Welcome to The Parish of Holy Trinity St. Stephens

Join us for

Third Sunday of

EASTER

CELEBRATE OUR SAVIOUR

SUNDAY APRIL 23RD, 2023

Eucharist #2

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Glory & Praise To Our God

God's love for yours

For as high as the heavens are above the earth, So great is His lovingkindness toward those who fear Him.

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Refrain

Glory and Praise to our God Who alone gives light to our days Many are the blessings he bears to Those who trust in His ways.

We, the daughters and sons of Him who built the valleys and plains. Praise the wonders our God has done in every heart that sings.

<u>Refrain</u>

Glory and Praise to our God Who alone gives light to our days Many are the blessings he bears to Those who trust in His ways.

In His wisdom he strengthens us like gold that's tested in fire.

Though the power of sin prevails, our God is there to save.

<u>Refrain</u>

Glory and Praise to our God Who alone gives light to our days Many are the blessings he bears to Those who trust in His ways.

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God has watered our barren land And sent His merciful rain. Now the rivers of life run full For anyone to drink.

Refrain

Glory and Praise to our God Who alone gives light to our days Many are the blessings he bears to Those who trust in His ways.

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Many are the blessings he bears to Those who trust in His ways.





Welcome and Announcements: Rev. Rob Henderson







Psalm 23 (George Black Psalter)

Refrain:

"O God, you are my shepherd; I shall not be in want."

One Bread, One Body One bread, one body, one Lord of all, One cup of blessing which we bless And we, though many, Throughout the earth, We are one body in this one Lord.

Gentile or Jew, servant or free, Woman or man, no more.

Alleluía #1 Book of Common Praíse 405

Alleluia, alleluia! Give thanks to the risen Lord. Alleluia, alleluia! Give praise to His name. Jesus is Lord of all the earth; He is the king of creation.

Alleluia, alleluia! Give thanks to the risen Lord. Alleluia, alleluia! Give praise to His name. Spread the good news o'er all the earth:

Jesus has died and is risen.

Alleluia, alleluia! Give thanks to the risen Lord. Alleluia, alleluia! Give praise to His name. We have been crucified with Christ: Now we shall live forever.

Alleluia, alleluia! Give thanks to the risen Lord. Alleluia, alleluia! Give praise to His name. Come, let us praise the living God, Joyfully sing to our Saviour.

Alleluia, alleluia! Give thanks to the risen Lord. Alleluia, alleluia! Give praise to His name.

THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

Celebrant: Alleluia! Christ is risen.

People: The Lord is risen indeed.

Alleluia!

Celebrant: May his grace and peace be with you.

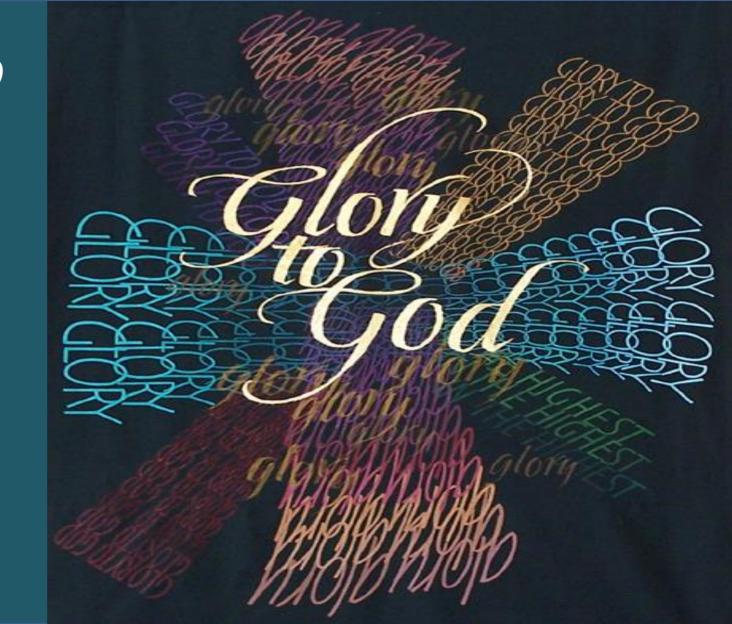
People: May he fill our hearts with joy!

Celebrant: Almighty God,

to you all hearts are open, People: all desires known, and from you no secrets are hidden. 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.

Glory to God on High

Book of Common Praíse 365



Glory to God on high, And peace to all on earth. We worship you, we give you thanks, Our heavenly King. We give you praise, **Almighty God and Father** Blessed in glory bright.

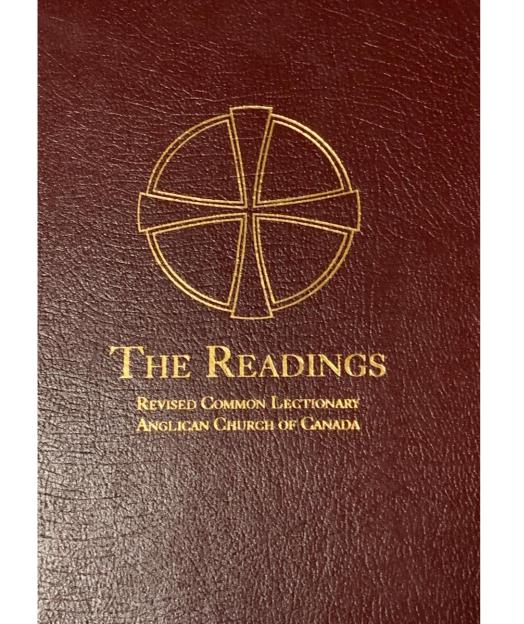
Our Saviour, Jesus Christ, The Father's only Son, The sacrificial Lamb, Who saves the world from sin, Have mercy Lord. Beside the Father's hand enthroned, Now hear our prayer.

You only are the Lord. You only are most high. You only are the holy one, **Lord Jesus Christ.** And now you reign With Father and with Spirit One in glorious light.

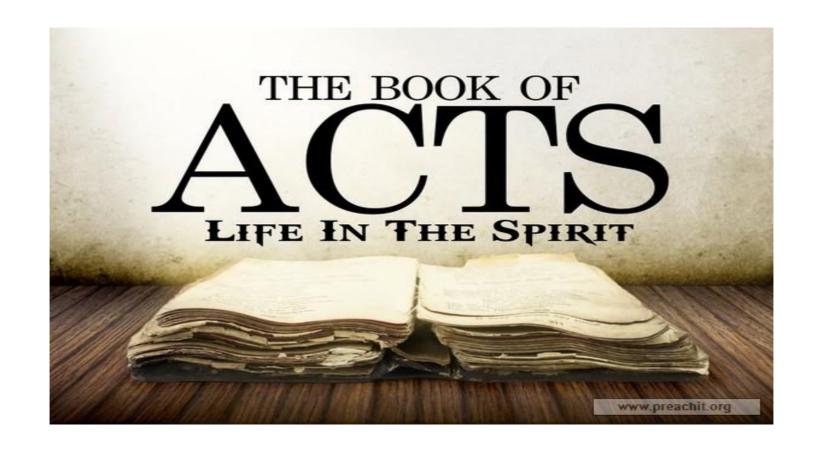
We say together the Collect for today:

O God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, that great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, make us perfect in every good work to do your will,

and work in us that which is well-pleasing in your sight; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



The Proclamation of the Word



A Reading from the Book of Acts (2:42-47)

Acts 2:42-47

They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers. Awe came upon everyone, because many wonders and signs were being done by the apostles. All who believed were together and had all things in common;

Acts 2:42-47-1/3

they would sell their possessions and goods and distribute the proceeds to all, as any had need. Day by day, as they spent much time together in the temple, they broke bread at home and ate their food with glad and generous hearts, praising God and having the goodwill of all the people.

And day by day the Lord added to their number those who were being saved.

Reader: The word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.



Psalm 23A (George Black Psalter)

Refrain:

"O God, you are my shepherd; I shall not be in want."

Psalm 23A (George Black Psalter)

O God, you are my shepherd; I shall not be in want. You make me lie down in green pastures and lead me beside still waters

O God, you are my shepherd; I shall not be in want.

Psalm 23A (George Black Psalter)

You revive my soul and guide me along right pathways for your name's sake.

Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I shall fear no evil; for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.

O God, you are my shepherd; I shall not be in want.

Psalm 23A (George Black Psalter)

You spread a table before me in the presence of those who trouble me; you have anointed my head with oil, and my cup is running over.

Surely your goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in your house, O God, for ever.

O God, you are my shepherd; I shall not be in want.





Chorus

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

(Cantor) Easter verse

"Out of the tomb he has risen He has conquered death! Opened Heaven to all believers"

Chorus

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

All stand for the Gospel

Reader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Reader: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

People: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

John 10:1-10

"Very truly, I tell you, anyone who does not enter the sheepfold by the gate but climbs in by another way is a thief and a bandit. The one who enters by the gate is the shepherd of the sheep. The gatekeeper opens the gate for him, and the sheep hear his voice. He calls his own sheep by name and leads them out.

When he has brought out all his own, he goes ahead of them, and the sheep follow him because they know his voice. They will not follow a stranger, but they will run from him because they do not know the voice of strangers." Jesus used this figure of speech with them, but they did not understand what he was saying to them.

So again Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, I am the gate for the sheep. All who came before me are thieves and bandits; but the sheep did not listen to them. I am the gate. Whoever enters by me will be saved, and will come in and go out, and find pasture.

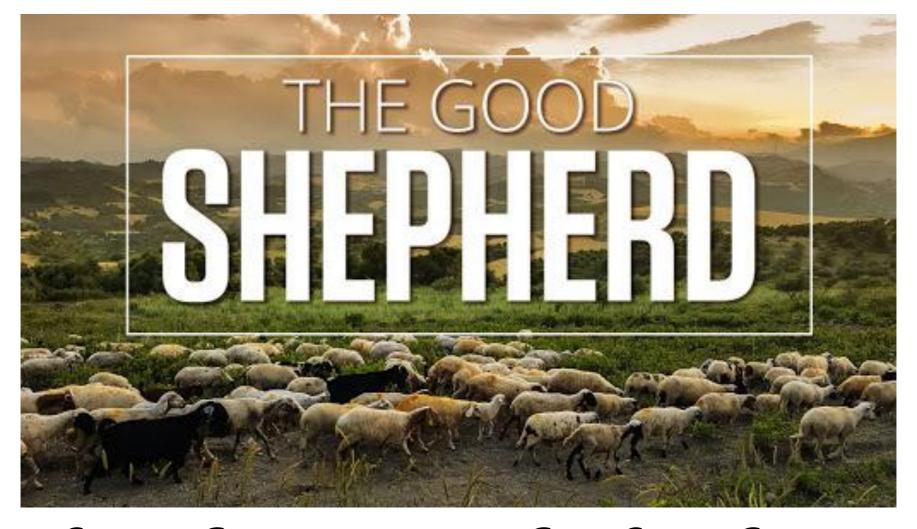
The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life and have it abundantly."

Reader: The Gospel of Christ.

People: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Chorus

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.



Homíly Rev. Rob Henderson



Prayers of the People

Third Sunday of Easter - Year A

Let us who journey on the way with Christ, risen and ever-present in mystery, pray for the world with all our heart and mind saying:

Lord, hear our prayer.

For the church universal and for this community of faith, that we may wholeheartedly devote ourselves to the apostolic teachings, to common life, to the breaking of bread and the life of prayer.

Let us pray to the Lord.

For all nations and people of the world God loves. That we may be delivered from human devices of oppression, and from false idols and futile ways. Let us pray to the Lord.

For all that grieve or who are afraid this day. For those who fear violence or are in distress. That they may know the hidden strength of Christ present. Let us pray to the Lord.

For the sick and the those who care for them. For those who have asked us to pray for them, especially today we hold up: Solange H., Terry, Cavell, Karen C., Dan, and Robert S. Let us pray to the Lord.

For ourselves who seek to see the risen Christ on our road. That we may be renewed and given hope as the first disciples were.

Let us pray to the Lord.

Preserve us O Lord and take us to your heart, so that all our lives may be woven together in prayer and praise, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Confession and Absolution

Celebrant: Dear friends in Christ, God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy; **God welcomes sinners** and invites them to this table. Let us confess our sins, confident in God's forgiveness.

Celebrant: Most merciful God,

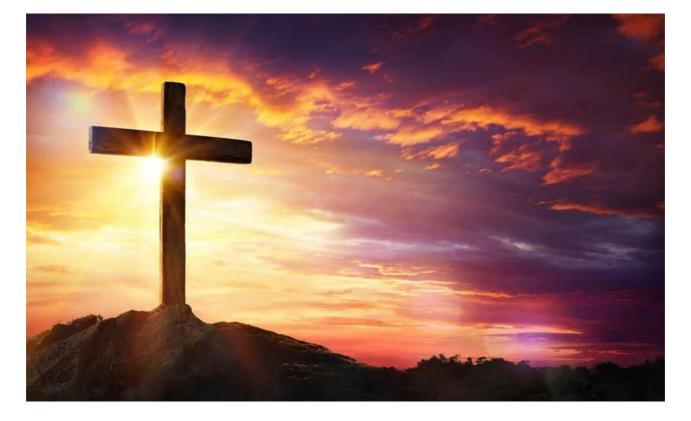
People: we confess

that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves.

We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, Have mercy on us and forgive us, that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your name. Amen.

Celebrant: Almighty God have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People: Amen.



Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And also with you.



Verse 1

Go now in peace. Go now in peace. May the love of God surround you **Everywhere, Everywhere,** You may go.

Receiving the gifts of money and other gifts for the needs and responsibilities of the Church.



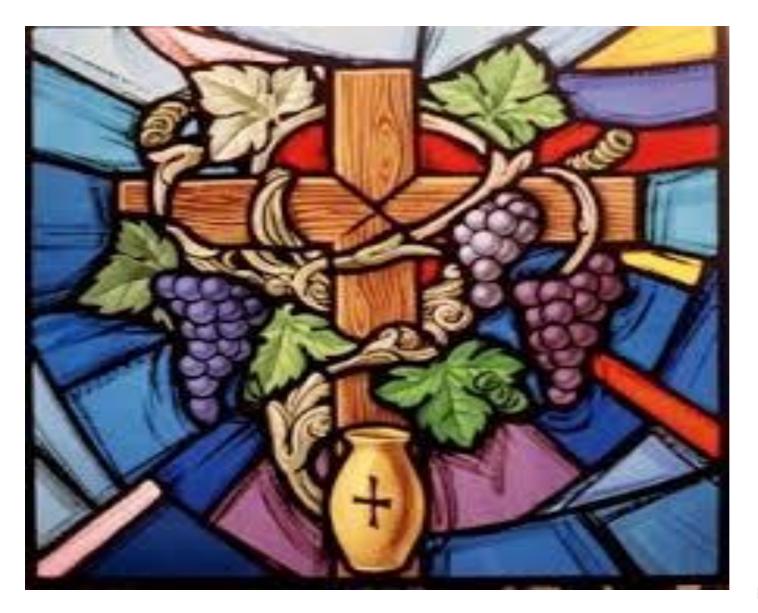


The flowers for the Altar today are given to the Glory of God by Norma Near in memory of Loved Ones.

Prayer Over The Gifts

God of loving care, you spread before us the table of life, and give us the cup of salvation to drink. Keep us always in the fold of your Son Jesus Christ, our Saviour and our shepherd.

Amen.



Eucharistic
Prayer
#2

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 our thanks and praise.

Celebrant: We give you thanks and praise, almighty God, through your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Redeemer. He is your living Word, through whom you have created all things.

By the power of the Holy Spirit he took flesh of the Virgin Mary and shared our human nature. He lived and died as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

In fulfilment of your will he stretched out his hands in suffering, to bring release to those who place their hope in you; and so he won for you a holy people.

He chose to bear our griefs and sorrows, and to give up his life on the cross, that he might shatter the chains of evil and death, and banish the darkness of sin and despair.

By his resurrection he brings us into the light of your presence.

Now with all creation we raise our voices to proclaim the glory of your name.

Holy, Holy, Lord (Eucharist Prayer)

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord
God of Power and might
Heaven and earth are full of your glory
Hosanna in the highest

Blest is the One who comes, in the name of The Lord Hosanna in the highest Hosanna in the highest Amen, Amen, Amen.

Holy and gracious God, accept our praise, through your Son our Saviour **Jesus Christ**; who on the night he was handed over to suffering and death,

took bread and gave you thanks, saying, "Take, and eat: this is my body which is broken for you."

In the same way he took the cup, saying, "This is my blood which is shed for you. When you do this, you do it in memory of me."

Remembering, therefore, his death and resurrection, we offer you this bread and this cup, giving thanks that you have made us worthy to stand in your presence and serve you. We ask you to send your Holy Spirit upon the offering of your holy Church. **Eucharistic Prayer 2-12/14**

Gather into one all who share in these sacred mysteries, filling them with the Holy Spirit and confirming their faith in the truth, that together we may praise you and give you glory through your Servant, **Jesus Christ.**

All glory and honour are yours, Father and Son, with the Holy Spirit in the holy Church, now and for ever.

People: Amen.



Lord's Prayer

(Songs of a Gospel People)

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 them,
that 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.

Breaking of the Bread #8 ~ Easter Season

Celebrant: Lord, we died with you on the cross.

All: Now we are raised to new life.

Celebrant: We were buried in your tomb.

All: Now we share in your resurrection.

Celebrant: Live in us, that we may live in you.





Cantor: Lamb of God,
you take away
the sin of the world,
have mercy on us.

All: Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.

<u>Verse 2</u>

Cantor: Lamb of God,
you take away
the sin of the world,
have mercy on us.

All: Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.

Cantor: Lamb of God,
you take away
the sin of the world
grant us grant us peace.

All: Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, grant us grant us peace.





ALL ARE WELCOME AT THE TABLE, IT IS JESUS WHO INVITES YOU.

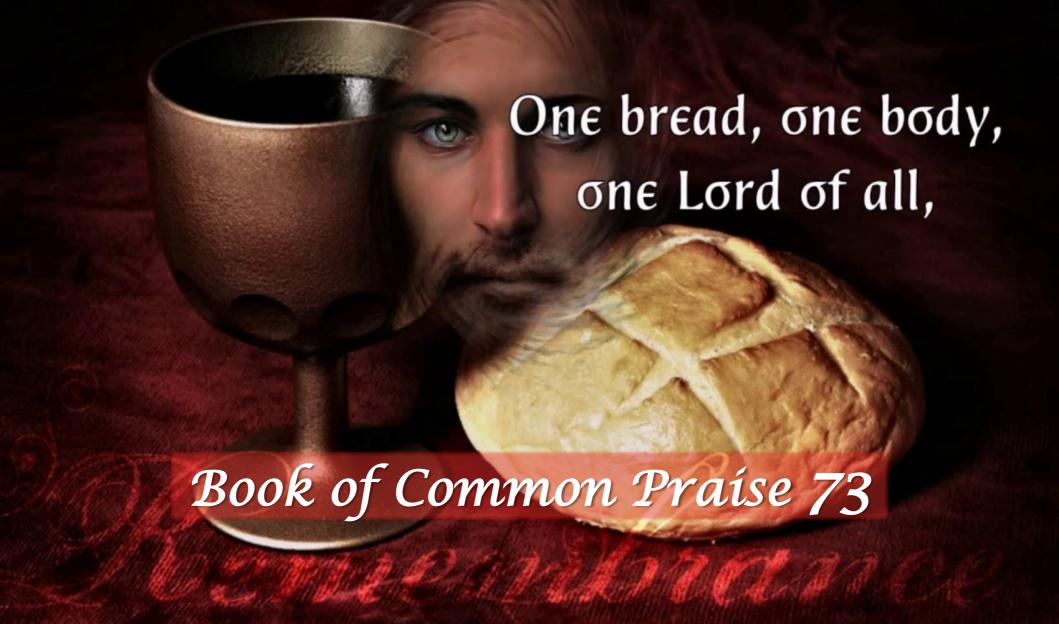
Please stay physically distanced when approaching to receive the bread.

After receiving your wafer, please step to the side and remove your mask before consuming the bread and wine.

Gluten free wafers are available.

Communion Hymn





One bread, one body, one Lord of all,
One cup of blessing which we bless
And we, though many,
Throughout the earth,
We are one body in this one Lord.

Verse 1

Gentile or Jew, servant or free, Woman or man, no more.

One bread, one body, one Lord of all,
One cup of blessing which we bless
And we, though many,
Throughout the earth,
We are one body in this one Lord.

Verse 2

Grain for the fields, scattered and grown, Gathered to one for all.

One bread, one body, one Lord of all,
One cup of blessing which we bless
And we, though many,
Throughout the earth,
We are one body in this one Lord.

Verse 3

Many the gifts, many the works, One in the Lord of all.

One bread, one body, one Lord of all, One cup of blessing which we bless And we, though many, Throughout the earth, We are one body in this one Lord.

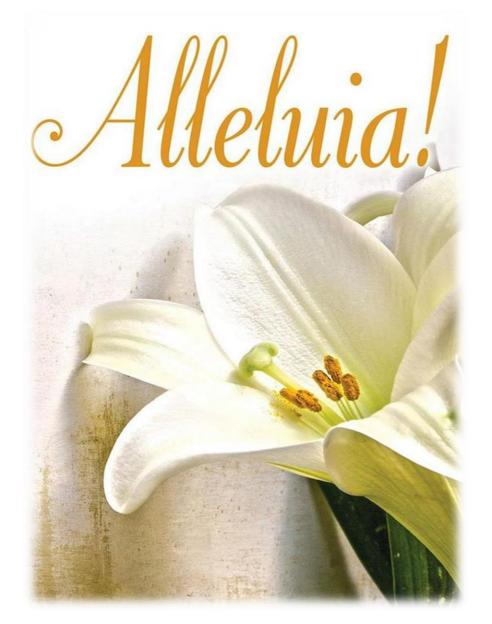
We Say Together the Prayer After Communion: God of steadfast love, watch over the Church redeemed by the blood of your Son. May we who share in these holy mysteries come safely to your eternal kingdom, where there is one flock and one shepherd. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the risen Lord.

Amen.

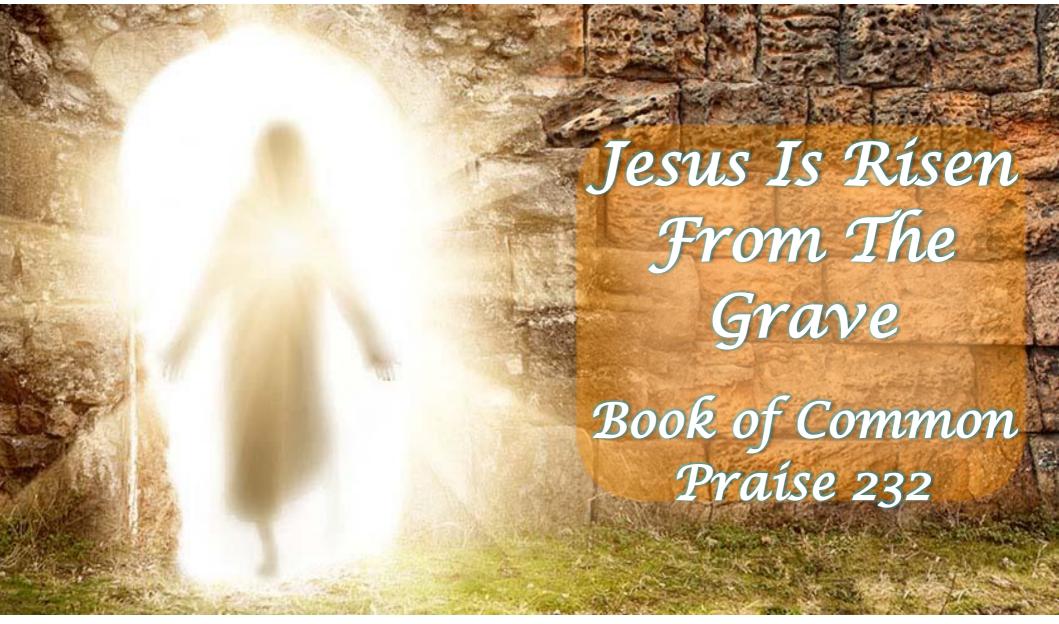
The Doxology

Celebrant: Glory to God,

People: whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine. Glory to God from generation to generation, in the Church and in Christ Jesus, for ever and ever. Amen.



THE BLESSING



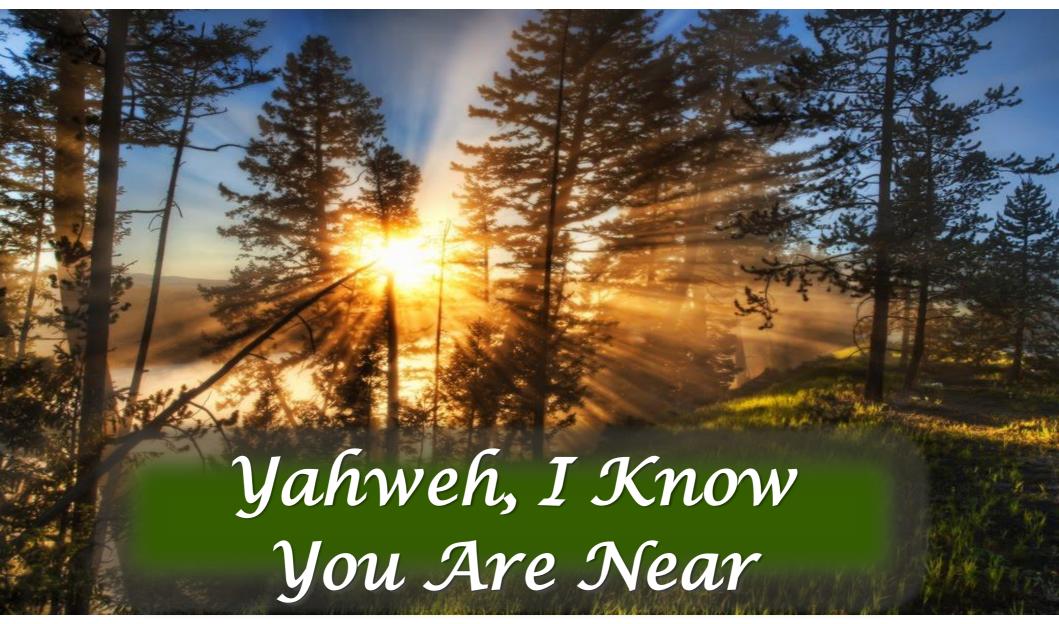
Jesus is risen from the grave Jesus is risen from the grave Jesus is risen from the grave Alleluia!

Jesus was seen by Mary
Jesus was seen by Mary
Jesus was seen by Mary
Alleluia!

Jesus will meet his people Jesus will meet his people Jesus will meet his people Alleluia!

Jesus will live forever Jesus will live forever Jesus will live forever Alleluia!





Chorus

Yahweh, I Know you are near Standing always at my side. You guard me from the foe, And you lead me in ways everlasting.

Where can I run from your love If I climb to the heavens You are there If I fly to the sunrise, Or sail beyond the sea, Still I'd find you there.

Chorus

Yahweh, I Know you are near Standing always at my side. You guard me from the foe, And you lead me in ways everlasting.

Marvellous to me are your works; How profound are your thoughts, My Lord Even if I could count them, They number as the stars. You would still be there.

Chorus

Yahweh, I Know you are near Standing always at my side. You guard me from the foe, And you lead me in ways everlasting.

Tag last line

Yahweh, I know you are near



