



Opening Voluntary

Praeludium in C major

Georg Böhm
(1661-1733)

Introit

Christ Our Passover

Healey Willan
(1880-1968)

Alleluia, Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us:
Therefore let us keep the feast with the unleavened bread
of sincerity and truth. Alleluia.

– 1 Corinthians 5:7-8

✦ **Opening Sentences**

Alleluia! Christ is Risen! **Christ is risen, indeed! Alleluia!**

✦ **Hymn 232** [\(see page 11\)](#)

Jesus Christ Is Risen Today

EASTER HYMN

✦ **Prayer of Adoration**

Glory to you, O God, on this day you won victory over death,
raising Jesus from the grave and giving us eternal life.
Glory to you, O Christ, for us and for our salvation you overcame death
and opened the gate to everlasting life.
Glory to you, O Holy Spirit, you lead us into the truth.
Glory to you, O Blessed Trinity, now and forever. Amen.

✦ **Response**

GELOBT SEI GOTT

Good Chris - tians all, re - joice and sing! Now is the tri - umph
of our King! To all the world glad news we bring:
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

✦ The Peace

Peace be with you. **Peace be with all.**

Conversation with Children

Psalm 118

Refrain (choir first, then all)



This is the day the Lord has made; let us re-joice and be glad.

Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good;
his mercy endures forever.

Let Israel now proclaim,
"His mercy endures forever." *Refrain – all*

I will give thanks to you, for you answered me
and have become my salvation.
The same stone which the builders rejected
has become the chief cornerstone. *Refrain – all*

This is the LORD'S doing,
and it is marvelous in our eyes.
One this day the LORD has acted;
we will rejoice and be glad in it. *Refrain – all*

Gospel Reading

Matthew 28:1-10

N.T. pgs. 33-34

Holy wisdom, holy word. **Thanks be to God.**

Anthem

Christ the Lord Is Risen Again

John Rutter
(b. 1945)

Christ the Lord is risen again!
Christ hath broken ev'ry chain!
Hark, the angels shout for joy,
singing evermore on high:
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

He who gave for us his life,
who for us endured the strife,
is our Paschal Lamb today!
We too sing for joy and say:
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

He who bore all pain and loss
– Alleluia, alleluia –
comfortless upon the cross
– Alleluia, alleluia –
lives in glory now on high
– Alleluia, alleluia –
pleads for us, and hears our cry:
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Now he bids us tell abroad
– Alleluia, alleluia –
how the lost may be restored,
– Alleluia, alleluia –
how the penitent forgiv'n,
– Alleluia, alleluia –
how we too may enter heav'n.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Thou, our Paschal Lamb indeed,
Christ, today thy people feed;
take our sins and guilt away,
that we all may sing for ay:
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

– words by Michael Weisse (c. 1480–1534)
translated by Catherine Winkworth (1827–1878)

Sermon

An Easy Easter?

John W. Wurster

silence and stillness

✦ Hymn 246 [\(see page 12\)](#)

Christ Is Alive!

TRURO

✠ Affirmation of Faith

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
 Maker of heaven and earth,
 and in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord;
 who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
 born of the Virgin Mary,
 suffered under Pontius Pilate,
 was crucified, dead, and buried;
 he descended into hell;
 the third day he rose again from the dead;
 he ascended into heaven,
 and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
 from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.
 I believe in the Holy Spirit; the holy catholic Church;
 the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins;
 the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

Offertory

Offertory Anthem

Christ the Lord Is Risen Today

Eleanor Daley
 (b. 1955)

Christ the Lord is risen today!
 All on earth with angels say, Alleluia!
 Raise your joys and triumphs high,
 sing, ye heav'ns and earth reply: Alleluia!

Soar we now where Christ has led,
 foll'wing our exalted Head,
 Made like him, like him we rise,
 ours the cross, the grave, the skies.

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

Hail the Lord of earth and heav'n!
 Praise to thee by both be giv'n, Alleluia!
 Thee we greet triumphant now,
 hail, the Resurrection thou, Alleluia!

— words by Charles Wesley (1707–1788)

The Sacrament of Holy Communion

Invitation to the Lord's Table

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 our thanks and praise.**

In every time and every age . . . we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Howard Hughes, SM
(b. 1930)

REFRAIN *Choir first, then all:*

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

Choir: Holy, holy, Holy Lord God of power and might. *Refrain – all*
 Heaven and earth are full of your glory. *Refrain – all*
 Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. *Refrain – all*

Blessed are you, O God, . . . We proclaim the mystery of faith:



Blessed are you, O Spirit, . . . We praise you, God of all that is, now and forever.



The Lord's Prayer

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 Bread and the Sharing of God's Gifts

Voluntary

Partita on "Awake, My Heart, with Gladness"
 Op. 70/9

Flor Peeters
 (1903-1986)

Prayer after Communion

✦ Hymn 238 [\(page 13\)](#)

Thine Is the Glory

JUDAS MACCABEUS

✦ Charge and Blessing

Please be seated in silence for the closing voluntary, or kindly depart quietly.

Voluntary

La Rejouissance | The Rejoicing

George Frideric Handel
 (1685-1759)

SERVING TODAY

Pastors

John Wurster | Keatan King | Omar Rouchon

Liturgists

William Howard

Musicians

St. Philip Choir | St. Philip Staff Singers | Members of Bell Canto (11:00 only)
 Matthew Dirst – organist | Randall Swanson – director of music

WORSHIP NOTES

To receive communion today, please come forward via the center aisle, for a piece of bread. The bread may be dipped in the chalice of grape juice and consumed or you may take a small cup of grape juice from the tray. You may return to your pew via the side aisles. Gluten-free bread is available, just ask the servers as you come forward. Those with mobility challenges may receive communion in their seats, just signal the servers. Because the table of Jesus Christ is open to all, everyone is welcome to receive communion today.

Today's Lectionary readings:

- Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24—*I will not die, I will live; this is the day that the Lord has made.*
- Colossians 3:1-4—*If you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above.*
- Acts 10:34-43—*Peter testifies to Jesus' death and resurrection; Jesus is Lord of all.*
- John 20:1-18—*At the empty tomb, the risen Lord appears to Mary Magdalene.*
- Matthew 28:1-10—*Women find Jesus' tomb empty; he has been raised from the dead.*

FLOWERS

The flowers this morning are given by Judy Barrish to the glory of God and in celebration of Easter and my mother Jan Ostendorf's birthday.

MUSIC NOTES

Organ Music

Today's **opening voluntary** comes from one of the finest organists of the generation preceding that of J. S. Bach: Georg Böhm, with whom the young Bach studied at St Michael's School in Lüneburg. Böhm's *Praeludium in C major* comprises an exuberant introduction with some fancy footwork plus a short fugue on a fanfare-like theme. A joyful spirit likewise permeates today's **closing voluntary**: Handel's *La Réjouissance* ("The Rejoicing"), part of a larger suite of Music for the Royal Fireworks. The latter work, created in 1749 for an outdoor celebration of the Treaty of Aix-la-Chapelle (which put an end to the War of the Austrian Succession), was originally scored for a large ensemble of wind instruments. It has since been transcribed countless times for other instruments, including organ.

Choral Music

This morning's **introit** is a festive setting of words from 1 Corinthians 5, reflecting the celebration of Christ's resurrection as our Christian Passover. *Christ Our Passover* was composed for unaccompanied four-part choir by British/Canadian composer Healey Willan, who was one of the most prolific and highly regarded church music composers of the 20th century. Willan was associated with the Church of St. Mary Magdalene (Anglican Church of Canada) in Toronto for nearly 50 years, and many of his choral works were written for the choir there, which remains to this day among the finest all-volunteer choirs in North America.

Today's **first anthem** features a text originally written in German by Michael Weisse, who was a contemporary of Martin Luther. *Christ the Lord Is Risen Again* was translated into English along with countless other German texts by 19th-century English hymnwriter and educator Catherine Winkworth. John Rutter's original setting of this popular Easter hymn is resplendent and celebratory, with frequent meter changes that give a fresh feel to these historic words.

In addition to this morning's opening hymn, today's **offertory anthem** features another of Charles Wesley's well-known Easter texts. This morning's choral setting of *Christ the Lord Is Risen Today* was composed by Toronto-based Canadian composer and conductor Eleanor Daley, who received her Bachelor of Music degree in organ performance from Queen's University in Kingston, Ontario and holds diplomas in piano and organ from the Royal Conservatory of Music, Toronto and Trinity College, England. She has been the Director of Music at Fairlawn Heights United Church in Toronto, Ontario since 1982. A prolific composer, Daley has a remarkable gift for melody, and her works are most notable for their sensitive interweaving of text and music. She was appointed to the Order of Canada in 2022 "for her contributions to Canadian music and choral culture as a renowned composer and accompanist."

— Matthew Dirst and Randall Swanson

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Happy Easter

Thank you to those who have contributed lilies to adorn our chancel.

<i>Given by:</i>	<i>Those we remember:</i>
Orlean Anderson	Ruth & Orlean McCallum
Orlean Anderson	Kenneth L. Anderson Jr.
Bob & Lee Ardell	Our parents
Deb Burks & John Wurster	Darnall Burks
Suzanne & David Kerr	To the memory of our parents
Jan Meyer	Don & Valerie Meyer
Barbara Runge	Rusty Howard
Barbara Runge	Eugene & Ruth Howard
Barbara Runge	Glen & Affie Tate
Barbara Runge	Bill & Martha Runge
Jenilee Simmons	Douglass L. Simmons
Hallie & David Spence	Paxton Williams
Sally Alcorn	Cecile and Carl Stuebing - my parents
Sally Alcorn	Fred C. Alcorn - husband
The Britton Family	H.L. Britton and Elizabeth Britton
Mary Grace Carter	In loving memory of Jim Bratton
Elizabeth Duerr	Sue Baier
David & Joyce Fox	Dan Flowers & Jack Fox
Joseph Harwood	Nancy Harwood
Dick & Sue Howard	Cynthia Ann Lebel Beardsley
Meg Scott-Johnson & Richard B. Johnson	James Noble Johnson
Meg Scott-Johnson & Richard B. Johnson	John Christopher Scott
Jane Larkin	Lee R. Larkin and John P. Larkin
Celie Matteson	My parents: Pete & Gussie Heilbron
Meredith Alcorn McCarthy	My grandparents: Cecile & Carl Stuebing and Lexey & Charles Alcorn
Sarah Miller & Quincy Victorian	Our dog Popcorn J. Miller-Victorian
The Schissler Family	Dick Schissler
Julie Wangler	My husband, Thomas Wangler

<i>Given by:</i>	<i>Those we honor:</i>
Bob & Lee Ardell	The St. Philip pastors and staff
Linda Bevill	My dear friend
Bob & Bebe Burns	To the glory of God and in honor of our St. Philip family
Lorrie Castle	David Castle
Elizabeth Duerr	Jane Malczewskyj
Elizabeth Duerr	The St. Philip Choir and Bell Canto
Paul Jackson	Sara Jean Jackson
Walter & Margaret King	In gratitude for our wonderful church staff
Jane Larkin	Jim, Penny and Amelia Larkin
Cathy Patterson	St. Philip Mission Committee
Hallie & David Spence	Mary Linda Williams

THE **FELLOWSHIP COMMITTEE** & **EARTH CARE TEAM**
INVITES YOU TO...

THE ST. PHILIP

BBOQ PICNIC



& EARTH DAY CELEBRATION



ON THE LAWN

SUNDAY - APRIL 23

{ starts at noon }

**BEEF BRISKET, RIBS & SAUSAGE
WILL BE PROVIDED.**

PLEASE BRING A POTLUCK DISH TO SHARE FOR 8 PEOPLE

*Last names
that begin with...*

A-M: SIDE DISH OR SALAD N-Z: DESSERT

QUESTIONS? CALL THE CHURCH OFFICE (713-622-4807)
OR SEND AN EMAIL TO: welcome@saintphilip.net

INTERGENERATIONAL

FEEL FREE TO WEAR CASUAL OUTDOOR ATTIRE.

IN OUR PRAYERS

St. Philippians and their families— Kathryn Harwood; Robin & Gary Willis; CJ Miller; Jennifer Wilson; Jane Malczewskyj; Jan Fox; Beverly Baker; Peg Palisin; Beverly Hudson; Susan Huffman; Mary Sinderson; Eleanor Grant; Judy Nunn; Molly Boren-Whitney; Carolyn Vestal; Lane Fletcher; Austin Lippincott; Richard Johnson; Don Padgett; Steve Adger; Judith Crane; Arlette Keene; Mezgebe Gebray; Willow Polk – niece of Sharon Webb; Truxillo family – Wayne and Sandra Truxillo; John Murphy, Sr. – cousin of Gary Gardner; Carla Burns – cousin of Sharon Webb; Robert Kirtley – father of Amanda Kirtley; Susan Everhart – niece of Nancy Everhart Johnson; Warren Cash – brother of Kay Cash; Ann Perenyi – mother of Lad Perenyi; Donna Harris – sister of Joyce Fugit; Alma Fonseca – mother of Angelina Fonseca; Darryl Cazes – brother of Pam Taylor; Ann Perkins Cloud – cousin of Stephen Paine; Carol Paine Kendrick – sister of Stephen Paine; John Anderson – brother of Tom Anderson; Mac Wilson – father of Butch Wilson; Alan Rowe – father of William Rowe; and Elizabeth Carlton Lithio – granddaughter of Jeanie Flowers.

Homebound— Elizabeth Arp; John Bobbitt; Ellen MacDonald; Jean Nelson; Joyce Randolph; George and Lorraine Scott; Sondra Sullivan; and Jody Tomforde.

Friends of St. Philippians— Rosebud Wiese Kirby – friend of Tina Bryan; Jacqueline Boyd – friend of Kate Burkart; Carol Gilliland – friend of Orlean Anderson; Betsy Shear Lewis – friend of Laney Miller; Shirley Stubblefield – friend of Barbara Runge; Clayton Amacker – friend of Peg Palisin and Gary Gardner.

If you have a pastoral care need or a prayer request you would like to share, please email: deacons@saintphilip.net

GUIDED TOUR OF ST. PHILIP—We probably all know where the Sanctuary is, but do you know where the Choir Room is? Or the Children's Chapel Room? Or the Pastors' Offices? The Welcoming and Membership Committee invites anyone interested—and especially those who may be newer to the St. Philip community—to join us in a short walking tour of the St. Philip campus, beginning at 9:30 on **Apr. 23**. We'll visit the key spaces where we worship, serve, learn, and share fellowship. You'll also hear a bit about some of the activities of our congregation, like our community gardening, Arts & Crafts Studio, or where the Presbyterian Women meet? Everyone is welcome, whether you are new to St. Philip or not. You'll get to know your church home better, and there will be yummy treats to enjoy!

When: 9:30 am, Sunday, **Apr. 23**

Where: Meet in the Gathering Area, the open space with tables near the Sanctuary.

YOU LOOK BEAUTIFUL!

GO HAVE YOUR PICTURE TAKEN FOR THE CHURCH DIRECTORY.

MY NAME IS...Everyone has problems sometimes remembering names. It is so nice to see name tags to jog the memory. If you do not have a St. Philip name tag, please email the church at welcome@saintphilip.net or call the office (713-622-4807) to request one. Also, please check the boards in the narthex to see if you have one and didn't know it. They are alphabetical with the last name.

CHURCH PHOTOS

GET YOUR PICTURE TAKEN FOR THE NEW ST. PHILIP CHURCH DIRECTORY!

STOP IN THE LIBRARY ON ANY OF THE FOLLOWING DAYS:

TODAY

NOW UNTIL 12:45

LAST DAY FOR PICTURES IS APRIL 16



YOU CAN UPDATE YOUR CONTACT INFORMATION ON "MY STPHILIP" VISIT: SAINTPHILIP.NET



SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES FOR ALL AGES

IN LIEU OF SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES TODAY,
WE INVITE YOU TO JOIN US IN THE GATHERING
AREA AND LAWN FOR EASTER FESTIVITIES

GODLY PLAY (Age 3-Kindergarden) – Room 104

ELEMENTARY (Grades 1-5) – Room 105

YOUTH (Grades 6-12) – Room 205

SPa (St. Philip Adults) – Room 200 – All adults of any age are welcome to participate - grab some coffee and join us. There is no need to prepare or purchase materials for class, so come as you are able.

CHURCH & SOCIETY – Room 201 – This class meets from **9:30 a.m. – 10:40 a.m.** with presentations in person and by Zoom. April 16 - Climate Confidential: A Life of Climate Advocacy - Hear the story of Mark Wenzler's work as an environmental prosecutor, public interest trial attorney, grassroots organizer, federal lobbyist, and Green Group executive to confront powerful interests aligned against a healthy environment, from polluting industries to politicians to organized crime bosses. Mark Wenzler is the Director of Chautauqua Climate Change Initiative. Presented by the St. Philip Peace & Social Justice Committee. Email Mickey Meyers if you would like to join any of the classes:

churchsociety_stphilip@comcast.net.

ADULT BIBLE STUDY – Room 204 – We are continuing our study of the Kingdoms of Israel and Judah in 2 Kings with the story of Elisha and the fate of Jezebel in Dr. Robert Alter's *Ancient Israel, The Former Prophets* (2013). Join us from **9:30 a.m. - 10:40 a.m.** to deepen our understanding of God's faithfulness to God's people from Dr. Alter's translation and commentary on the Biblical Hebrew. All are welcome.

CHILDREN'S CHAPEL – In the Children's Chapel, our young disciples learn the whos, whats, wheres, whens and whys of worship in the chapel, while also praying, seeing and hearing God's word at an age-appropriate level. Children return to join the congregation in the first few pews on the lectern side of the church for the last hymn. The Children's Chapel is held every 2nd and 4th Sunday during the 11 o'clock service children will be able to participate in this.

ST. PHILIP DURING THE WEEK

LAMBETH STUDY – Keatan King leads young adults in study every Monday evening at 7:00 p.m. via Zoom. It is a time of study, reflection, and prayer. If you would like more details, email Keatan King at:

keatan@saintphilip.net.

MIDWEEK BIBLE STUDY – Wednesday Bible study with John Wurster meets at 9:30 a.m. A hybrid format with an in-person option in the Office Conference Room and also a Zoom option. To get on the list for the Zoom links, send a note to john@saintphilip.net. Bible novices, Bible experts, and everyone in between is welcome.

PRESBYTERIAN MEN'S WEEKLY FELLOWSHIP – Men of all ages are welcome to participate in this self-led group. The Men's Weekly Fellowship meets each Friday in person in the office conference room and via Zoom at 11:45 a.m. If you would like to join them please contact Gary Gardner at ggardne148@aol.com.

WOMEN'S MONTHLY BOOK CLUB – This self-led, interactive group produces lively discussions and wonderful fellowship. The next meeting is **Apr. 13** we will discuss *The Maid* by Nita Prose. Watch your email for details of the next meeting. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Nina Lambright at:

nml@lambrightlaw.com.

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN – All women of the church are invited to join any of the meetings of Presbyterian Women. If you are not a member of a circle, you are welcome to participate; to be directed to a group leader please email welcome@saintphilip.net.

Monday Morning Saints – 2nd Mon. of each month
@ 10:00 a.m.

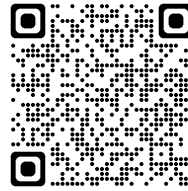
Sunday Circle – 3rd Sun. of each month @ 12:30 p.m.

Thursday Evening Circle – 1st Thurs. of each month
@ 7:00 p.m.

SAVE THE DATE: AUGUST 5 - SUMMER LECTURE SERIES - Please plan to join us on Saturday, **Aug. 5** for St. Philip's annual Summer Lecture Series. This year's speaker will be the Rev. Kyle Meyaard-Schaap, Vice President of the Evangelical Environmental Network and author of the recently-published book, *Following Jesus in a Warming World - a Christian Call to Climate Action*. More details to come. Please contact Omar Rouchon with any questions.

SUNDAY WORSHIP SCHEDULE

The session has voted to continue with a single service on Sundays at 11 a.m., at least through the summer.



Welcome to Worship at St. Philip

Please register your attendance by scanning the QR code or by visiting the Guest Book tab at saintphilip.net.

**AS FOLLOWERS OF JESUS CHRIST,
we seek to be an inclusive,
grace-filled community,
engaging the world with open minds,
willing hands and generous hearts.**

**WE LONG
for deeper faith,
vibrant hope
and boundless love
for everyone, every day, everywhere.**

Thank you for joining us today! We hope that you find our worship together to be joyous, meaningful, and thought-provoking. **Children of all ages** are welcome to worship with their families. Activity bags containing worship aids for children are available in the narthex on the way into the sanctuary.

Nursery care is available throughout the morning from 8:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. Infants to age 4 are invited to our Nursery which is staffed by professional childcare providers. Please find our Nursery in Room 106 of the Education Building along the Sunday School Classroom hallway on the first floor. An usher or a greeter will be happy to direct you there.

A Hearing Loop is installed within the sanctuary. If you have a hearing aid equipped with a telecoil, please activate your "T switch" to hear the worship service most clearly. If you need assistance with hearing the service clearly and do not have a t-coil equipped hearing aid, please ask an usher for wireless headphones. **LARGE PRINT COPIES OF TODAY'S HYMNS ARE IN THE NARTHEX.**

Connect with St. Philip through saintphilip.net and our social media. To join our e-mail list for regular news updates, send a note to lorrie@saintphilip.net.

If you are interested in joining St. Philip Presbyterian Church by profession of faith, by reaffirming your faith, or by transferring your membership, please speak with one of the ministers today or call the church office during the week. **The Session meets the third Sunday of each month after the 11:00 worship service in Room 100 for the purpose of receiving new members.**

Worship with us, whenever, wherever. Our 11:00 a.m. Sunday service is live-streamed at saintphilip.net. We also live-stream a midweek prayer on Wednesdays at 11:00 a.m. Services can be viewed live or later in our video archives.

Contributions, pledge payments, communion gifts and other donations to support the Church can be made anytime through our website, text "SPPC" to 73256 and follow the prompts, or sent to the Church Office at 4807 San Felipe, Houston, TX 77056.

I Give Electronically – in response to parents' hopes that their children might be able to see their ongoing commitment to St. Philip and with the intent to better represent the totality of our giving as a congregation, we have available in the pews giving cards that can be placed in the offering plate by our electronic givers.



The St. Philip office will be closed Monday, April 10 in observance of Easter.

If you contributed for Easter lilies in the sanctuary, you may take one home after the 11 am worship service, or you can make arrangements to stop by the office on Tuesday to pick up between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m.

Hymn 232

Jesus Christ Is Risen Today

EASTER HYMN

1 Je - sus Christ is risen to - day,
 2 Hymns of praise then let us sing, Al - le - lu - ia!
 3 But the pains which he en - dured,
 4 Sing we to our God a - bove,

our tri - um - phant ho - ly day,
 un - to Christ, our heaven - ly King, Al - le - lu - ia!
 our sal - va - tion have pro - cured.
 praise e - ter - nal as God's love.

who did once up - on the cross,
 who en - dured the cross and grave, Al - le - lu - ia!
 Now a - bove the sky he's King,
 Praise our God, ye heaven - ly host,

suf - fer to re - deem our loss.
 sin - ners to re - deem and save. Al - le - lu - ia!
 where the an - gels ev - er sing.
 Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

TEXT: Stanzas 1-3, *Lyra Davidica*, 1708 | Stanza 4, Charles Wesley, 1740
 MUSIC: *Lyra Davidica*, 1708

EASTER HYMN
 7.7.7.7 with alleluias

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Hymn 246

Christ Is Alive!

TRURO

1 Christ is a - live! Let Chris - tians sing. The cross stands
 2 Christ is a - live! No lon - ger bound to dis - tant
 3 In ev - ery in - sult, rift, and war where col - or,
 4 Wom - en and men, in age and youth, can feel the
 5 Christ is a - live, and comes to bring good news to

emp - ty to the sky. Let streets and homes with
 years in Pal - es - tine, but sav - ing, heal - ing,
 scorn, or wealth di - vide, Christ suf - fers still, yet
 Spir - it, hear the call, and find the way, the
 this and ev - ery age, till earth and sky and

prais - es ring. Love, drowned in death, shall nev - er die.
 here and now, and touch - ing ev - ery place and time.
 loves the more, and lives, where e - ven hope has died.
 life, the truth, re - vealed in Je - sus, freed for all.
 o - cean ring with joy, with jus - tice, love, and praise.

In 1968 Easter fell ten days after the assassination of Martin Luther King Jr., and this text was written to express an Easter hope while mindful of that terrible event. Buoyed by a triple-arched tune, it affirms the presence of a wounded, risen Christ with all who suffer.

TEXT: Brian Wren, 1968, rev. 1995
 MUSIC: *Musica Sacra*, c. 1778
 Text © 1975, rev. 1995 Hope Publishing Company

TRURO
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Closing Hymn 238

Thine Is the Glory

JUDAS MACCABEUS

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

the vic - tory thou o'er death hast won. An - gels in bright rai - ment
 he greets us, scat - ters fear and gloom. Let the church with glad - ness
 with - out thee; aid us in our strife. Make us more than con - querors

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

where thy bod - y lay.
 death hath lost its sting. Thine is the glo - ry, ris - en, con-quer- ing
 to thy home a - bove.

Son; end - less is the vic - tory thou o'er death hast won.

This Easter text, first in French and later in English, was written to fit the music, a chorus created for Handel's oratorio *Joshua* and moved to *Judas Maccabeus* in 1751. It grew widely popular following its use at the First Assembly of the World Council of Churches in 1948.