# THE SERVICE OF THE WORD

THE HYMN - "What A Mighty God We Serve"

#### THE EASTER GREETING

Pastor: HE IS RISEN!

People: HE IS RISEN, INDEED! ALLELUIA!

#### THE INVOCATION

Pastor: We begin our worship in the Name of the Father, and of the

Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen

#### THE KYRIE

Pastor: In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Pastor: For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray

to the Lord.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Pastor: For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the

Church of God and for the unity of all, let us pray to the

Lord.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Pastor: For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship

and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Pastor: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

People: Amen.

### 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, freed from sin, we might walk in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake.

Silence for reflection 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 denied your divinity; we have brought death and darkness where you once said, "Let there be light." We deserve the doom 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, our Father, we implore you: forgive our sins, and grant us his gift of life abundant. Let us be raised with Christ!
- P: "Thus it is written, that the Messiah had to suffer and to 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! Amen.

#### THE CANTICLE "THIS IS THE FEAST"

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

God of all power,
you called from death our Lord Jesus,
the great shepherd of the sheep.
Send us as shepherds to rescue the lost,
to heal the injured,
and to feed one another with knowledge and understanding;
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 - "How Great Thou Art"

THE SERMON: "Jesus - Our Joy - The Secret to Greatness"

#### 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

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.

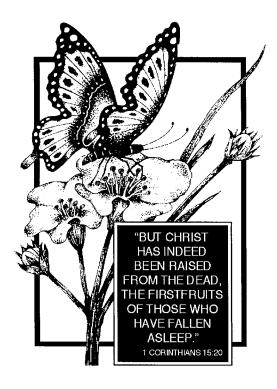
People: Amen.

THE RECESSIONAL HYMN - "Sent Forth By God's Blessing"

Pastor: Go in peace, serve the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God. Amen

# A SERVICE FOR THE SEASON OF EASTER



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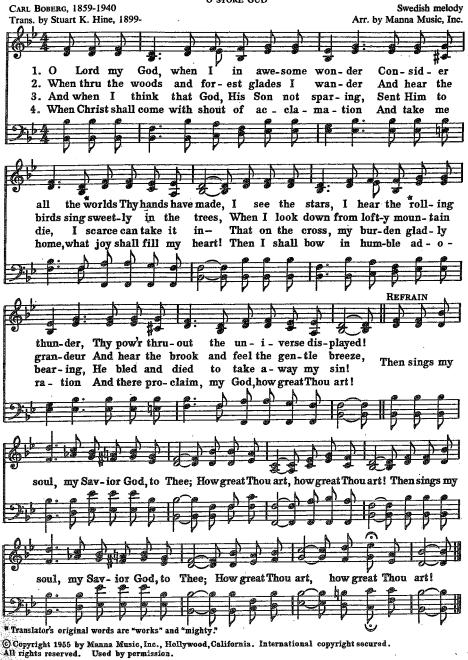
# WHAT A MIGHTY GOD WE SERVE

What a mighty God we serve! What a mighty God we serve! Angels bow before Him, Heaven and earth adore Him; What a mighty God we serve.

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# **How Great Thou Art!**

O STORE GUD





Jesus lives! And now is deathBut the gate of life immortal;This shall calm my trembling breath

When I pass its gloomy portal.

Faith shall cry, as fails each sense:
Jesus is my confidence!

#### I Come, O Savior, to Your Table 213 For weak and wea-ry come, O Sav-ior, to your ta - ble, Your bod - y, giv'n for me, O Your blood, which once for Sav - ior; 2 With you, Lord, I am now u - nit - ed; You live 3 in me and My heart has now be-come your dwell-ing, bless - ed, 0 ho - ly is soul; You, Bread of life. a - lone are my and strength for - ev - er, shed: These are life me was my No sor - row fills my soul; de - light-ed in you. With your prais - es tell - ing, Trin - i - ty. an - gels Refrain To sat - is - fy and make me whole. them my hun - gry soul is fed. Lord, may your finds its deep - est joy in you. Shall live joy ter - nal - ly. e my soul the high-est good! bod - y and your blood Be for

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