

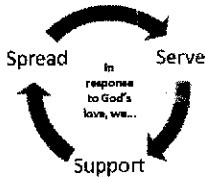
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FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Order of Worship –9:00 AM

+ Service of Holy Communion +

Divine Service, Setting Three (LSB)

AS WE GATHER – *When the Gentiles began showing up, the Church was left with a question. Were they those whom the Father had also elected, or were they intruders? Was the Easter miracle of life in the face of death, and resurrection hope for a people who knew only the grave, big enough for Gentiles as well? It was an answer God had already given. The Gentiles were no longer the dogs who did not belong but a people who shared in the gift of forgiveness and the promise of the resurrection to everlasting life. All of this unfolded in small steps until, in the wake of Pentecost, this blessed truth was made clear and plain for all to see.*

PRESERVICE MUSIC “The Gifts Christ Freely Gives” by Mark Knickelbein

WELCOME

[Please fill out prayer request cards.]

[♫ Means please stand; ♪ Means please be seated]

♫ **OPENING HYMN**

Let Every Creature Join

TERRA BEATA

English

Isaac Watts, 1674–1748

Adapt. Franklin L. Sheppard, 1852–1930



1 Let ev - 'ry crea - ture join To praise th'e - ter - nal
2 Let those of wide com - mand Ex - tol the gra - cious
3 From moun - tains near the sky Let songs of joy re -



God The heav'n - ly hosts be - gin the song, And
Lord; Let judg - es yield to God's own hand, Be
sound! From hum - ble souls to lead - ers high, From

(continued)

sound God's name a - broad; The sun with gold - en
guid - ed by His word. By all the earth - born
vales and hills a - round, Let all our zeal be
beams, The moon with pal - er rays, The star - ry lights, like
race His hon - ors be ex - pressed; But saints that know His
shown By grate - ful songs we raise; God is the Lord! His
twin - kling flames, Dis - play their Mak - er's praise.
heav'n - ly grace Should learn to praise Him best.
name a - lone De - serves our end - less praise!

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INVOCATION

P *In the name of the Father and of the \cdot Son and of the Holy Spirit.* **C** **Amen.**

CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

P *Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness. Our help is in the name of the Lord,*

C **who made heaven and earth.**

P *I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,*

C **and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

[Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.]

P *O Almighty God, merciful Father,*

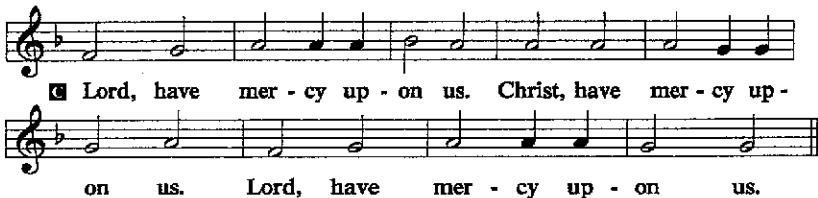
C **I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.**

P *Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the \cdot Son and of the Holy Spirit.* **C** **Amen.**

GLORIA PATRI

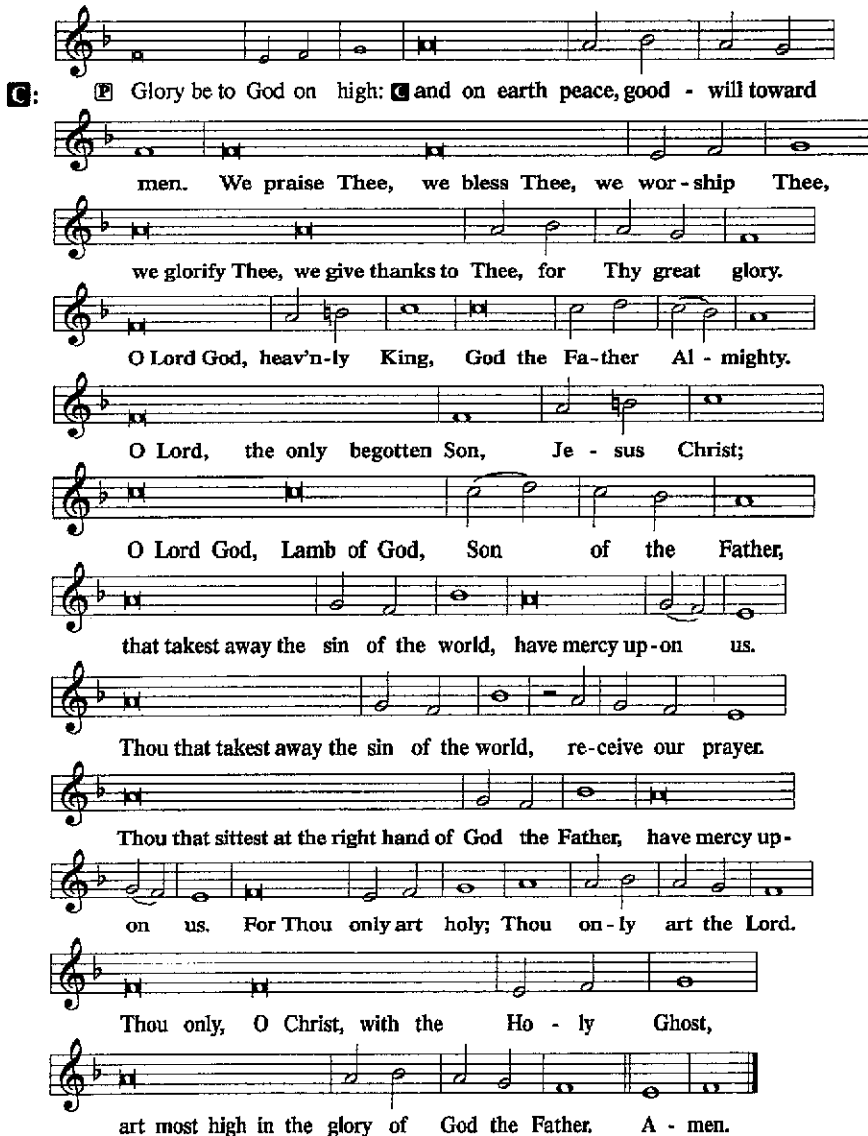
C **Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther and to the Son and to the Ho - ly Ghost;**
as it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and ev - er shall be, world with - out end. A - men.

KYRIE



Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -
on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS



Glory be to God on high: and on earth peace, good - will toward
men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we wor - ship Thee,
we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.
O Lord God, heav'n - ly King, God the Fa - ther Al - mighty.
O Lord, the only begotten Son, Je - sus Christ;
O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy up - on us.
Thou that takest away the sin of the world, re - ceive our prayer.
Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy up -
on us. For Thou only art holy; Thou on - ly art the Lord.
Thou only, O Christ, with the Ho - ly Ghost,
art most high in the glory of God the Father. A - men.

SALUTATION & COLLECT OF THE DAY

P *The Lord be with you.*



R And with thy spir - it.

P *Let us pray.*

All: O God, You make the minds of Your faithful to be of one will. Grant that we may love what You have commanded and desire what You promise, that among the many changes of this world our hearts may be fixed where true joys are found; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, One God, now and forever. Amen.

FIRST LESSON

(lesson is on the last page of the bulletin)

Acts 11:1-18

A *This is the Word of the Lord.*

C Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE LESSON

(lesson is on the last page of the bulletin)

Revelation 21:1-7

A *This is the Word of the Lord.*

C Thanks be to God.

ALLELUIA



R Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia.

HOLY GOSPEL

John 16:12-22

P *The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the sixteenth chapter.*



R Glo - ry be to Thee, O Lord.

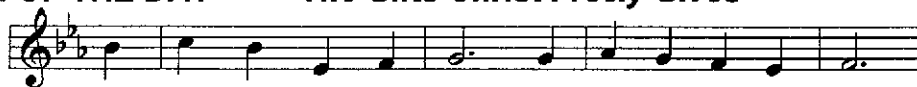
(lesson is on the last page of the bulletin)

P *This is the Gospel of the Lord.*



R Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

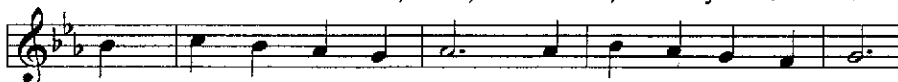
CHILDREN'S MESSAGE



1 The gifts Christ free - ly gives He gives to you and me
 2 The gifts flow from the font Where He calls us His own;
 3 The gifts of grace and peace From ab - so - lu - tion flow;
 4 The gifts are there each day The ho - ly Word is read;



To be His Church, His bride, His cho - sen, saved and free!
 New life He gives that makes Us His and His a - lone.
 The pas - tor's words are Christ's For us to trust and know.
 God's chil - dren lis - ten, hear, Re - ceive, and they are fed.



Saints blest with these rich gifts Are chil - dren who pro - claim
 Here He for - gives our sins With wa - ter and His Word;
 For - give - ness that we need Is grant - ed to us there;
 Christ fills them with Him - self, Blest words that give them life,



That they were won by Christ And cling to His strong name.
 The tri - une God Him - self Gives pow'r to call Him Lord.
 The Lord of mer - cy sends Us forth in His blest care.
 Re - stor - ing and re - fresh - ing Them for this world's strife.

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| <p>5. The gifts are in the feast,
 Gifts far more than we see;
 Beneath the bread and wine
 Is food from Calvary.
 The body and the blood
 Remove our ev'ry sin;
 We leave His presence in
 His peace, renewed again.</p> | <p>6. All glory to the One
 Who lavishes such love;
 The triune God in love
 Assures our life above.
 His means of grace for us
 Are gifts He loves to give;
 All thanks and praise for His
 Great love by which we live! Amen.</p> |
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SERMON

“UNWELCOME GUESTS”

Acts 11:1-18

- I. Like the divisions between Jews and Gentiles, there is much that divide us today.
- II. But the Good News of Christ's salvation is for all people.

NICENE CREED

I believe in One God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible. And in One Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, Very God of Very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by Whom all things were made; Who for us and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made Man; and was crucified also for us under

Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, Whose kingdom will have no end. And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and Giver of life, Who proceeds from the Father and the Son, Who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified, Who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

OFFERING / CHORAL SELECTION

“Jesus Christ My Living Hope”

OFFERTORY

Create in Me A Clean Heart, O God

Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -
 new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -
 way from Thy pres - ence, and take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it
 from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of Thy sal - va -
 tion, and up - hold me with Thy free spir - it. A - men.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

- P** God has made His dwelling place with man; He will dwell with us, and we will be His people; and God will be our God. In confidence of this, let us raise to Him our prayers on behalf of those in need and all people. Almighty Father, You met a divided world with one saving love and will, manifested in the incarnation, suffering, death, and resurrection of Your Son, Jesus Christ. Make us one people in Him, and bless all efforts to come to the true unity of Your Word by the power of Your Spirit. Lord, in Your mercy, **G** hear our prayer.
- P** Give Your rich and abundant blessing to Your Church, O Lord, that she faithfully hold to Your Word even amid trial and persecution, and give Your blessing to all pastors and servants of the Church in their service to us in Your name. Lord, in Your mercy, **G** hear our prayer.
- P** Give us Your Spirit, O Lord, that we welcome the stranger and boldly speak Your Word to those who have not heard it. Guide us by Your grace that we be faithful witnesses until You come in Your glory to finish Your new creation. Lord, in Your mercy, **G** hear our prayer.
- P** Raise up before us, O Lord, the holy vision of heaven and the eternal city, Jerusalem, on high, that things of this life not distract us from the future You have promised and that we live in holy anticipation of the eternal day when all things have been brought to fulfillment. Lord, in Your mercy, **G** hear our prayer.
- P** Govern the nations, O Lord, and bless our leaders, that they be people of good moral

conscience and integrity, for the sake of the poor and the oppressed, and for the encouragement of virtue and good works. Lord, in Your mercy, **C** hear our prayer.

P Guard those in need, O Lord, from the pain of body or mind, from the suffering of illness, and from the fear of death, [especially . . .]. Bring them the comfort of Your presence, healing according to Your will, patience in the day of trial, and deliverance at the last. Lord, in Your mercy, **C** hear our prayer.

P Bidden by Your promise, we Your people commend to You these concerns of our hearts, these prayers of Your Church, and these petitions on behalf of all people as they have need, through the mercy and because of the merits of Your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ. **C** Amen.

PREFACE

P The Lord be with you.



C And with thy spir - it.

P Lift up your hearts.



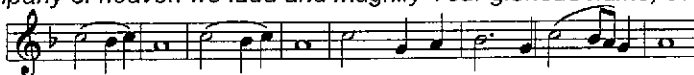
C We lift them up un - to the Lord.

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



C It is meet and right so to do.

P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, Holy Lord, Almighty Father, Everlasting God. And most especially are we bound to praise You on this day for the glorious resurrection of Your Son, Jesus Christ, the very Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us and bore the sins of the world. By His dying He has destroyed death, and by His rising again He has restored to us everlasting life. Therefore, with Mary Magdalene, Peter and John, and with all the witnesses of the resurrection, with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and singing:



C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth;



heav'n and earth are full of Thy glo - ry. Ho - san - na,



ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He,



bless - ed is He, bless - ed is He that com - eth in the name of the Lord.



Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

P *Holy Lord, Mighty God, Your glory is endless and Your mercy is without end. We give You thanks and praise for the greatness of Your creation and most especially for the greater glory of Your salvation, accomplished through Your Son, Jesus Christ, who died that we might live and rose to grant us new and everlasting life. Bless us this day as we come in His name, bidden by His own Word, to receive the gifts of His promise in this blessed Communion.*

C **Amen.**

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

PROCLAMATION OF CHRIST

P *As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.* **C** **Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

P *Remembering Your mercy, O Lord, and how our Savior suffered upon the cross, died the death that was ours to die, rose to bestow upon us the life that death cannot overcome, ascended to the glory of the Father's right hand, and sent forth the Spirit to lead us into faith, we pray You to bring to conclusion all that our Savior began and deliver us to that everlasting life and light in heaven forevermore. Hear us as we pray with one voice the prayer He has taught us:*

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.**

C For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the
glo - ry for - ev - er and ev - er. A - men.

SHARING OF THE PEACE

P *The peace of the Lord be with you always.*

C **And also with you.**

P *Let us share this peace with one another.*

(People greet one another saying: "Peace be with you. And also with you.")

[Remain standing]

AGNUS DEI

Lamb of God

C O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the
world, have mer-cy up-on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that
tak-est a-way the sin of the world, have mer-cy up-on us.

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the
world, grant us Thy peace. A - - men.

Reminder: gluten free wafer (by holding up an index finger to the elder), and non-alcoholic wine (the white grape juice in the center) are also available.

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

With High Delight Let Us Unite

LSB 483

1 With high de-light Let us u - nite In songs of great
2 True God, He first From death has burst Forth in - to life,
3 Let prais-es ring; Give thanks, and bring To Christ our Lord

ju - bi - la - tion. Ye pure in heart, All bear your part,
all sub-du - ing. His en - e - my Doth van - quished lie;
ad - o - ra - tion. His hon - or speed By word and deed

Sing Je - sus Christ, our sal - va - tion. To set us
His death has been death's un - do - ing. "And yours shall
To ev - 'ry land, ev - 'ry na - tion. So shall His

free For - ev - er, He Is ris'n and sends To all earth's
be Like vic - to - ry O'er death and grave," Saith He, who
love Give us a - bove, From mis - er - y And death set

ends Good news to save ev - 'ry na - tion.
gave His life for us, life re - new - ing.
free, All joy and full con - so - la - tion.

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By Grace I'm Saved

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1 By grace I'm saved, grace free and bound-less; My soul, be-lieve and
2 By grace! None dare lay claim to mer - it; Our works and con - duct
3 By grace God's Son, our on - ly Sav - ior, Came down to earth to
4 By grace! This ground of faith is cer - tain; As long as God is

(continued)



doubt it not. Why stag - ger at this word of prom - ise?
 have no worth. God in His love sent our Re - deem - er,
 bear our sin. Was it be - cause of your own mer - it
 true, it stands. What saints have penned by in - spi - ra - tion,



Has Scrip - ture ev - er false - hood taught? No! Then this word must
 Christ Je - sus, to this sin - ful earth; His death did for our
 That Je - sus died your soul to win? No, it was grace, and
 What in His Word our God com - mands, Our faith in what our



true re - main: By grace you too will life ob - tain.
 sins a - tone, And we are saved by grace a - lone.
 grace a - lone, That brought Him from His heav'n - ly throne.
 God has done De - pends on grace— grace through His Son.

5. By grace to timid hearts that tremble,
 In tribulation's furnace tried,
 By grace, in spite of fear and trouble,
 The Father's heart is open wide.
 Where could I help and strength secure
 If grace were not my anchor sure?
6. By grace! On this I'll rest when dying;
 In Jesus' promise I rejoice;
 For though I know my heart's condition,
 I also know my Savior's voice.
 My heart is glad, all grief has flown
 Since I am saved by grace alone.

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Jerusalem, My Happy Home

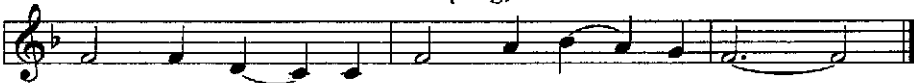
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1 Je - ru - sa - lem, my hap - py home,
 2 O hap - py har - bor of the saints,
 3 Thy gar - dens and thy gal - lant walks
 4 There trees for - ev - er - more bear fruit



When shall I come to thee? When shall my sor - rows
 O sweet and pleas - ant soil! In thee no sor - row
 Con - tin - ual - ly are green; There grow such sweet and
 And ev - er - more do spring; There ev - er - more the



have an end? Thy joys when shall I see?
 may be found, No grief, no care, no toil.
 pleas - ant flow'rs As no - where else are seen.
 an - gels dwell And ev - er - more do sing.

5. Apostles, martyrs, prophets, there
 Around my Savior stand;
 And soon my friends in Christ below
 Will join the glorious band.
6. O Christ, do Thou my soul prepare
 For that bright home of love
 That I may see Thee and adore
 With all Thy saints above.

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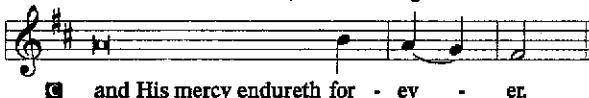
Song of Simeon



¶ Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant de - part in peace ac -
cord - ing to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation,
which Thou hast pre - pared be - fore the face of all people,
a light to light - en the Gen - tiles and the glo - ry of Thy
peo - ple Is - ra - el. Glo - ry be to the Father and
to the Son and to the Ho - ly Ghost; as it was in the beginning,
is now, and ev - er shall be, world without end. A - men.

THANKSGIVING

¶ O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good.



¶ and His mercy endureth for - ev - er.

¶ Let us pray. We give thanks to You, Almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, One God, now and forever.



¶ A - men.

SALUTATION & BENEDICAMUS

¶ The Lord be with you.



¶ And with thy spir - it.

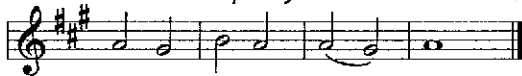
¶ Bless we the Lord.



¶ Thanks be to God.

BENEDICTION

P *The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you His peace.* Numbers 6:24-26

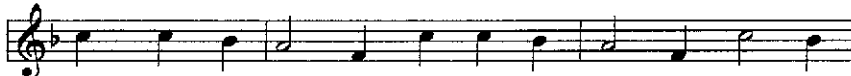


C A-men, a-men, a - men.

CLOSING HYMN

In Thee Is Gladness

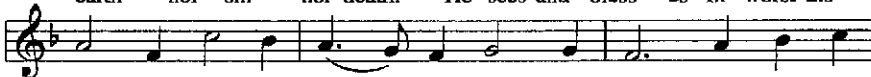
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1 In Thee is glad - ness A - mid all sad - ness, Je - sus,
2 Since He is ours, We fear no pow - ers, Not of



sun - shine of my heart. By Thee are giv - en The gifts of
earth nor sin nor death. He sees and bless - es In worst dis -



heav - en, Thou the true Re - deem - er art. Our souls Thou
tress - es; He can change them with a breath. Where - fore the



wak - est, Our bonds Thou break - est; Who trusts Thee sure - ly Has built se -
sto - ry Tell of His glo - ry With hearts and voic - es; All heav'n re -



cure - ly; He stands for - ev - er: Al - le - lu - ia! Our hearts are
joic - es In Him for - ev - er: Al - le - lu - ia! We shout for



pin - ing To see Thy shin - ing, Dy - ing or liv - ing
glad - ness, Tri - umph o'er sad - ness, Love Him and praise Him



To Thee are cleav - ing; Naught can us sev - er: Al - le - lu - ia!
And still shall raise Him Glad hymns for - ev - er: Al - le - lu - ia!

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

POSTLUDE

"Now Herald the King"

by David Paxton

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