January 26, 2014
Epiphany III
9am

to **know** Christ &
to make Him **known**.

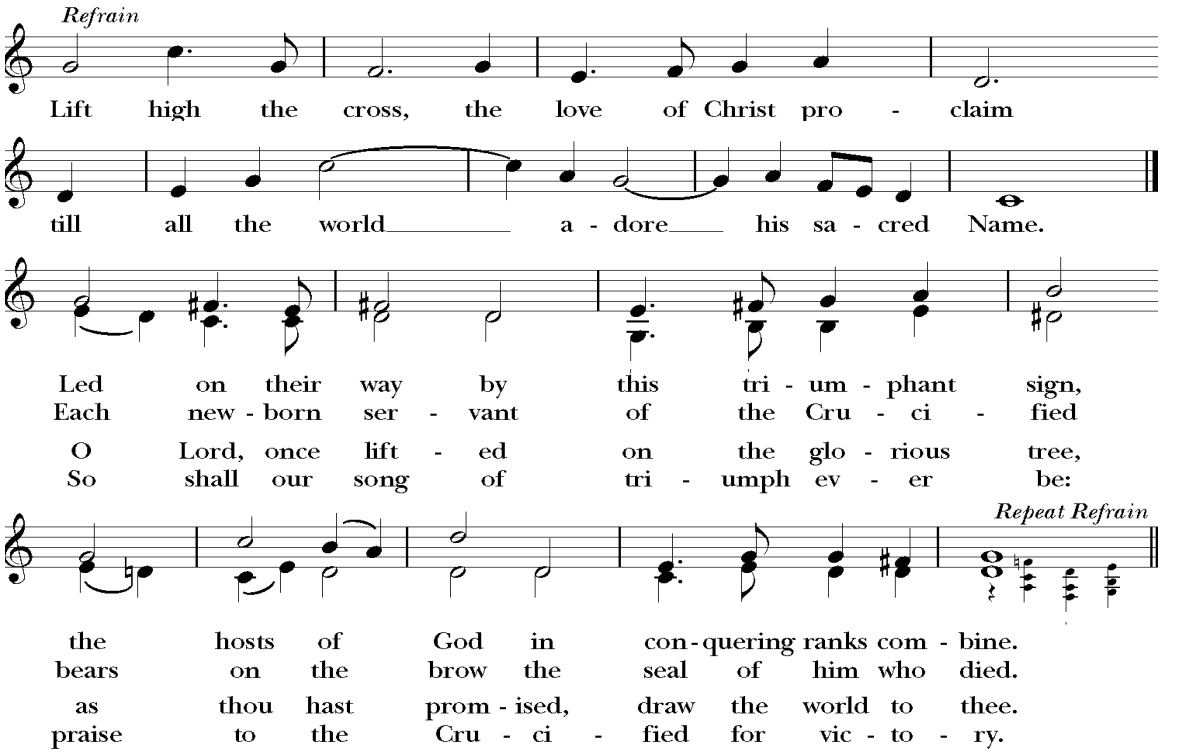
CHURCH OF THE
RESURRECTION

Welcome to Church of the Resurrection!

We are so glad you are here to worship today. Let us know how we can serve you.
Visit the "Getting Connected" Table in the foyer for more information about Resurrection.

Prelude "How Great Thou Art" arr. Chris Rice

Processional Hymn "Lift High The Cross" Hymn #473



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Call to Worship

Blessed is he whose transgressions are forgiven.
Blessed is the man whose sin the Lord does not count against him.
I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the Lord."
And He forgave the guilt of my sin.
Blessed be God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, **and blessed be His Kingdom now and forever. Amen.**

Let us pray together.
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.

Gloria "Mass of Light" David Haas

Refrain: Glory to God in the highest, Sing! Glory to God!
Glory to God in the highest, and peace to His people on earth

Lord, God, heavenly King, Almighty God and Father,
We worship you, we give you thanks,
We praise you for your glory. [Refrain]

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world:
Have mercy on us; You are seated at the right hand
Of the Father: receive our prayer. [Refrain]

For You alone are the Holy One, You alone are the Lord,
The Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,
In the glory of God the Father [Refrain]

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The Collect of the Day

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

Old Testament Reading Genesis 50:15-21

15 When Joseph's brothers saw that their father was dead, they said, "It may be that Joseph will hate us
and pay us back for all the evil that we did to him." 16 So they sent a message to Joseph, saying, "Your
father gave this command before he died: 17 'Say to Joseph, "Please forgive the transgression of your
brothers and their sin, because they did evil to you."' And now, please forgive the transgression of the
servants of the God of your father." Joseph wept when they spoke to him. 18 His brothers also came and
fell down before him and said, "Behold, we are your servants." 19 But Joseph said to them, "Do not fear, for
am I in the place of God? 20 As for you, you meant evil against me, but God meant it for good, to bring it
about that many people should be kept alive, as they are today. 21 So do not fear; I will provide for you
and your little ones." Thus he comforted them and spoke kindly to them.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm Reading *(read responsively)* Psalm 103:1-12

Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless his holy name!
Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits,
who forgives all your iniquity, who heals all your diseases,
who redeems your life from the pit, who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy,
who satisfies you with good so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's.
The Lord works righteousness and justice for all who are oppressed.
He made known his ways to Moses, his acts to the people of Israel.
The Lord is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.
He will not always chide, nor will he keep his anger forever.
He does not deal with us according to our sins, nor repay us according to our iniquities.
For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him;
as far as the east is from the west, so far does he remove our transgressions from us.

The New Testament Reading

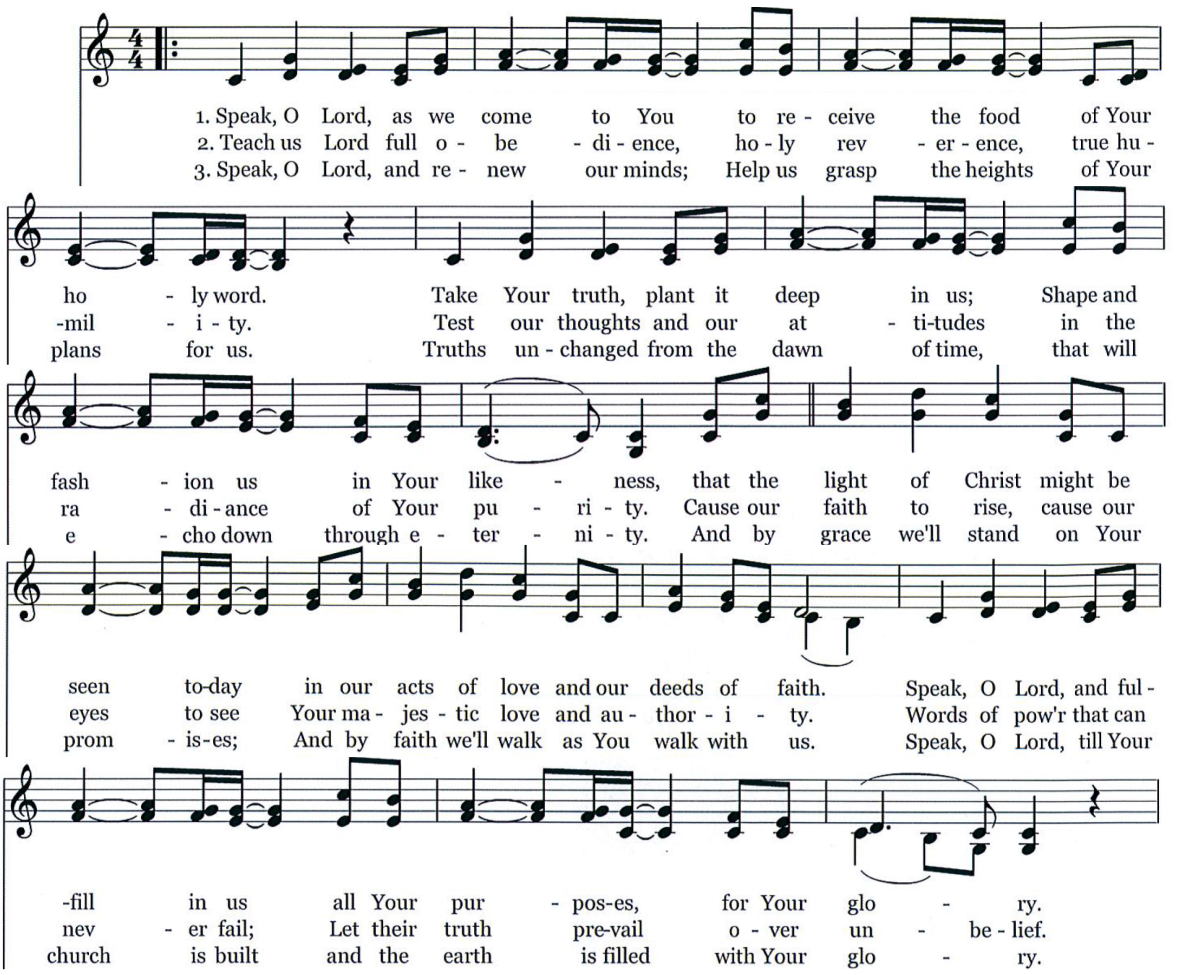
Colossians 3:12-14

12 Put on then, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, compassionate hearts, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience, 13 bearing with one another and, if one has a complaint against another, forgiving each other; as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. 14 And above all these put on love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Hymn

"Speak, O Lord" (vs. 1-2 before reading, v. 3 after) Getty/Townend



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The Gospel

Matthew 6:9-12

The Holy Gospel of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ according to Matthew. **Glory to You, Lord Christ.**

9 Pray then like this: "Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name. 10 Your kingdom come, your will be
done, on earth as it is in heaven. 11 Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts, as we also
have forgiven our debtors."

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to You, Lord Christ**.

Gospel Hymn Continued: "Speak, O Lord" (verse 3)

The Sermon

"Prayer for All Nations: Forgive Us as We Forgive Others" Rev. David Drake

The Nicene Creed

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.

** 'catholic' refers to the universal Christian church, regardless of denominational affiliation*

The Prayers of the People

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;
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 forgive our debtors;
As you have forgiven our debts.
Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;
That they may be delivered from their distress.
We pray for the lives of the unborn;
That all people would recognize the sanctity of life.
We pray for our service men and women;
That they may serve with courage and be brought safely home.
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. *(The people may add their own petitions)*

Almighty and eternal God, Ruler of all things in heaven and earth: mercifully accept the prayers of your people, and strengthen us to do your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Confession of Sin

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.
Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against You in thought, word and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of Your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in Your will, and walk in Your ways, to the glory of Your Name. Amen.

The Absolution and Peace

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

The peace of the Lord be always with you; **And also with you.**

Announcements

Offertory: *Choir* "Psalm 150" John Harper

Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him all creatures here below
Alleluia, Alleluia

Praise Him above ye heavenly hosts
Praise Father Son and Holy Ghost
O praise Him, O praise Him
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia. Amen

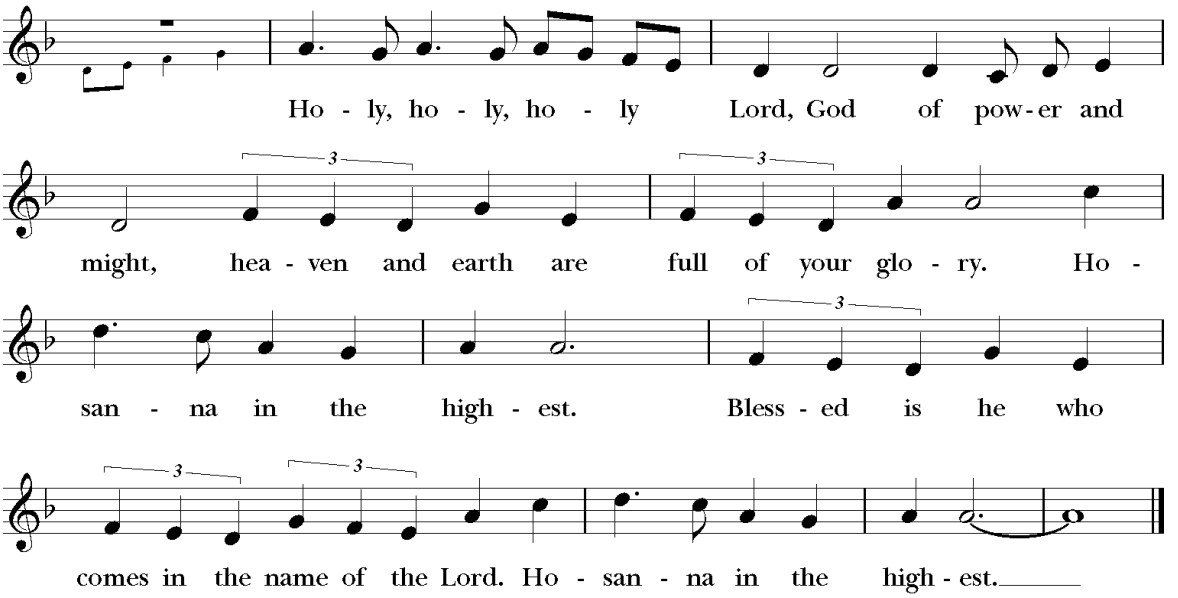
Holy Communion

The Great 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 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, because in the mystery of the Word made flesh, you have caused a new light to shine in our hearts, to give the knowledge of your glory in the face of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Therefore we praise You, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing these words to proclaim the glory of Your Name:

Sanctus **Hymnal #S129**



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(All may sit or kneel)

Holy and gracious Father: In Your infinite love You made us for Yourself; and, when we had rebelled against You, fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, You, in Your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, Your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to You, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out His arms upon the cross, and offered Himself, in obedience to Your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world. On the night He was handed over to suffering and death, 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 we proclaim the mystery of faith:
Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again. *(Sung)*

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling His death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer You these gifts. Sanctify them by Your Holy Spirit to be for Your people the Body and Blood of Your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in Him.

Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve You in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all Your saints into the joy of Your eternal kingdom. All this we ask through Your Son Jesus Christ: 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. **AMEN.** *(Sung)*

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, forever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

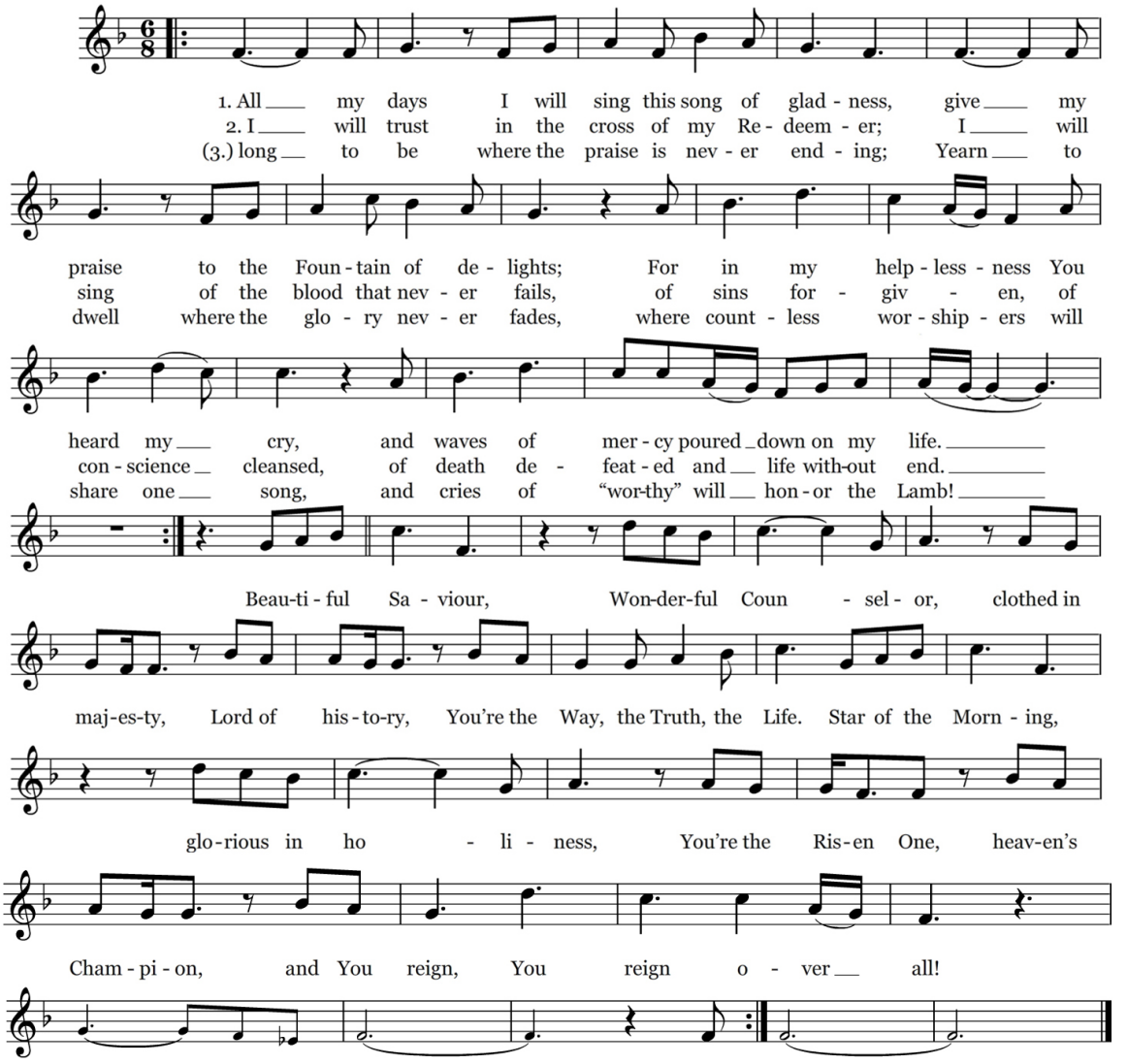
Alleluia, Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia, Alleluia!

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.

Gluten free wafers are available. Please ask at the altar rail.
A prayer team is available for any who desire prayer for themselves or others during Communion in the Narthex, at the back of the church.

Communion Music

"Beautiful Savior" Stuart Townend



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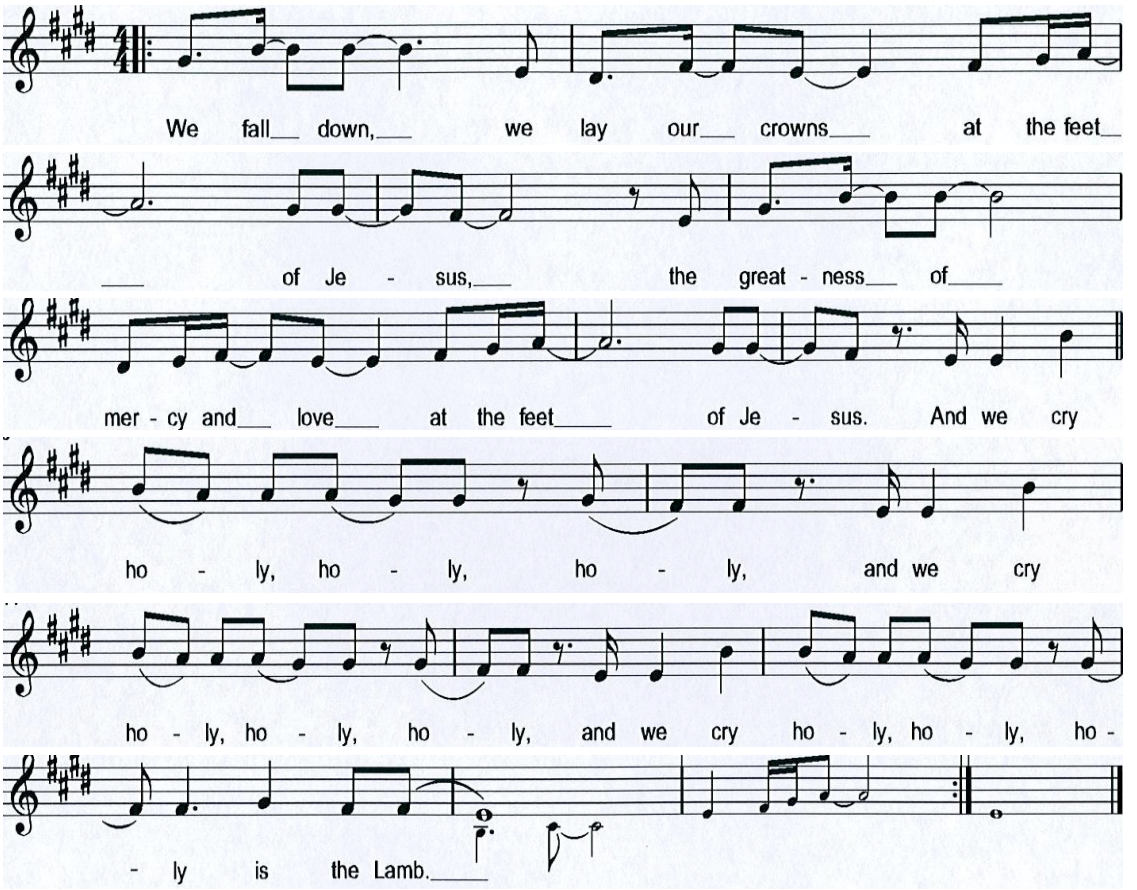
"We Fall Down" Chris Tomlin



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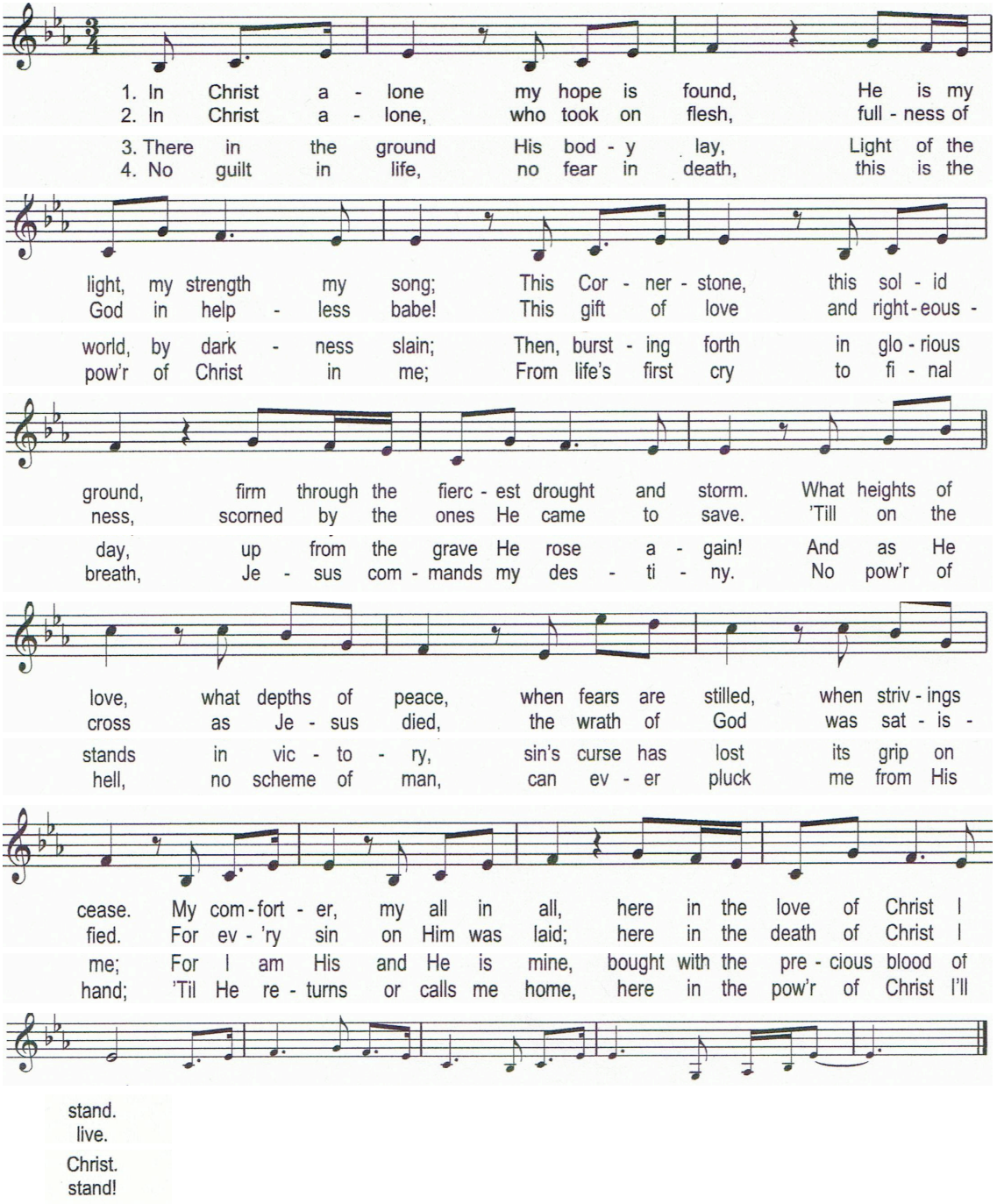
"In Christ Alone" Getty & Townend



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Post – Communion Prayer

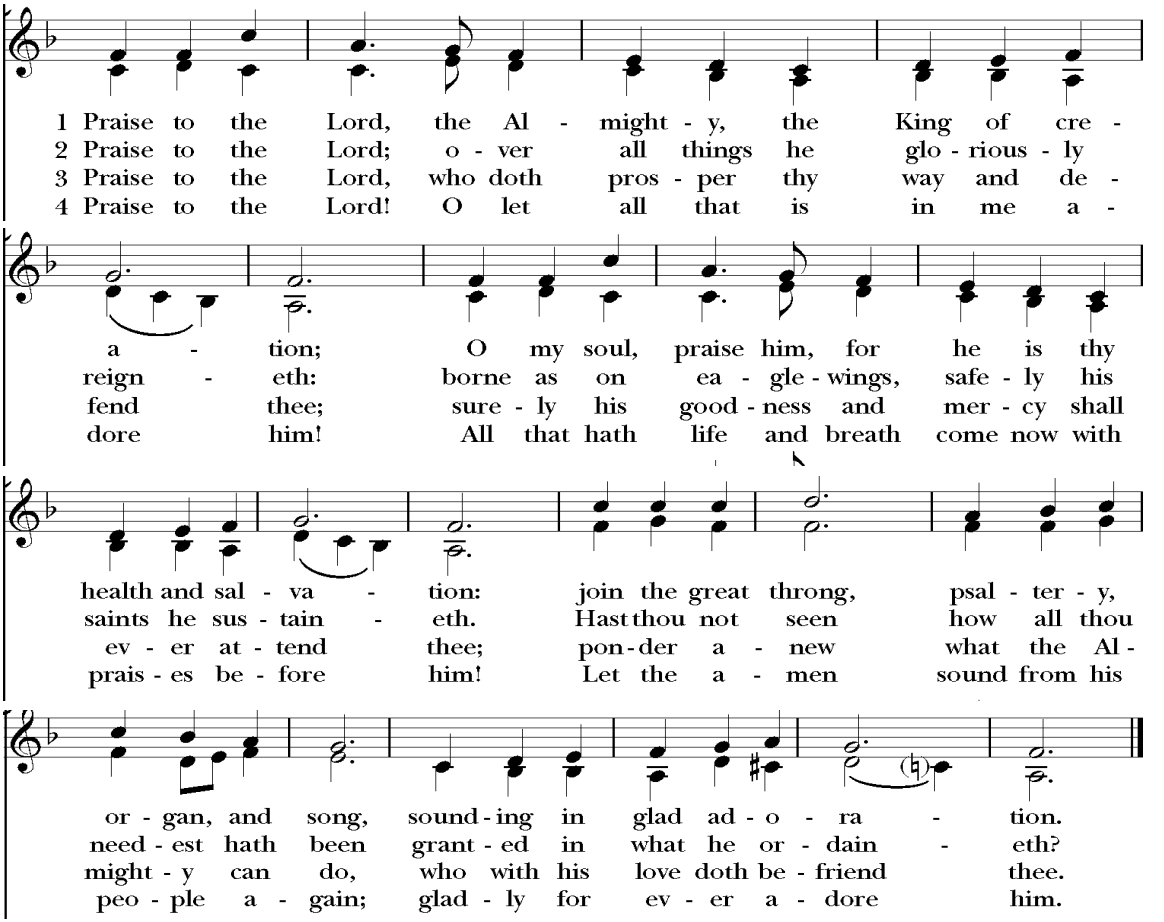
Eternal God, heavenly Father, You have graciously accepted us as living members of Your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and You have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of His Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve You with gladness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

The Blessing

May the God who gives endurance and encouragement give you a spirit of unity among yourselves as you follow Christ Jesus. And may the Blessing of God Almighty, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen**.

Recessional

"Praise to the Lord" Hymn # 390



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Dismissal

Alleluia! Alleluia! Let us go forth to love and serve the Lord.
Thanks be to God! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Postlude

"Prelude & Figue" J.K. Simon

Today at Resurrection

Readers: Morgan Watson, Stephen Holmes, Vicki Snyder
Worship Assistant: Phil Lambooy
Intercessor: Vic Meyer
Chalicists: Herb Glasby, Marion Glasby
Crucifer: Patrick Baranauskas
Torchbearers: Savannah Ney, Marion Glasby
Ushers: Kate Chambers, Theresa Meyers
Prayer Team: Mary Herring, Terrell Meyer
Altar Guild: Fayne Farrar
Flowers: Meg Brooks

What's Happening at Resurrection

ARE YOU RECEIVING OUR WEEKLY E-NEWSLETTER? - Most of our weekly announcements come via our once-weekly e-newsletter on Friday mornings. Please contact **Kari Edwards (kari@resbalt.org)** if you would like to be added to our list. Don't miss out on what's going on at Resurrection!

SNOW CANCELLATION INFORMATION! - If it is necessary to cancel any Resurrection event due to weather, a message will be **posted on the website** and **an email will be sent to the entire church**. For those who do not have email, please call a friend.

ResKidz Ministry

Families with Children: ResKidz (ages 2-10)

ResKidz offers a vibrant children's worship program during ALL Sunday morning services. Our hope is that ResKidz will give our children an opportunity to experience God's profound love through Christ, and to understand that they have been created for a specific and special purpose.

Today we are learning:

Ages 2-3 – **I Can Help Others:** Four Friends Help a Paralyzed Friend (Matthew 9:1-2)
Ages 4-10 – **Jesus Gives the Beatitudes**: God Blesses Us When We Choose His Ways (Matthew 5:1-12)

*****Nursery Care is available for infants and toddlers ages 0-23 months.*****

Student Ministry

Thanks to all who joined in for yesterday's Student and Family Ski Trip!!

Upcoming Student Worship Dates: February 9 and March 9 -- Location details to come.

Growing

ResEd: Christian Apologetics - Six-week class on the defense and practical understanding of the basis of the Christian faith, led by **Mike Donohue**. Now beginning this week, **Tuesday January 28 at 7pm.** Meet in the trailer, childcare available. Contact the office at 410-560-0456 if you would like to sign up.

The Well (20s & 30s Ministry): Mark your calendars for these future gatherings. Please contact Stephen Holmes (stephen@resbalt.org) with questions or for further details.

Friday February 28 at 7pm & Saturday March 29 at 6pm

Financial Update

Online Giving: Online giving allows for a specific dollar amount to be deducted automatically from a checking or savings account. You can set up online giving either as a one-time donation or a recurring gift. Online giving is not only easy, it's also safe and secure. Visit **resbaltimore.org/online-giving** to give online.

Care

Prayer Ministry - Prayer is offered during communion in the Narthex and after the service by the altar. For a Prayer Request during the week, email Karen Kish, **kok30@yahoo.com**, or call the church office.

The Lay Pastoral Care Ministry – Provides a listening ear, an encouraging word, and are trained Eucharistic Ministers who can bring home communion. Email **lpc@gmail.com**.

A Word about Planning Center...

Dear Resurrection Family and Friends,

As our church continues to grow in number, (and soon in square footage), we are seeking to find new and more efficient ways to serve our members, attendees and guests, as well as make it easier for you to use your many gifts and talents to serve others.

With the gradual roll out of 'Planning Center' this past fall, we have been seeking to streamline our volunteer schedule for our various Sunday Morning ministries. We have now fully converted to this system to organize and alert you to the schedule for the ministry or ministries with which you serve.

One of the major features of 'Planning Center' is the ability of each volunteer to put in 'block out dates.' This is used for Sundays that you will be out of town or otherwise would prefer not to serve. You can put these dates in at any time, whenever you know you will be unavailable.

The other main feature that ministry leaders will notice immediately is that the software alerts you when volunteers are already scheduled to serve in another ministry that day, so as to not 'double book'.

Volunteers should be notified of an upcoming serving assignment by an email from 'Planning Center'. It is very important that you respond promptly to these emails, to either accept or decline the assignment. If you scroll to the bottom of the email you receive, you will see those two options to select that will register your response.

The ministry leaders, as well as the staff, want to honor your commitment to serve in this church. Our hope is that with this new software, we will allow you to focus more on using your time and talents to glorify God in our services each Sunday and beyond. Please do not hesitate to contact either of us should you have questions or run across an issue with this new program. If you are not receiving reminder emails please let us know that as well. We are happy to help you in any way we can.

Serving with you in Christ, Kari Edwards & Dedi Whitaker

All are invited to meet one another and enjoy refreshments following the service.

To hear sermons online or for more information about Resurrection, visit resbaltimore.org