

# The Sixth Sunday of Easter

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## 477 Alleluia, Alleluia! Hearts to Heaven



1 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Hearts to heav'n and voic - es raise:

2 Al - le - lu - ia, Christ is ris - en! Death at last has met de - feat:

△ 3 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Glo - ry be to God on high:



Sing to God a hymn of glad-ness, Sing to God a hymn of praise;  
See the an-cient pow'rs of e - vil In con - fu - sion and re-treat;  
Al - le - lu - ia to the Sav - ior Who has gained the vic - to - ry;



He who on the cross a vic-tim For the world's sal - va-tion bled—  
Once He died, and once was bur-ied: Now He lives for - ev - er - more,  
Al - le - lu - ia to the Spir-it, Fount of love and sanc-ti - ty!



Je - sus Christ, the King of Glo - ry, Now is ris - en from the dead.  
Je - sus Christ, the world's Re - deem - er, Whom we wor-ship and a - dore.  
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia To the tri - une Maj - es - ty!

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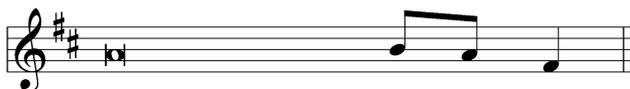
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## Common Versicles

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**L** O Lord, o - pen my lips,



**C** and my mouth will de - clare Your praise.



**L** Make haste, O God, to de - liv - er me;



**C** make haste to help me, O Lord.



**C** Glo-ry be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spir - it;

as it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and will be for - ev - er. A - men.

Praise to You, O Christ. Al - le - lu - ia.

Psalmody

Antiphon

**L** The Lord is risen in - deed. Al - le - lu - ia.

**C** O come, let us wor - ship Him.

Venite

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**C** 1 O come, let us sing . . . . . to the Lord,  
 2 For the Lord is a . . . . . great God  
 3 The sea is His, for He . . . . . made it,  
 5 Glory be to the Father and . . . . . to the Son

1 let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our sal - va - tion.  
 2 and a great . . . . . king a - bove all gods.  
 3 and His hand . . . . . formed the dry land.  
 5 and to the . . . . . Ho - ly Spir - it;

1 Let us come into His presence with thanks - giv - ing,  
 2 The deep places of the earth are . . . . . in His hand;  
 3 O come, let us worship and . . . . . bow down,  
 4 For He . . . . . is our God,  
 5 as it was in the be - gin - ning,

1 let us make a joyful noise to . . . . . Him with songs of praise.  
 2 the strength of the hills is . . . . . His al - so.  
 3 let us kneel before the . . . . . Lord, our mak - er.  
 4 and we are the people of His pasture and the sheep of His hand.  
 5 is now, and will be for - ev - er. A - men.

## Antiphon



☐ The Lord is risen in - deed. Al - le - lu - ia.



☐ O come, let us wor - ship Him.

## 594 God's Own Child, I Gladly Say It



1 God's own child, I glad - ly say it: I am bap - tized  
2 Sin, dis - turb my soul no long - er: I am bap - tized  
3 Sa - tan, hear this proc - la - ma - tion: I am bap - tized  
4 Death, you can - not end my glad - ness: I am bap - tized  
5 There is noth - ing worth com - par - ing To this life - long



in - to Christ! He, be - cause I could not pay it,  
in - to Christ! I have com - fort e - ven strong - er:  
in - to Christ! Drop your ug - ly ac - cu - sa - tion,  
in - to Christ! When I die, I leave all sad - ness  
com - fort sure! O - pen - eyed my grave is star - ing:



Gave my full re - demp - tion price. Do I need earth's  
Je - sus' cleans - ing sac - ri - fice. Should a guilt - y  
I am not so soon en - ticed. Now that to the  
To in - her - it par - a - dise! Though I lie in  
E - ven there I'll sleep se - cure. Though my flesh a -



treas - ures man - y? I have one worth  
con - science seize me Since my Bap - tism  
font I've trav - eled, All your might has  
dust and ash - es Faith's as - sur - ance  
waits its rais - ing, Still my soul con -



more than an - y That brought me sal -  
did re - lease me In a dear for -  
come un - rav - eled, And, a - gainst your  
bright - ly flash - es: Bap - tism has the  
tin - ues prais - ing: I am bap - tized



va - tion free Last - ing to e - ter - ni - ty!  
giv - ing flood, Sprin - kling me with Je - sus' blood?  
tyr - an - ny, God, my Lord, u - nites with me!  
strength di - vine To make life im - mor - tal mine.  
in - to Christ; I'm a child of par - a - dise!

## Readings

### Reading

Acts 17:16–31

<sup>16</sup>While Paul was waiting for them at Athens, his spirit was provoked within him as he saw that the city was full of idols. <sup>17</sup>So he reasoned in the synagogue with the Jews and the devout persons, and in the marketplace every day with those who happened to be there. <sup>18</sup>Some of the Epicurean and Stoic philosophers also conversed with him. And some said, “What does this babbler wish to say?” Others said, “He seems to be a preacher of foreign divinities”—because he was preaching Jesus and the resurrection. <sup>19</sup>And they took hold of him and brought him to the Areopagus, saying, “May we know what this new teaching is that you are presenting? <sup>20</sup>For you bring some strange things to our ears. We wish to know therefore what these things mean.” <sup>21</sup>Now all the Athenians and the foreigners who lived there would spend their time in nothing except telling or hearing something new.

<sup>22</sup>So Paul, standing in the midst of the Areopagus, said: “Men of Athens, I perceive that in every way you are very religious. <sup>23</sup>For as I passed along and observed the objects of your worship, I found also an altar with this inscription, ‘To the unknown god.’ What therefore you worship as unknown, this I proclaim to you. <sup>24</sup>The God who made the world and everything in it, being Lord of heaven and earth, does not live in temples made by man, <sup>25</sup>nor is he served by human hands, as though he needed anything, since he himself gives to all mankind life and breath and everything. <sup>26</sup>And he made from one man every nation of mankind to live on all the face of the earth, having determined allotted periods and the boundaries of their dwelling place, <sup>27</sup>that they should seek God, in the hope that they might feel their way toward him and find him. Yet he is actually not far from each one of us, <sup>28</sup>for

“‘In him we live and move and have our being’;

as even some of your own poets have said,

“‘For we are indeed his offspring.’”

<sup>29</sup>Being then God’s offspring, we ought not to think that the divine being is like gold or silver or stone, an image formed by the art and imagination of man. <sup>30</sup>The times of ignorance God overlooked, but now he commands all people everywhere to repent, <sup>31</sup>because he has fixed a day on which he will judge the world in righteousness by a man whom he has appointed; and of this he has given assurance to all by raising him from the dead.”

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

### Reading

1 Peter 3:13–22

<sup>13</sup>Now who is there to harm you if you are zealous for what is good? <sup>14</sup>But even if you should suffer for righteousness’ sake, you will be blessed. Have no fear of them, nor be troubled, <sup>15</sup>but in your hearts regard Christ the Lord as holy, always being prepared to make a defense to anyone who asks you for a reason for the hope that is in you; <sup>16</sup>yet do it with gentleness and respect, having a good conscience, so that, when you are slandered, those who revile your good behavior in Christ may be put to shame. <sup>17</sup>For it is better to suffer for doing good, if that should be God’s will, than for doing evil.

<sup>18</sup>For Christ also suffered once for sins, the righteous for the unrighteous, that he might bring us to God, being put to death in the flesh but made alive in the spirit, <sup>19</sup>in which he went and proclaimed to the spirits in prison, <sup>20</sup>because they formerly did not obey, when God’s patience waited in the days of Noah, while the ark was being prepared, in which a few, that is, eight persons, were brought safely through water. <sup>21</sup>Baptism, which corresponds to this, now saves you, not as a removal of dirt from the body but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, <sup>22</sup>who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers having been subjected to him.

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**C** Thanks be to God.



556 Dear Christians, One and All, Rejoice (Choir stz 4, 6, 9)



1 Dear Chris-tians, one and all, re-joice, With ex-ul-ta-tion  
 2 Fast bound in Sa-tan's chains I lay; Death brood-ed dark-ly  
 3 My own good works all came to naught, No grace or mer-it  
 4 But God had seen my wretch-ed state Be-fore the world's foun-



spring-ing, And with u-nit-ed heart and voice And ho-ly  
 o'er me. Sin was my tor-ment night and day; In sin my  
 gain-ing; Free will a-gainst God's judg-ment fought, Dead to all  
 da-tion, And mind-ful of His mer-cies great, He planned for



rap-ture sing-ing, Pro-claim the won-ders God has done, How  
 moth-er bore me. But dai-ly deep-er still I fell; My  
 good re-main-ing. My fears in-creased till sheer de-spair Left  
 my sal-va-tion. He turned to me a fa-ther's heart; He



His right arm the vic-t'ry won. What price our ran-som cost Him!  
 life be-came a liv-ing hell, So firm-ly sin pos-sessed me.  
 on-ly death to be my share; The pangs of hell I suf-fered.  
 did not choose the eas-y part But gave His dear-est trea-sure.

5 God said to His beloved Son:  
 "It's time to have compassion.  
 Then go, bright jewel of My crown,  
 And bring to all salvation.  
 From sin and sorrow set them free;  
 Slay bitter death for them that they  
 May live with You forever."

6 The Son obeyed His Father's will,  
 Was born of virgin mother;  
 And God's good pleasure to fulfill,  
 He came to be my brother.  
 His royal pow'r disguised He bore;  
 A servant's form, like mine, He wore  
 To lead the devil captive.

7 To me He said: "Stay close to Me,  
 I am your rock and castle.  
 Your ransom I Myself will be;  
 For you I strive and wrestle.  
 For I am yours, and you are Mine,  
 And where I am you may remain;  
 The foe shall not divide us.

8 "Though he will shed My precious blood,  
 Me of My life bereaving,  
 All this I suffer for your good;  
 Be steadfast and believing.  
 Life will from death the vict'ry win;  
 My innocence shall bear your sin,  
 And you are blest forever.

9 "Now to My Father I depart,  
 From earth to heav'n ascending,  
 And, heav'nly wisdom to impart,  
 The Holy Spirit sending;  
 In trouble He will comfort you  
 And teach you always to be true  
 And into truth shall guide you.

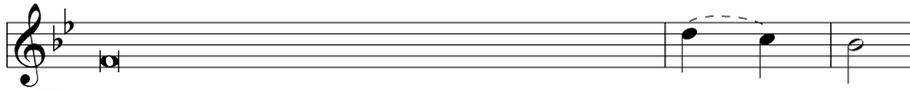
10 "What I on earth have done and taught  
 Guide all your life and teaching;  
 So shall the kingdom's work be wrought  
 And honored in your preaching.  
 But watch lest foes with base alloy  
 The heav'nly treasure should destroy;  
 This final word I leave you."

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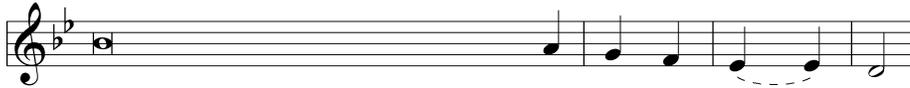
# Canticle

## Te Deum

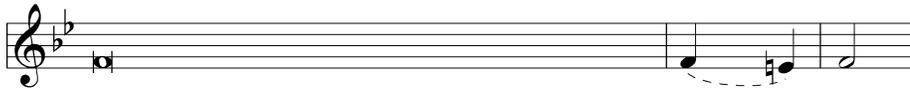
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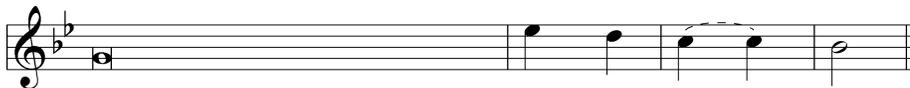
- 1 We praise You, O God; we acknowledge You to be the Lord.  
2 Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of . . . . . Sab - a - oth;  
3 The noble army of martyrs . . . . . praise — You.



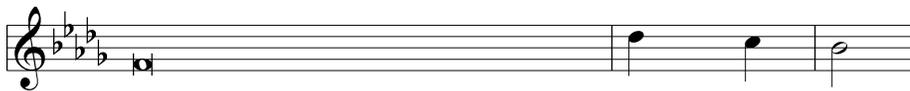
- 1 All the earth now worships You, the Fa-ther ev - er - last - ing.  
2 heaven and earth are full of the majes - ty of Your glo - ry.  
3 The holy Church throughout all the world does ac - knowl-edge You:



- 1 To You all angels cry aloud, the heavens and all the pow'rs there-in.  
2 The glorious company of the apostles . . . . . praise — You.  
3 The Father of an infinite majesty; Your adorable, true, and on - ly Son;  
4 You are the king of glory, . . . . . O — Christ;



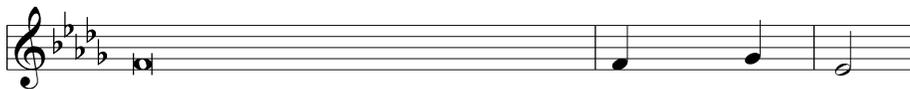
- 1 To You cherubim and seraphim con - tin - ual - ly do cry:  
2 The goodly fellowship of the . . . . . proph-ets praise — You.  
3 also the Holy . . . . . Ghost, the Com-fort - er.  
4 You are the everlasting Son . . . . . of the Fa - ther.



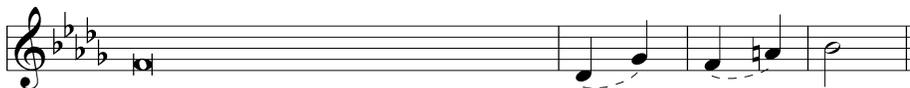
- 5 When You took upon Yourself to de - liv - er man,  
6 You sit at the right . . . . . hand of God



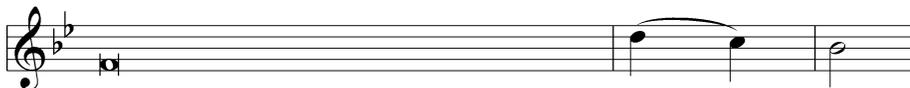
- 5 You humbled Yourself to be born of a vir - gin.  
6 in the glory . . . . . of the Fa - ther.



- 5 When You had overcome the . . . . . sharpness of death,  
6 We believe that . . . . . You will come



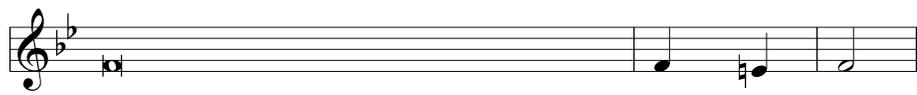
- 5 You opened the kingdom of heaven to all be - liev - ers.  
6 to . . . . . be — our — judge.



- 7 We therefore pray You to help Your . . . . . ser - vants,



- 7 whom You have redeem - ed with Your pre - cious blood.



7 Make them to be numbered . . . . . with Your saints



7 in glory . . . . . ev - er - last - ing.

### Prayer

### Kyrie

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**C** Lord, have mer-cy; Christ, have mer-cy; Lord, have mer-cy.

### Lord's Prayer

**C** 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  
forever and ever. Amen.

### Collects

### Salutation

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**P** The Lord be with you.



**C** And with your spir - it.

### Collect of the Day

**P** O God, the giver of all that is good, by Your holy inspiration grant that we may think those things that are right and by Your merciful guiding accomplish them; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

## Additional Collect(s)

### Collect for Grace

**P** O Lord, our heavenly Father, almighty and everlasting God, You have safely brought us to the beginning of this day. Defend us in the same with Your mighty power and grant that this day we fall into no sin, neither run into any kind of danger, but that all our doings, being ordered by Your governance, may be righteous in Your sight; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**G** Amen.

### Benedicamus

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**L** Let us bless the Lord.



**G** Thanks be to God.

### Benediction

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**P** The grace of our Lord † Je - sus Christ and the love of God



and the communion of the Holy Spir - it be with you all.



**G** A - men.

### 655 Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word



1 Lord, keep us stead - fast in Your Word; Curb those who  
2 Lord Je - sus Christ, Your pow'r make known, For You are  
3 O Com - fort - er of price - less worth, Send peace and



by de - ceit or sword Would wrest the king - dom from Your  
Lord of lords a - lone; De - fend Your ho - ly Church that  
u - ni - ty on earth; Sup - port us in our fi - nal



Son And bring to naught all He has done.  
we May sing Your praise e - ter - nal - ly.  
strife And lead us out of death to life.

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