

He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

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Morning Prayer
Easter Day
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Χριστος ανεστη

(Christ is risen)

Prelude: La Réjouissance George Frederick Handel

Leader: Alleluia! Christ is risen!
Congregation: **He is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

Opening Hymn 180 *He is risen (in back of bulletin)*

Leader: Let us pray.
O God, you are the creator of the world,
the liberator of your people,
and the wisdom of the earth.
By the resurrection of your Son,
free us from our fears,
restore us in your image,
and ignite us with your light,

through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and forever.

Congregation: **Amen**.

First Lesson: 1 Corinthians 15: 1-11

If you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth, for you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. When Christ who is your life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory.

Reader: The word of the Lord

Congregation: **Thanks be to God**

Pascha Nostrum

Alleluia!

Christ our Passover has been sacrificed for us;*

Therefore let us keep the feast.

Not with the 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 also in Christ shall all be made alive. Alleluia!

CELTIC ALLELUIA

Celtic Mass

Fintan O'Carroll and Christopher Walker



Gospel: John 20:1-18

Leader: The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to John
Congregation: **Glory to you, O Christ**
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, "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. 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." 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, "Do not be afraid; go and tell my brothers to go to Galilee; there they will see me."

Leader: The Gospel of the Lord
Congregation: **Praise to you, O Christ**

Sermon Pastor Elaine Hewes

Silence

A Creed from the Iona Community

We believe in God whose love is the source of all life
and the desire of our lives,
whose love was given a human face in Jesus of Nazareth,
whose love was crucified by the evil that waits to enslave us all
and whose love, defeating even death,
is our glorious promise of freedom.
Therefore, though we are sometimes fearful and full of doubt,
in God we trust; and, in the name of Jesus Christ,
we commit ourselves, in the service of others,
to seek justice and to live in peace, to care for the earth
and to share the commonwealth of God's goodness,
to live in the freedom of forgiveness and the power of the spirit of love,
and in the company of the faithful so to be the church,
for the glory of God. Amen.

Recognition of birthdays, anniversaries and other significant events

Presider: The Peace of the Lord be always with you,
Congregation: **And also with you.**

The Prayers

Leader: The Lord be with you
Congregation: **And also with you**
Leader: Let us pray.

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.
Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
And the glory are yours, now and for ever. Amen.

The Collect of the Day

O God, who for our redemption gave your only-begotten Son to the death of the cross, and by his glorious resurrection delivered us from the power of our enemy: Grant us so to die daily to sin, that we may evermore live with him in the joy of his resurrection; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever **Amen.**

Collect

Christ our life,
You are alive - in the beauty of the earth
in the rhythm of the seasons
in the mystery of time and space

You are alive - in the tenderness of touch
in the heartbeat of intimacy
in the insights of solitude

You are alive - in the creative possibility
of the dullest conversation
of the dreariest task
the most threatening event.

(Adapted from "Resurrection Prayer" a poem by Rev. Kathy Calloway)

The Prayers of the People

In this Easter season, we pray for the church, the earth, the world, those in need, and all the members of God's family.

We pray for all who are victims of war, for refugees who live with violence and uncertainty, for victims of domestic violence.
May we open our hearts to deeper compassion, awareness, and connection with those who live with threat and danger.

We pray for all who work tirelessly that justice may come, for renewed energy in their struggle and for discernment when the path of peace is hard to see, for those feeling outnumbered, out-argued or overwhelmed.
May we have the courage to say, I stand for peace.

We pray for guidance and a listening heart, that we may be ready in this Easter season to embrace your promise of rebirth.
May we be strengthened by your Spirit as we go on to do your work.

Members of the congregation are invited to add their own prayers and thanksgivings at this time.

Christ our life,
You are alive - to offer re-creation
to every unhealed hurt
to every deadened place
to every damaged heart
You set before us a choice.
May we learn to be that Grain of Wheat that dies in order to live.

The Prayer of St. Brendan
Lord, we will trust You, help us to journey
beyond the familiar and into the unknown.
Give us the faith to leave old ways and break fresh ground with You.
Christ of the mysteries, we trust You to be stronger than each storm within us.
We will trust in the darkness and know that our times are in Your hand.
Tune our spirit to the music of heaven,
and somehow, make our obedience count for You.

Easter Sentences

Sing the glad songs of victory; in the midst of death love has arisen.
God is our strength and our song; even when all seems lost.
Christ is alive and lives among us; neither hatred nor fear,
nor cross nor tomb could hold him.
He goes before us into every Galilee;
and bids us follow him in the way of love.
With sun and stars, all flora and fauna, with angels and archangels and all the company of heaven, we sing glad alleluias.
Alleluia. Alleluia. Christ is risen. He is risen indeed.

Benediction

Sending Hymn 207 *Jesus Christ is risen today (in back of bulletin)*

Postlude: Bourrée W.H. Squire

Dismissal

Announcements

You are invited to stay for Virtual Coffee Hour

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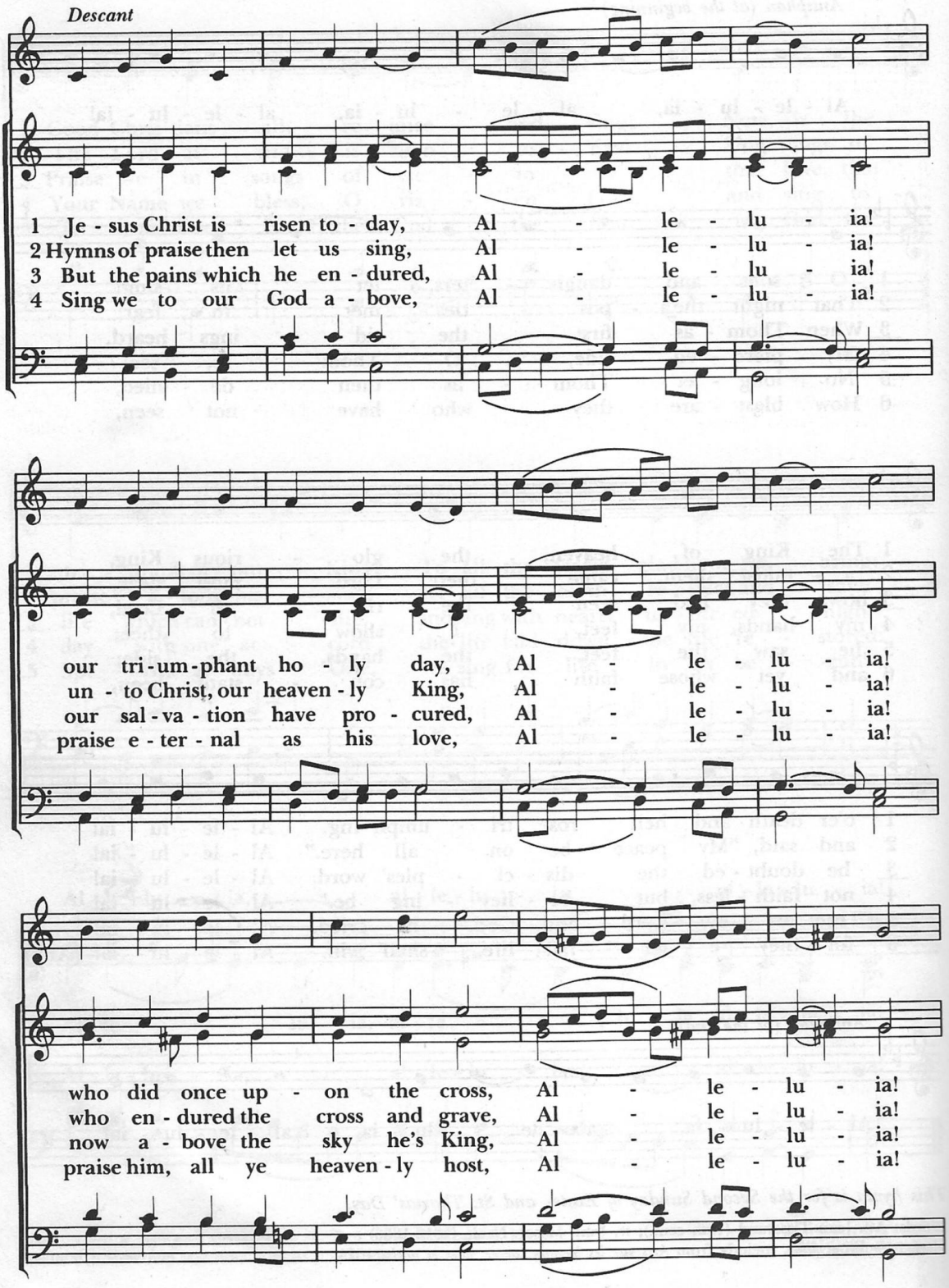
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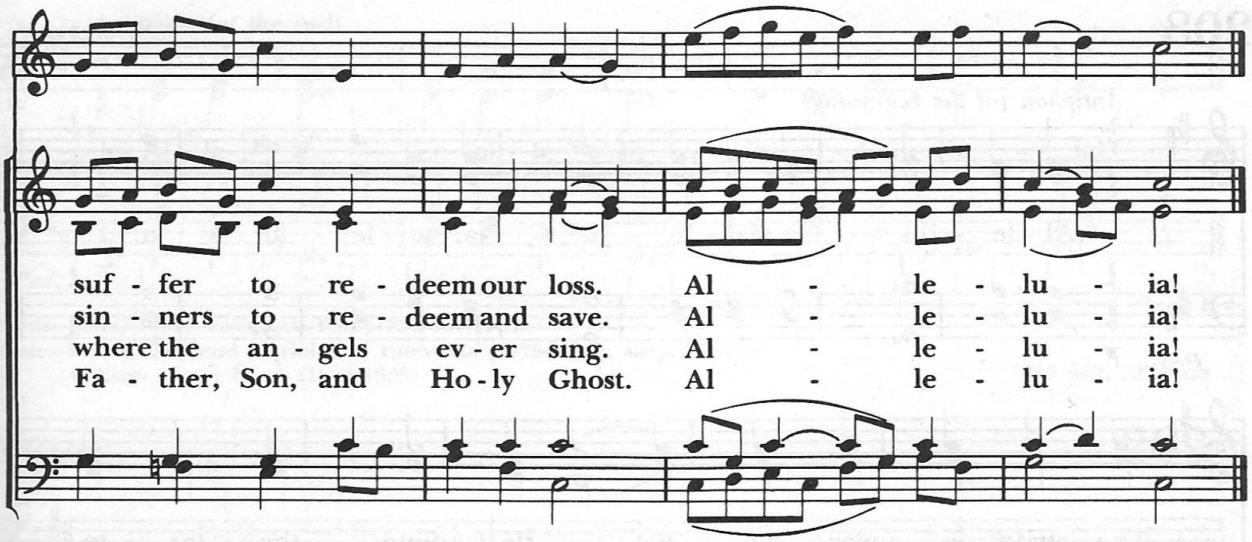
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Descant
1 Je - sus Christ is risen to - day, Al - le - lu - ia!
2 Hymns of praise then let us sing, Al - le - lu - ia!
3 But the pains which he en - dured, Al - le - lu - ia!
4 Sing we to our God a - bove, Al - le - lu - ia!
our tri - um - phant ho - ly day, Al - le - lu - ia!
un - to Christ, our heaven - 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 ye heaven - ly host, Al - le - lu - ia!

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