

April 19, 2026 + 10:30 A.M.

Third Sunday of Easter

We Join in Worship

Liturgist: Karen Lounsbury

*If you need extra space for a wheelchair or walker, or if you have young children with you, please feel free to make use of our Prayground, the extra space across the aisle from the sound booth.*

PRELUDE Come Ye Faithful, Raise the Strain

Sullivan/Thomas

WELCOME

CHORAL INTROIT

ANNOUNCEMENTS

\*THE PEACE OF CHRIST

\* CALL TO WORSHIP (Adapted from *Psalm* 116)

Leader: We love the LORD, because the LORD has heard our voices and our supplications.

**ALL: We call on the name of the LORD: "O LORD, we pray, save our lives!"**

Leader: Gracious is the LORD, and righteous; our God is merciful. The LORD protects the simple; when we were brought low, the LORD saved us.

**ALL: We call on the name of the LORD: "O LORD, we pray, save our lives!"**

Leader: You have delivered our souls from death, our eyes from tears, and our feet from stumbling.

**ALL: We call on the name of the LORD: "O LORD, we pray, save our lives!"**

Leader: We walk before the LORD in the land of the living.

**ALL: We call on the name of the LORD: "O LORD, we pray, save our lives!" Let us worship the LORD!**

\*OPENING HYMN "That Easter Day with Joy Was Bright" (121)

INVITATION TO CONFESSION:

Leader: The author of *1 Peter* writes, "Now that you have purified your souls by your obedience to the truth so that you have genuine mutual love, love one another deeply from the heart." Together let us purify our souls by confessing our sins in truth.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

God of grace and mercy, we bare our souls before you. We confess that all too often we do not recognize that you are in our midst. We go about our daily lives, walking our well-trod paths, without looking up. You are always right there beside us, but our hearts and eyes are closed. Even when we break bread, we do so behind closed doors. When you show up in the form of the migrant and the stranger, we turn you away with scorn. Open our eyes that we may see. Open our hearts that we may feel. Open our doors that we may welcome. In the name of Jesus Christ, our risen Lord, we pray. Amen.

KYRIE: No. 572 (unison)

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Christ, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

## ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: Friends, hear the good news. We have been born anew, not of perishable but of imperishable seed, through the living and enduring word of God!

**ALL: Jesus Christ is risen, and we are forgiven! Hallelujah! Thanks be to God!**

## GLORIA PATRI No. 579 (unison)

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;**

**As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.**

## STATEMENT OF FAITH: (from *The Scots Confession*)

Leader: We undoubtedly believe, since it was impossible that the sorrows of death should retain in bondage the Author of life,

**ALL: That our Lord Jesus crucified, dead, and buried, who descended into hell, did rise again for our justification, and the destruction of him who was the author of death, and brought life again to us who were subject to death and its bondage.**

Leader: We know that his resurrection was confirmed by the testimony of his enemies, and by the resurrection of the dead, whose sepulchres did open, and they did rise and appear to many within the city of Jerusalem.

**ALL: It was also confirmed by the testimony of his angels, and by the senses and judgment of his apostles and of others, who had conversation, and did eat and drink with him after his resurrection. Amen.**

<b>We Hear God's Word</b>
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## EMBODIED WORD FOR DISCIPLES OF ALL AGES

### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Almighty God, through your only Son you overcame death and opened to us the light of eternity. Enlighten our minds and kindle our hearts with the presence of your Spirit, that we may feel your words of new life in our reading of the scriptures. In the name of Jesus Christ, the Resurrection and the Life, we pray. Amen.

FIRST LESSON: *Acts 2:14, 36-41*

EPISTLE LESSON: *1 Peter 1:17-23*

GOSPEL LESSON: *Luke 24:13-35*

SERMON: Seeing the Resurrection

CHORAL ANTHEM: *Psalm of Quietness* John F. Wilson, arr. Jack Schrader

<b>We Respond in Faith</b>
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### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

## CHORAL RESPONSE

### OFFERING INVITATION

Leader: God is in our midst. Jesus is with us on our journeys and at our tables. Let us give our tithes and offerings so that others might see our risen Lord in the work that we do. Please place your offering in the plate as it is passed. If you are worshiping from home, please mail in your checks or use our online giving option on the website. Now let us practice stewardship as we hear today's offertory.

**OFFERTORY** Love is Come Again, See the Green Blade Riseth

J.M. Crum

### \*DOXOLOGY

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.**

**Praise God, all creatures here below.**

**Praise God, above, ye heavenly host.**

**Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

### PRAYER OF DEDICATION (Unison)

**O God, you journey alongside us and make your presence known to us. We dedicate these gifts to you and to your service. Bless us as we use them to accompany others and make your presence visible to the world. In the name of Jesus Christ, the Resurrection and the Life, we pray. Amen.**

<b>We Go Into the World</b>
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\*CLOSING HYMN "Just a Closer Walk with Thee" (Glory to God 835)

### BENEDICTION

### CHORAL BENEDICTION

**POSTLUDE** God is Here!

Cyril V. Taylor/Fred Green

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\* So that we can properly greet people who come to the building during Sunday morning worship, Door A will be the only unlocked external door during the worship service.

## PEEK AT THE WEEK:

SUNDAY 4/19:	Adult Study – 9:00 AM Worship in Person & Online – 10:30 AM Fellowship Hosts: Worship & Music
MONDAY 4/20:	GA – 6:30 PM Al-Anon – 7:00 PM
TUESDAY 4/21:	Private Flute Lessons 2-8 PM (FH) Session – 6:30 PM AA – 7:30 PM Rummage Sale Collection 9 AM – 12 PM
WEDNESDAY 4/22:	Private Flute Lessons 2-8 PM (FH) “Bring Your Own Bible” Bible Study 7-8 PM (Zoom) GA – 7:00 PM Rummage Sale Collection 9 AM – 12 PM
THURSDAY 4/23:	Choir – 7:00 PM Rummage Sale Collection 9 AM – 12 PM
FRIDAY 4/24:	Rummage Sale Collection 9 AM – 12 PM
SATURDAY 4/25:	Sackurday – 12:00 PM AA – 6:30 PM Rummage Sale Collection 9 AM – 2 PM
SUNDAY 4/26:	Resurrection Walk following Worship Rummage Sale Collection 10 AM – 12 PM (Church Members Only)

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **WATCH THE GAP! All aboard!** The session of the First Presbyterian Church of Highland is excited to announce an opportunity for the church to address our deficit budget! The train is in the station (well, the narthex), and ready for some generous passengers to hop on! Be sure to have your fares ready! Oh, and **watch the gap** as you step on! We have taken a look at our projected income (including allowable income from the Endowment Fund) and estimated that the **gap** between our income and projected expenses is approximately **\$5,000**. We think we can raise this amount in a month! Are you on board?
- **MINISTRY OF MISSION’S 2026 FLOWER VOUCHER SALE** The Ministry of Mission’s Annual Zandstra Flower Voucher Fundraiser begins today! The vouchers are \$17.00 each, and as you know they are worth \$17.00 at Zandstra’s Greenhouse. Vouchers will be available to purchase in Fellowship Hall each Sunday after church, and you can also reach out to Tracy Oprea @ (219) 616-7181 to purchase the same. Tracy will deliver them to you at no extra charge. Mission greatly appreciates your support. Spring Blessings to All.
- **WALK OF FAITH** Join us on Sunday, April 26, for a “Walk of Faith” outside after fellowship time. Following worship, grab some “hiking food” in Fellowship Hall and then we’ll head outside for a leisurely, reflective walk together in and around Main Square Park. Along the way there will be opportunities to reflect and meditate on the meaning of the Resurrection for each of us. Bring comfortable walking shoes and dress for the weather. If there is rainy weather, we will reschedule for May 17. All are invited, so please invite your family and friends to join us! If you can’t join us there will be a resource sheet to do your own Walk of Faith at a time and location that works for you. If you have any questions, contact Heather Casiano.
- **THE RUMMAGE SALE IS COMING MAY 1st and MAY 2nd !** You can begin to bring your items for the rummage sale from Tuesday April 14<sup>th</sup> - April 25<sup>th</sup> from 9 am - noon on weekdays and 9 am - 2 pm on Saturdays. Bring your items to Door B. Check flyers or the Larger View to see what items are accepted or check with Lexa Miller or Donna Nelson if you are unsure.

- **CALLING ALL GRADUATES!** The 2025-2026 school year is almost over! We would like to recognize all the graduates in our church community. If you or someone in your family is graduating from high school or any higher education this year as part of the Class of 2026, we'd like to celebrate you! Please email Heather Casiano, [hcasiano@fpchighland.org](mailto:hcasiano@fpchighland.org), or call the church office, with the graduate's name and a brief bio. Please include things like the name of the school they are graduating from, future plans (college, career, military, etc.), any special awards or recognitions, sports, community organizations or other activities they are involved with, and any other details that would help us celebrate the graduate. If you have a recent picture of the graduate that we can publish, please submit that as well. Graduate information should be submitted no later than April 20.
- **ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING PC(USA) SPECIAL OFFERING** If you still have fish banks or envelopes to bring in, please do so in the coming weeks!
- **"THE BIBLE IN TODAY'S WORLD"** Bible study group meets on Sunday mornings in the middle classroom (across from Pastor Tyler's office), from 9-10 am. Our new study looks at "Do Not Fear" in Scripture and in our lives. If you have any questions, contact Heather Casiano.
- **"BYOB"** (Bring Your Own Bible) will resume weekly Scripture discussions on Wednesday, April 22, from 7-8 pm on Zoom. The Zoom link is emailed out weekly on Wednesday mornings. If you are not receiving this email and would like to, contact Heather Casiano, or Kristen in the church office.
- **FOLLOW US ON SOCIAL MEDIA!** If you don't already follow us on Facebook and Instagram, please start doing so @firstpchighland on both Facebook and Instagram.
- **INTERESTED IN BECOMING A MEMBER OF FPCH?** You are always welcome here, whether a member or not! If you are interested in joining as a member, though, we would love to have you! Please talk to Pastor Tyler if you would like to learn more.

**Opportunities to serve as the HEART, HANDS, and FEET of Jesus Christ:**

- **BLESSING BOX** Please continue to place items in the Blessing Box and take items if you are a person in need! Items most commonly donated: Canned goods with pull tabs, socks, toilet paper, non-perishable foods, small snacks, toiletries, baby wipes and diapers. Please check expiration dates!
- **HELP STOCK OUR PANTRY!** Please pick up a beautifully decorated grocery bag in the narthex and fill it to help the church's food pantry.

## Prayer List

Anthony	Charlie
Brady Vanes	Jerry & Rena Martinez
George Griner	Nicole
Guy Hendricks	Greg
Bill and Anettia Holmes	Mary Ellen Edeus
David Markley	Jane and David
David Kingen	Flora R.
Diana and Ray Mendoza	Tyler Gall
Janet Orem	Phil
Cindy Waltz and Sister	Luana Sulkowski
Yvonne Suroviak	Sonny Buono
Georgette and Garry Sknerski	Robin
Jakob Holden	Eunice
Denise Matthys	Betsy
Jan Oprea	David
Florance Cody	Trina & Scott
Kathy & Chuck Pumnea	Joe & Kathy
Laura Buono Domsic	Breanne Polan
The Windstrups	Tammy
Rick Parker	Alex
Gary Everhart	Ben
Darlene O'Brien	Mike Kelly
Doug & Sue Matthews	Sue Heth
Janet Terpstra	Ron Toren
Glen Nahler	Tony
Tom	Mildred
David Hamblin	Neal
Jana Tolley	Rita
Larry & Bonnie Perryman	Carolyn
Delta Rose	Oscar Ochoa
Winnie Owen	Tony and Sharon Nevers
Breeanne	Caroline
Mom Bechtler	Jean and Clara
Victor	Suzanne
Marian Clayton	Dave Shelborne
Ella P	Kali Rosalia
Rita Stroncsek	Nick B.
Keren, Zuriel, and Gedeon	Carlito
Edna Cruz	Loved ones of Jennifer Noonan

### **Acts 2:14, 36-41**

**14** But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, “Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say.

**36** Therefore let the entire house of Israel know with certainty that God has made him both Lord and Messiah, this Jesus whom you crucified.”

**37** Now when they heard this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and to the other apostles, “Brothers, what should we do?” **38** Peter said to them, “Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ so that your sins may be forgiven; and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. **39** For the promise is for you, for your children, and for all who are far away, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to him.” **40** And he testified with many other arguments and exhorted them, saying, “Save yourselves from this corrupt generation.” **41** So those who welcomed his message were baptized, and that day about three thousand persons were added.

### **1 Peter 1:17-23**

**17** If you invoke as Father the one who judges all people impartially according to their deeds, live in reverent fear during the time of your exile. **18** You know that you were ransomed from the futile ways inherited from your ancestors, not with perishable things like silver or gold, **19** but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without defect or blemish. **20** He was destined before the foundation of the world, but was revealed at the end of the ages for your sake. **21** Through him you have come to trust in God, who raised him from the dead and gave him glory, so that your faith and hope are set on God.

**22** Now that you have purified your souls by your obedience to the truth so that you have genuine mutual love, love one another deeply from the heart. **23** You have been born anew, not of perishable but of imperishable seed, through the living and enduring word of God.

### **Luke 24:13-35**

**13** Now on that same day two of them were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, **14** and talking with each other about all these things that had happened. **15** While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them, **16** but their eyes were kept from recognizing him. **17** And he said to them, “What are you discussing with each other while you walk along?” They stood still, looking sad. **18** Then one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answered him, “Are you the only stranger in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have taken place there in these days?” **19** He asked them, “What things?” They replied, “The things about Jesus of Nazareth, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, **20** and how our chief priests and leaders handed him over to be condemned to death and crucified him. **21** But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things took place. **22** Moreover, some women of our group astounded us. They were at the tomb early this morning, **23** and when they did not find his body there, they came back and told us that they had indeed seen a vision of angels who said that he was alive. **24** Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said; but they did not see him.” **25** Then he said to them, “Oh, how foolish you are, and how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have declared! **26** Was it not necessary that the Messiah should suffer these things and then enter into his glory?” **27** Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them the things about himself in all the scriptures.

**28** As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if he were going on. **29** But they urged him strongly, saying, “Stay with us, because it is almost evening and the day is now nearly over.” So he went in to stay with them. **30** When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. **31** Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him; and he vanished from their sight. **32** They said to each other, “Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?” **33** That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem; and they found the eleven and their companions gathered together. **34** They were saying, “The Lord has risen indeed, and he has appeared to Simon!” **35** Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

## Seeing the Resurrection

*Acts 2:14, 36-41; 1 Peter 1:17-23; Luke 24:13-35*

Jesus Christ is risen! **He is risen indeed!**  
Hallelujah! **Hallelujah!**

Let us keep up the refrain with every breath we take! Hallelujah! Praise God! For the Resurrection was not just one and done! After leaving the tomb, Jesus kept coming back again and again, meeting people where they were, how they were. Reaching out in the ways that he knew would actually reach them, he allowed them to touch him in their brokenness and made them whole. He showed them the truth that they were living in the promise of new life, of transformation, of Resurrection. And it never stopped! Jesus is still meeting us where we are, how we are, reaching us in ways that he knows will actually reach us, making us whole. Hallelujah!

Back then, in those first Resurrection appearances, he met them in the garden where they were grieving. He met them in the Upper Room where they were hiding out in fear. And today, we see that he met them in the streets. The streets have always been the realm of the marginalized—the realm of the most otherized, the most ostracized, the most oppressed, the most detested, the most despised. Street urchins. Street children. Street walkers. Street dwellers. Another way we could phrase it is that the streets are conceptually our society's stand-in, or metonym, for the place of *the stranger*.

"Stranger," strangely, is a strange word! It comes from the Latin word *extraneus*, which means on the outside, external, separate from, not part of. That's also where we get our English word "extraneous," meaning unnecessary, irrelevant, not worthy of being part of. And if we think about it, that is exactly how we treat the streets. The streets are where the strangers are—the outsiders. The streets are where the people society deems unnecessary, irrelevant, and unworthy are. In short, the streets are for all those who have been discarded and displaced.

And so, of course, Jesus was right at home in the streets, among his people! It was in the streets that he had met the blind man and caused a riot by upending centuries of theology about sin and righteousness and by upending centuries of law by healing on the Sabbath. It was in the streets that Jesus had made his stand in front of all who would accuse and arrest and torture and execute him by standing with those who had been discarded and displaced, by standing with the strangers in the streets.

And so, it should come as no surprise to us that Jesus went back to the streets after his resurrection! Sure, he went back to the Upper Room and to those whom we often consider as the "in-crowd" as we discussed last week, but he also journeyed to the out-crowd, to the place of the strangers whose names and legacies we don't know so well but whose names and legacies were known oh-so-well by the messiah! He went back to the streets and met two followers there whom we had never met before, one named Cleopas and one whose identity remains unknown, remains strange. And lo and behold, they called Jesus a stranger. "Are you the only **stranger** in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have taken place there in these days?!"

And this is where things get *really* interesting! Jesus did not correct them. He rolled with it. After all, being a stranger was always part of his identity. He was forced to flee as a refugee to the foreign land of Egypt as a baby. He was rejected by his home town of Nazareth as an adult. He was chased out of the region of the Gerasenes. He was run out of the temple. He was betrayed and denied by his dearest friends. He was turned upon by the mob. He even felt as though he was forsaken by God. Oh yes, he certainly knew what it meant to be *the stranger* in the streets! And so, he didn't bat an eyelid when these two disciples who were not quite in the in-crowd first saw him as a "stranger." Instead, right then and there, where they were, how they were, he gave a lesson in those streets.

He taught these two disciples exactly what had happened. He spoke to them in a way that made them understand and in a way that they could use as an example in their further conversations with strangers. He gave them the words they would need in order to spread the good news with truth and grace.

And in his own grace, he only appeared to them gradually. He knew all too well that if they saw his sudden appearance in full glory, it would shock them and stop them in their tracks and take away the teachability of it all. He would get there, but first he had to give them the tools to keep going on, for they would be the ones to keep the whole movement going on.

Clearly, these two were enchanted with the conversation of their mysterious fellow wayfarer. For, they were not troubled when he said, “Oh, how foolish you are, and how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have declared! Was it not necessary that the Messiah should suffer these things and then enter into his glory?” Those words sound harsh to us, but these travelers didn’t take it that way. Where we hear exasperation, they felt excitement. They had been journeying away from Jerusalem full of grief and disbelief. And now this stranger was saying things that made sense, things that gave the whole thing meaning, things that offered hope.

The coldness that had frosted over their hearts with the death of their longed-for messiah and then that had iced over with the disappearance of the body began to thaw. They could *see* all the evidence now, going back to the time of Moses. The flame of their passion was rekindled. The faint tendrils of a candle’s flame started to drive away all the fear and grief and disbelief.

And clearly the message of their messiah got through, because their first act after hearing the explanation on the road was to invite this stranger from the streets into their home. Their heads were awash with the data and details of philosophy, theology, and history that had just been poured in by the stranger. But *their* hearts saw clearly *the* heart of all that had been spoken. “Let him in! Welcome him!”

Radical hospitality. Love of the stranger. Welcome without condition.

“They urged him strongly, saying, ‘Stay with us, because it is almost evening and the day is now nearly over.’ So he went in to stay with them. When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him.” In that instant they saw that they were in the presence of their Lord, the presence of their messiah. Yes, this man whom they had first seen as a stranger. He was risen from the dead indeed! Who knows, maybe they wouldn’t have believed if he hadn’t taught them so gently and faithfully on that street to Emmaus.

But there’s more to it than that! Jesus finally revealed himself to them, finally allowed them to see him, because he had the assurance that they were ready to carry on once he was gone. They had invited him in when they saw him as a stranger. They had given him food when they saw him as a stranger. They had shared their conversation with him when they saw him as a stranger. They had shown love to him when they saw him as a stranger. Not because he was their Lord and messiah, but because he needed a place to rest and food to eat. Because he was a fellow human on this journey of life. And their Lord had taught them that the table was open for everyone, especially those in need. And here they made it clear that they understood the heart of the journey.

And so, he brought the revelation of the journey to completion by fully revealing himself to them. Then he vanished from their sight, but he would never vanish from their hearts. They said to each other, “Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?”

Friends, do you ever feel your heart burning within you, when you have that sense that you just might be in the presence of the holy? The message of Emmaus is that we should feel that burning every single time we see the stranger, the immigrant, the wayfarer on the journey and welcome them without question, without qualification, without condition. We should feel that burning when we open our table to all, when we break bread with all, when we share in community with all. For, it is in welcoming and communing with the other that we truly are encountering the holy. If we truly allow ourselves to feel the sensation of that flame within us, our eyes will start to open. The truth will be revealed that the presence of the risen lord, the presence of our very God, the presence of the holy is there in the stranger.

This is a truth that has always been fundamental to our faith. This is a truth that will always be fundamental to our faith, as attested to in Matthew 25: “Then the king will say to those at his right hand, ‘Come, you that are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me.’ Then the righteous will answer him, ‘Lord, when was it that we *saw* you hungry and gave you food or thirsty and gave you something to drink? And when was it that we *saw* you a stranger and welcomed

you or naked and gave you clothing? And when was it that we *saw* you sick or in prison and visited you?' And the king will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me.'" The literal embodiment of that truth is the story of the walk to Emmaus!

See the stranger, see the risen Christ. It is as simple as that, and yet we make things so complicated. We are bombarded daily by messages of division and the solidification of stranger-ness. We are told to hate and exclude because of immigration status or religion or race or sexual orientation or gender identity. These messages enter into our society's structures, into our social systems, and then into our very selves. We start to see others as unworthy, to see others as unholy, and even to see others as unfit to live. And in this way, just like those crowds in Jerusalem long ago, our shouts of welcome and love become jeers of fear, hatred, and death.

Instead of opening our borders to welcome in the stranger, we build up our walls and our detention centers and deportation forces. Instead of opening our doors to welcome in the stranger, we stick out our guns and shoot. Instead of opening our hearts to welcome in the stranger, we build up our internal walls and raise our internal weapons and allow fear and hatred to ruin our souls.

What would happen, though, if we lived our lives as the people of the Resurrection, as the people of the one who chose to go to the streets? What would happen if every time we looked across the border or through our screen doors or in the streets, we saw the face of Jesus, the strangest stranger of all? I truly believe that we would transform the world, we would bring new life, we would enact Resurrection. Are your hearts burning within you? Mine sure is! Hallelujah! Amen!

# 121 That Easter Day with Joy Was Bright

PUER NOBIS NASCITUR LM

Latin hymn, 5th century  
Trans. John Mason Neale, 1852; alt.

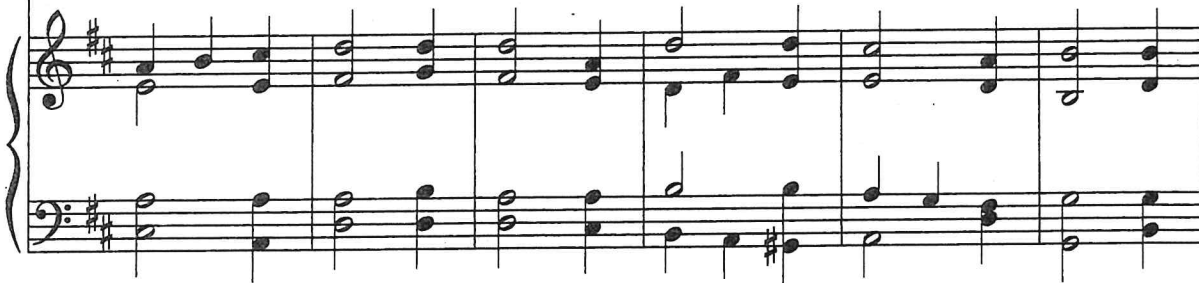
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Harm. George Ratcliffe Woodward, 1910



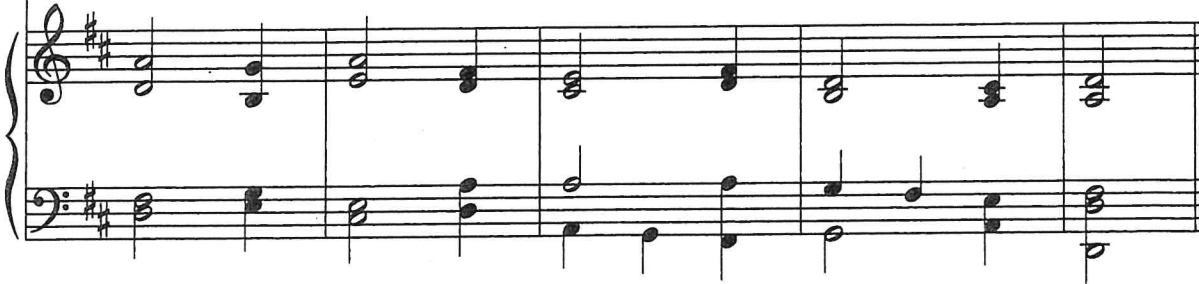
1. That Eas - ter day with joy was bright, The sun shone  
2. O Je - sus, King of gen - tle - ness, Do all our  
3. From ev - ery weap - on death can wield, Your own re -



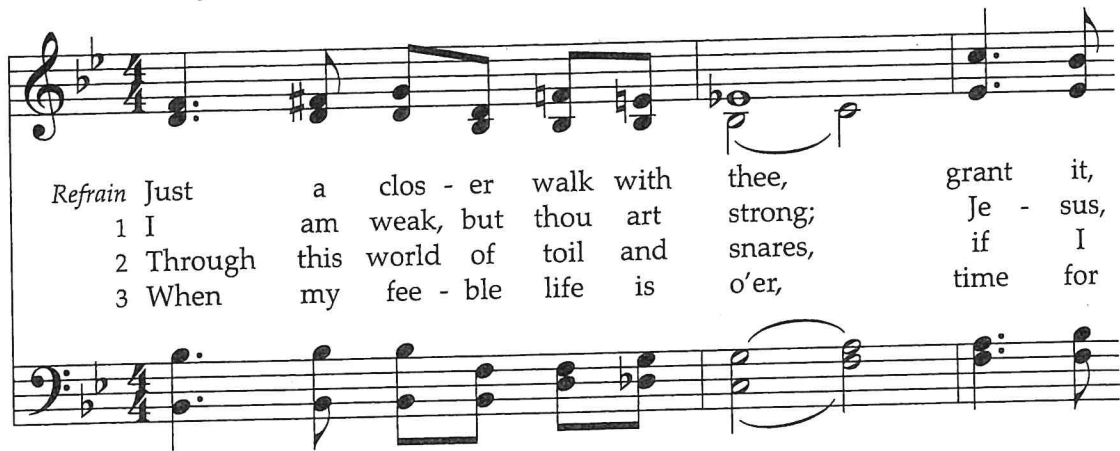
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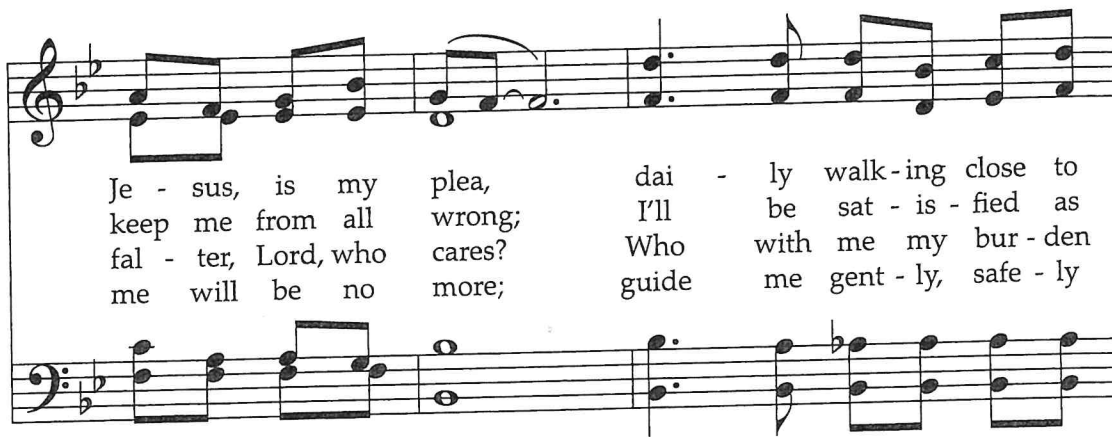
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raise The trib - ute of our grate - ful praise.  
bide In this our joy - ful Eas - ter - tide.



# Just a Closer Walk with Thee 835



Refrain Just a clos - er walk with thee, grant it,  
1 I am weak, but thou art strong; Je - sus,  
2 Through this world of toil and snares, if I  
3 When my fee - ble life is o'er, time for



Je - sus, is my plea, dai - ly walk - ing close to  
keep me from all wrong; I'll be sat - is - fied as  
fal - ter, Lord, who cares? Who with me my bur - den  
me will be no more; guide me gent - ly, safe - ly



thee: let it be, dear Lord, let it be.  
long as I walk, let me walk close to thee. Ref.  
shares? None but thee, dear Lord, none but thee. Ref.  
o'er to thy shore, dear Lord, to thy shore. Ref.