



Emmanuel Episcopal Church

... they shall name him Emmanuel, which means, "God is with us."

The Sixth Sunday of Easter: ASCENSION DAY

9 May 2024 at 7:00 p.m.

HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE II

THE PEOPLE GATHER

¶This service is based on the Order for Holy Eucharist found in The Book of Common Prayer. It is customary for the people to prepare for worship in quiet and prayer. The people recite the **bold type** responses in unison.

THE WORD OF GOD

Prelude

F. William Voetberg

¶The people stand to sing

Hymn H-214 Hail the day that sees him rise

Llanfair (Red Hymnal)



1 Hail the day that sees him rise, Al - le - lu - ia!
 2 There the glo - rious tri - umph waits; Al - le - lu - ia!
 *3 See! he lifts his hands a - bove; Al - le - lu - ia!
 4 Lord be - yond our mor - tal sight, Al - le - lu - ia!



glo - rious to his na - tive skies; Al - le - lu - ia!
 lift your heads, e - ter - nal gates! Al - le - lu - ia!
 See! he shows the prints of love: Al - le - lu - ia!
 raise our hearts to reach thy height, Al - le - lu - ia!



Christ, a - while to mor - tals given, Al - le - lu - ia!
 Wide un - fold the ra - diant scene; Al - le - lu - ia!
 Hark! his gra - cious lips be - stow, Al - le - lu - ia!
 there thy face un - cloud - ed see, Al - le - lu - ia!



en - ters now the high - est heaven! Al - le - lu - ia!
 take the King of glo - ry in! Al - le - lu - ia!
 bless - ings on his Church be - low. Al - le - lu - ia!
 find our heaven of heavens in thee. Al - le - lu - ia!

¶The people remain standing

THE ACCLAMATION

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Celebrant Alleluia. Christ is risen.

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

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE GLORIA *Gloria in excelsis*

S-278 (Red Hymnal)



1. Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and



peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly King, al -



might - y God and Fa-ther, we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we



praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus Christ,



on - ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you



take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us;

5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -
 ceive our prayer. 6. For
 you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,
 7. you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the
 Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the glo - ry of
 God the Fa - ther. A - men.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

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Celebrant The Lord be with you.

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

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty God, whose blessed Son our Savior Jesus Christ ascended far above all heavens that he might fill all things: Mercifully give us faith to perceive that, according to his promise, he abides with his Church on earth, even to the end of the ages; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, in glory everlasting. ***Amen.***

¶The people sit for

THE LESSONS

A Reading from the New Testament: Acts 1:1-11

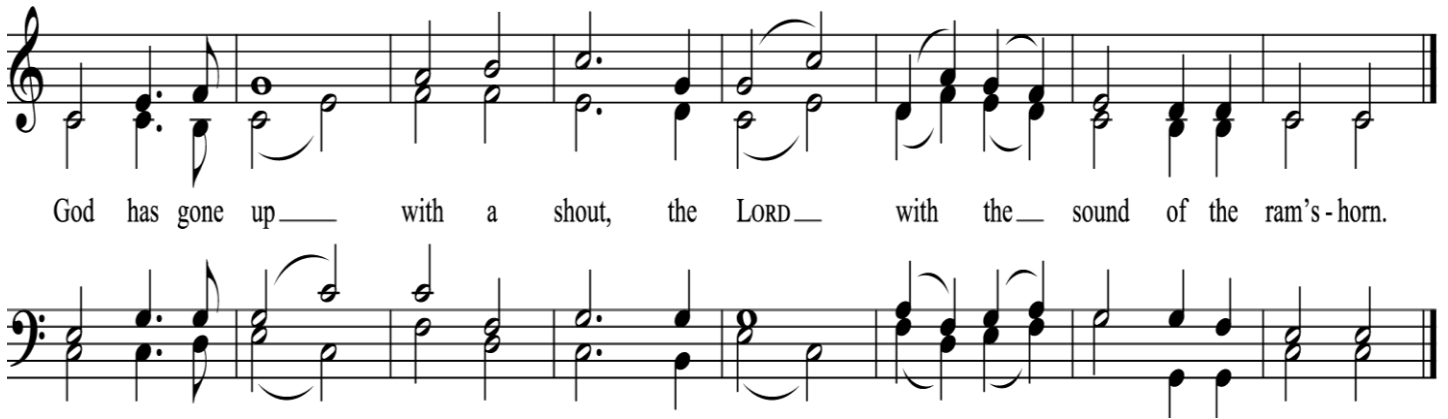
In the first book, Theophilus, I wrote about all that Jesus did and taught from the beginning until the day when he was taken up to heaven, after giving instructions through the Holy Spirit to the apostles whom he had chosen. After his suffering he presented himself alive to them by many convincing proofs, appearing to them during forty days and speaking about the kingdom of God. While staying with them, he ordered them not to leave Jerusalem, but to wait there for the promise of the Father. “This,” he said, “is what you have heard from me; for John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now.” So when they had come together, they asked him, “Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?” He replied, “It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.” When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. While he was going and they were gazing up toward heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. They said, “Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up toward heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven.”

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

The Psalm: *Psalm 47*

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God has gone up with a shout, the LORD with the sound of the ram's-horn.

- 1 Clap your hands, all you peoples;*
shout to God with a cry of joy.
- 2 For the LORD Most High is to be feared,*
he is the great King over all the earth.

Antiphon

- 3 He subdues the peoples under us,*
and the nations under our feet.
- 4 He chooses our inheritance for us,*
the pride of Jacob whom he loves.

Antiphon

- 6 Sing praises to God, sing praises,*
sing praises to our King, sing praises.
- 7 For God is King of all the earth,*
sing praises with all your skill.

Antiphon

- 8 God reigns over the nations;*
God sits upon his holy throne.
- 9 The nobles of the peoples have gathered together*
with the people of the God of Abraham.
- 10 The rulers of the earth belong to God,*
and he is highly exalted.

Antiphon

The Epistle: Ephesians 1:15-23

I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Hymn L-161 Go Preach My Gospel

Hastings (Red and Black Hymnal)



1. "Go___ preach my gos - pel," saith the Lord, "Bid___
 2. "I'll___ make my great___ com - mis - sion known, And___
 3. "Go___ heal the sick,___ go raise the dead, Go___
 4. "While___ thus ye fol - low my com - mands, I'm___
 5. He___ spake and light___ shone round His head, On___



1. the whole earth___ my grace re - ceive, Ex - plain to them my
 2. ye shall prove___ my gos - pel true By all the works that
 3. cast out dev - ils in my name. Nor let my proph - ets
 4. with you till___ the world shall end. All pow'r is trust - ed
 5. a bright cloud___ to heav'n He rode. They to the far - thest



1. sa - cred word, Bid___ them be - lieve,___ o - bey, and live."___
 2. I have done, And___ all the won - ders ye shall do."___
 3. be a - fraid, Though___ man re - proach, - and will blas - pheme."___
 4. in my hands; I___ can de - stroy,___ and can de - fend."___
 5. na - tion spread The___ grace of their___ as - cend - ed God. ___

¶*The people stand for the reading of the Gospel*

The Gospel: *Luke 24:44-53*

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
according to Luke.

People ***Glory to you, Lord Christ.***

Jesus said to his disciples, “These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you—that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled.” Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, and he said to them, “Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things. And see, I am sending upon you what my Father promised; so stay here in the city until you have been clothed with power from on high.” Then he led them out as far as Bethany, and, lifting up his hands, he blessed them. While he was blessing them, he withdrew from them and was carried up into heaven. And they worshiped him, and returned to Jerusalem with great joy; and they were continually in the temple blessing God.

Celebrant The Gospel of our Lord.

People ***Praise to you, Lord Christ.***

¶*The people sit for*

THE SERMON

The Rev. Paul Kuhlman

¶Pause for silence and reflection; the people stand with the Celebrant to say

THE NICENE CREED

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We believe in one God,

*the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.*

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,

*the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.*

Through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation

*he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.*

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;

he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again

*in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.*

*He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.*

*We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.*

With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.

He has spoken through the Prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

*We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.*

¶ *The people are lead in*

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;

That we all may be one.

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

That your Name may be glorified by all people.

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons; for Michael our Presiding Bishop, Skip our Assisting Bishop, Mother Alicia our Rector-elect, and Paul our Supply Clergy, and for all the clergy and people. Holy Spirit, guide the people of our partner congregation St. Elizabeth's Higgins Lake and our own community. Give us the wisdom necessary to bring healing, light and love to the world.

That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;

That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

That our works may find favor in your sight.

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;

That they may be delivered from their distress.

Give to the departed eternal rest;

Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

Celebrant Lord Jesus Christ, you said to your apostles, “Peace I give to you; my own peace I leave with you:” Regard not our sins, but the faith of your Church, and give to us the peace and unity of that heavenly City, where with the Father and the Holy Spirit, you live and reign, now and for ever. *Amen.*

All Almighty God, giver of every good gift, look graciously on your whole church, and so guide this congregation during our transition, that we may grow in our commitment to the Gospel of Jesus Christ and to each other. Guide Mother Alicia into all wisdom as she prepares to join us on our journey of faith in this church, in the community, and in our diocese, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE PEACE

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People *And also with you.*

¶*All greet one another in the name of the Lord.*

THE HOLY COMMUNION

¶*The Celebrant begins the Offertory with the following words*

THE OFFERTORY

Celebrant Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.

Hymn H-215 See the Conqueror mounts in triumph *In Babilone (Red Hymnal)*



1 See the Con - queror mounts in tri - umph; see the King in
 2 He who on the cross did suf - fer, he who from the
 3 Thou hast raised our hu - man na - ture on the clouds to



roy - al state, rid - ing on the clouds, his
 grave a - rose, he has van - quished sin and
 God's right hand: there we sit in heaven - ly



char - iot, to his heaven - ly pal - ace gate!
 Sa - tan; he by death has spoiled his foes.
 plac - es, there with thee in glo - ry stand.



Hark! the choirs of an - gel voic - es joy - ful
 While he lifts his hands in bless - ing, he is
 Je - sus reigns, a - dored by an - gels; Man with



al - le - lu - ias sing, and the por - tals
 part - ed from his friends; while their ea - ger
 God is on the throne; might - y Lord, in



high are lift - ed to re - ceive their heaven - ly King.
 eyes be - hold him, he up - on the clouds a - scends.
 thine as - cen - sion, we by faith be - hold our own.

¶The people remain standing.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING: Eucharistic Prayer B

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Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them to the Lord.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Through your dearly beloved Son Jesus Christ our Lord. After his glorious resurrection he openly appeared to his disciples, and in their sight ascended into heaven, to prepare a place for us; that where he is, there we might also be, and reign with him in glory.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Holy, holy, holy Lord *Sanctus*

S-129, (Red Hymnal)

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and

might, hea - ven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -

san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who

comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est._____

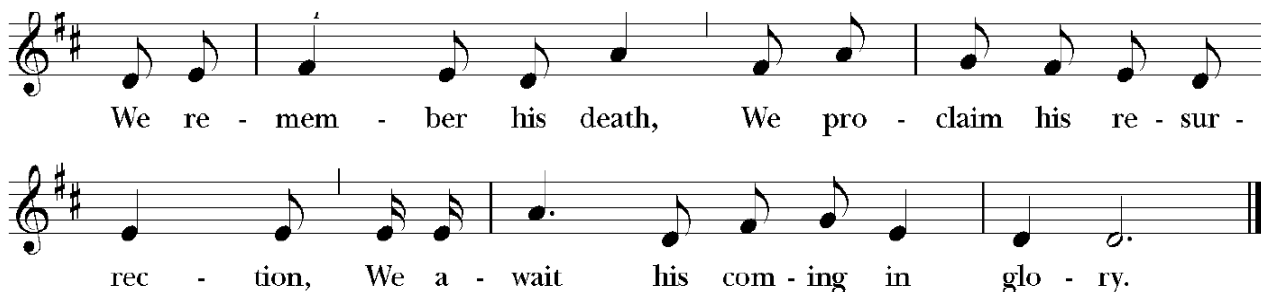
We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son.

For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,



The image shows two staves of musical notation in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The first staff contains the melody for the lyrics "We re - mem - ber his death, We pro - claim his re - sur -". The second staff continues with "rec - tion, We a - wait his com - ing in glo - ry." The music consists of quarter and eighth notes, with a final double bar line at the end of the second staff.

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit.

In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever.



And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,
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.***

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

¶*The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.*

Fraction Anthem Christ our Passover *S-155 (Red Hymnal)*

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le -
lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Christ our Pass - o - ver is
sac - ri - ficed for us; there - fore let us keep the feast.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

The image shows four staves of musical notation in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The lyrics are written below the notes. The first staff begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The melody is simple and hymn-like, with some phrases spanning across bar lines. The lyrics are: 'Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Christ our Pass - o - ver is sac - ri - ficed for us; there - fore let us keep the feast. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.'

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God.
Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you,
and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

THE COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

¶*All are welcome to join in the sacrament of Holy Communion.*

Prayer for Spiritual Communion

Celebrant If you are celebrating the Eucharist with us online, and wish to receive Spiritual Communion, please join in reciting the following prayer.

People My Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar. I love you above all things and long for you in my soul. Since I cannot receive you in the Sacrament of your Body and Blood, come spiritually into my heart. Cleanse and strengthen me with your grace, Lord Jesus, and let me never be separated from you. May I live in you, and you in me, in this life and in the life to come. Amen.

Hymn H-219 The Lord ascendeth up on high

Ach Herr (Red Hymnal)



1 The Lord a - scend - eth up on high, the Lord hath tri - umphed
 2 The heavens with joy re - ceive their Lord, by saints, by an - gel
 3 Our great High Priest hath gone be - fore, up - on his Church his



glo - rious - ly, in power and might ex - cel - ling;
 hosts a - dored; O day of ex - ul - ta - tion!
 grace to pour; and still his love he giv - eth.



the grave and hell are cap - tive led. Lo! he re -
 O earth, a - dore thy glo - rious King! His ris - ing,
 O may our hearts to him a - scend; may all with -



turns, our glo - rious Head, to his e - ter - nal dwell - ing.
 his as - cen - sion sing with grate - ful a - dor - a - tion!
 in us up - ward tend to him who ev - er liv - eth!

THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER

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¶The people stand

Celebrant Let us pray.

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

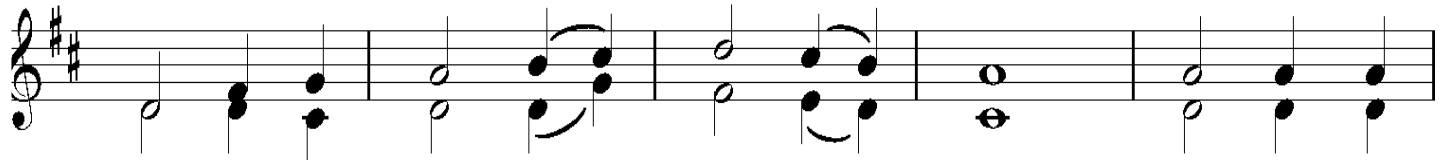
THE ASCENSION BLESSING

Celebrant May the risen Christ who passed into the heavens clothe you with power from on high; and may the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be with you always. *Amen.*

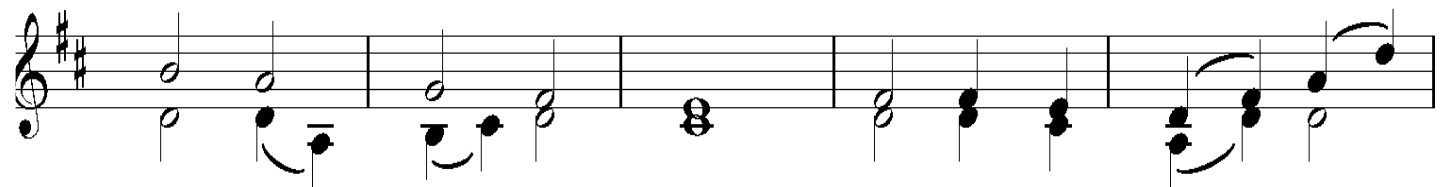
¶*The people stand to sing*

Hymn H-544 Lord, whose love

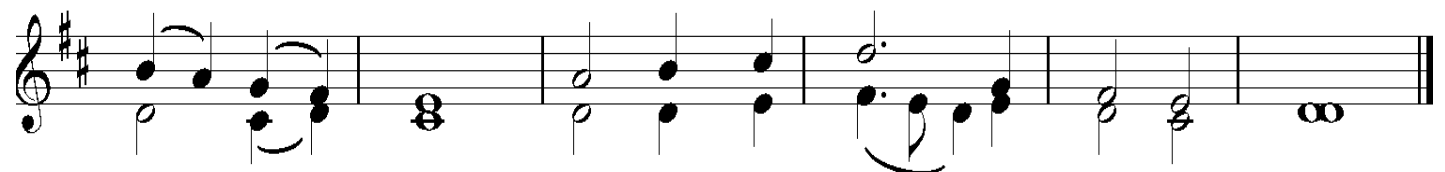
Blaenhafren (Red Hymnal)



1 Je - sus shall reign wher - e'er the sun doth his suc -
2 To him shall end - less prayer be made, and prais - es
3 Peo - ple and realms of ev - ery tongue dwell on his
4 Bless - ings a - bound wher - e'er he reigns: the pris - oners
5 Let ev - ery crea - ture rise and bring pe - cu - liar



1 ces - sive jour - neys run; his king - dom stretch from
2 throng to crown his head; his Name like sweet per -
3 love with sweet - est song; and in - fant voic - es
4 leap to lose their chains, the wea - ry find e -
5 hon - ors to our King; an - gels de - scend with



1 shore to shore, till moons shall wax and wane no more.
2 fume shall rise with ev - ery morn - ing sac - ri - fice.
3 shall pro - claim their ear - ly bless - ings on his Name.
4 ter - nal rest, and all who suf - fer want are blest.
5 songs a - gain, and earth re - peat the loud a - men.

¶*The Celebrant, dismisses the people with these words*

THE DISMISSAL

Celebrant Let us go forth rejoicing in the power of the resurrection.

Alleluia, alleluia!

People ***Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!***

Postlude

F. William Voetberg

Celebrant: The Rev. Paul Kuhlman; *Eucharistic Minister:* Marty B; *Lector:* Marty B;
Videographers: Judy S, John H; *Ushers:* Volunteer; *Altar Guild:* Marge R, Deborah F.

The Following Prayers Have Been Asked: Dan, Teri, Skip, Keith, Phil, Dwight, Eric, Bill, Jodie, Susan, April, Chris, Willo, Judy, Joan, Pat, Bishop Prince Singh and family, Enber, Michael A, Vivian, Dennis, Lisa, Iris, Verna, Cindy, Liz, and John.