

3 May 2026
FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER EASTER

We Sing

Love's Redeeming Work is Done *Hymnal 188*



1 Love's re - deem - ing work is done, fought the fight, the bat - tle won.
2 Lives a - gain our glo - rious King; where, O death, is now thy sting?
3 Soar we now where Christ has led, fol - lowing our ex - alt - ed Head;



Death in vain for - bids him rise; Christ has o - pened par - a - dise.
Once he died our souls to save, where thy vic - to - ry, O grave?
made like him, like him we rise, ours the cross, the grave, the skies.

We Pray

**Risen Christ, you prepare a place for us.
Draw us more deeply to yourself –
through scripture read, water splashed,
bread broken, wine poured,
so that when our hearts are troubled,
we will know you more completely
as the way, the truth, and the life.
Amen.**

We Hear God's Word

First Lesson

A Reading from the First Letter of Peter (2:2-10)

Like newborn infants, long for the pure, spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow into salvation— if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good. Come to him, a living stone, though rejected by mortals yet chosen and precious in God's sight, and like living stones, let yourselves be built into a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. For it stands in scripture:

“See, I am laying in Zion a stone,
a cornerstone chosen and precious;
and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame.”

To you then who believe, he is precious; but for those who do not believe,

“The stone that the builders rejected
has become the very head of the corner”,

and

“A stone that makes them stumble,
and a rock that makes them fall.”

They stumble because they disobey the word, as they were destined to do. But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's own people, in order that you may proclaim the mighty acts of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light. Once you were not a people, but now you are God's people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Please stand

Gospel Song

Because He Lives

LEVAS 43

Be-cause He lives _____ I can face to - mor-row; _____ Be-cause He lives _____
_____ all fear is gone; _____ Be - cause I know _____ He holds the
fu - ture, _____ And life is worth the liv - ing just be-cause He lives. _____

Gospel Lesson

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John (14:1-14)

Glory to you, Lord Christ

Jesus said, "Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father's house there are many dwelling places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also. And you know the way to the place where I am going." Thomas said to him, "Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?" Jesus said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. If you know me, you will know my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him."

Philip said to him, "Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied." Jesus said to him, "Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, 'Show us the Father'? Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his

works. Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves. Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it.”

The Gospel of the Lord
Praise to you, Lord Christ

Please be seated

Sermon

We Set the Table

It was Finished Upon That Cross

Verse 1

How I love the voice of Jesus
On the Cross of Calvary
He declares his work is finished
He has spoken this hope to me
Though the sun had ceased its shining
Though the war appeared as lost
Christ had triumphed over evil
It was finished upon that Cross

Verse 3

Death was once my great opponent
Fear once had a hold on me
But the Son who died to save us
Rose that we would be free indeed

Verse 2

Now the curse it has been broken
Jesus paid the price for me
Full the pardon He has offered
Great the welcome that I receive
Boldly I approach my Father
Clothed in Jesus' righteousness
There is no more guilt to carry
It was finished upon that Cross

Verse 4

Death was once my great opponent
Fear once had a hold on me
But the Son who died to save us
Rose that we would be free indeed
Yes, He rose that we would be free
indeed
Free from every plan of darkness
Free to live and free to love
Death is dead and Christ is risen
It was finished upon that Cross

Ending

Onward to eternal glory
To my Savior and my God
I rejoice in Jesus' victory
It was finished upon that Cross
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Christ Feeds Us

Celebrant
People

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Celebrant
People

Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant
People

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give God thanks and praise.

It is right to praise you, Father, Lord of all creation;
in your love you made us for yourself.

When we turned away
you did not reject us,
but came to meet us in your Son.

People

**You embraced us as your children
and welcomed us to sit and eat with you.**

In Christ you shared our life
that we might live in him and he in us.

People

**He opened his arms of love upon the cross
and made for all the perfect sacrifice for sin.**

On the night he was betrayed
 at supper with his friends
 he took bread, and gave you thanks;
 he broke it and gave it to them, saying:
 Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;
 do this in remembrance of me.

People

**Father, we do this in remembrance of him:
 his body is the bread of life.**

At the end of supper, taking the cup of wine,
 he gave you thanks, and said:
 Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant,
 which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins;
 do this in remembrance of me.

People

**Father, we do this in remembrance of him:
 his blood is shed for all.**

As we proclaim his death and celebrate his rising in glory,
 send your Holy Spirit that this bread and wine
 may be to us the body and blood of your dear Son.

People

**As we eat and drink these holy gifts,
 make us one in Christ, our risen Lord.**

With your whole Church throughout the world
 we offer you this sacrifice of praise
 and lift our voice to join the eternal song of heaven:

CHORUS

The musical score for the Chorus is written in treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a common time signature (C). It consists of three staves of music. The first staff begins with a treble clef, a key signature of one sharp, and a common time signature. The melody starts with a quarter rest, followed by a quarter note G4, an eighth note A4, a quarter note B4, an eighth note C5, a quarter note B4, an eighth note A4, a quarter note G4, and a quarter note F#4. Above the staff are guitar chords: D, Am7, and C. The lyrics are: "Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho-ly is the Lord God Al-might-y. Who was and is and is to come;". The second staff begins with a treble clef, a key signature of one sharp, and a common time signature. The melody starts with a quarter rest, followed by a quarter note G4, an eighth note A4, a quarter note B4, an eighth note C5, a quarter note B4, an eighth note A4, a quarter note G4, and a quarter note F#4. Above the staff are guitar chords: G, D, and Am7. The lyrics are: "With all cre - a - tion I sing praise to the King of kings;". The third staff begins with a treble clef, a key signature of one sharp, and a common time signature. The melody starts with a quarter rest, followed by a quarter note G4, an eighth note A4, a quarter note B4, an eighth note C5, a quarter note B4, an eighth note A4, a quarter note G4, and a quarter note F#4. Above the staff are guitar chords: C, G, D, Am7, and C. The lyrics are: "You are my ev-'ry -thing and I will a-dore You." The staff ends with a double bar line and the instruction "2nd time to Coda" with a Coda symbol.

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.**

Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!

The gifts of God for the People of God

During Communion

King of Kings

Verse 1

In the darkness, we were waiting
Without hope without light
Till from Heaven You came running
There was mercy in Your eyes
To fulfil the law and prophets
To a virgin came the Word From a
throne of endless glory to a cradle in
the dirt

Verse 2

To reveal the kingdom coming
And to reconcile the lost
To redeem the whole creation
You did not despise the cross
For even in Your suffering
You saw to the other side
Knowing this was our salvation
Jesus for our sake You died

Chorus

Praise the Father
Praise the Son
Praise the Spirit three in one
God of Glory, Majesty
Praise forever to the King of kings

Verse 3

And the morning that You rose
All of heaven held its breath
Till that stone
was moved for good
For the Lamb
had conquered death
And the dead
rose from their tombs
And the angels stood in awe
For the souls of all who'd come
To the Father are restored

Verse 4

And the Church of Christ was born
Then the Spirit lit the flame
Now this Gospel truth of old
Shall not kneel shall not faint
By His blood and in His Name
In His freedom I am free
For the love of Jesus Christ
Who has resurrected me

Post-Communion Prayer

**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.**

Announcements & Blessing

We Sing

Alleluia, alleluia, give thanks to the Risen Lord Hymnal 178

Refrain



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Give thanks to the



ris - en Lord. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Give

1-4 *Final Ending*



Praise to his Name. Name.



1 Je - sus is Lord of all the earth.
2 Spread the good news o'er all the earth:
3 We have been cru - ci - fied with Christ.
4 Come, let us praise the liv - ing God,

Repeat Refrain



He is the King of cre - a - tion.
Je - sus has died and has ris - en.
Now we shall live for ev - er. Al - le -
joy - ful - ly sing to our Sa - vior.

We're Sent

Deacon – Alleluia! Alleluia! Let us go forth, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit
People – Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!