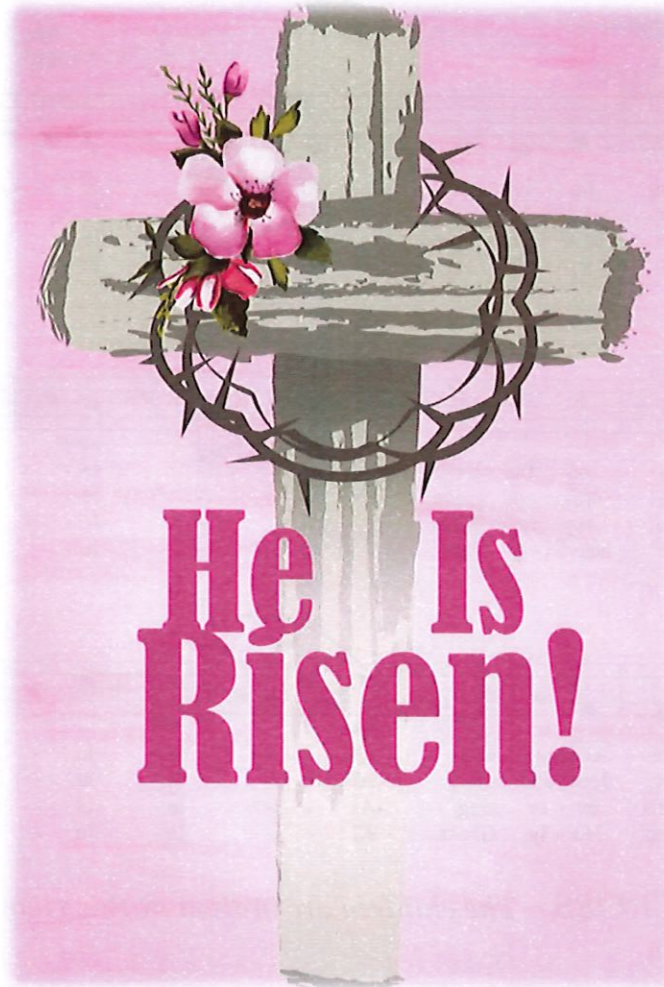


# ST. PETER'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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EASTER SUNDAY  
Holy Baptism with Holy Eucharist ~ Rite II  
April 9, 2023 ~ 10:00 am



## WELCOME!

Greetings! We are delighted that you have joined us for our Easter Worship Service and thankful to be together in-person or virtually!

Whether you are a member, a frequent visitor, or are visiting St. Peter's for the first time, we feel blessed by your presence.

We invite your questions regarding our ministries and life in the Episcopal Church. Please know that all baptized Christians are welcome to receive Holy Communion during our worship.

Father Jim will guide us through Communion.


We are so glad you could be with us today and hope you will join us again.

HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE II  
EASTER SUNDAY  
April 9, 2023~ 10:00 am


All stand as are able.

Processional: Jesus Christ Is Risen Today


(Hymn #207)




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



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



1. who did once up - on the cross, Al - le - lu - ia!  
2. who en - dured the cross and grave, Al - le - lu - ia!  
3. now a - bove the sky he's King, Al - le - lu - ia!  
4. praise him, all ye heaven - ly host, Al - le - lu - ia!



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

**FLOWERING OF THE CROSS** ~ *The children are invited at this time to assist in the flowering of the cross.*

HOLY BAPTISM

(BCP Page 299)

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ is risen.  
People *The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.*  
Celebrant There is one Body and one Spirit;  
People *There is one hope in God's call to us;*  
Celebrant One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;  
People *One God and Father of all.*  
Celebrant The Lord be with you.  
People *And also with you.*  
Celebrant Let us pray.

## The Collect of the Day - Easter Sunday

(BCP Page 222)

Almighty God, who through your only-begotten Son Jesus Christ overcame death and opened to us the gate of everlasting life: Grant that we, who celebrate with joy the day of the Lord's resurrection, may be raised from the death of sin by your life-giving Spirit; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

*You may be seated for the Lessons and the Psalm.*

### THE LESSONS

#### THE FIRST READING

##### A Reading from the Prophet Jeremiah 31:1-6

At that time, says the LORD, I will be the God of all the families of Israel, and they shall be my people.

Thus says the LORD:

The people who survived the sword

found grace in the wilderness;

when Israel sought for rest,

the LORD appeared to him from far away.

I have loved you with an everlasting love;

therefore I have continued my faithfulness to you.

Again I will build you, and you shall be built,

O virgin Israel!

Again you shall take your tambourines,

and go forth in the dance of the merrymakers.

Again you shall plant vineyards

on the mountains of Samaria;

the planters shall plant,

and shall enjoy the fruit.

For there shall be a day when sentinels will call

in the hill country of Ephraim:

"Come, let us go up to Zion,

to the LORD our God."

*Celebrant*      The Word of the Lord.

*People*          *Thanks be to God.*

**Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24**

(BCP Pages 621-622)

*We will read alternately by whole verse.*

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

*Let Israel now proclaim,  
"His mercy endures for ever."*

The LORD is my strength and my song,  
and he has become my salvation.

*There is a sound of exultation and victory  
in the tents of the righteous:*

"The right hand of the LORD has triumphed!  
the right hand of the LORD is exalted!  
the right hand of the LORD has triumphed!"

*I shall not die, but live,  
and declare the works of the LORD.*

The LORD has punished me sorely,  
but he did not hand me over to death.

*Open for me the gates of righteousness;  
I will enter them;  
I will offer thanks to the LORD.*

"This is the gate of the LORD;  
he who is righteous may enter."

*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.

*This is the LORD's doing,  
and it is marvelous in our eyes.*

On this day the LORD has acted;  
we will rejoice and be glad in it.

## THE SECOND LESSON

### A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles 10:34-43

Peter began to speak to Cornelius and the other Gentiles: "I truly understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ--he is Lord of all. That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name."

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

## THE GOSPEL

*Please stand, as you are able.*

### GOSPEL HYMN: That Easter Day With Joy Was Bright

(Hymn #193)



1. That Eas - ter day with joy was bright, the sun shone out with  
2. His ris - en flesh with ra - diance glowed; his wound - ed hands and  
3. O Je - sus, King of gen - tle - ness, do thou thy - self our  
4. O Lord of all, with us a - bide in this our joy - ful  
5. All praise, O ris - en Lord, we give to thee, who, dead, a-



1. fair - er light, when, to their long - ing eyes re - stored, the a-  
2. feet he showed; those scars their sol - emn wit - ness gave that  
3. hearts pos - sess that we may give thee all our days the  
4. Eas - ter - tide; from ev - ery wea - pon death can wield thine  
- 5. gain dost live; to God the Fa - ther e - qual praise, and



- 1. pos - tles saw their ris - en Lord.  
2. Christ was ris - en from the grave.  
3. will - ing tri - bute of our praise.  
4. own re-deemed for ev - er shield.  
5. God the Ho - ly Ghost, we raise.

## THE GOSPEL READING: Matthew 28:1-10

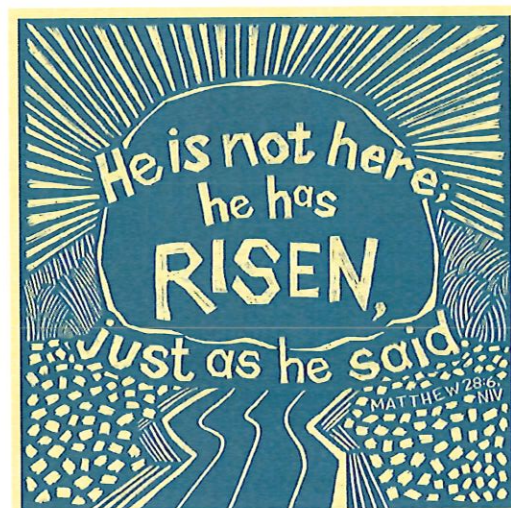
*Celebrant*      The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.  
*People*          *Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

After the sabbath, as the first day of the week was dawning, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to see the tomb. And suddenly there was a great earthquake; for an angel of the Lord, descending from heaven, came and rolled back the stone and sat on it. His appearance was like lightning, and his clothing white as snow. For fear of him the guards shook and became like dead men. But the angel said to the women, "Do not be afraid; I know that you are looking for Jesus who was crucified. He is not here; for he has been raised, as he said. Come, see the place where he lay. Then go quickly and tell his disciples, 'He has been raised from the dead, and indeed he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him.' This is my message for you." So they left the tomb quickly with fear and great joy, and ran to tell his disciples. Suddenly Jesus met them and said, "Greetings!" And they came to him, took hold of his feet, and worshiped him. Then Jesus said to them, "Do not be afraid; go and tell my brothers to go to Galilee; there they will see me."

*Celebrant*      The Gospel of the Lord  
*People*          *Praise to you, Lord Christ.*

*Homily*

*The Rev. James W. Friedel*





**Presentation and Examination of the Candidate ~ Marlowe Geane Farmer**  
(BCP Pages 301-308)

*The Celebrant says*

The Candidate for Holy Baptism will now be presented.

*Parents and Godparents say*

***We present Marlowe Geane Farmer to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.***

*The Celebrant asks the parents and godparents*

Will you be responsible for seeing that the child you present is brought up in the Christian faith and life?

*Parents and Godparents*

***I will, with God's help.***

*Celebrant*

Will you by your prayers and witness help this child to grow into the full stature of Christ?

*Parents and Godparents*

***I will, with God's help.***

*Then the Celebrant asks the following questions of the parents and godparents who speak on behalf of this child.*

*Question*      Do you renounce Satan and all the spiritual forces of wickedness that rebel against God?

*Answer*        ***I renounce them.***

*Question*      Do you renounce the evil powers of this world which corrupt and destroy the creatures of God?

*Answer*        ***I renounce them.***

*Question*      Do you renounce all sinful desires that draw you from the love of God?

*Answer*        ***I renounce them.***

*Question* Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Savior?

*Answer* *I do.*

*Question* Do you put your whole trust in his grace and love?

*Answer* *I do.*

*Question* Do you promise to follow and obey him as your Lord?

*Answer* *I do.*

*After Marlowe has been presented, the Celebrant addresses the congregation, saying*

Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support Marlowe in her life in Christ?

*People* *We will.*

*The Celebrant says*

Let us join with those who are committing Marlowe to Christ and renew our own baptismal covenant.

## The Baptismal Covenant

*Celebrant* Do you believe in God the Father?

*People* *I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.*

*Celebrant* Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

*People* *I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.*

*Celebrant* Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

*People* *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.*

*Celebrant* Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?

*People* *I will, with God's help.*

*Celebrant* Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

*People* *I will, with God's help.*

*Celebrant* Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

*People* *I will, with God's help.*

*Celebrant* Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?

*People* *I will, with God's help.*

*Celebrant* Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?  
*People* *I will, with God's help.*

### **Prayers for the Candidates**

*The Celebrant then says to the congregation*

Let us now pray for Marlowe who is to receive the Sacrament of new birth.

*Celebrant* Deliver her, O Lord, from the way of sin and death.

*People* *Lord, hear our prayer.*

*Celebrant* Open her heart to your grace and truth.

*People* *Lord, hear our prayer.*

*Celebrant* Fill her with your holy and life-giving Spirit.

*People* *Lord, hear our prayer.*

*Celebrant* Keep her in the faith and communion of your holy Church.

*People* *Lord, hear our prayer.*

*Celebrant* Teach her to love others in the power of the Spirit.

*People* *Lord, hear our prayer.*

*Celebrant* Send her into the world in witness to your love.

*People* *Lord, hear our prayer.*

*Celebrant* Bring her to the fullness of your peace and glory.

*People* *Lord, hear our prayer.*

*The Celebrant says*

Grant, O Lord, that all who are baptized into the death of Jesus Christ your Son may live in the power of his resurrection and look for him to come again in glory; who lives and reigns now and for ever. *Amen.*

### **Thanksgiving over the Water**

*The Celebrant blesses the water, first saying*

The Lord be with you.

*People* *And also with you.*

*Celebrant* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

*Celebrant*

We thank you, Almighty God, for the gift of water. Over it the Holy Spirit moved in the beginning of creation. Through it you led the children of Israel out of their bondage in Egypt into the land of promise. In it your Son Jesus received the baptism of John and was anointed by the Holy Spirit as the Messiah, the Christ, to lead us, through his death and resurrection, from the bondage of sin into everlasting life.

We thank you, Father, for the water of Baptism. In it we are buried with Christ in his death. By it we share in his resurrection. Through it we are reborn by the Holy Spirit. Therefore in joyful obedience to your Son, we bring into his fellowship those who come to him in faith, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

*At the following words, the Celebrant touches the water*

Now sanctify this water, we pray you, by the power of your Holy Spirit, that those who here are cleansed from sin and born again may continue for ever in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Savior.

To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and for ever. *Amen.*

## **The Baptism**

*The candidate is presented by name to the Celebrant, who then pours water upon her, saying*

Marlowe, I baptize you in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. *Amen.*

*The Celebrant prays over her, saying*

Let us pray.

Heavenly Father, we thank you that by water and the Holy Spirit you have bestowed upon this your servant the forgiveness of sin, and have raised her to the new life of grace. Sustain her, O Lord, in your Holy Spirit. Give her an inquiring and discerning heart, the courage to will and to persevere, a spirit to know and to love you, and the gift of joy and wonder in all your works. *Amen.*

*Then the Celebrant places a hand on the child's head, marking on the forehead the sign of the cross and saying to her*

Marlowe, you are sealed by the Holy Spirit in Baptism and marked as Christ's own for ever. *Amen.*

*The Celebrant says*

Let us welcome the newly baptized.

*Celebrant and People*

*We receive you into the household of God. Confess the faith of Christ crucified, proclaim his resurrection, and share with us in his eternal priesthood.*

# HOLY BAPTISM

Marlowe Jeane Farmer

Parents ~ Gillian Louise Downey and Travis Anthony Farmer

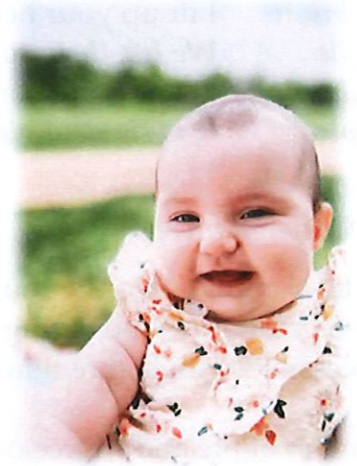
Grandparents

~ Laura Ruth Purcell and Michael Allen Downey

~ Vallerie and Anthony Farmer

Godparents

~ Anna Copeland and Sophie Star Maresh



## The Peace

*Please stand as you are able.*

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

*People*          *And also with you.*



## THE HOLY COMMUNION

### The Offertory

*Celebrant*

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

### The Offertory Hymn ~ Easter Joy

#### Doxology ~ Praise to God

*Please stand as are able.*

*Celebrant and People*

*(Hymn # 380, vs 3)*

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
praise him, all creatures here below;  
praise him above, ye heavenly host:  
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.*

*The people remain standing.*

*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.*

*The Celebrant proceeds*

It is truly right to glorify you, Father, and to give you thanks; for you alone are God, living and true, dwelling in light inaccessible from before time and for ever.

Fountain of life and source of all goodness, you made all things and fill them with your blessing; you created them to rejoice in the splendor of your radiance.

Countless throngs of angels stand before you to serve you night and day; and, beholding the glory of your presence, they offer you unceasing praise. Joining with them, and giving voice to every creature under heaven, we acclaim you, and glorify your Name, as we sing,

# Sanctus (Hymnal #S-130)

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might, heaven and  
earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Ho -  
- san - na in the high - est. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -  
- san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

*The congregation may kneel or sit as the prayer continues.*

*The Celebrant continues*

We acclaim you, holy Lord, glorious in power. Your mighty works reveal your wisdom and love. You formed us in your own image, giving the whole world into our care, so that, in obedience to you, our Creator, we might rule and serve all your creatures. When our disobedience took us far from you, you did not abandon us to the power of death. In your mercy you came to our help, so that in seeking you we might find you. Again and again you called us into covenant with you, and through the prophets you taught us to hope for salvation.

Father, you loved the world so much that in the fullness of time you sent your only Son to be our Savior. Incarnate by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, he lived as one of us, yet without sin. To the poor he proclaimed the good news of salvation; to prisoners, freedom; to the sorrowful, joy. To fulfill your purpose he gave himself up to death; and, rising from the grave, destroyed death, and made the whole creation new.

And, that we might live no longer for ourselves, but for him who died and rose for us, he sent the Holy Spirit, his own first gift for those who believe, to complete his work in the world, and to bring to fulfillment the sanctification of all.

When the hour had come for him to be glorified by you, his heavenly Father, having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end; at supper with them he 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."

Father, we now celebrate this memorial of our redemption. Recalling Christ's death and his descent among the dead, proclaiming his resurrection and ascension to your right hand, awaiting his coming in glory; and offering to you, from the gifts you have given us, this bread and this cup, we praise you and we bless you.

## **Memorial Acclamation: We Praise You**

*Celebrant and People*

We praise you, we bless you, we give thanks to you, and we  
pray to you, Lord our God.

*The Celebrant continues*

Lord, we pray that in your goodness and mercy your Holy Spirit may descend upon us, and upon these gifts, sanctifying them and showing them to be holy gifts for your holy people, the bread of life and the cup of salvation, the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ.

Grant that all who share this bread and cup may become one body and one spirit, a living sacrifice in Christ, to the praise of your Name.

Remember, Lord, your one holy catholic and apostolic Church, redeemed by the blood of your Christ. Reveal its unity, guard its faith, and preserve it in peace.

Remember all who minister in your Church.

Remember all your people, and those who seek your truth.

Remember all who have died in the peace of Christ, especially and those whose faith is known to you alone; bring them into the place of eternal joy and light.

And grant that we may find our inheritance with the Blessed Virgin Mary, with patriarchs, prophets, apostles, and martyrs, with Peter and all the saints who have found favor with you in ages past. We praise you in union with them and give you glory through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, all honor and glory are yours, Almighty God and Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, for ever and ever. *AMEN.*

As our Savior Christ  
has taught us,  
we now pray,

*Celebrant and People sing*

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

*Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your Name,  
your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.*

*Give us today our daily bread.*

*Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.*

*Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil.*

*For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ever. Amen. Amen.*

## The Breaking of the Bread

(BCP Page 364)

*Celebrant* Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

*People* *Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.*

*Celebrant* The Gifts of God for the People of God.  
Take them in remembrance that Christ died for  
you.

*You are welcome to be seated while the Altar is being prepared. Please listen for instructions for receiving communion.*

## COMMUNION HYMNS

### HYMN~ Jesus Is Our King

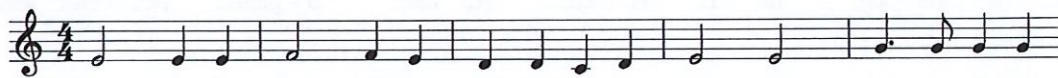
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### HYMN ~ Alleluia

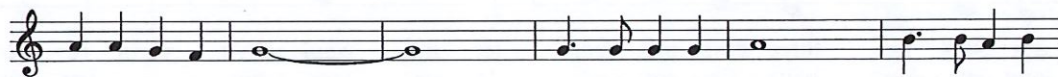
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### HYMN ~ Glorify Your Name

(C-167)



1. Fa - ther, we love you, we praise you, we a - dore you. Glo - ri - fy your  
2. Je - sus, we love you, we praise you, we a - dore you. Glo - ri - fy your  
3. Spi - rit, we love you, we praise you, we a - dore you. Glo - ri - fy your



1. Name in all the earth. Glo - ri - fy your Name, glo - ri - fy your  
2. Name in all the earth. Glo - ri - fy your Name, glo - ri - fy your  
3. Name in all the earth. Glo - ri - fy your Name, glo - ri - fy your



1. Name, glo - ri - fy your Name in all the earth.  
2. Name, glo - ri - fy your Name in all the earth.  
3. Name, glo - ri - fy your Name in all the earth.

## The Post Communion Prayer of Thanksgiving

(BCP Page 365)

*The Celebrant says*  
Let us pray.

*Celebrant and People*

*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.*

## Birthday and Anniversary Blessings

### The Blessing

*The Celebrant says*

The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great Shepherd of the sheep, through the love of the everlasting covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight ; and may the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit be among you, and remain with you always.

## THE RECESSIONAL ~ He Is Risen, He Is Risen

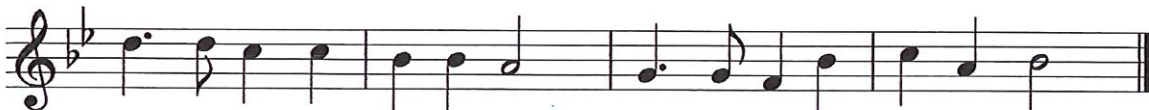
*(Hymn #180)*



1. He is ris - en, he is ris - en! Tell it out with joy - ful voice:
2. Come, ye sad and fear - ful - heart - ed, with glad smile and ra - diant brow!
3. Come, with high and ho - ly hymn - ing, hail our Lord's tri - um - phant day;
4. He is ris - en, he is ris - en! He hath o - pened hea - ven's gate:



1. he has burst his three days' pris - on; let the whole wide earth re - joice:
2. Death's long sha - dows have de - part - ed; Je - sus' woes are o - ver now,
3. not one dark - some cloud is dim - ming yon - der glo - rious morn - ing ray,
4. we are free from sin's dark pris - on, ris - en to a ho - lier state;



1. death is con - quered, we are free, Christ has won the vic - to - ry.
2. and the pas - sion that he bore sin and pain can vex no more.
3. break - ing o'er the pur - ple east, sym - bol of our Eas - ter feast.
4. and a bright - er Eas - ter beam on our long - ing eyes shall stream.

## The Dismissal

*Celebrant* Alleluia. Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

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