## Second Sunday of Easter Holy Communion April 27, 2025



## GATHERING

(Silence during the Prelude is requested in preparation for worship.)

PRELUDE

Choral, Op. 37 No. 4

Joseph Jongen

## \*CALL TO WORSHIP

Let us worship God!

(Those who are able may stand.)

God of peace, we enter this holy room knowing the gospel's cornerstones of grace and mercy are often rejected in our world. Yet we understand that rejection is not the end of the story. We know that those we have come to know as the builders and the rulers of the world do not have the final word. The Gospel of Grace is the Lord's doing. Despite powers and principalities, despite the clamoring of meanness and cruelty, this is the day that the Lord has made. Grace is the ground upon which we walk. Let us rejoice and be glad.

Written by Karen Rohrer in the Presbyterian Outlook

## **\*PRAYER OF THE DAY**

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

Loving Jesus, in a broken and fearful world, you continue to reveal yourself to us each day, bringing your peace and the gift of the Holy Spirit. We seek to live a life worthy of these gifts, knowing that we can never repay you. You have been our steadfast companion. Guide us still, that we might follow you before any human authority and know the saving power of your love. Amen.

(The Cross and Bible lead the procession, symbolic of the centrality in worship of Jesus Christ - the Living Word, and the Bible - the written Word.)

About the Prelude

The Prelude is a musical offering to help move the hearts and minds of the gathering community from the daily struggles of life to the worship of God.

## *Worship on the Lord's Day*

Worship begins as the people gather greeting one another, praying in silence, or offering music to the glory of God. The act of assembling in Jesus' name bears witness to the Church's identity and mission as Christ's body in the world.

On the cover

LeCompte, Rowan and Irene LeCompte. *Christ shows himself to Thomas*, from Art in the Christian Tradition, a project of the Vanderbilt Divinity Library, Nashville, TN.

## \*PROCESSIONAL HYMN 255

Please sing verses 1-5

## O Sons and Daughters, Let Us Sing

## CALL TO CONFESSION

Christ Jesus comes among us with extended hands and a wide embrace, offering mercy and forgiveness and promising new life. Trusting in the one who has been raised from the dead, let us make our confession.

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O God. vour love is boundless. and your grace exceeds our imaginations. You keep finding ways to be among us, even when the doors of our hearts are locked. Graciously, you seek us out. We cannot hide. but we can confess that sin has us in its grip. It has led us from your ways and corrupted our best intentions, tempting us to believe that you don't notice. We have not recognized you on the move in the world, Wounds in your side and life in your lungs.\* Correct our vision. Cleanse our hearts. Create in us a place where we can welcome you and receive the fullness of what you have given us in Jesus Christ. Call us forth from our locked rooms and bring us out to walk with you in the world you so love.\*

\*sentences by Karen Rohrer, the *Presbyterian Outlook* 

(Silent confession)

**Kyrie** 

Hal H. Hopson

(Sung responsively by the choir and congregation)

Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Call to and Prayer of Confession

A call to confession expresses God's initiative in calling for repentance and promising forgiveness in Christ. As members of Christ's body, we confess the reality of sin, captivity, and brokenness in personal and common life and ask for God's saving grace.

About the Kyrie The Kyrie (Greek "kyrios" [Lord]) is a corporate musical prayer for grace.

#### Assurance of Pardon

A declaration of forgiveness proclaims the good news of God's mercy and offers the assurance of pardon in Jesus' name. The liturgist pours water into the font, which reminds us of the grace and cleansing of our Baptism, and the baptismal call to new life in Christ.

### **ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

Believe the Good News: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

## \*The Peace

Since God in Christ has forgiven us, let us also forgive one another.

The peace of Christ be with you. And also with you.

(Please exchange the peace with the words, "The peace of Christ be with you.")

#### \*ACT OF PRAISE (Hymn 513)

FESTIVAL CANTICLE

This Is the Feast of Victory

(The congregation is invited to sing with the choir.)

**Refrain:** This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Sing with all the people of God, and join in the hymn of all creation. *Refrain*.

## **CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH**

(Everyone is asked to sign the Friendship pad, which is located on the center aisle end of each pew.)

#### THE WORD

#### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

## SCRIPTURE

Hear the Word of God! Our ears are open.

Acts 5:27-32 (Old Testament, pages 123 in your pew Bible)

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God!

**Psalm 150** (singing together Hymn 33)

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## John 20:19-31

(New Testament, pages 115 in your pew Bible)

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God!

**SERMON** "One Week Later" Stephanie Boaz

(A moment for meditation)

## **\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God. Jesus proclaimed the reign of God: preaching good news to the poor and release to the captives, teaching by word and deed and blessing the children, healing the sick and binding up the brokenhearted, eating with outcasts, forgiving sinners, and calling all to repent and believe the gospel. Unjustly condemned for blasphemy and sedition, Jesus was crucified, suffering the depths of human pain and giving his life for the sins of the world. God raised this Jesus from the dead, vindicating his sinless life, breaking the power of sin and evil, delivering us from death to life eternal.

from A Brief Statement of Faith

## THE EUCHARIST

## OFFERING

Anthem (8:30 AM)

We Walk by Faith

Karen Marrolli

We walk by faith and not by sight; no gracious words we hear from him who spoke as none e'er spoke, but we believe him near.

We may not touch his hands and side, nor follow where he trod; but in his presence we rejoice and cry, "my Lord and God!" (11:00 AM)

Love's Redeeming Work is Done

Love's redeeming work is done; fought the fight, the battle won: Lo! Our sun's eclipse is o'er; lo! he sets in blood no more.

Vain the stone, the watch, the seal; Christ has burst the gates of hell; death in vain forbids his rise; Christ has opened paradise.

Alleluia!

Lives again our glorious King; where, O death, is now thy sting? Dying once, he all doth save; where thy victory, O grave?

Alleluia!

Soar we now where Christ has led, following our exalted Head; made like him, like him we rise; ours the cross, the grave, the skies.

Hail the Lord of earth and heav'n! Praise to thee by both be given: thee we greet triumphant now; hail, the Resurrection, Thou!

Alleluia!

## \*DOXOLOGY

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Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts! Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia!

## **\*PREPARATION OF THE LORD'S TABLE**

## **\*INVITATION**

## \*GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

The Lord be 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 our thanks and praise.

Blessed are you, O Lord our God: By the power of the Holy Spirit we are witness to these things:

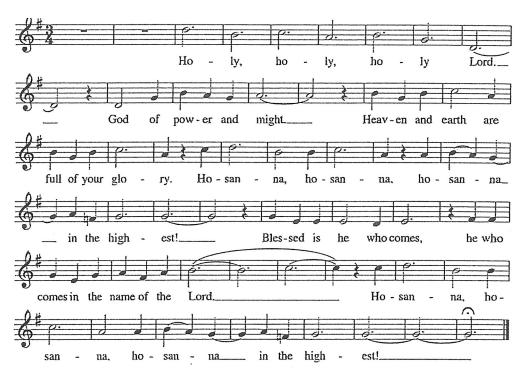
#### Doxology

A short hymn of praise to the triune God (God, Jesus Christ, Holy Spirit).

The bread served in today's communion is gluten-free.

that you raised up Jesus Christ from the dead and exalted him at your right hand as Leader and Savior of all.

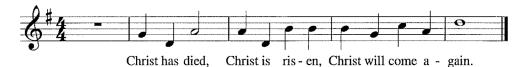
Therefore we praise you, joining the song of the universal church and the heavenly choir:



(The congregation may be seated.)

Blessed is Jesus Christ, our Savior: With Thomas we confess that Christ Jesus is our Lord and our God! He breathes on us with the gift of the Spirit and the power of forgiveness. By the gift of faith we have eternal life in his name.

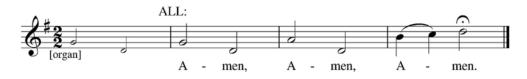
Great is the mystery of faith:



Pour out your Holy Spirit upon us and upon this bread and cup; make us one in the body and blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Make us to be your holy kingdom, your royal priesthood, worshiping and serving you with praise and thanksgiving as we wait for the glorious coming of Christ, the Alpha and Omega.

Through the Lord Jesus Christ, in the unity of the Spirit, we bless you, God of glory, now and forever.



## \*THE LORD'S PRAYER (Prayed in unison)

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen

## **BREAKING OF THE BREAD**

## **COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE**

## **Music during Communion**

Anthem (8:30 AM) (11:00 AM)

Victor Johnson Maurice Duruflé

## Ubi Caritas

Ubi caritas et amor, Deus ibi est.	Where charity and love are, God is there.
Congregavit nos in unum Christi amor.	The love of Christ has gathered us together.
Exsultemus et in ipso jucundemur.	Let us rejoice and be glad in it.
Et ex corde diligamus nos sincero.	And from a sincere heart let us love one another.
Ubi caritas et amor, Deus ibi est.	Where charity and love are, God is there.

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

Pour out upon us the Spirit of your love, O Lord: and grant in your mercy that those whom you have nourished with this sacrament may be made one in heart and mind; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## SENDING

\*HYMN 231

SUO GAN

Christ Has Risen While Earth Slumbers

**\*BENEDICTION** 

POSTLUDE

Johann Pachelbel

Toccata & Fugue in F Major

\*(Those who are able may stand.)

#### Welcome

Westminster Presbyterian Church welcomes you to share our common journey to become more faithful disciples of Christ. Any who are interested in joining us in this journey are invited to contact Rev. Heidi Hudnut-Beumler by email at hhudnutbeumler@ nashvillewpc.org or 615.292.5526 in the church office.

About the Postlude

The Postlude is considered the final Alleluia of worship.

## **Today @ Westminster**

## **Worship Leaders**

**Preaching** Rev. Stephanie Boaz Parish Associate for Congregational Care

## Liturgist

Jessie King Intern, Adult Education

## Lay Liturgists

8:30 AM Steve Sullivan 11:00 AM Spencer Klavan

## Communion Preparation

Suzie and Richard Lane

## Music

8:30 AM Laudate Choir 11:00 AM Westminster Choir

John Semingson Director of Music Ministries

Dale Nickell Organist and Associate Director of Music Ministries

## **Flower Dedication**

The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the glory of God in celebration of the birth of Claiborne Kinnard McLemore V, on March 13, 2025, son of Clay and Kaydee McLemore IV, by Mr. and Mrs. Claiborne K. McLemore III.

The flowers in the Parlor are given to the glory of God and in honor of Charlotte Munson's 10th birthday by her family.

#### Mask Policy

Westminster Presbyterian Church, Nashville is mask optional.

#### **Hearing Assistance**

We offer personal FM Receivers with an earpiece, located in the Narthex and in the Parlor on the Welsh dresser. Instructions can be found at each location.

#### Large Print Hymns

Looking for large-print hymns? They can be found in the Narthex at the Sanctuary entrance or in the Parlor on the Welsh dresser.

#### **Recorded Worship Services**

To watch a service at a later time, go to www.nashvillewpc.church and scroll down to the Worship Service Archive. Click on the service you would like to view.

#### Dial-a-Sermon

Dial 629.206.1073 after 10:15 AM each Sunday morning to listen to the sermon. The sermon will be available all week.

#### Childcare

Childcare is available on Sundays from 8:15  ${\rm AM}$  to 12:00  ${\rm PM}.$ 

Nursery - Room 146

Toddlers - Room 152

2s and 3s - Room 151

#### **Copyright Information**

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#### **Our Mission**

Ordinary people testifying to the extraordinary light found in our Lord Jesus Christ.

"For it is the God who said, 'Let light shine out of darkness,' who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ. But we have this treasure in clay jars, so that it may be made clear that this extraordinary power belongs to God and does not come from us."

(2 Corinthians 4:6-7)





When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors were locked where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." John 20:19

One Week Later: Do you relate to the disciples who are afraid and huddled behind locked doors?

In the last week, when have you experienced Christ's gift of Peace?

Where are you being sent this week to share the good news of resurrection?

## May 18 A Celebration for Heidi 12:15 рм

Help us celebrate the years of Heidi's love and dedication to this church. Please join us for a box lunch and a reflection on her time at WPC. More details to come.

Scan the QR code to register for lunch.



### **Update Your Membership Contact Info**

Contact Hannah Boles, Membership Secretary, hboles@nashvillewpc.org, to update your contact info or your photo. Hannah can also help you to access the online church member directory.

## Are you up-to-date on all the WPC news?

We send emails out to the congregation and community three plus times a week. On Monday, we send an email about our mission work. On Wednesdays, we send info about all the events we have going on throughout the month. On Fridays, the Sunday info is included in the email. We also have emails from our Children's, Youth and Young Families ministries.

Please scan the QR code to sign up for the emails you would like to receive.





## Adult Education Classes start at 9:45 AM

## **Covenant Class • Fellowship Hall**



#### **Faith and Climate Change: Our Ongoing Discussion** Curtis Baysinger will present a short review of our previous sessions on this topic, how our Denomination is reacting to

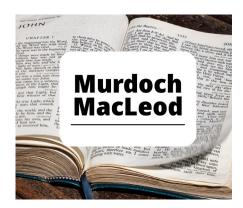
climate change, how we can respond in a faithful way, and what our church can do. The presentation will be about 40 minutes with 20 minutes for a robust discussion.



## Faith & Fellowship • 214

Study of the Prophets -Speaking Wisdom to Power

For more info, please contact Donna Schwaber, dkschwaber@gmail.com.



Murdoch MacLeod • Library

We will discuss this week's gospel lesson.

For more info, please contact Paul DeWitt, pdewitt@comcast.net.



## Young Families • Overlook Room

Please join us for a discussion with Caroline Scholer, Director of Counseling Services at MBA.





## Special Sunday School Class The Outreach Foundation Room 10

Where In the World is The Outreach Foundation? March 2025 Pakistan Mission Trip Presentation and Update on Tete Province, Mozambique Project

Come hear an update from Outreach Foundation Board Members, Berry Long and David Wood, as they provide an overview of TOF's work in Pakistan and WPC's work in Tete Province Mozambique. Berry and his wife, Elizabeth, are from Tavares, FL and he has coordinated the work in Tete Province for many years. David is from Nashville and has



Sunday School 9:45 ам • Koinonia Youth Café

**Fifth Grade Gathering** 5:15 PM • Fifth Grade Parent & Student Gathering

**Youth Group** 6:00 PM • Last YG of the year

# CHOIR REHEARSAL VOUTH

## **Children & Youth Choirs**

4:00 рм Rehearsals

5:00 рм Rehearsals

Music Camp Audition Rehearsal Laudate Choir



## 8:30 & 11:00 AM • Worship Services

## **Children and Worship**

Childcare is available for children who are infants through kindergarten during both services. While childcare is available, children are always welcome in worship. There are quiet toys and worship bags for children. They may be found in baskets in the Parlor and in the back of the Sanctuary. The bags have plain paper, crayons, a pencil and a children's bulletin.

## 9:45 AM • Sunday School

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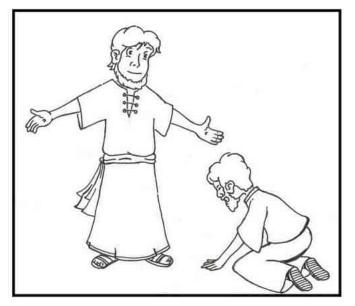
Godly Play/Kindergarten in 183

4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> Grade in room 292

**1**<sup>st</sup> - **3**<sup>rd</sup> Chapel first and then will be picked up in rooms.

## CAN YOU SPOT THE DIFFERENCES





Thomas said to him, "My Lord and my God!" Then Jesus told him, "Because you have seen me, you have believed; blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed." John 20:28-29 NIV

Carlos Bautista 2010 | http://ministry-to-children.com





**May 27** Westminster Book Group 9:30 AM • Fellowship 10:00 AM • Presentation **Goodpasture Hall** 

## James by Everett Percival **Presenter: Ray Berry**

James is loosely based on Mark Twain's classic Adventures of Huckleberry Finn. Some of the early scenes of Everett's novel closely follow Huckleberry Finn, but as the two separate and Jim goes off on his own picaresque "adventures", the tone turns more serious as it explores issues of rape, murder, beatings, and racism.

## May 8

**Music Box Series** 11:00 AM • Fellowship **11:15** AM • Program 12:00 рм • Lunch **Goodpasture Hall** 

Join us for a performance from the Westminster Bells and stick around for some of Troy's cooking for lunch.

**Contact Sherri, sgivens@** nashvillewpc.org, to make lunch reservations. Cost \$10.

## April 29 **Young Adults Theology on Tap** 7:00 PM • Location TBD

For more info, please contact: Michael Drake, drakerduck@gmail.com

Lane Russell, Irussell7942@yahoo.com

## May 1 Women's Evening Bible Study 7:00 PM • Keith Maddin's Home

For more info, please contact: Ashley Higgins ahiggins@ Nashvillewpc.org.

Starting June 5 Summer Book Study 9:30 ам Goodpasture Hall

We will study Jaroslav Pelikan's Whose Bible Is It? A History of the Scriptures Through the Ages.



## Café Hours Tuesday - Friday 8:00 ам - Noon

Be our guest! Park in the north entrance parking lot by the blue outdoor umbrella. Enjoy specialized coffees, various teas, and cold drinks along with homemade yummies. High chairs available for our little guests.





May 1-15 Make New and Improved Potholders 9:00 ам - Noon Westminster Café

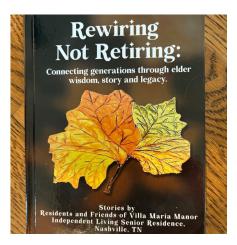
Make a potholder for yourself or to give away to a Joy in Learning special project.

You can finish one in two hours. The friendships you make will last you a lot longer! Scan the QR code to let us know you are coming.



May 14, 15 Westminster Home Connection Help Stuff Envelopes 9:00 - 10:30 AM Westminster Café

Would you be willing to help with Westminster Home Connection mailings? If you can help, please let Beth Drake, beth@westminsterjoy.org, know you can!



## Friday, May 16 Author's Roundtable 10:00 - 11:30 AM Westminster Café

Please join us in the Café with Westminster members, John Arnn and Ann Harris, as they discuss their published works.

Let us know you are coming. Please scan the QR code.









Joy in Learning creatively shares God's gifts of play through the arts and other activities.

As we gather in community, we promote connection, understanding and caring relationships. This is a welcoming environment for all ages as well as those from diverse cultural, ethnic and economic backgrounds.

**Acrylic Painting** 

May 6 - June 24



Tuesdays June 17-July 29 (skipping July 8) 1:00-3:00 p.m. Instructor: Emily Coleman

\$50 for 6 days, which includes all supplies for the class.

Deadline to register: June 10 Limit: 12

Scan QR code for more info.



## Summer Camps

## July



Help Needed with our Refugee Summer Camps with Nations Ministry Cooking and Art Activities

We need help in cooking, cleaning, lunch prep, art leaders and helpers.

Scan the QR code if you are interested.



## Pottery

June and July



This is NOT a class. This Open Studio is created for those who have gone through a beginners class and are ready to play more on their own.

Scan the QR code for detailed info and dates.



# **MINISTRY TEAM**



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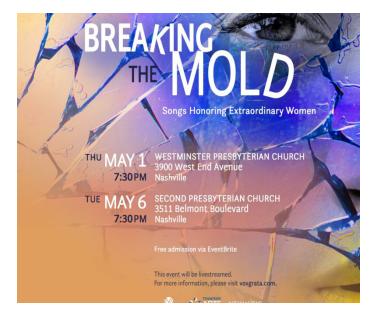
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# THIS WEEK @ WESTMINSTER

Sunday, <i>I</i>	April 27	
	Worship	
	Sunday School	
11:00 AM		
	Music Camp Auditions	
	Laudate Choir Rehearsal	
	Youth Group	
Monday, April 28		
10:00 am		
11:45 ам	Centering Prayer	
1:00 рм	Evening Circle	
5:00 рм	Pickleball	
Tuesday,	April 29	
7:30 ам	Bible Study	
8:00 am	Westminster Café	
11:30 am	Tuesday Lunch Bunch	
7:00 рм	Theology on Tap	
Wednesday, April 30		
7:00 am	Men's Bible Study	
8:00 am	Westminster Café	
9:30 am	Westminster Bells	
10:00 am	Tai Chi	
7:00 рм	Men's Basketball	
	WPC Choir Rehearsal	
Thursday, May 1		
	Westminster Café	
9:30 am	Women's Bible Study	
	Thurs Morning Theological Group	
10:00 am	5	
7:30 рм	Vox Grata Concert	
Friday, May 2		
	Men's Bible Study	
8:00 am	Westminster Café	
10:00 am	Tai Chi	
5:00 рм	Pickleball	
Saturday		
11:30 am	AA	



Vox Grata Concert 7:30 рм Sanctuary

Vox Grata Women's Choir presents "Breaking the Mold: Songs Honoring Extraordinary Women"

This concert will feature songs highlighting the impact women have had throughout history. Women to be honored include Miriam, Malala, Helen Keller, Katherine Johnson, Abigail Adams, Susan B. Anthony and Eleanor Roosevelt, to name a few.

Learn more about Vox Grata by scanning the QR code below.





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May 3 Join us for our annual day of service in the community. 8:00 ам - 12:00 рм Register today!





JESUS CHRIST: RESURRECTION



hymn no. 235 and are based on the traditional gospel reading for the Second Sunday of Easter. They are sung to a 15th-century French tune adapted for church use.

TEXT: Attr. Jean Tisserand, 15th cent.; trans. John Mason Neale, 1852

MUSIC: French melody, 15th cent.; arr. Airs sur les hymnes sacrez, odes et nöels, 1623

O FILII ET FILIAE 8.8.8 with alleluias



This exuberant unrhymed paraphrase is especially well suited for use at celebrations of the Lord's Supper in Easter Season. The stanzas are derived from several passages in Revelation (5:9–10, 12–14; 7:10b, 12), while the refrain possibly refers to 1 Corinthians 15:54b–56.

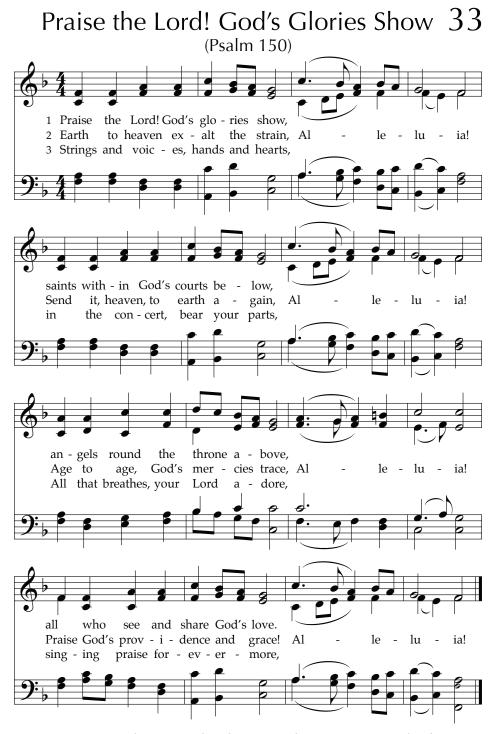
TEXT: John W. Arthur, 1970

MUSIC: Richard Hillert, 1975, alt.

Text © 1978 Lutheran Book of Worship (admin. Augsburg Fortress)

Music © 1975, 1988 Richard Hillert (Published by OCP)

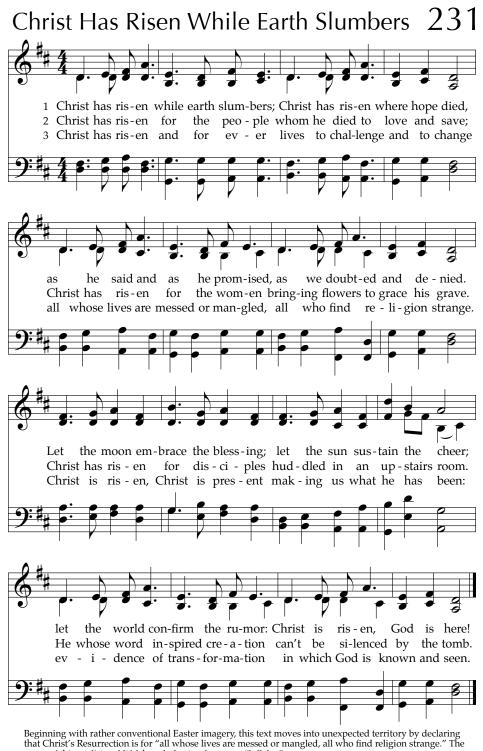
FESTIVAL CANTICLE Irregular



Originally cast as two eight-line stanzas, this 19th-century paraphrase of Psalm 150 was slightly shortened when it was set to the present tune with recurring Alleluias. The Welsh tune is actually older than the text and bears a name meaning "the church of St. Mary."

TEXT: Henry Francis Lyte, 1834; rev. 1836, alt. MUSIC: Robert Williams, 1817; harm. David Evans, 1927 Music Harm. © 1927 Oxford University Press

LLANFAIR 7.7.7.7 with alleluias



name of this traditional Welsh melody simply means "lullaby."