



"...I died, and behold I am alive forevermore..."

Revelation 1:18b

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*We gather to worship Jesus Christ, the Living One.*

**PREPARATORY HYMN**

Christ The Lord Is Risen Today

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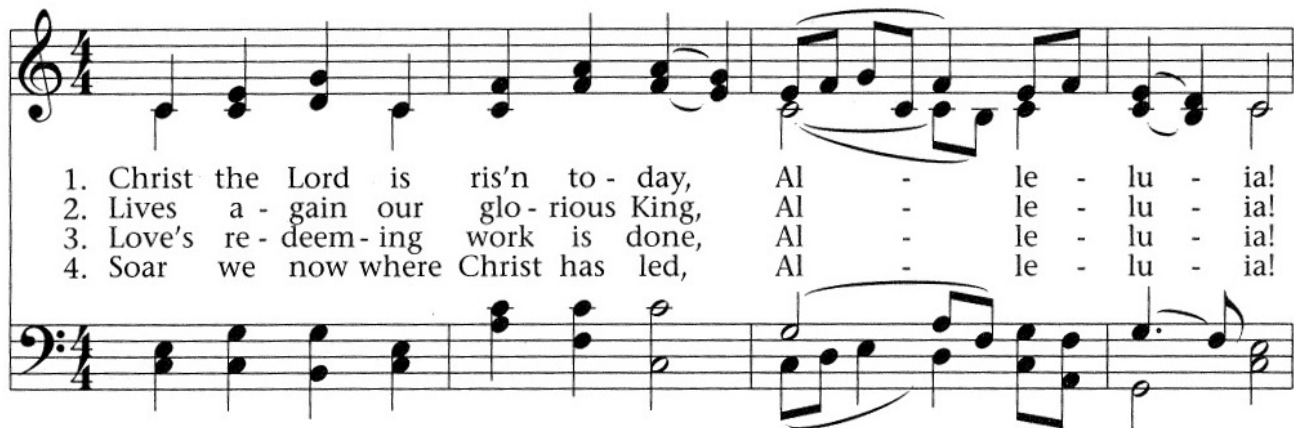
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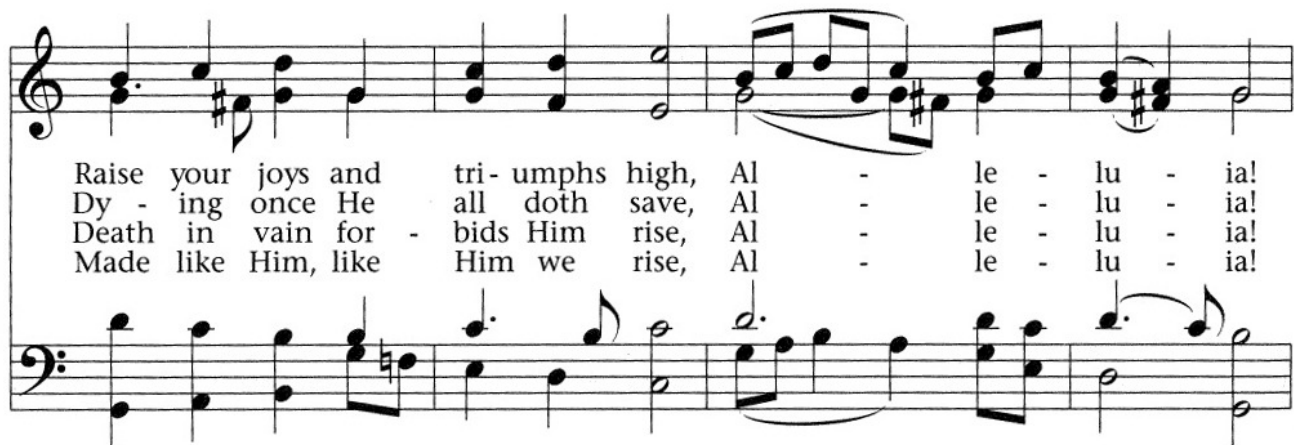
# PREPARATORY HYMN: CHRIST THE LORD IS RISEN TODAY



1. Christ the Lord is ris'n to - day, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 2. Lives a - gain our glo - rious King, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 3. Love's re - deem - ing work is done, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 4. Soar we now where Christ has led, Al - le - lu - ia!



Sons of men and an - gels say, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 Where, O Death, is now thy sting? Al - le - lu - ia!  
 Fought the fight, the bat - tle won, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 Fol - l'wing our ex - alt - ed Head, Al - le - lu - ia!



Raise your joys and tri - umphs high, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 Dy - ing once He all doth save, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 Death in vain for - bids Him rise, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 Made like Him, like Him we rise, Al - le - lu - ia!



Sing, ye heav'ns, and earth, re - ply, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 Where thy vic - to - ry, O Grave? Al - le - lu - ia!  
 Christ hath o - pened Par - a - dise, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 Ours the cross, the grave, the skies, Al - le - lu - ia!

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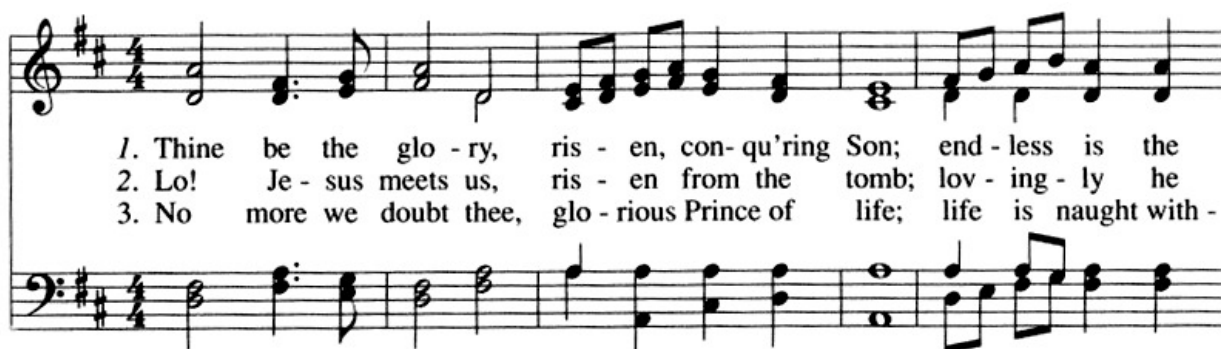
## **SCRIPTURAL CALL TO WORSHIP**

2 TIMOTHY 2:8

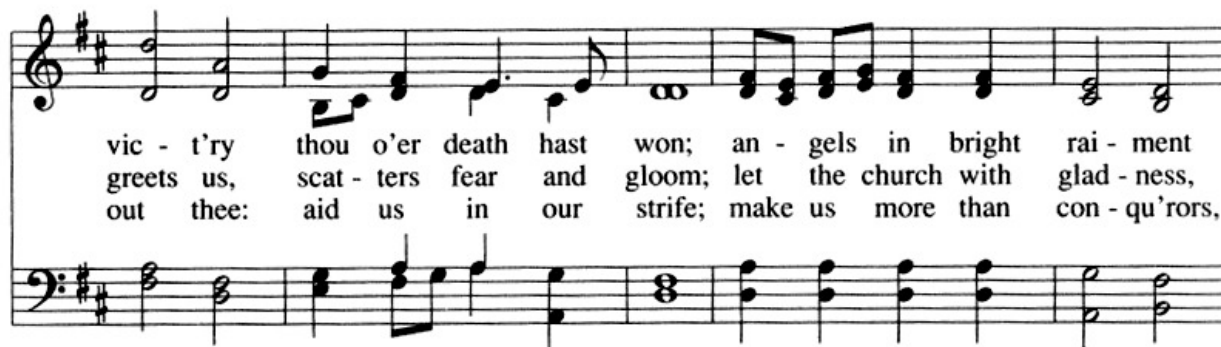
Remember Jesus Christ, risen from the dead, the offspring of David, as preached in my gospel.

**PRAYER OF PRAISE**

# THINE BE THE GLORY



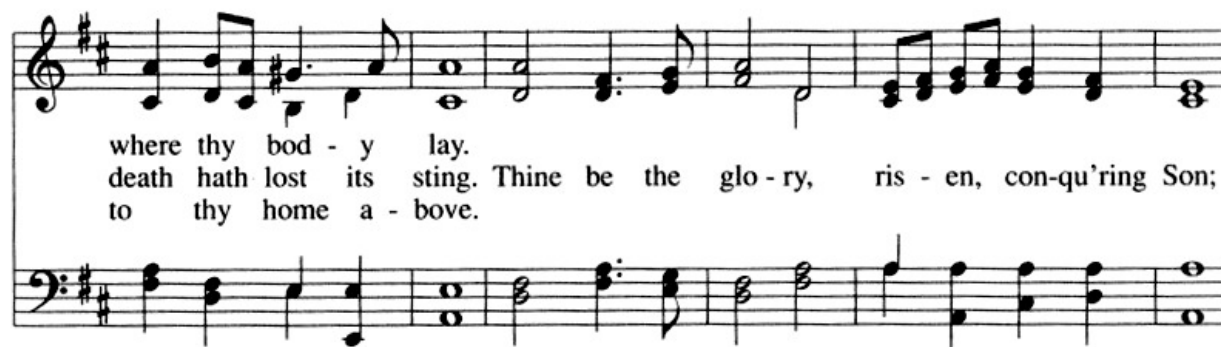
1. Thine be the glo - ry, ris - en, con-qu'ring Son; end - less is the  
 2. Lo! Je - sus meets us, ris - en from the tomb; lov - ing - ly he  
 3. No more we doubt thee, glo - rious Prince of life; life is naught with -



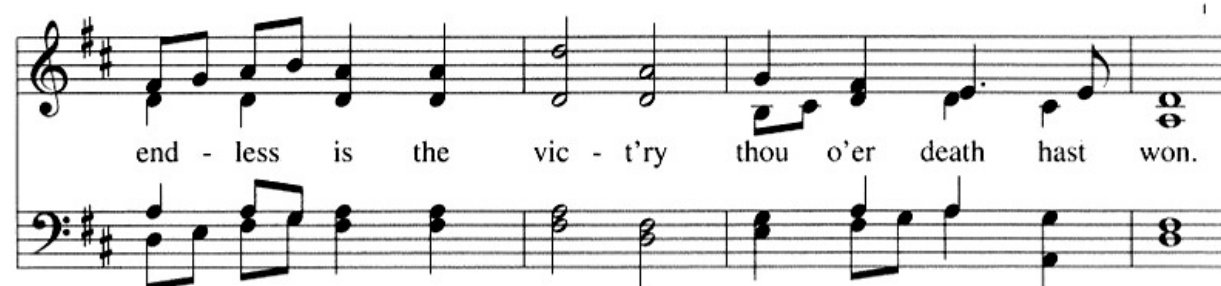
vic - t'ry thou o'er death hast won; an - gels in bright rai - ment  
 greets us, scat - ters fear and gloom; let the church with glad - ness,  
 out thee: aid us in our strife; make us more than con - qu'rors,



rolled the stone a - way, kept the fold - ed grave - clothes,  
 hymns of tri - umph sing, for her Lord now liv - eth,  
 thro' thy death - less love: bring us safe thro' Jor - dan



where thy bod - y lay.  
 death hath lost its sting. Thine be the glo - ry, ris - en, con-qu'ring Son;  
 to thy home a - bove.



end - less is the vic - t'ry thou o'er death hast won.

# CHRIST OUR HOPE IN LIFE AND DEATH

## Verse 1

What is our hope in life and death?  
Christ alone Christ alone  
What is our only confidence?  
That our souls to Him belong  
Who holds our days within His  
hand?  
What comes apart from His  
command?  
And what will keep us to the end?  
The love of Christ in which we  
stand

## Chorus

O sing hallelujah!  
Our hope springs eternal  
O sing hallelujah!  
Now and ever we confess  
Christ our hope in life and death

## Verse 2

What truth can calm the troubled  
soul?  
God is good God is good  
Where is His grace and goodness  
known?  
In our great Redeemer's blood  
Who holds our faith when fears  
arise?  
Who stands above the stormy trial?  
Who sends the waves that bring us  
nigh unto the shore the rock of  
Christ?

## Verse 3

Unto the grave what will we sing?  
Christ He lives  
Christ He lives  
And what reward will heaven bring?  
Everlasting life with Him  
There we will rise to meet the Lord  
Then sin and death will be  
destroyed!  
And we will feast in endless joy  
When Christ is ours forevermore

## SCRIPTURE READING

### DANIEL 7:9-14

<sup>9</sup> “As I looked,  
thrones were placed,  
and the Ancient of Days took his seat;  
his clothing was white as snow,  
and the hair of his head like pure wool;  
his throne was fiery flames;  
its wheels were burning fire.

<sup>10</sup> A stream of fire issued  
and came out from before him;  
a thousand thousands served him,  
and ten thousand times ten thousand stood before him;  
the court sat in judgment,  
and the books were opened.

<sup>11</sup> “I looked then because of the sound of the great words that the horn was speaking. And as I looked, the beast was killed, and its body destroyed and given over to be burned with fire. <sup>12</sup> As for the rest of the beasts, their dominion was taken away, but their lives were prolonged for a season and a time.

<sup>13</sup> “I saw in the night visions,  
and behold, with the clouds of heaven  
there came one like a son of man,  
and he came to the Ancient of Days  
and was presented before him.

<sup>14</sup> And to him was given dominion  
and glory and a kingdom,  
that all peoples, nations, and languages  
should serve him;  
his dominion is an everlasting dominion,  
which shall not pass away,  
and his kingdom one  
that shall not be destroyed.

## SCRIPTURE READING

### JOHN 20:11-31

<sup>11</sup> But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb, and as she wept she stooped to look into the tomb. <sup>12</sup> And she saw two angels in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had lain, one at the head and one at the feet. <sup>13</sup> They said to her, “Woman, why are you weeping?” She said to them, “They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him.” <sup>14</sup> Having said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing, but she did not know that it was Jesus. <sup>15</sup> Jesus said to her, “Woman, why are you weeping? Whom are you seeking?” Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, “Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away.” <sup>16</sup> Jesus said to her, “Mary.” She turned and said to him in Aramaic, “Rabboni!” (which means Teacher). <sup>17</sup> Jesus said to her, “Do not cling to me, for I have not yet ascended to the Father; but go to my brothers and say to them, ‘I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.’” <sup>18</sup> Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, “I have seen the Lord”—and that he had said these things to her.

<sup>19</sup> On the evening of that day, the first day of the week, the doors being locked where the disciples were for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said to them, “Peace be with you.” <sup>20</sup> When he had said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples were glad when they saw the Lord. <sup>21</sup> Jesus said to them again, “Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, even so I am sending you.” <sup>22</sup> And when he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, “Receive the Holy Spirit. <sup>23</sup> If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you withhold forgiveness from any, it is withheld.”

<sup>24</sup> Now Thomas, one of the twelve, called the Twin, was not with them when Jesus came. <sup>25</sup> So the other disciples told him, “We have seen the Lord.” But he said to them, “Unless I see in his hands the mark of the nails, and place my finger into the mark of the nails, and place my hand into his side, I will never believe.”

<sup>26</sup> Eight days later, his disciples were inside again, and Thomas was with



them. Although the doors were locked, Jesus came and stood among them and said, “Peace be with you.” <sup>27</sup> Then he said to Thomas, “Put your finger here, and see my hands; and put out your hand, and place it in my side. Do not disbelieve, but believe.” <sup>28</sup> Thomas answered him, “My Lord and my God!” <sup>29</sup> Jesus said to him, “Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed.”

<sup>30</sup> Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of the disciples, which are not written in this book; <sup>31</sup> but these are written so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name.

## **PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

### **SCRIPTURAL ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

#### **REVELATION 1:5B-6**

To him who loves us and has freed us from our sins by his blood and made us a kingdom, priests to his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.

# SEE, WHAT A MORNING

1. See, what a morn - ing, glo - rious - ly bright, with the  
 2. See Ma - ry weep - ing, "Where is He laid?" As in  
 3. One with the Fa - ther, An - cient of Days, through the

dawn - ing of hope in Je - ru - sa - lem; Fold - ed the grave clothes,  
 sor - row she turns from the emp - ty tomb; Hears a voice speak - ing,  
 Spir - it who clothes faith with cer - tain - ty, hon - our and bless - ing,

tomb filled with light, as the an - gels an - nounce Christ is ris - en!  
 call - ing her name; It's the Mas - ter, the Lord raised to life a - gain!  
 glo - ry and praise to the King crowned with pow'r and au - thor - i - ty!

See God's sal - va - tion plan, wrought in love, borne in pain, paid in  
The voice that spans the years, speak - ing life, stir - ring hope, bring - ing  
And we are raised with Him, death is dead, love has won, Christ has

sa - cri - fice, ful - filled in Christ, the Man, for He  
peace to us, will sound till He ap - pears, for He  
con - quered; And we shall reign with Him, for He

lives: Christ is ris - en from the dead!  
lives: Christ is ris - en from the dead!  
lives: Christ is ris - en from the dead!

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# SERMON

## REVELATION 1:9-20

### THE LIVING ONE

<sup>9</sup> I, John, your brother and partner in the tribulation and the kingdom and the patient endurance that are in Jesus, was on the island called Patmos on account of the word of God and the testimony of Jesus. <sup>10</sup> I was in the Spirit on the Lord's day, and I heard behind me a loud voice like a trumpet <sup>11</sup> saying, "Write what you see in a book and send it to the seven churches, to Ephesus and to Smyrna and to Pergamum and to Thyatira and to Sardis and to Philadelphia and to Laodicea."

<sup>12</sup> Then I turned to see the voice that was speaking to me, and on turning I saw seven golden lampstands, <sup>13</sup> and in the midst of the lampstands one like a son of man, clothed with a long robe and with a golden sash around his chest. <sup>14</sup> The hairs of his head were white, like white wool, like snow. His eyes were like a flame of fire, <sup>15</sup> his feet were like burnished bronze, refined in a furnace, and his voice was like the roar of many waters. <sup>16</sup> In his right hand he held seven stars, from his mouth came a sharp two-edged sword, and his face was like the sun shining in full strength.

<sup>17</sup> When I saw him, I fell at his feet as though dead. But he laid his right hand on me, saying, "Fear not, I am the first and the last, <sup>18</sup> and the living one. I died, and behold I am alive forevermore, and I have the keys of Death and Hades. <sup>19</sup> Write therefore the things that you have seen, those that are and those that are to take place after this. <sup>20</sup> As for the mystery of the seven stars that you saw in my right hand, and the seven golden lampstands, the seven stars are the angels of the seven churches, and the seven lampstands are the seven churches.

# IN CHRIST ALONE



1. In Christ a - lone, my hope is found, He is my Light, my strength, my song;
2. In Christ a - lone, who took on flesh, full-ness of God in help - less Babe;
3. There in the ground His bod - y lay, Light of the world by dark - ness slain;
4. No guilt in life, no fear in death, this is the pow'r of Christ in me;



This Cor-ner-stone, this Sol - id Ground, firm through the fierc-est drought and  
this gift of love and right-eous - ness scorned by the ones He came to  
then burst-ing forth in glo - r'ous day, up from the grave He rose a -  
from life's first cry to fi - nal breath, Je - sus com-mands my des - ti -



*\*Optional Tag*



storm. What heights of love, what depths of peace, when fears are stilled, when strivings  
save. 'Til on that cross as Je - sus died, the wrath of God was sat - is -  
gain. And as He stands in vic - to - ry, sin's curse has lost its grip on  
ny. \*No pow'r of hell, no scheme of man, can ev - er pluck me from His



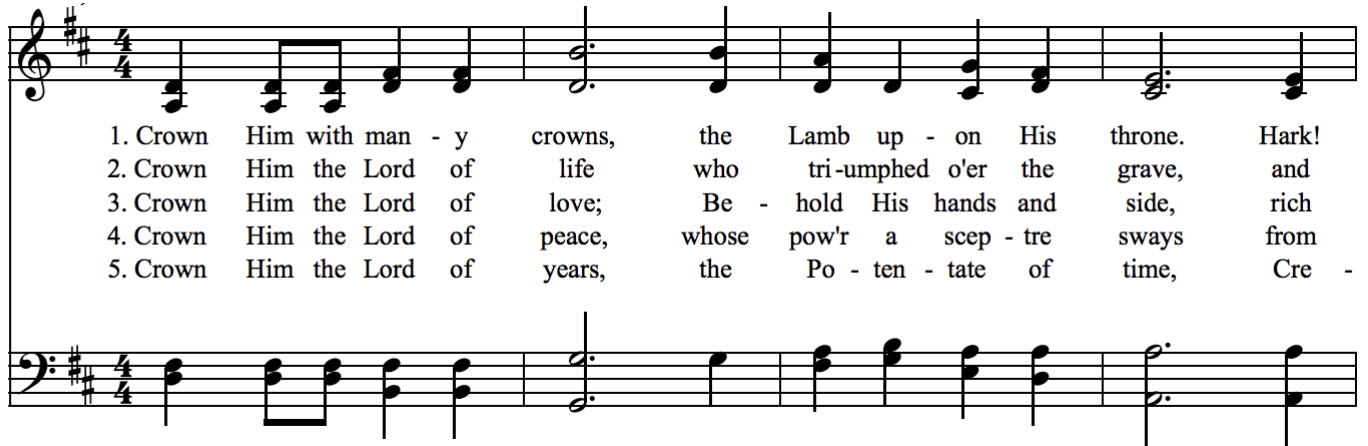
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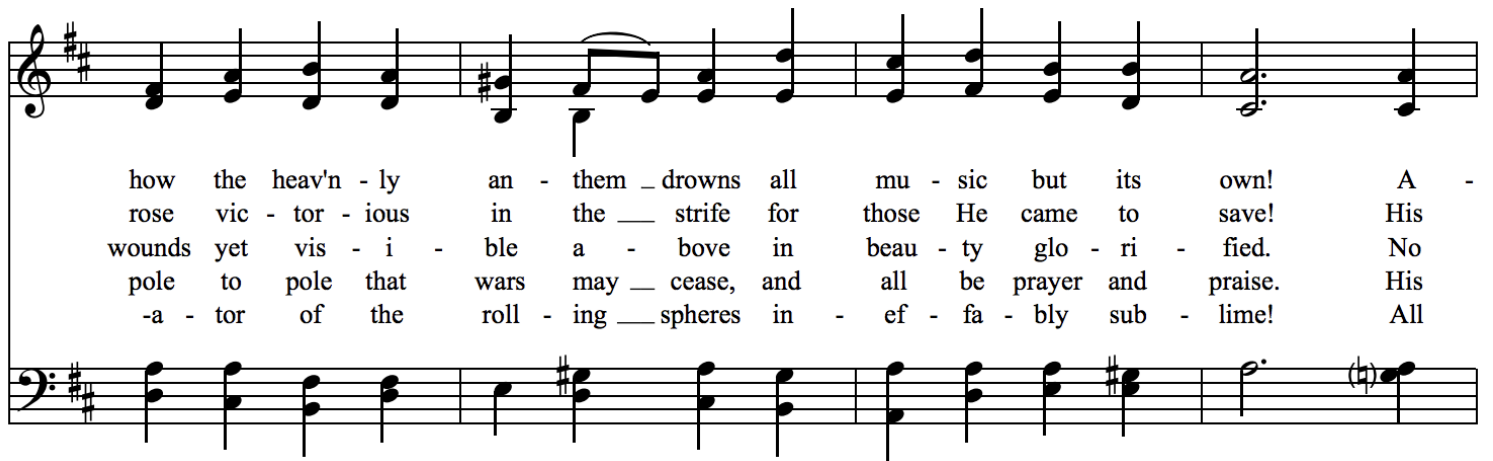
cease! My Com-fort-er, my all - in - all; here in the love of Christ I stand.  
fied, for - ev - 'ry sin on Him was laid; here in the death of Christ I live.  
me, for I am His and He is mine; bought with the pre-cious blood of Christ.  
hand, 'til He re-turs or calls me home; here in the pow'r of Christ I'll stand.



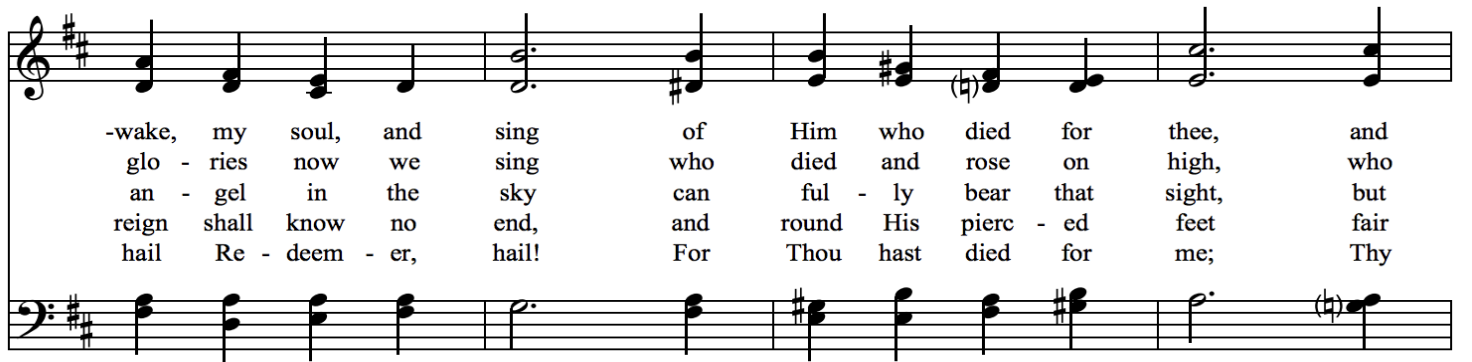
# Crown Him With Many Crowns



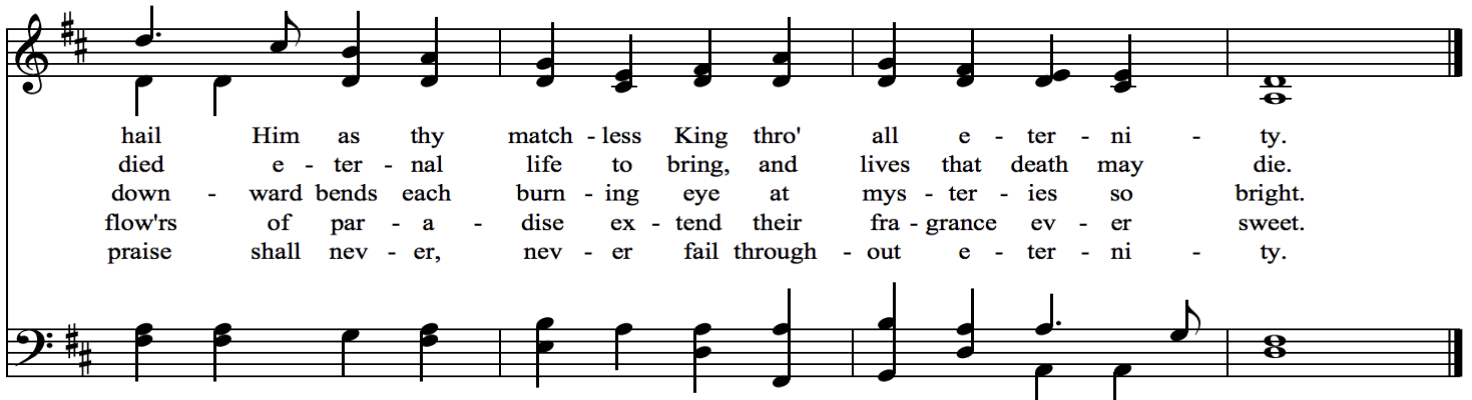
1. Crown Him with man - y crowns, the Lamb up - on His throne. Hark!  
 2. Crown Him the Lord of life who tri-umphed o'er the grave, and  
 3. Crown Him the Lord of love; Be - hold His hands and side, rich  
 4. Crown Him the Lord of peace, whose pow'r a scep - tre sways from  
 5. Crown Him the Lord of years, the Po - ten - tate of time, Cre -



how the heav'n - ly an - them \_drowns all mu - sic but its own! A -  
 rose vic - tor - ious in the \_ strife for those He came to save! His  
 wounds yet vis - i - ble a - bove in beau - ty glo - ri - fied. No  
 pole to pole that wars may \_ cease, and all be prayer and praise. His  
 -a - tor of the roll - ing \_ spheres in - ef - fa - bly sub - lime! All



-wake, my soul, and sing of Him who died for thee, and  
 glo - ries now we sing who died and rose on high, who  
 an - gel in the sky can ful - ly bear that sight, but  
 reign shall know no end, and round His pierc - ed feet fair  
 hail Re - deem - er, hail! For Thou hast died for me; Thy



hail Him as thy match - less King thro' all e - ter - ni - ty.  
 died e - ter - nal life to bring, and lives that death may die.  
 down - ward bends each burn - ing eye at mys - ter - ies so bright.  
 flow'rs of par - a - dise ex - tend their fra - grance ev - er sweet.  
 praise shall nev - er, nev - er fail through - out e - ter - ni - ty.

## DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from whom all bles-sings flow; Praise Him, all crea-tures here be-low;

Praise Him a-bove, ye heav'n-ly host; Praise Fa-ther, Son, and Ho-ly Ghost. A-men.

*Words: Thomas Ken (1637-1711)*

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## WHO IS JESUS?

Our greatest prayer for you is that you would come to know Jesus. Though we have all rebelled against God, He sent Jesus, His only Son, into our broken world. Through Jesus's obedient life, sacrificial death, and victorious resurrection, sinners can be forgiven and reconciled to God through turning from our sins and trusting in Him.

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## FOLLOWING JESUS

**Baptism** is publicly professing your faith in Jesus and identifying with His people.

**Discipleship** is walking together in life and helping one another follow Jesus faithfully.

**Membership** is our mutual commitment to follow Jesus together in the context of a local church.

**Service** to the church and the world is what characterizes Jesus's followers as we seek to make Him known.

If you would like to learn more about Jesus and what it means to follow Him, we would love to talk with you. Please speak with one of our elders or submit a connect card (scan the QR code below).

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## VISITORS & GUESTS

**Welcome!** If you are new to our church, we invite you to connect with an elder in the foyer after the service so that we can welcome you personally. You can also complete a **Connect Card**, available in the pews or via this QR code, to request more information about our church or about what it means to be a Christian. Please also take a **Visitor Gift** from the foyer on the way out. We're glad you're here!



**Families with Children** We offer Sunday School classes at 9:30am for grades K-12 and childcare for infants to pre-K during the 10:45 worship service. Canvas 'busy bags' are available in the lobby for children to use during the service. Additional information about our Children's Ministry is available on our website.

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## OUR LIFE TOGETHER

### Evening Service – May 4

Please join us for our evening service on May 4<sup>th</sup> where we will consider the topic: **Fasting** at 5PM.

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