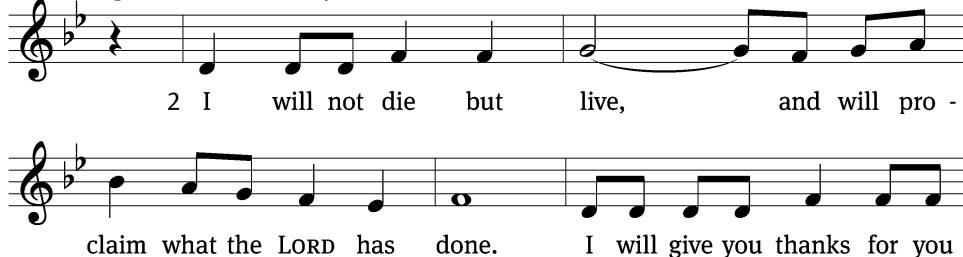
I will not die but live, and will pro -
claim what the LORD has done. I will not die but
live, and will pro - claim what the LORD has done.

Verse

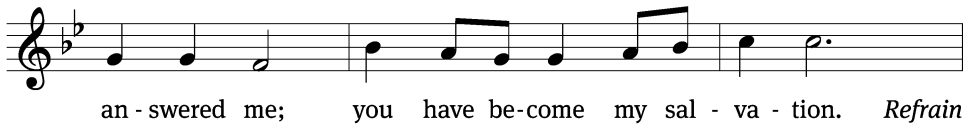


1 The LORD is my strength and my song; he has be -
come my sal - va - tion. The LORD's right hand is lift - ed
high; the LORD's right hand has done might - y things! *Refrain*

Verse (optional male voices only)

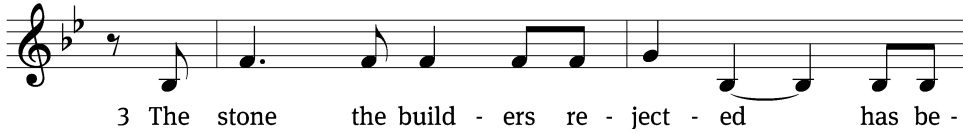


2 I will not die but live, and will pro -
claim what the LORD has done. I will give you thanks for you



an - swered me; you have be - come my sal - va - tion. *Refrain*

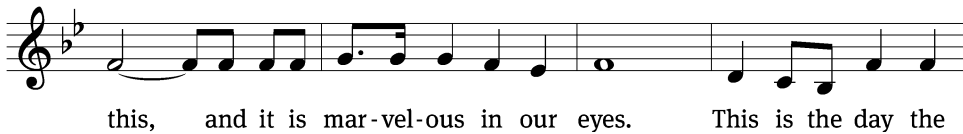
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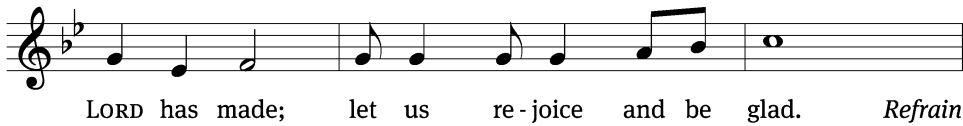
3 The stone the build - ers re - ject - ed has be -



come the cap - stone; the LORD has done



this, and it is mar - vel - ous in our eyes. This is the day the



LORD has made; let us re - jice and be glad. *Refrain*

SECOND READING

1 Corinthians 15:1-11

For God to take us from death to life, Jesus HAD TO rise for the dead! Anything less would make our faith vain.

¹Now, brothers and sisters, I want to remind you of the gospel I preached to you, which you received and on which you have taken your stand. ²By this gospel you are saved, if you hold firmly to the word I preached to you. Otherwise, you have believed in vain.

³For what I received I passed on to you as of first importance: that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, ⁴that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day according to the Scriptures, ⁵and that he appeared to Cephas, and then to the Twelve. ⁶After that, he appeared to more than five hundred of the brothers and sisters at the same time, most of whom are still living, though some have fallen asleep. ⁷Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles, ⁸and last of all he appeared to me also, as to one abnormally born.

⁹For I am the least of the apostles and do not even deserve to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. ¹⁰But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace to me was not without effect. No, I worked harder than all of them—yet not I, but the grace of God that was with me. ¹¹Whether, then, it is I or they, this is what we preach, and this is what you believed.

Please stand for the reading of the Gospel.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

444 (st. 1) – Jesus Lives! The Victory’s Won



1 Je - sus lives! The vic - t'ry's won! Death no long - er
can ap - pall me. Je - sus lives! Death's reign is done!
From the grave Christ will re - call me. Bright - er
scenes will then com - mence; this shall be my con - fi - dence.

GOSPEL READING

Matthew 28:1-10

The women go to Jesus' tomb, hearts full of disappointment. A dead Jesus does no one any good. But they would learn from the angel that Jesus had crossed over from death to life.

¹After the Sabbath, at dawn on the first day of the week, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to look at the tomb.

²There was a violent earthquake, for an angel of the Lord came down from heaven and, going to the tomb, rolled back the stone and sat on it. ³His appearance was like lightning, and his clothes were white as snow. ⁴The guards were so afraid of him that they shook and became like dead men.

⁵The angel said to the women, “Do not be afraid, for I know that you are looking for Jesus, who was crucified. ⁶He is not here; he has risen, just as he said. Come and see the place where he lay. ⁷Then go quickly and tell his disciples: ‘He has risen from the dead and is going ahead of you into Galilee. There you will see him.’ Now I have told you.”

⁸So the women hurried away from the tomb, afraid yet filled with joy, and ran to tell his disciples. ⁹Suddenly Jesus met them. “Greetings,” he said. They came to him, clasped his feet and worshiped him. ¹⁰Then Jesus said to them, “Do not be afraid. Go and tell my brothers to go to Galilee; there they will see me.”

Please be seated.

HYMN OF THE DAY

438 – Jesus Christ is Risen Today

Congregation, choir, brass, and organ. There is an instrumental introduction at the beginning of the hymn and a brief instrumental interlude after verses two and three.



Choir and Cong. 1 Je - sus Christ is ris'n to - day, Al - le - lu - ia!
Choir 2 Hymns of praise then let us sing, Al - le - lu - ia!
Choir and Cong. 3 But the pains which he en - dured, Al - le - lu - ia!
Choir and Cong. 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!

✠ Sermon ✠

Matthew 28:1-10

Jesus IS the Cure for Death!

Sermon notes:

✠ The Confession of Faith ✠

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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 in unity with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy Christian 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.

ANNOUNCEMENTS and MUSICAL OFFERING

We appreciate the offerings given to support the work of God's Kingdom here and throughout the world.

Offerings can be given in any of four ways:

- *Set in the offering plate at the back of the sanctuary*
- *On the Calvary website: <https://calvarydallas.org/give/>*
- *On your phone with the Vanco Mobile Faith Engagement app*
- *Scan the QR code to the right...*



Give us a record of your visit through our online Connection Card, or by filling out the card in the pew and placing it in the offering plate as you leave. The Connection Card tab can be found at the bottom right of any page of the Calvary website, <https://calvarydallas.org> or by scanning the code to the left...

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

You may remain seated for prayer

Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

O Lord, our strength and song, You have become our salvation. Receive our thanks for Your gracious deliverance in Christ Jesus, crucified and risen. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Heavenly Father, in Baptism You have joined us to Christ's death and resurrection and made us citizens of Your kingdom. Move our hearts to repentance, that we would set our minds on things above and be directed by Your holy will. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Gracious Lord, lead Your people in Your steadfast love, and guide them in strength to Your holy abode. Sanctify our homes. Be the companion of those who live alone. Make our households places where Your wisdom and grace are found. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Your right hand, O Lord, is glorious in power. Grant that all in authority would govern according to Your will, maintaining order and curbing evil, that we may live in peace. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Righteous Lord, You have seated Christ at Your right hand for our deliverance. Remember those afflicted with illness and injury [*including _____*]. Give them health and strength according to Your will. Sustain them in faith, knowing that, for Jesus' sake, You will raise them in glory on the Last Day. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

O God, our strength and salvation, You delivered Your people from bondage in Egypt by means of the Passover lamb. As we celebrate Christ, our Passover Lamb, who has been sacrificed and raised from the dead, bless all who partake of His Sacrament. Cleanse them from boasting, malice and evil, and give them repentant hearts to receive Him in sincerity and truth. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Eternal God, thanks be to You for victory over death through our Lord Jesus Christ. Remember all who mourn. Comfort them with the promise that You love them with an everlasting love, and will raise them and all Your people from the dead; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

✠ The Sacrament ✠

PREFACE

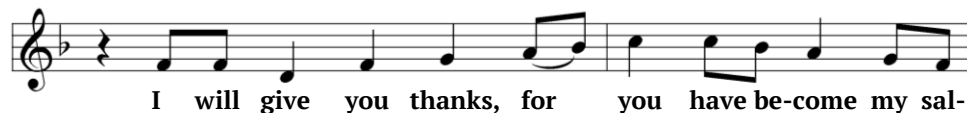
The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

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

Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God. **It is good and right so to do.**

Praise to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In love he has blessed us with every spiritual blessing. He raised Christ from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly realms and placed all things under his feet for the benefit of the Church. Now have come the salvation and the power and the kingdom of our God and the authority of his Christ. To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be praise and thanks and honor and glory for ever and ever.

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY (*Sanctus*)



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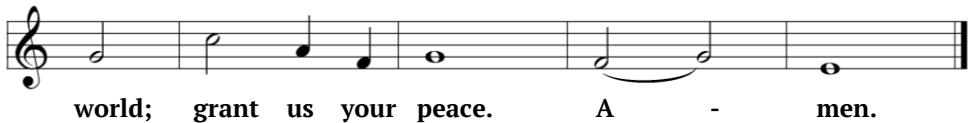
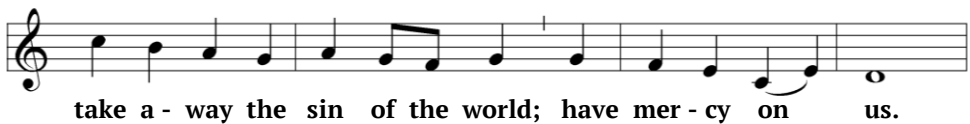
Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my \dagger body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is my \dagger blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me."

M The peace of the Lord be with you always.



O CHRIST, LAMB OF GOD *(Agnus Dei)*



DISTRIBUTION

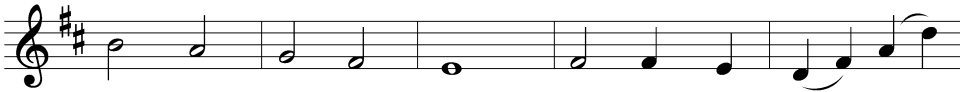
The Scriptures teach that the celebration of the Lord's Supper connects us intimately with Christ and with one another as Christians who are united around a common confession of faith. Therefore, we ask that only those who are members of Calvary or churches within our fellowship come forward to receive the Lord's Supper.

DISTRIBUTION HYMN

441 – I Know That My Redeemer Lives



1 I know that my Re - deem - er lives! What com - fort
2 He lives tri - um - phant from the grave; he lives e -
3 He lives to bless me with his love; he lives to
4 He lives to grant me rich sup - ply; he lives to



this sweet sen - tence gives! He lives, he lives, who
ter - nal - ly to save; he lives all - glo - rious
plead for me a - bove; he lives my hun - gry
guide me with his eye; he lives to com - fort



once was dead; he lives, my ev - er - liv - ing head!
in the sky; he lives ex - alt - ed there on high.
soul to feed; he lives to help in time of need.
me when faint; he lives to hear my soul's com - plaint.

- 5 He lives to silence all my fears;
he lives to wipe away my tears;
he lives to calm my troubled heart;
he lives all blessings to impart.
- 6 He lives, my kind, wise, heav'nly friend;
he lives and loves me to the end;
he lives, and while he lives, I'll sing;
he lives, my Prophet, Priest, and King.
- 7 He lives and grants me daily breath;
he lives, and I shall conquer death;
he lives my mansion to prepare;
he lives to bring me safely there.
- 8 He lives, all glory to his name!
He lives, my Jesus, still the same.
Oh, the sweet joy this sentence gives:
I know that my Redeemer lives!

Stand

PRAYER

O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good.

And his mercy endures forever.

We give you thanks, O Lord, for the foretaste of the heavenly banquet that you give us to eat and to drink in this sacrament. We pray that through this precious gift you would feed our faith, nourish our hope, and strengthen our love that we may live as your people now and as your guests forever at the wedding supper of the Lamb, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



BLESSING

Brothers and sisters, go in peace.

Live in harmony with one another.

Serve the Lord with gladness.

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and † give you peace.



CLOSING HYMN

440 (st. 1,4,6) – Christ Jesus Lay in Death's Strong Bands



1 Christ Je - sus lay in death's strong bands for our of -
4 It was a strange and dread - ful strife when life and
6 So let us keep the fes - ti - val to which the



fens - es giv - en; but now at God's right hand he
death con - tend - ed. The vic - to - ry re - mained with
Lord in - vites us; Christ is him - self the joy of



stands and brings us life from heav - en.
life, the reign of death was end - ed.
all, the sun that warms and lights us.



There - fore let us joy - ful be and sing to
Ho - ly Scrip - ture plain - ly saith that death is
Now his grace to us im - parts e - ter - nal



God right thank - ful - ly loud songs of
swal - lowed up by death; dis - graced, it
sun - shine to our hearts; the night of



al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
lies de - feat - ed. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
sin is end - ed. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

After worship, please feel free to stay and greet your neighbors.