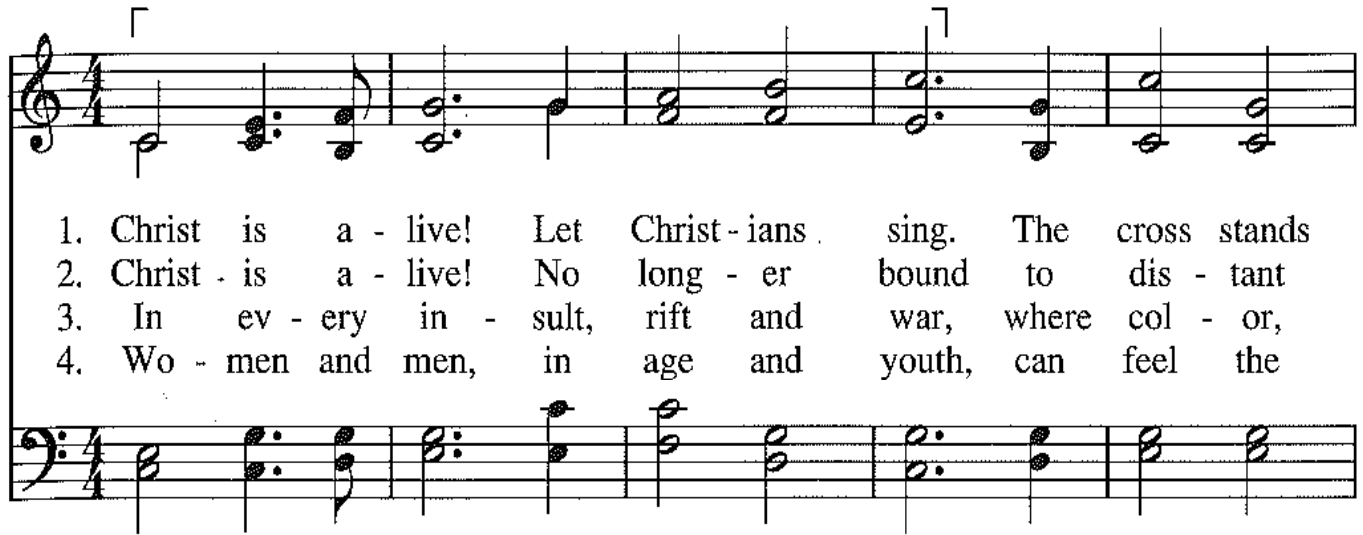


# SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER APRIL 19, 2020

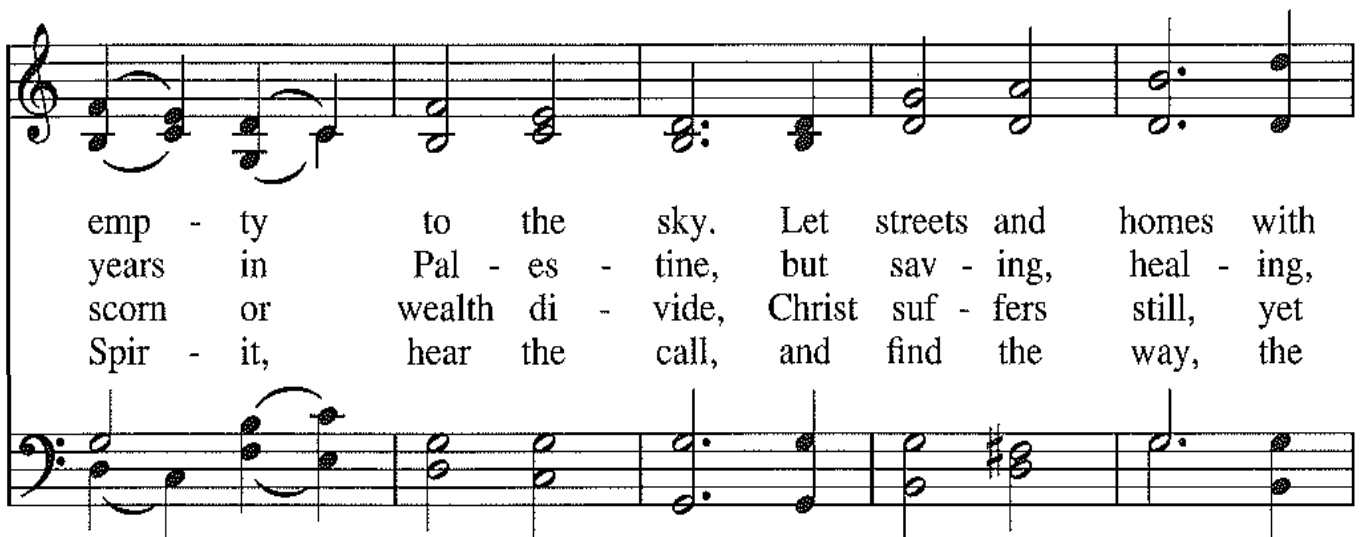
## The Service of Morning Prayer

### OPENING HYMN

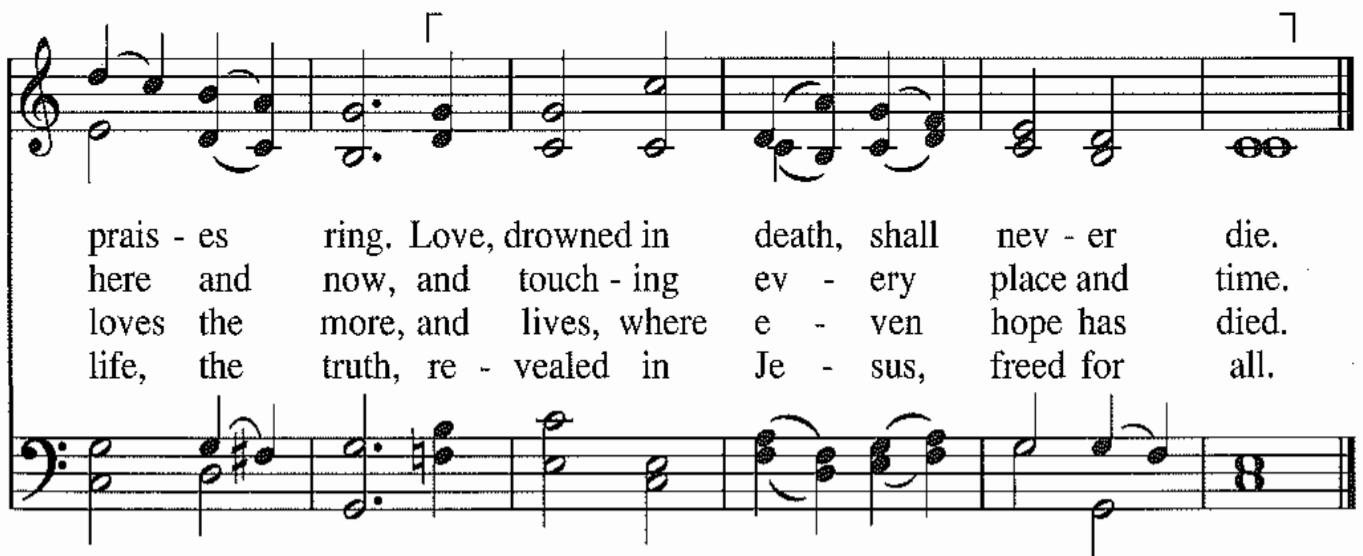
*Christ is Alive!*



1. Christ is a - live! Let Christ - ians sing. The cross stands  
2. Christ - is a - live! No long - er bound to dis - tant  
3. In ev - ery in - sult, rift and war, where col - or,  
4. Wo - men and men, in age and youth, can feel the



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



prais - es ring. Love, drowned in death, shall nev - er die.  
here and now, and touch - ing ev - ery 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.

Officiant: Alleluia. Christ is risen.

**People: The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

THE INVITATORY AND PSALTER

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Officiant: Lord, open our lips.

**People: And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.**

*Officiant and People*

**Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as  
it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen. Alleluia.**

Officiant: Alleluia. The Lord is risen indeed:

**People: Come let us adore him. Alleluia.**

CHRIST OUR PASSOVER *Pascha nostrum*

BCP 83

*Officiant and People*

**Alleluia.**

**Christ our Passover has been sacrificed for us; \***

**therefore let us keep the feast,**

**Not with old leaven, the leaven of malice and evil, \***

**but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth. Alleluia.**

**Christ being raised from the dead will never die again; \***

**death no longer has dominion over him.**

**The death that he died, he died to sin, once for all; \***

**but the life he lives, he lives to God.**

**So also consider yourselves dead to sin, \***

**and alive to God in Jesus Christ our Lord. Alleluia.**

**Christ has been raised from the dead, \***

**the first fruits of those who have fallen asleep.**

**For since by a man came death, \***

**by a man has come also the resurrection of the dead.**

**For as in Adam all die, \***

**so in Christ shall all be made alive. Alleluia.**

THE PSALM OR PSALMS APPOINTED: PSALM 16

BCP 599

Lector: The Psalm appointed for today is Psalm 16, to be read in unison.

**Protect me, O God, for I take refuge in you; \***

**I have said to the Lord, "You are my Lord,**

**my good above all other."**

***All my delight is upon the godly that are in the land, \*  
upon those who are noble among the people.***

***But those who run after other gods \*  
shall have their troubles multiplied.***

***Their libations of blood I will not offer, \*  
nor take the names of their gods upon my lips.***

***O Lord, you are my portion and my cup; \*  
it is you who uphold my lot.***

***My boundaries enclose a pleasant land; \*  
indeed, I have a goodly heritage.***

***I will bless the Lord who gives me counsel; \*  
my heart teaches me, night after night.***

***I have set the Lord always before me; \*  
because he is at my right hand I shall not fall.***

***My heart, therefore, is glad, and my spirit rejoices; \*  
my body also shall rest in hope.***

***For you will not abandon me to the grave, \*  
nor let your holy one see the Pit.***

***You will show me the path of life; \*  
in your presence there is fullness of joy,  
and in your right hand are pleasures for evermore.***

***Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: \*  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.***

#### **A READING FROM THE FIRST LETTER OF PETER (1 PETER 1:3-9)**

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! By his great mercy he has given us a new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, and into an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, who are being protected by the power of God through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time.

In this you rejoice, even if now for a little while you have had to suffer various trials, so that the genuineness of your faith-- being more precious than gold that, though perishable, is tested by fire-- may be found to result in praise and glory and honor when Jesus Christ is revealed. Although you have not seen him, you love him; and even though you do not see him now, you believe in him and rejoice with an indescribable and glorious joy, for you are receiving the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

The Word of the Lord  
***Thanks be to God***

#### A READING FROM THE ACTS OF THE APOSTLES (ACTS 2:14A, 22-32)

Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd, “You that are Israelites, listen to what I have to say: Jesus of Nazareth, a man attested to you by God with deeds of power, wonders, and signs that God did through him among you, as you yourselves know— this man, handed over to you according to the definite plan and foreknowledge of God, you crucified and killed by the hands of those outside the law. But God raised him up, having freed him from death, because it was impossible for him to be held in its power. For David says concerning him,

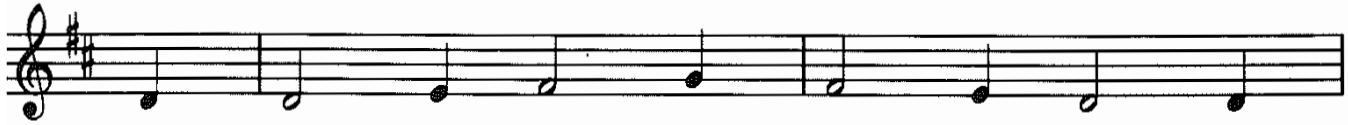
‘I saw the Lord always before me,  
for he is at my right hand so that I will not be shaken;  
therefore my heart was glad, and my tongue rejoiced;  
moreover my flesh will live in hope.  
For you will not abandon my soul to Hades,  
or let your Holy One experience corruption.  
You have made known to me the ways of life;  
you will make me full of gladness with your presence.’

“Fellow Israelites, I may say to you confidently of our ancestor David that he both died and was buried, and his tomb is with us to this day. Since he was a prophet, he knew that God had sworn with an oath to him that he would put one of his descendants on his throne. Foreseeing this, David spoke of the resurrection of the Messiah, saying,

‘He was not abandoned to Hades,  
nor did his flesh experience corruption.’

This Jesus God raised up, and of that all of us are witnesses.”

The Word of the Lord  
***Thanks be to God***



1 That Eas - ter day with joy was bright, the  
 2 His ris - en flesh with ra - diance glowed; his  
 3 O Je - sus, King of gen - tle - ness, do  
 4 O Lord of all, with us a - bide in  
 5 All praise, O ris - en Lord, we give to



1 sun shone out with fair - er light, when, to their long - ing  
 2 wound - ed hands and feet he showed; those scars their sol - emn  
 3 thou thy - self our hearts pos - sess that we may give thee  
 4 this our joy - ful Eas - ter - tide; from ev - ery wea - pon  
 5 thee, who, dead, a - gain dost live; to God the Fa - ther



1 eyes re - stored, the a - pos - tles saw their ris - en Lord.  
 2 wit - ness gave that Christ was ris - en from the grave.  
 3 all our days the will - ing tri - bute of our praise.  
 4 death can wield thine own re - deemed for ev - er shield.  
 5 e - qual praise, and God the Ho - ly Ghost, we raise.

## A READING FROM THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO ST. JOHN (JOHN 20: 19-31)

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained."

But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe."

A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe." Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe."

Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

The Word of the Lord  
***Thanks be to God***

HOMILY

The Rev. Dr. Cynthia Taylor

*Officiant and People together*

***I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth;  
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.  
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. Amen.***

## THE PRAYERS

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Officiant: The Lord be with you.

***People: And also with you.***

Officiant: Let us pray.

*Officiant and People*

***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.***

Officiant: Show us your mercy, O Lord;

**People: And grant us your salvation.**

Officiant: Clothe your ministers with righteousness;

**People: Let your people sing with joy.**

Officiant: Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;

**People: For only in you can we live in safety.**

Officiant: Lord, keep this nation under your care;

**People: And guide us in the way of justice and truth.**

Officiant: Let your way be known upon earth;

**People: Your saving health among all nations.**

Officiant: Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;

**People: Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.**

Officiant: Create in us clean hearts, O God;

**People: And sustain us with your Holy Spirit.**

## THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

BCP 172

Almighty and everlasting God, who in the Paschal mystery established the new covenant of reconciliation: Grant that all who have been reborn into the fellowship of Christ's Body may show forth in their lives what they profess by their faith; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

## THE COLLECT FOR SUNDAYS

BCP 98

O God, you make us glad with the weekly remembrance of the glorious resurrection of your Son our Lord: Give us this day such blessing through our worship of you, that the week to come may be spent in your favor; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**



## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Our Lord lives, for death has no more power over him. And so we, God's holy church, proclaim the resurrection, saying, Christ is risen!

***The Lord is risen indeed.***

God of life, in gratitude and great joy, we thank you for the gifts of Christ's resurrection. We especially give thanks for those celebrating birthdays: Gail Jarrell and Meredith Ferguson. For those celebrating anniversaries: Dave and Julie Blake. We give thanks for our partnership with Martinez Elementary School and The Claiborne at West Lake. On this day, give us hope, for Christ is risen!

***The Lord is risen indeed!***

Honoring the gift of Christ's risen body, may we rise to serve all those whose needs keep them from seeing themselves as the image of God; for Christ is risen!

***The Lord is risen indeed!***

For all who have need of the gift of Easter; for all who journey from illness to health, from despair to hope, from grief to consolation, from loneliness to love; for all our brothers and sisters, that death may have no more power over us. We especially pray for those in need of healing: Lyndsay Colsh, Linda Jewell, Allison Kenney Owens, and Billie Oldham. For Christ is risen!

***The Lord is risen indeed!***

For all who suffer and all who mourn, that today the Lord God will wipe away all tears. For the departed: Frances McCall Arnold, mother of John Arnold. For Christ is risen!

***The Lord is risen indeed!***

May we have the persistent faith of Mary Magdalene and the surprised belief of Peter and John. May we long to be God's sign of life in our world. For Christ is risen!

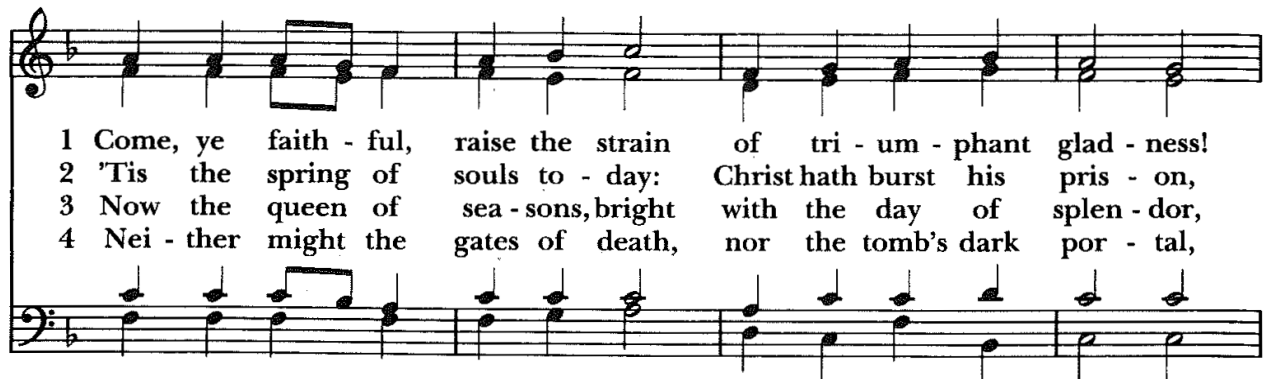
***The Lord is risen indeed!***

Officiant: God of life, we thank you for the mystery planted in us, the paradox of life from death and community from scattered disciples. We praise you for the dying which saves us from death and for the rising which brings us life. We pray, as we live, through Jesus the Risen One, in the power of the Holy Spirit, now and forever. **Amen.**

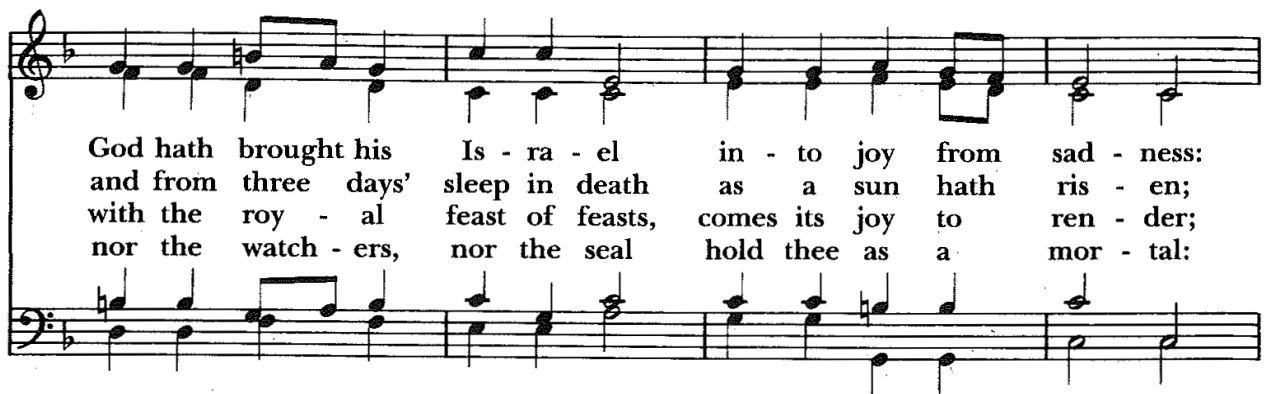
Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication to you; and you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name you will be in the midst of them: Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come life everlasting. **Amen.**

## CLOSING HYMN

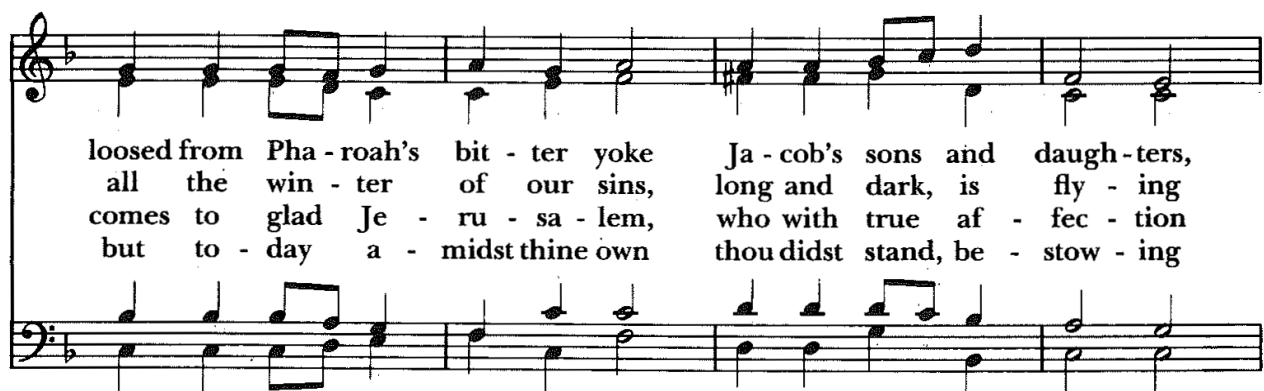
*Come, ye faithful, raise the strain*



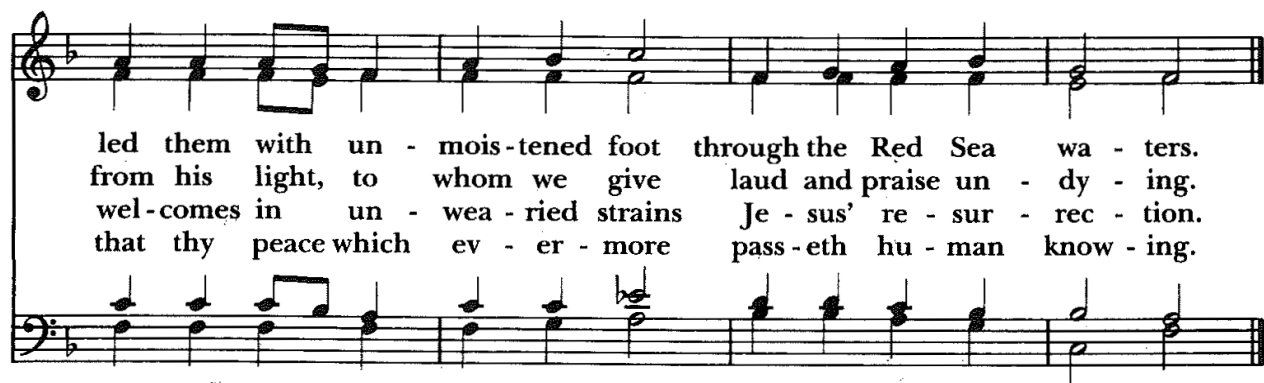
1 Come, ye faith - ful, raise the strain of tri - um - phant glad - ness!  
 2 'Tis the spring of souls to - day: Christ hath burst his pris - on,  
 3 Now the queen of sea - sons, bright with the day of splen - dor,  
 4 Nei - ther might the gates of death, nor the tomb's dark por - tal,



God hath brought his Is - ra - el in - to joy from sad - ness:  
 and from three days' sleep in death as a sun hath ris - en;  
 with the roy - al feast of feasts, comes its joy to ren - der;  
 nor the watch - ers, nor the seal hold thee as a mor - tal:



loosed from Pha - roah's bit - ter yoke Ja - cob's sons and daugh - ters,  
 all the win - ter of our sins, long and dark, is fly - ing  
 comes to glad Je - ru - sa - lem, who with true af - fec - tion  
 but to - day a - midst thine own thou didst stand, be - stow - ing



led them with un - mois - tened foot through the Red Sea wa - ters.  
 from his light, to whom we give laud and praise un - dy - ing.  
 wel - comes in un - wea - ried strains Je - sus' re - sur - rec - tion.  
 that thy peace which ev - er - more pass - eth hu - man know - ing.

Officiant: Alleluia, Alleluia. Let us go forth into the world rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.  
***People (Especially children): Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia.***

SERVING TODAY

Officiant and Preacher	The Rev. Dr. Cynthia Taylor
Lector	Dr. Dave Blake
Musicians	Drs. Brad and Lucy Green
Live stream	Dr. Thomas Saunders – awarded a doctorate for meritorious service and because he is the only one who knows how to doctor the video equipment!

VESTRY

Fred Hoogland, Sr. Warden, Dave Blake, Jr. Warden  
Mallory Halterman , Steven Hahn,  
Tab Carter , Bill Leibel