



*“I came from the Father and have come into the world, and now I am leaving the world and going to the Father.”*

### *Sixth Sunday of Easter*

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*About the cover art:* The crucified and risen son of God, and our Lord, has ascended to His Father and our Father in heaven. The Lamb slain sits on His throne forever in paradise, and He calls God your Father.

#### **Order of Worship – Divine Service - Setting 3**

**Preludes** - *Time for silent prayer and preparation for confession*  
**Please rise, face the procession, and turn to the altar when the celebrant has passed by.**

**Procession Hymn** – Hear Us, Father, When We Pray

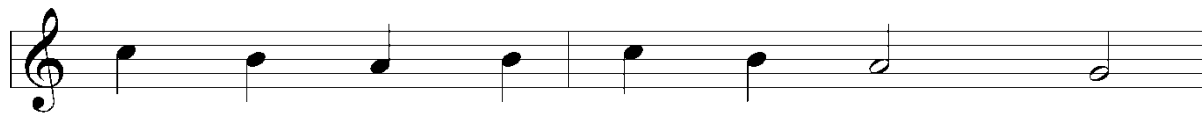
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1 Hear us, Fa - ther, when we pray, Through Your Son and  
 2 When we know not what to say And our wound - ed  
 3 Je - sus, ad - vo - cate on high, Sac - ri - ficed on  
 4 By Your Spir - it now at - tend To our prayers and



in Your Spir - it. By Your Spir - it's Word con - vey  
 souls are plead - ing, May Your Spir - it, night and day,  
 Cal - v'ry's al - tar, Through Your priest - ly blood we cry:  
 sup - pli - ca - tions, As like in - cense they as - cend



All that we through Christ in - her - it,  
 Groan with - in us in - ter - ced - ing;  
 Hear our prayers, though they may fal - ter;  
 To Your heav'n - ly hab - i - ta - tions.



That as bap - tized heirs we may Tru - ly pray.  
 By His sighs, too deep for words, We are heard.  
 Place them on Your Fa - ther's throne As Your own.  
 May their fra - grance waft a - bove, God of love.

## Invocation

P In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

*Please Kneel/Stand*

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C **who made heaven and earth.**

P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

C **and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

P O almighty God, merciful Father,

**C I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.**

### **Absolution**

**P** Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C Amen**

*Please Rise*

### **Service of the Word**

**Introit – (Congregation chants bold parts)**



With a voice of singing, declare this with a shout of joy to the end of the earth. Alle- | luia.\*

The LORD has redeemed His servant Jacob! Alle- | luia.

**P** Shout for joy to God, | all the earth;\*  
sing the glory | of His name.

**C** I cried to Him | with my mouth,\*  
and high praise was | on my tongue.  
**But truly God has | listened;\***  
**He has attended to the voice | of my prayer.**

**P** Blessèd | be God,\*  
because He has not rejected my prayer or removed His steadfast |  
love from me!

**Glory be to the Father and | to the Son\***  
**and to the Holy | Spirit;**

as it was in the be- | ginning,\*  
is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

**P** With a voice of singing, declare this with a shout of joy to the end of the earth. Alle- | luia.\*

The LORD has redeemed His servant Jacob! Alle- | luia.

## Kyrie

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**C** Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -



on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.



on us. For Thou only art holy; Thou on - ly art the Lord.

## Gloria in Excelsis

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**P** Glory be to God on high: **C** and on earth peace, good - will toward



men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we wor - ship Thee,



we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.



O Lord God, heav'n-ly King, God the Fa-ther Al - mighty.



O Lord, the only begotten Son, Je - sus Christ;



O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,  
 that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy up-on us.  
 Thou that takest away the sin of the world, re-ceive our prayer.  
 Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy up-  
 on us. For Thou only art holy; Thou on-ly art the Lord.  
 Thou only, O Christ, with the Ho-ly Ghost,  
 art most high in the glory of God the Father. A-men.

## Salutation

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☐ The Lord be with you.



☐ And with thy spir - it.

## Collect of the Day – *Prayed by Pastor*

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.



**He led them by a | straight way\*  
till they reached a city to | dwell in.**

**Let them thank the LORD for His | steadfast love,\*  
for His wondrous works to the chil- | dren of men!**

**For He satisfies the | longing soul,\*  
and the hungry soul He fills | with good things.**

### **The Epistle:**

**1 Timothy 2:1–6**

First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for all people, for kings and all who are in high positions, that we may lead a peaceful and quiet life, godly and dignified in every way. This is good, and it is pleasing in the sight of God our Savior, who desires all people to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. For there is one God, and there is one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus, who gave Himself as a ransom for all, which is the testimony given at the proper time.

*Please rise and face the procession as the Word of God enters into your midst.*

### **Alleluia**



### **The Holy Gospel:**

**John 16:23–33**

[Jesus said] “In that day you will ask nothing of Me. Truly, truly, I say to you, whatever you ask of the Father in My name, He will give it to you. Until now you have asked nothing in My name. Ask, and you will receive, that your joy may be full.”

“I have said these things to you in figures of speech. The hour is coming when I will no longer speak to you in figures of speech but will tell you plainly about the Father. In that day you will ask in My name, and I do not say to you that I will ask the Father on your behalf; for the Father Himself loves you, because you have loved Me and have believed that I came from

God. I came from the Father and have come into the world, and now I am leaving the world and going to the Father.”

His disciples said, “Ah, now You are speaking plainly and not using figurative speech! Now we know that You know all things and do not need anyone to question You; this is why we believe that You came from God.”

Jesus answered them, “Do you now believe? Behold, the hour is coming, indeed it has come, when you will be scattered, each to his own home, and will leave Me alone. Yet I am not alone, for the Father is with Me. I have said these things to you, that in Me you may have peace. In the world you will have tribulation. But take heart; I have overcome the world.”

## Nicene Creed

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**☩ I believe in one God,**

**the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.**

**And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried.**

**And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.**

**And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets.**

**And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,**

I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,  
and I look for the resurrection of the dead  
and the life † of the world to come. Amen.

*Please be seated.*

## Hymn of the Day- What a Friend We Have in Jesus

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1 What a friend we have in Je - sus, All our sins and griefs to bear!  
2 Have we tri - als and temp-ta-tions? Is there trou-ble an - y-where?  
3 Are we weak and heav - y lad - en, Cum - bered with a load of care?



What a priv - i - lege to car - ry Ev - 'ry-thing to God in prayer!  
We should nev - er be dis-cour-aged— Take it to the Lord in prayer.  
Pre - cious Sav - ior, still our ref - uge— Take it to the Lord in prayer.



Oh, what peace we of - ten for - feit; Oh, what need-less pain we bear—  
Can we find a friend so faith - ful Who will all our sor - rows share?  
Do thy friends de-spise, for-sake thee? Take it to the Lord in prayer.



All be - cause we do not car - ry Ev - 'ry-thing to God in prayer!  
Je - sus knows our ev - 'ry weak-ness— Take it to the Lord in prayer.  
In His arms He'll take and shield thee; Thou wilt find a sol - ace there.

## Sermon

*Please rise.*

## Offertory

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☐ Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -



new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -



way from Thy pres - ence, and take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it

from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of Thy sal - va -  
tion, and up - hold me with Thy free spir-it. A - men.

**Prayer of the Church- *Prayed by Pastor***  
**Service of the Sacrament**

**Preface**

**P** The Lord be with you.  
**C** And with thy spir - it.

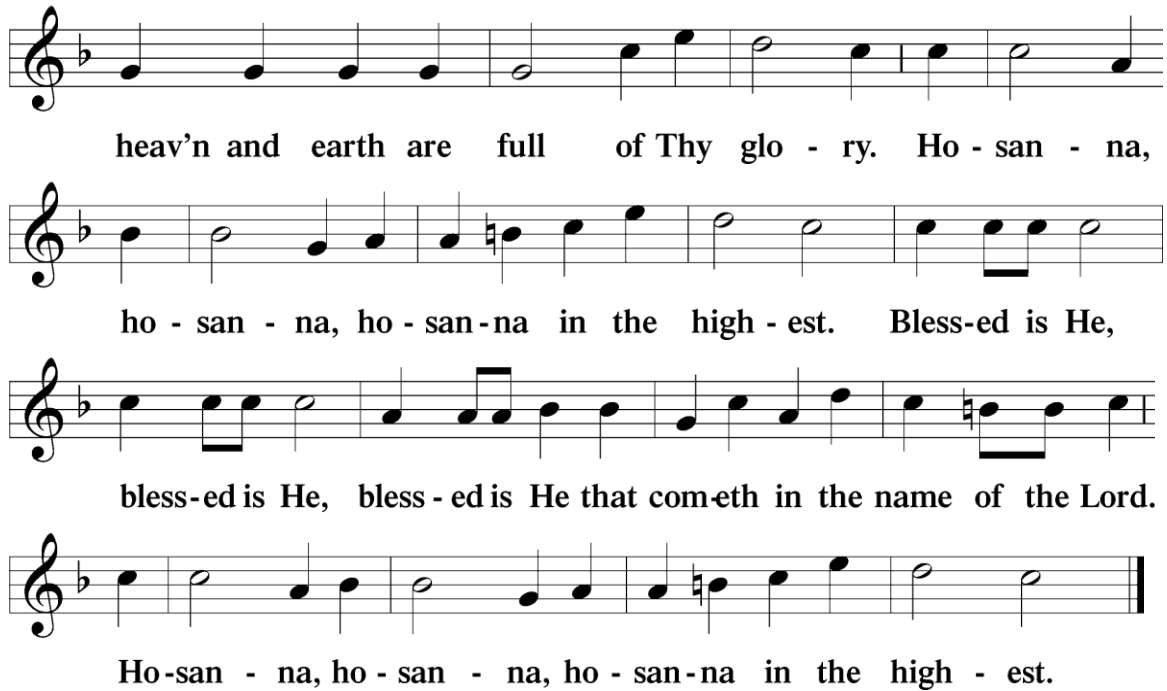
**P** Lift up your hearts.  
**C** We lift them up un - to the Lord.

**P** Let us give thanks un - to the Lord, our God.  
**C** It is meet and right so to do.

**Proper Preface:**

**Sanctus**

**C** Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth;



heav'n and earth are full of Thy glo - ry. Ho - san - na,  
 ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He,  
 bless - ed is He, bless - ed is He that com - eth in the name of the Lord.  
 Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

*Please Kneel/Stand*

**Lord's Prayer**

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**C** For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the  
 glo - ry for - ev - er and ev - er. A - men.

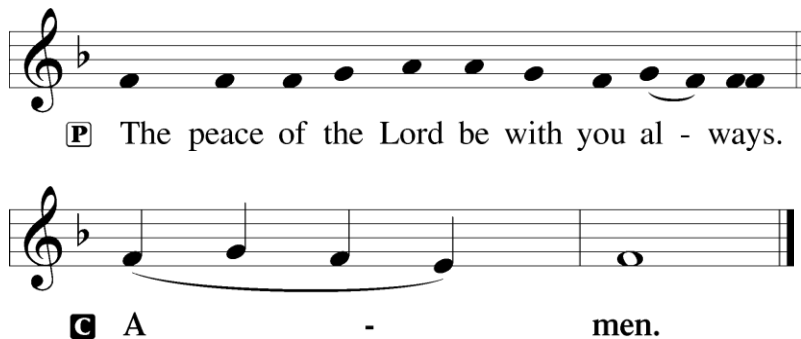
**The Verba - The Words Instituting the Lord's Supper**

**The Words of Our Lord**

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**Pax Domini**

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**P** The peace of the Lord be with you al - ways.  
**C** A - men.

# This Is the Feast


*Refrain*



**C** This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.



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



1 — Wor-thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose  
2 Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and strength, and  
3 Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and  
4 Bless - ing, hon - or, glo - ry, and might be to  
5 For the Lamb who was slain has be -



blood set us free to be peo - ple of God. *Refrain*  
hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are His. *Refrain*  
join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion: *Stanza 4*  
God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men. *Refrain*  
gun His reign. Al - le - lu - ia. *Final Refrain*

*Final Refrain*



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.

## Distribution -

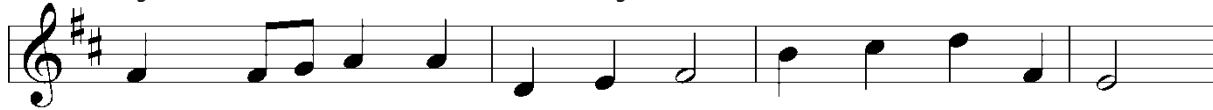
### What we believe: The Sacrament of the Altar

We welcome to the Lord's Supper all those who are presently communicant members in good standing of Prince of Peace. If you have never received Holy Communion at Prince of Peace from Pastor Foy, please see him before you commune. Thank you

## Distribution Hymns - *Please be seated.*

### Rise, My Soul, to Watch and Pray

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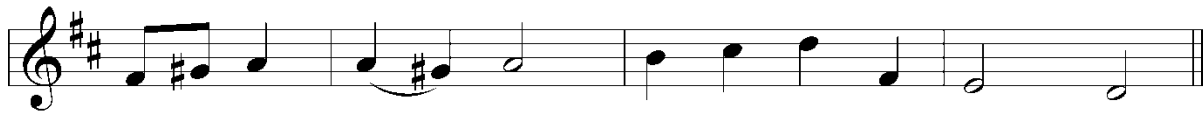
1 Rise, my soul, to watch and pray; From your sleep a - wak -  
2 Watch a - gainst the dev - il's snares Lest a - sleep he find  
3 Watch! Let not the wick - ed world With its lies de - feat  
4 Watch a - gainst your - self, my soul, Lest with grace you tri -



en! Be not by the e - vil day Un - a - wares o'er -  
you; For in - deed no pains he spares To de - ceive and  
you Lest with bold de - cep - tions hurled It be - tray and  
fle; Let not self your thoughts con - trol Nor God's mer - cy



tak - en; For the foe, Well we know, Is a  
blind you. Sa - tan's prey Oft are they Who se -  
cheat you. Watch and see Lest there be Faith - less  
sti - fle. Pride and sin Lurk with - in, All your



har - vest reap - ing While the saints are sleep - ing.  
cure are sleep - ing And no watch are keep - ing.  
friends to charm you, Who but seek to harm you.  
hopes to shat - ter; Heed not when they flat - ter.

5 But while watching, also pray To the Lord unceasing.  
God protects you day by day, Strength and faith increasing, So that still  
Mind and will Shall unite to serve Him And forever love Him.

### Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word

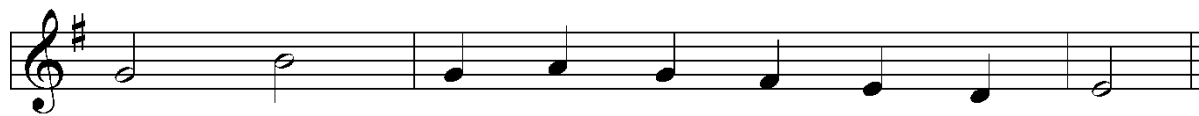
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1 Lord, keep us stead - fast in Your Word; Curb those who  
2 Lord Je - sus Christ, Your pow'r make known, For You are  
3 O Com - fort - er of price - less worth, Send peace and



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.

## Sing with All the Saints in Glory

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1 Sing with all the saints in glo - ry, Sing the res - ur -  
 2 Oh, what glo - ry, far ex - ceed - ing All that eye has  
 3 Life e - ter - nal! Heav'n re - joic - es: Je - sus lives who



rec - tion song! Death and sor - row, earth's dark sto - ry,  
 yet per - ceived! Ho - liest hearts for a - ges plead - ing  
 once was dead. Shout with joy, O death - less voic - es!



To the for - mer days be - long. All a - round the  
 Nev - er that full joy con - ceived. God has prom - ised,  
 Child of God, lift up your head! Life e - ter - nal!



clouds are break - ing; Soon the storms of time shall  
 Christ pre - pares it; There on high our wel - come  
 Oh, what won - ders Crowd on faith; what joy un -



cease; In God's like - ness we a - wak - en,  
 waits. Ev - 'ry hum - ble spir - it shares it,  
 known, When, a - mid earth's clos - ing thun - ders,

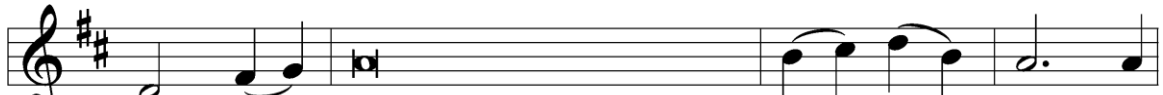


Know - ing ev - er - last - ing peace.  
 Christ has passed the e - ter - nal gates.  
 Saints shall stand be - fore the throne!

*Please rise.*

## Nunc Dimitis -

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**C** Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant de - part in peace ac-



cord - ing to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation,




which Thou hast pre - pared be - fore the face of all people,



a light to light - en the Gen - tiles and the glo - ry of Thy



peo - ple Is - ra - el. Glo - ry be to the Father and



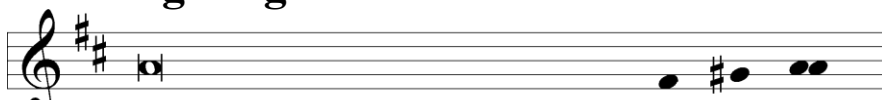
to the Son and to the Ho - ly Ghost; as it was in the beginning,



is now, and ev - er shall be, world with - out end. A - men.

## Thanksgiving

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**A** O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,



**C** and His mercy endureth for - ev - er.

## Salutation and Benedicamus

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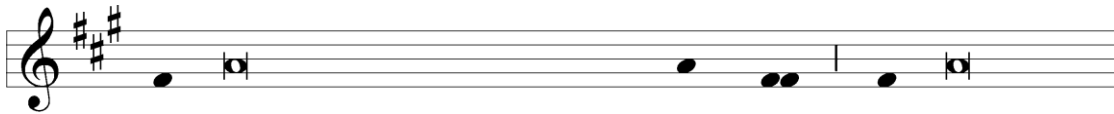
**P** The Lord be with you.



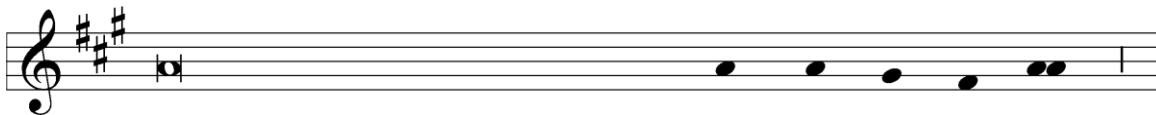
**C** And with thy spir - it.

## Benediction

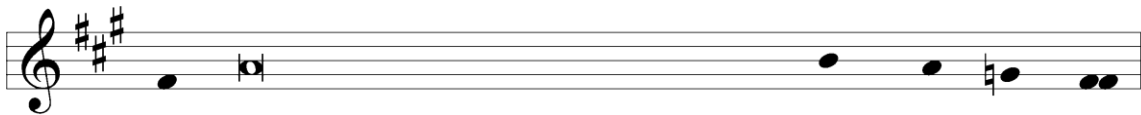
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**P** The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make



His face shine upon you and be gra - cious un - to you.



The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and † give you peace.



**C** A-men, a-men, a - men.

*Please face the procession until the celebrant has passed and then face back towards the altar.*

## Closing Hymn – Thanks to Thee, O Christ Victorious

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1 Thanks to Thee, O Christ, vic - to - rious! Thanks to Thee, O  
2 Thou hast died for my trans - gres - sion, All my sins on  
3 For the joy Thine ad - vent gave me, For Thy ho - ly,



Lord of Life! Death hath now no pow - er o'er us,  
Thee were laid; Thou hast won for me sal - va - tion,  
pre - cious Word; For Thy Bap - tism, which doth save me,



Thou hast con-qu-ered in the strife. Thanks be - cause Thou didst a -  
 On the cross my debt was paid. From the grave I shall a -  
 For Thy blest Com - mu - nion board; For Thy death, the bit - ter



rise And hast o - pened par - a - dise! None can ful - ly  
 rise And shall meet Thee in the skies. Death it - self is  
 scorn, For Thy res - ur - rec - tion morn, Lord, I thank Thee



sing the glo - ry Of the res - ur - rec - tion sto - ry.  
 tran - si - to - ry; I shall lift my head in glo - ry.  
 and ex - tol Thee, And in heav'n I shall be - hold Thee.

***“Above all, keep loving one another earnestly, since love covers a multitude of sins” (1 Peter 4:8).***



### **Chrismon Corner**

Easter 6 Jn 16.23-30

Celtic Cross. The distinguishing element is the circle which symbolizes eternity

In today’s Gospel, Jesus says, unequivocally, that whatever we ask of the Father in His Name, the Father will give to us. Yet we have all asked for things that we thought would make our joy full that have not been given.

There is a mystery in this. It is not a mystery of “what” That is clear. It is a mystery of “how.” The “what” is undeniable. God loves us in Christ Jesus. He is eager for us to repent and return to Him so that He might pardon us. He wants to hear our prayers and is ready to give us whatever we ask in His Name. He will make our joy abundant and full and He gives us what it takes for that to be true. He has overcome the world on our behalf.

How it is that our joy is full, that He gives us whatever we ask in His Name, is not so clear

The Lord’s ways are not like our ways. There are things in how He saves us and who He is that are inscrutable to our reason – not just to our fallen reason, but even to our redeemed reason. We know, for example, the only begotten Son of God from eternity became man and was forsaken by the Father even though the Trinity stayed

intact, all that is unknown to our reason. We know “what.” That is clear. It has been revealed to us. But we do not always, maybe not even mostly, know the “how.”

His ways are mysterious in the sense that they baffle our reason, but not in the sense that we don't know what He is doing. We know what He is doing. He is forgiving sinners in His compassion. While we don't know what He has in store for us in the short term, or all the good that He might bring out of current sorrow and evil, we know the end. We know the good that God will bring. He will bring us to Himself in our risen and perfected bodies for the sake of Christ. We know this because He says it plainly in many places without figures of speech. He declares that His ways and thoughts are distinct from ours. Our thoughts and ways are infected with selfishness and sin whereas His way is the way of perfect generosity and extravagant love. He is gracious and merciful.

He is the God who sends His Son to the cross and answers our prayers. He is the vineyard owner who pays workers for work that was not done, the King who invites peasants to His banquet, the Shepherd who goes seeking and dying for His sheep. He is unlike us and He is working all things together for the good of those who love Him, not just because He is smarter than us, but also because He actually loves us even more than we love ourselves.