

# THE SERVICE OF THE WORD

THE HYMN – “In Christ There Is No East or West”

THE EASTER GREETING

Pastor: HE IS RISEN!

People: HE IS RISEN, INDEED! ALLELUIA!

THE INVOCATION & THE CONFESSION

P: We begin our worship in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen

P: When we were baptized, we died and were buried with Christ.

C: **We were baptized so that we might have a new life, as Christ was raised to life by the glory of God the Father.**

P: Therefore, let us confess our sins to God so that we may remain within the safety of our Shepherd’s flock.

*(Silence for meditation and self-examination)*

P: Almighty and all-merciful God,

C: **We are dead in trespasses and sin; we have no power to rise. We have offended your majesty and defied your divinity; we have brought death and darkness where you once said, “Let there be light.” We deserve the doom that you have decreed. We are dead in trespasses and sin; we have no power to rise.**

P: But Christ is risen.

C: **Risen indeed!**

P: Since we have been united with him in a death like his,

C: **we will certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. For his sake, we implore you: forgive our sins, lead us in the paths of righteousness for your name’s sake. Let us be raised with Christ.**

P: “Thus it is written, that the Messiah had to suffer and rise from the dead on the third day, and that repentance and forgiveness of sins must be proclaimed in his name.” That Word is now proclaimed to you.

C: **We have seen the Lord! Alleluia!**

THE CANTICLE “THIS IS THE FEAST” (pg 60 in green hymnal)

This is the feast of victory for our God.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God.

This is the feast of victory for our God.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Power, riches, wisdom, and strength, and honor, blessing, and glory are his.

This is the feast of victory for our God.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Sing with all the people of God, and join in the hymn of all creation:

Blessing, honor, glory, and might be to God and the Lamb forever.

Amen.

This is the feast of victory for our God.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

For the lamb who was slain has begun his reign. Alleluia.

This is the feast of victory for our God.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

THE SHARING OF THE PEACE

Pastor: The peace of the Lord be with you

People: And also with you

THE PRAYER OF THE DAY

Almighty God,

you show the light of your truth to those in darkness,  
to lead them into the way of righteousness.

Give strength to all who are joined in the family of the Church,  
so that they will resolutely reject what erodes their faith  
and firmly follow what faith requires;

through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord,  
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and forever. Amen.

## THE FIRST AND SECOND LESSONS

## THE READING OF THE HOLY GOSPEL

## THE OFFICE HYMN – “Open Our Eyes Lord”

## THE SERMON: “Do You Really See Jesus?”

## 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 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 PRAYERS OF THE CONGREGATION


Pastor: Let us pray to the Lord.                      People: Lord, have mercy.

## THE OFFERTORY AND THE PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS (pg 66 in green hymnal)

Pastor: Let us pray:

People: Let the vineyards be fruitful, Lord, and fill to the brim our  
cup of blessing. Gather a harvest from the seeds that were  
sown, that we may be fed with the bread of life. Gather  
the hopes and the dreams of all; unite them with the  
prayers we offer now. Grace our table with your presence,  
and give us a foretaste of the feast to come. Amen.

## THE BENEDICTION

Pastor: The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord make his face shine upon you  
and be gracious to you.  
The Lord look upon you with favor and  give you peace.  
People: Amen.

## THE RECESSIONAL HYMN – “Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus”

Pastor: Go in peace, serve the Lord.  
People: Thanks be to God. Amen

# In Christ There Is No East or West

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C G7 C F7 Bb F C F Am Dm7 G7 C

1 In Christ there is no east or west, In him no south or north,  
 2 In him shall true hearts ev - 'ry-where Their high com - mu - nion find;  
 3 Join hands then, broth-ers of the faith, What - e'er your race may be.  
 4 In Christ now meet both east and west, In him meet south and north;

Am C Am C G9 C G7 C F C G7 C

But one great fel - low-ship of love Through-out the whole wide earth.  
 His ser - vice is the gold - en cord Close - bind - ing all man-kind.  
 Who serves my Fa - ther as a son Is sure - ly kin to me.  
 All Christ-ly souls are one in him Through-out the whole wide earth.

## **59. OPEN OUR EYES**

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| <b>1. Open our eyes, Lord,<br/>We want to see Jesus<br/>To reach out and touch<br/>Him<br/>And say that we love<br/>Him.<br/>Open our ears Lord,<br/>And help us to listen.<br/>Open our eyes, Lord,<br/>We want to see Jesus.</b> | <b>2. Soften our heart, Lord,<br/>Melt me and mold me<br/>Make me a vessel,<br/>To pour out your Spirit<br/>To bring joy and<br/>gladness<br/>To those who have<br/>sorrow.<br/>Open my eyes, Lord<br/>I want to see Jesus.</b> |
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## The King of Love My Shepherd Is

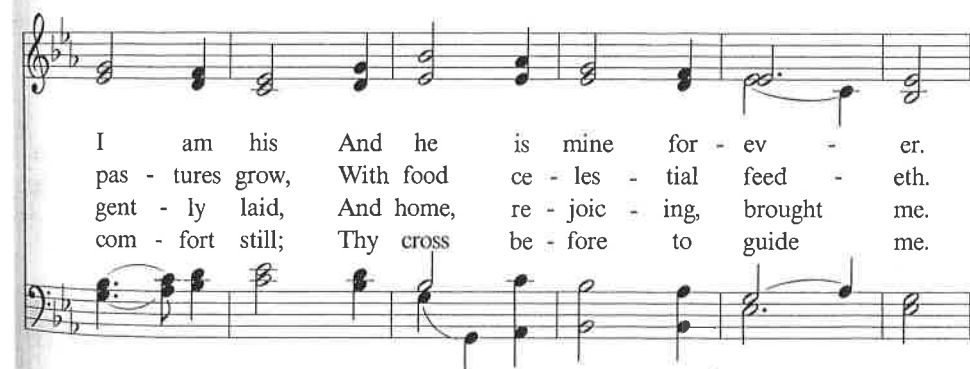
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1 The King of love my shep - herd is, Whose good - ness  
 2 Where streams of liv - ing wa - ter flow, My ran - somed  
 3 Per - verse and fool - ish oft I strayed, But yet in  
 4 In death's dark vale I fear no ill, With thee, dear



fail - eth nev - er; I noth - ing lack if  
 soul he lead - eth And, where the ver - dant  
 love he sought me, And on his shoul - der  
 Lord, be - side me, Thy rod and staff my



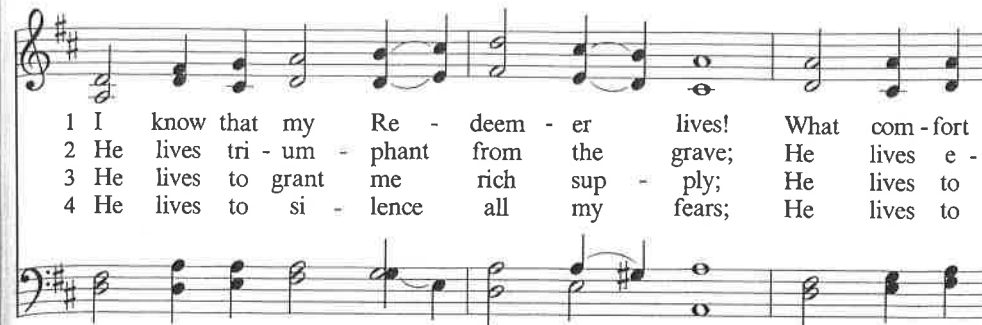
I am his And he is mine for - ev - er.  
 pas - tures grow, With food ce - les - tial feed - eth.  
 gent - ly laid, And home, re - joic - ing, brought me.  
 com - fort still; Thy cross be - fore to guide me.

5 Thou spreadst a table in my sight;  
 Thine unction grace bestoweth;  
 And, oh, what transport of delight  
 From thy pure chalice floweth!

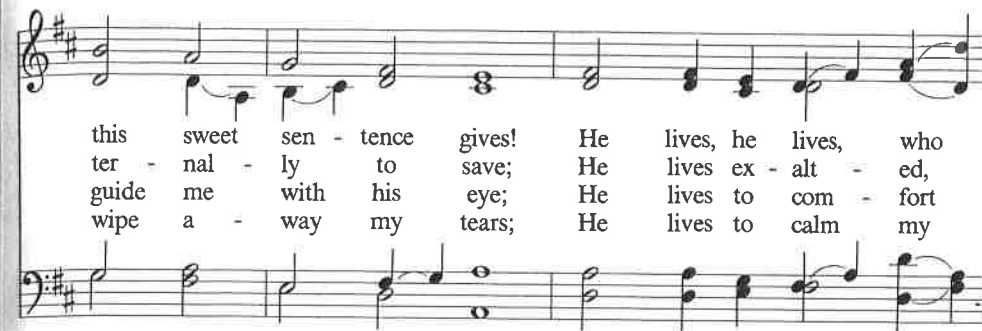
6 And so, through all the length of days,  
 Thy goodness faileth never.  
 Good Shepherd, may I sing thy praise  
 Within thy house forever.

# I Know that My Redeemer Lives!

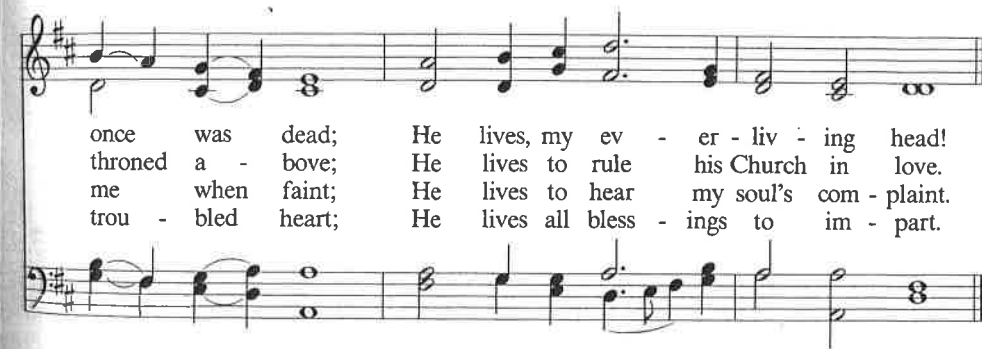
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1 I know that my Re - deem - er lives! What com - fort  
2 He lives tri - um - phant from the grave; He lives e -  
3 He lives to grant me rich sup - ply; He lives to  
4 He lives to si - lence all my fears; He lives to



this sweet sen - tence gives! He lives, he lives, who  
ter - nal - ly to save; He lives ex - alt - ed,  
guide me with his eye; He lives to com - fort  
wipe a - way my tears; He lives to calm my



once was dead; He lives, my ev - er - liv - ing head!  
throned a - bove; He lives to rule his Church in love.  
me when faint; He lives to hear my soul's com - plaint.  
trou - bled heart; He lives all bless - ings to im - part.

5 He lives to bless me with his love;  
He lives to plead for me above;  
He lives my hungry soul to feed;  
He lives to help in time of need.

6 He lives, my kind, wise, heav'nly friend;  
He lives and loves me to the end;  
He lives, and while he lives, I'll sing;  
He lives, my Prophet, Priest, and King!

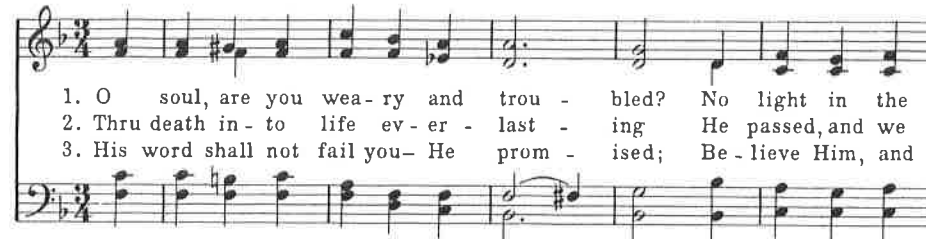
7 He lives and grants me daily breath;  
He lives, and I shall conquer death;  
He lives my mansion to prepare;  
He lives to bring me safely there.

8 He lives, all glory to his name!  
He lives, my Savior, still the same;  
What joy this blest assurance gives;  
I know that my Redeemer lives!

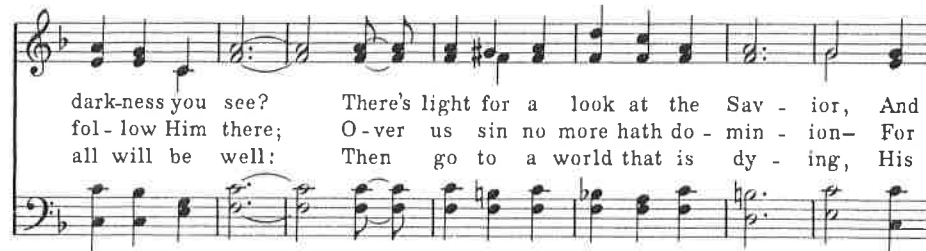
## Turn Your Eyes upon Jesus

HELEN H. LEMMEL, 1864-1961

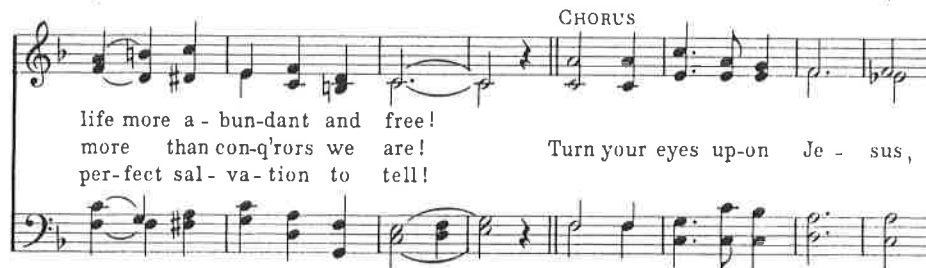
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1. O soul, are you wea-ry and trou - bled? No light in the  
 2. Thru death in - to life ev - er - last - ing He passed, and we  
 3. His word shall not fail you- He prom - ised; Be - lieve Him, and



dark-ness you see? There's light for a look at the Sav - ior, And  
 fol - low Him there; O - ver us sin no more hath do - min - ion- For  
 all will be well: Then go to a world that is dy - ing, His



CHORUS

life more a - bun-dant and free!  
 more than con-q'rors we are! Turn your eyes up-on Je - sus,  
 per-fect sal - va-tion to tell!



Look full in His won-der-ful face, \_\_\_\_\_ And the things of  
 won-der-ful face,



earth will grow strange-ly dim In the light of His glo - ry and grace.