

St. Gregory's Episcopal Church



Mary Magdalene Discovering the Empty Tomb by Herschel Pollard

Easter Sunday *April 20, 2025*

*At St. Gregory's we explore the profound life
and radical teachings of Jesus Christ, through a living faith.*

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THE WORD OF GOD

PRELUDE.....Sr. Helena Marie, CHS

HYMN IN PROCESSION



1 Now the green blade ris - eth from the bur - ied grain,
2 In the grave they laid him, Love whom hate had slain,
3 Forth he came at Eas - ter, like the ris - en grain,
4 When our hearts are win - try, griev - ing, or in pain,



wheat that in dark earth man - y days has lain;
think - ing that nev - er he would wake a - gain,
he that for three days in the grave had lain,
thy touch can call us back to life a - gain,



love lives a - gain, that with the dead has been:
laid in the earth like grain that sleeps un - seen:
quick from the dead my ris - en Lord is seen:
fields of our hearts that dead and bare have been:



Refrain
Love is come a - gain like wheat that spring - eth green.

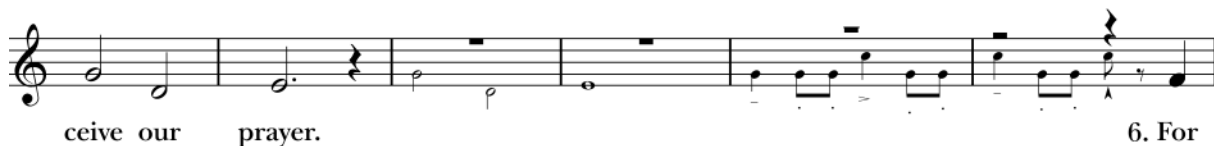
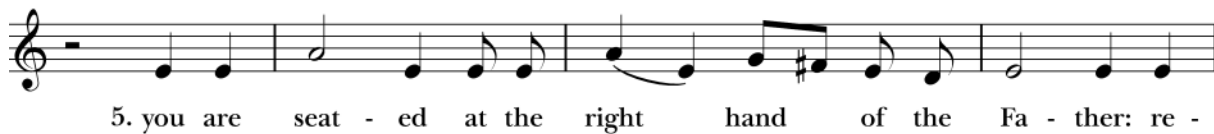
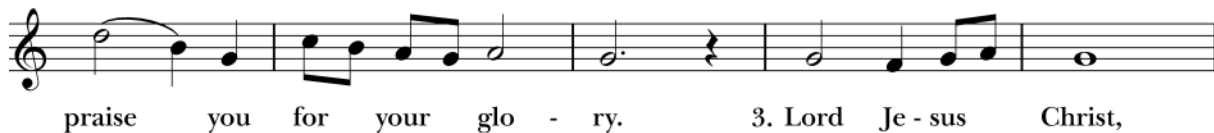
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Celebrant Alleluia. Christ is risen.
People **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

Celebrant 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 IN EXCELSIS



you a-lone are the Ho-ly One, you a-lone are the Lord,
 7. you a-lone are the Most High, Je-sus Christ, with the
 Ho-ly Spi-rit, in the glo-ry of
 God the Fa-ther. A-men.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

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

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.**

THE FIRST READING.....Isaiah 65:17-25

I am about to create new heavens and a new earth; the former things shall not be remembered or come to mind. But be glad and rejoice forever in what I am creating; for I am about to create Jerusalem as a joy, and its people as a delight. I will rejoice in Jerusalem, and delight in my people; no more shall the sound of weeping be heard in it, or the cry of distress. No more shall there be in it an infant that lives but a few days, or an old person who does not live out a lifetime; for one who dies at a hundred years will be considered a youth, and one who falls short of a hundred will be considered accursed.

They shall build houses and inhabit them; they shall plant vineyards and eat their fruit. They shall not build and another inhabit; they shall not plant and another eat; for like the days of a tree shall the days of my people be, and my chosen shall long enjoy the work of their hands.

They shall not labor in vain, or bear children for calamity; for they shall be offspring blessed by the Lord—and their descendants as well. Before they call I will answer, while they are yet speaking I will hear. The wolf and the lamb shall feed together, the lion shall eat straw like the ox; but the serpent—its food shall be dust! They shall not hurt or destroy on all my holy mountain, says the Lord.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.
People **Thanks be to God.**

THE RESPONSE (*chanted in unison*).....*Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24*

- 1 Give thanks to the Lord, who is | **good**; *
 God's mercy endures for | **ever**.
- 2 Let Israel now pro|**claim**, *
 "God's mercy endures for | **ever**."
- 14 The LORD is my strength and my | **song**; *
 God has become my sal|**vation**.
- 15 There is a sound of exultation and | **victory** *
 in the tents of the | **righteous**:
- 16 "The right hand of the LORD has | **triumphed**! *
 the right hand of the LORD is exalted!
 the right hand of the LORD has | **triumphed**!"
- 17 I shall not die, but | **live**, *
 and declare the works of the | **LORD**.
- 18 God has punished me | **sorely**, *
 but did not hand me over to | **death**.
- 19 Open for me the gates of | **righteousness**; *
 I will enter them;
 I will offer thanks to | **God**.
- 20 "This is the gate of the | **Holy One**; *
 those who are righteous may | **enter**."
- 21 I will give thanks to you, for you | **answered me** *
 and have become my sal|**vation**.
- 22 The same stone which the builders re|**jected** *
 has become the chief corner|**stone**.
- 23 This is the LORD's | **doing**, *
 and it is marvelous in our | **eyes**.
- 24 On this day God has | **acted**; *
 we will rejoice and be | **glad in it**.

THE SECOND READING.....*Acts 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.”

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God’s people.

People **Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL PROCESSION (*please stand in body or spirit*).....*Taizé Alleluia*



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THE GOSPEL.....*Luke 24:1-12*

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

On the first day of the week, at early dawn, the women who had come with Jesus from Galilee came to the tomb, taking the spices that they had prepared. They found the stone rolled away from the tomb, but when they went in, they did not find the body. While they were perplexed about this, suddenly two men in dazzling clothes stood beside them. The women were terrified and bowed their faces to the ground, but the men said to them, "Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here, but has risen. Remember how he told you, while he was still in Galilee, that the Son of Man must be handed over to sinners, and be crucified, and on the third day rise again." Then they remembered his words, and returning from the tomb, they told all this to the eleven and to all the rest. Now it was Mary Magdalene, Joanna, Mary the mother of James, and the other women with them who told this to the apostles. But these words seemed to them an idle tale, and they did not believe

them. But Peter got up and ran to the tomb; stooping and looking in, he saw the linen cloths by themselves; then he went home, amazed at what had happened.

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

THE SERMON.....The Rev. Matthew Wright

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.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

The Leader and People pray responsively

Gracious God, 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 do your will in all that we undertake;
That our works may find favor in your sight.

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;
That they may be delivered from their distress.

Give to the departed eternal rest;
Let light perpetual shine upon them.

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 for those of others, silently or aloud; for what and for whom shall we pray? (*silence follows in which the people may add their own petitions*)

The Celebrant adds the concluding Collect.

O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of your mercies, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to you we give glory now and for ever. *Amen.*

THE PEACE

The Celebrant says to the people

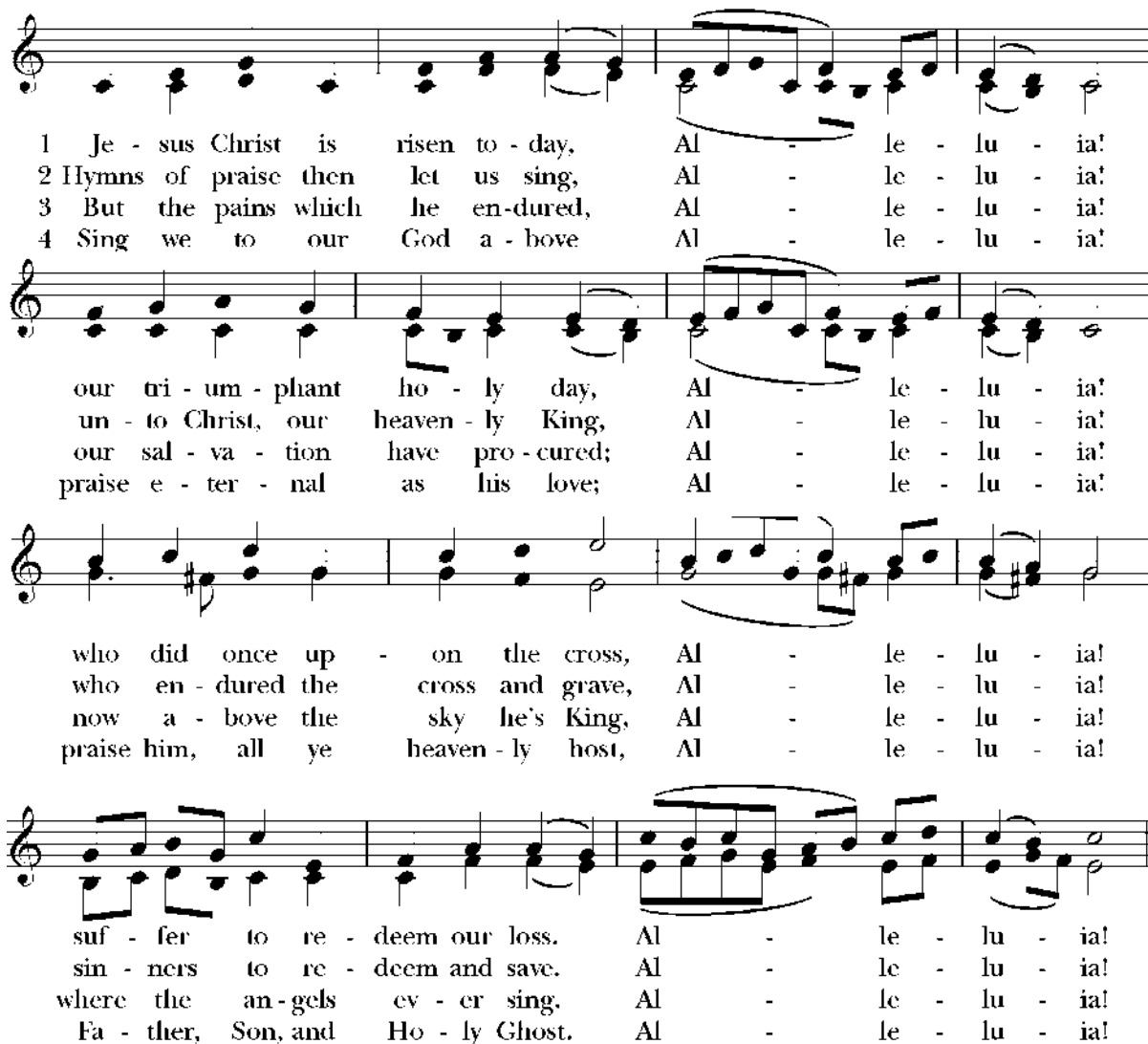
Celebrant The peace of Christ be always with you.
People **And also with you.**

The people greet one another with a sign of peace. Announcements may follow.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory Anthem (*sung by choir*)

Offertory Hymn (*please stand in body or in spirit*)



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!

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

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

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

Words. Latin, 14th cent.: tr. *Lyra Davidica*, 1708, alt. St. 4, Charles Wesley (1707-1788) Music: *Easter Hymn*, from *Lyra Davidica*, 1708; adapt. *The Compleat Psalmist*, 1749, alt., desc. *Hymns Ancient and Modern. Revised*, 1950 Copyright © Hymns Ancient and Modern Limited. All rights reserved. Used with permission.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING (THE ANAPHORA OF MARY MAGDALENE, M. R. RITLEY © 1995)

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 God thanks and praise.**

It is right to give you thanks, Creator of all, for your voice alone brought light and life to birth when all began. You called each one of us to be, and named us with the name that you alone could speak.

You called us to be lovers of creation, and to care for each other as you had cared for us. But we betrayed your trust—and we in turn became the victims of betrayal. The bond of trust became the bondage of division: male and female, Jew and Gentile, slave and free, oppressor and oppressed. Our hearts became the haunt of demons; sin and sickness held us captive; and our own kin cast us out.

Yet you in your love did not desert us, but instead sent your Beloved to seek us out, to gather in the lost and outcaste. He did not turn away from us, but called us to your table and made us sharers in your life. He threw open the doors of freedom, casting out the darkness of our hearts and greeting us as God's beloved friends and children. In place of judgment, he gave us compassion; in place of condemnation, healing.

And even as he came to share our suffering, he called us to be witnesses to his; to follow in the way that led him to the cross; and to see with our own eyes the depths of your forgiveness.

And when the night was darkest, and our loss complete, he broke upon us like the coming of the dawn, and shattered death itself within the empty tomb. He called us once again by name, and chose us to be bearers of his Word.

For on the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Friend and Savior Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it and gave it to us and said: "Take, eat: This is my body which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me." After supper he took the cup of wine, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to us and said: "Drink of 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, Loving God, of all the things that are yours, we offer you these, which are yours especially. We offer them gladly, as he told us, giving thanks for his death and resurrection. And having seen the glory of the Risen One, we praise you and we bless you:

People

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

Now, as he promised, send us your loving Spirit, to make this bread and this cup the life-giving body and blood of your Christ, and to make us one with him in your covenant of love. Give us courage not to cling to what is past, but to proclaim the freedom of new life, as together with angels and archangels and all the company of heaven, we sing the triumphal song:

The musical score is written on four staves in G-clef (treble clef) and 4/4 time. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with many notes beamed together. There are several triplets indicated by a '3' over a dashed line. The lyrics are written below the notes.

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

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
for ever and ever. Amen.**

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.

A period of silence follows, then all join in singing

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Christ our Pass - o - ver is sac - ri - ficed for us;

there - fore let us keep the feast.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

This is the table of Jesus, and all who are hungry are welcome. Please follow the directions of the ushers when coming forward. To receive the bread, extend your palms, one hand over the other, facing upward; gently help guide the chalice to your mouth. Communion can be brought to you if you need to remain seated. If you do not wish to receive, you are welcome to come forward for a blessing instead; signify by crossing your arms over your chest. Gluten-free wafers are available upon request; simply ask the priest while at the altar rail.

CHANT DURING COMMUNION

Come and fill our hearts with your peace. You a-lone, O Lord, are ho - ly.

Come and fill our hearts with your peace. Al - le - lu - ia!

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POST-COMMUNION PRAYER *(please stand or kneel as able)*

God of abundance,
you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation;
you have united us with Christ and one another;
and you have made us one
with all your people in heaven and on earth.
Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit
that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world
and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

THE BLESSING

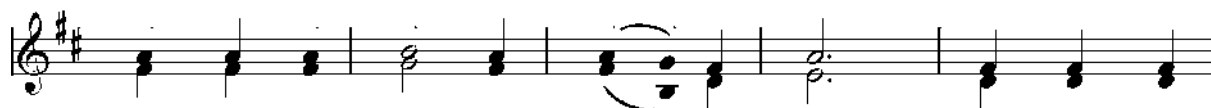
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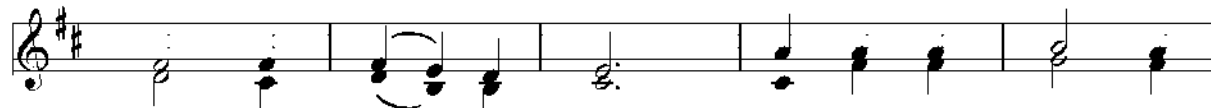
Antiphon (at the beginning)



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!



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| 1 | The | strife | is | o'er, | the | bat - tle | done, | the | vic - to - |
| 2 | The | powers | of | death | have | done | their | worst, | but |
| *3 | The | three | sad | days | are | quick - ly | sped, | he | ris - es |
| 4 | He | closed | the | yawn - ing | gates | of | hell, | the | bars |
| 5 | Lord! | by | the | stripes | which | wound - ed | thee, | from | death's |
| | | | | | | | | dread | |

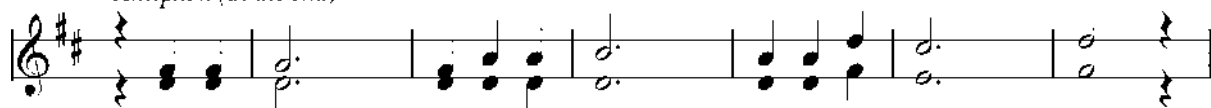


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| 1 | ry | of | life | is | won; | the | song | of | tri - umph |
| 2 | le - gions | hath | dis - | persed: | let | shout | of | ho - ly | |
| 3 | glo - rious | from | the | dead: | all | glo - ry | to | our | |
| 4 | heaven's | high | por - | tals | fell; | let | hymns | of | |
| 5 | sting | thy | serv - | ants | free, | that | we | may | |
| | | | | | | | | live | |
| | | | | | | | | and | |



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|---|-------|-------|---------|---------------------------|
| 1 | has | be - | gun. | Al - le - lu - ia! |
| 2 | joy | out - | burst. | Al - le - lu - ia! |
| 3 | ris - | en | I head! | Al - le - lu - ia! |
| 4 | tri - | umphs | tell! | Al - le - lu - ia! |
| 5 | sing | to | thee. | Al - le - lu - ia! [Ant.] |

Antiphon (at the end)



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

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Music: *Victory*, Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina (1525-1594); adapt. and arr. William Henry Monk (1826-1889)

THE DISMISSAL

Deacon Alleluia, alleluia! Let us go forth in the name of the Risen Christ.
People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!

EASTER FLOWERS ARE GIVEN IN MEMORY AND HONOR OF

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Ida Blumenstein

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Hospitality: Holly Moore