

SAINT MARY'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Second Sunday of Easter

Sunday, April 12, 2026

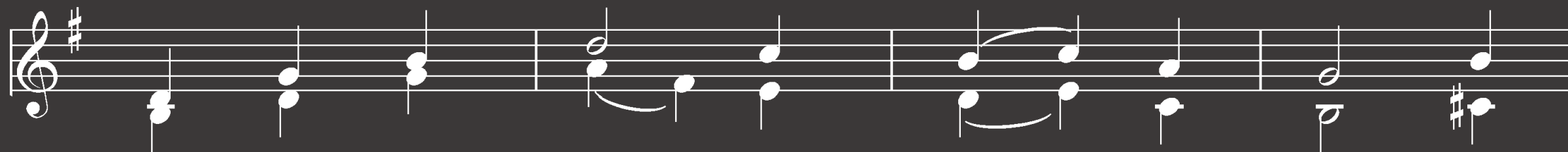


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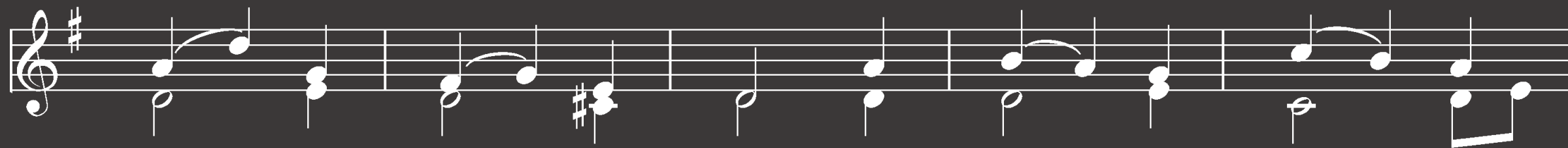


St. Mary's is:

Inspiring in Worship,
Loving Without Exception, and
Giving of Ourselves Completely



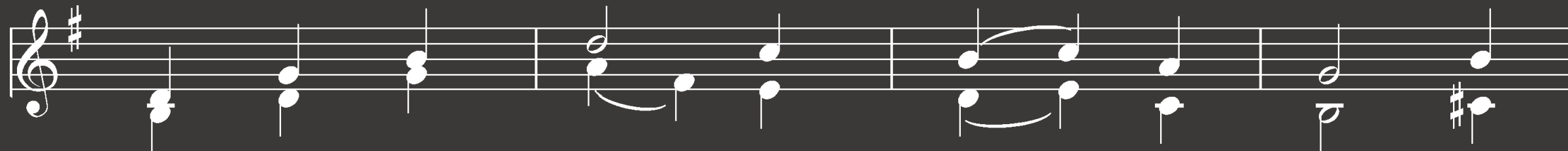
2 Oh, with what glad - ness and sur - prise the



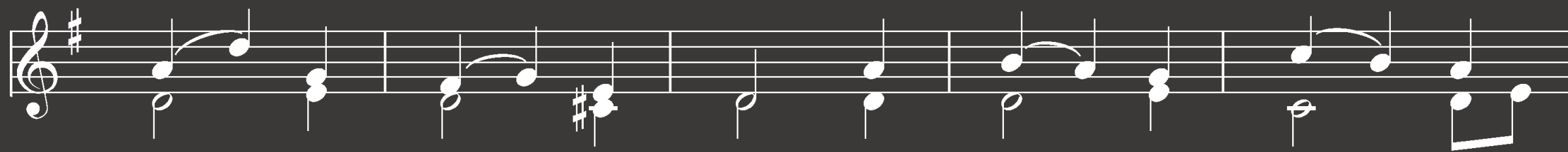
2 saints their Sa - vior greet; nor will they trust their



2 ears and eyes but by his hands and feet,



3 those hands of lib - eral love in - deed in



3 in - fi - nite de - gree, those feet still free to



3 move and bleed for mil - lions and for me.

A dark, atmospheric photograph of an empty tomb. The stone is rolled away from the entrance, and a white cloth lies on the floor inside. The scene is dimly lit, creating a somber and mysterious mood.

THE WORD *of* GOD

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People: **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

THE COLLECT *of the* DAY

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Celebrant: Let us pray.

THE COLLECT *of the* DAY

Almighty and everlasting God, who in the Paschal mystery established the new covenant of reconciliation: Grant that all who have been reborn into the fellowship of Christ's Body may show forth in their lives what they profess by their faith; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

A READING *from the*
ACTS of the APOSTLES

2:14a,22-32

Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, “You that are Israelites, listen to what I have to say: Jesus of Nazareth, a man attested to you by God with deeds of power, wonders, and signs that God did through him among you, as you yourselves know—this man, handed over to you according to the definite

ACTS 2:14a,22-32

plan and foreknowledge of God, you crucified and killed by the hands of those outside the law. But God raised him up, having freed him from death, because it was impossible for him to be held in its power. For David says concerning him, 'I saw the Lord always before me, for he is at my right hand so that I will not be shaken; 26therefore my heart was glad, and my tongue rejoiced; moreover my flesh will live in hope. For

ACTS 2:14a,22-32

you will not abandon my soul to Hades, or let your Holy One experience corruption. You have made known to me the ways of life; you will make me full of gladness with your presence.’ “Fellow Israelites, I may say to you confidently of our ancestor David that he both died and was buried, and his tomb is with us to this day. Since he was a prophet, he knew that God had sworn with an oath to him that he would put one of his descendants

ACTS 2:14a,22-32

on his throne. Foreseeing this, David spoke of the resurrection of the Messiah, saying, 'He was not abandoned to Hades, nor did his flesh experience corruption.' This Jesus God raised up, and of that all of us are witnesses.

Reader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

***People:* Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 16

Read responsively by whole verse

Conserva me, Domine

1 Protect me, O God, for I take refuge in you; *

I have said to the LORD, “You are my Lord,
my good above all other.”

2 All my delight is upon the godly that are
in the land, *

upon those who are noble among the people.

PSALM 16

Read responsively by whole verse

- 3 But those who run after other gods *
shall have their troubles multiplied.
- 4 **Their libations of blood I will not offer, ***
nor take the names of their gods upon my lips.
- 5 O LORD, you are my portion and my cup; *
it is you who uphold my lot.
- 6 **My boundaries enclose a pleasant land; ***
indeed, I have a goodly heritage.

PSALM 16

Read responsively by whole verse

7 I will bless the LORD who gives me counsel; *
my heart teaches me, night after night.

8 **I have set the LORD always before me; ***
because he is at my right hand I shall not fall.

9 My heart, therefore, is glad, and my spirit rejoices; *
my body also shall rest in hope.

PSALM 16

Read responsively by whole verse

10 For you will not abandon me to the grave, *

nor let your holy one see the Pit.

11 You will show me the path of life; *

in your presence there is fullness of joy,

**and in your right hand are pleasures
for evermore.**

A READING *from*
the first letter of PETER

1:3-9

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! By his great mercy he has given us a new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, and into an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, who are being protected by the power of God through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the

FIRST PETER 1:3-9

last time. In this you rejoice, even if now for a little while you have had to suffer various trials, so that the genuineness of your faith—being more precious than gold that, though perishable, is tested by fire—may be found to result in praise and glory and honor when Jesus Christ is revealed. Although you have not seen him, you love him; and even though you do not see him now, you believe in him and rejoice with an

FIRST PETER 1:3-9

indescribable and glorious joy, for you are receiving the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

Reader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

***People:* Thanks be to God.**



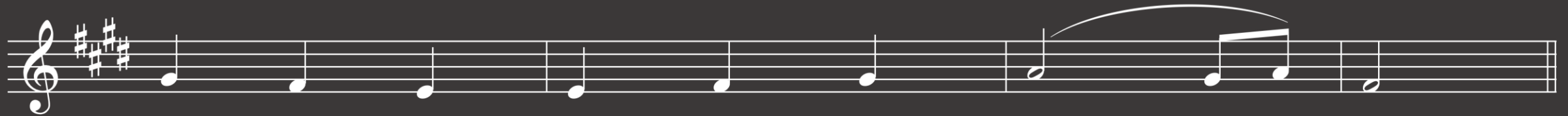
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al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, give thanks to his Name.



Spread the Good News o'er all the earth,



Je - sus has died and is ri - sen!



Al-le - lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia, give thanks to the ris - en Lord,



al - le - lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia, give thanks to his_ Name.

THE GOSPEL

John 20:19-31

Gospeller:

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

People:

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

THE GOSPEL

John 20:19-31

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, “Peace be with you.” After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, “Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.” When he had said this, he breathed on

THE GOSPEL

John 20:19-31

them and said to them, “Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.” But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, “We have seen the Lord.” But he said to them, “Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not

THE GOSPEL

John 20:19-31

Believe.” A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, “Peace be with you.” Then he said to Thomas, “Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe.” Thomas answered him, “My Lord and my God!” Jesus said to him, “Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those

THE GOSPEL

John 20:19-31

who have not seen and yet have come to believe.” Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

Gospeller: The Gospel of the Lord.

***People:* Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

THE CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Amy Danielik

THE SERMON

Rev. Robert P. Travis

THE NICENE CREED

All stand and say together

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made.

THE NICENE CREED

All stand and say together

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried.

THE NICENE CREED

All stand and say together

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father.

THE NICENE CREED

All stand and say together

With the Father he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYERS *of the* PEOPLE

The Leader and People pray responsively.

With confidence and trust let us pray to the Father.

For the one holy catholic and apostolic Church, especially Igreja Anglicana de Mocambique e Angola, St. Andrew's, St. Barnabas', St. Francis', Greensboro, let us pray to the Father;

Lord, in your mercy **Hear our prayer.**

PRAYERS *of the* PEOPLE

For the mission of the Church, that in faithful witness it may preach the gospel to the ends of the earth, let us pray to the Father;

Lord, in your mercy **Hear our prayer.**

PRAYERS *of the* PEOPLE

For peace in the world, especially in Ukraine and the Middle East, that a spirit of respect and reconciliation may grow among nations and peoples, let us pray to the Father;

Lord, in your mercy **Hear our prayer.**

PRAYERS *of the* PEOPLE

For the poor, the persecuted, the sick, and all who suffer, especially David, Jane, Denni, Shirley, Greg, Ray, Hannah, Linda, Carter, Tom, Grace, and all those on our Parish Prayer List and all those on the Daughters of the King Prayer List, for refugees, prisoners, and all in danger; that they may be relieved and protected, let us pray to the Father;

Lord, in your mercy **Hear our prayer.**

PRAYERS *of the* PEOPLE

For those who have died, let us pray to the Father;

Lord, in your mercy **Hear our prayer.**

For those whom we have injured or offended,
let us pray to the Father;

Lord, in your mercy **Hear our prayer.**

PRAYERS *of the* PEOPLE

For grace to amend our lives and to further the reign of God, let us pray to the Father;

Lord, in your mercy **Hear our prayer.**

In communion with all those who have walked in the way of holiness, the Ever Blessed Virgin Mary and all the Saints, let us pray to the Father;

Lord, in your mercy **Hear our prayer.**

PRAYERS *of the* PEOPLE

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

CONFESSION *of* SIN

Minister and People:

God of all mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you, opposing your will in our lives. We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created.

CONFESSION *of* SIN

We repent of the evil that enslaves us, the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf.

Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ, that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen.

ABSOLUTION *of* SIN

Celebrant:

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

THE PEACE *All stand*

Celebrant:

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People:

And also with you.

Greet one another in the name of the Lord.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

All are seated as the altar is prepared.



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1 My faith looks up to thee, thou Lamb of Cal - va - ry,

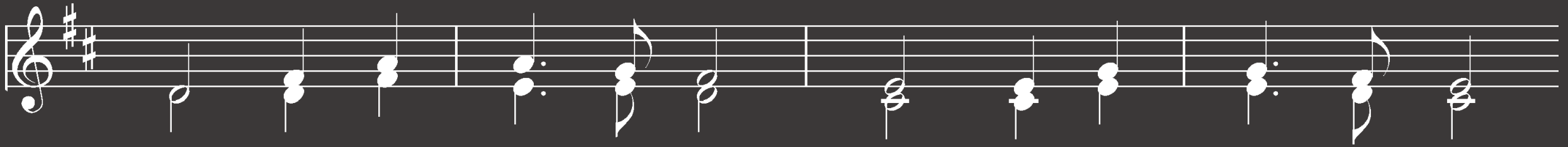
The first line of musical notation is in treble clef with a key signature of two sharps (F# and C#). It consists of 12 measures. The melody is written on the upper staff, and the accompaniment is on the lower staff. The lyrics are: "1 My faith looks up to thee, thou Lamb of Cal - va - ry,"

Sa - vior di - vine! Now hear me while I pray, take all my

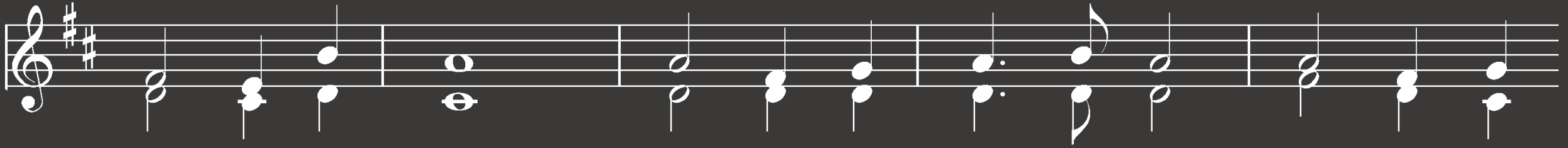
The second line of musical notation continues the melody and accompaniment. It consists of 12 measures. The lyrics are: "Sa - vior di - vine! Now hear me while I pray, take all my

guilt a - way; O let me from this day be whol - ly thine.

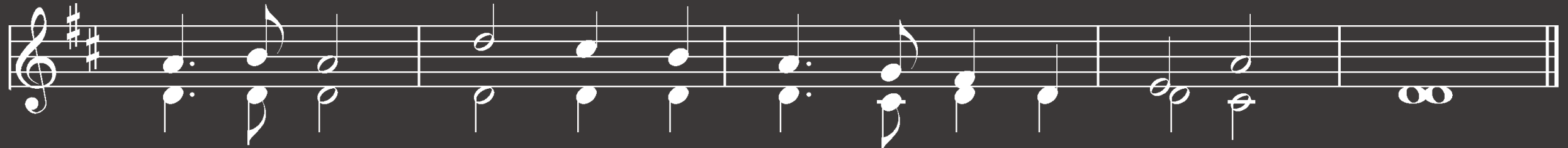
The third line of musical notation concludes the hymn. It consists of 12 measures. The lyrics are: "guilt a - way; O let me from this day be whol - ly thine."



2 May thy rich grace im - part strength to my faint - ing heart,



my zeal in - spire; as thou hast died for me, O may my



love to thee pure, warm, and change-less be, a liv - ing fire.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

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.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Celebrant:

All thanks and praise are yours at all times and in all places, our true and loving God;

through Jesus Christ, your eternal Word, the Wisdom from on high by whom you created all things.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

You laid the foundations of the world
and enclosed the sea when it burst out from the
womb;

You brought forth all creatures of the earth
and gave breath to humankind.

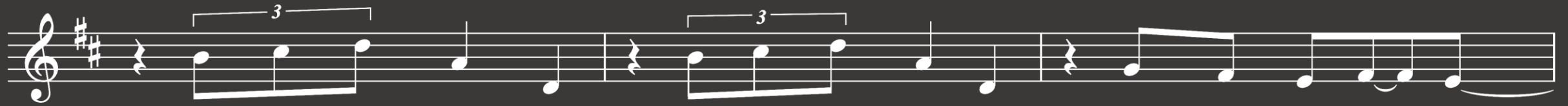
THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Wondrous are you, Holy One of Blessing,
all you create is a sign of hope for our journey;

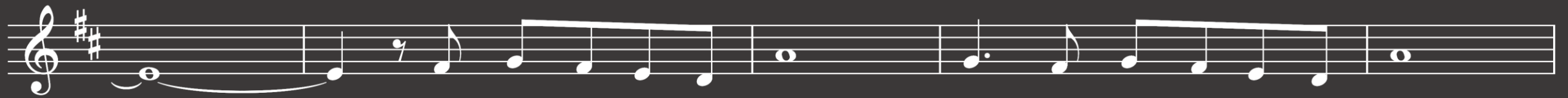
And so as the morning stars sing your praises
we join the heavenly beings and all creation
as we shout with joy:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of pow-er and might,



hea-ven and earth are full of your glo-ry, Lord, we sing your praise.



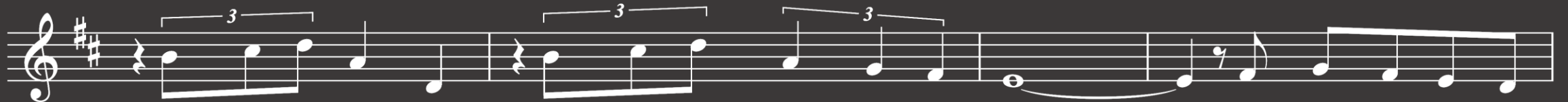
Ho-san-na in the high - est, ho-san-na in the high -



est, ho-san-na in the high - est, Lord, we sing your praise.



Oh, ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of pow-er and might



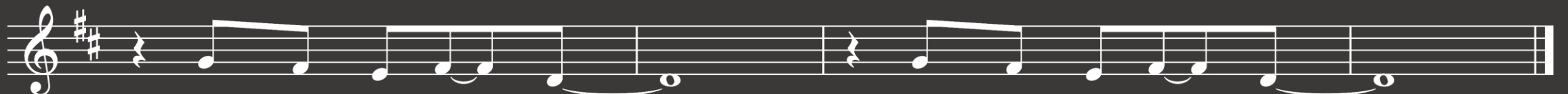
Bless-ed is he who comes in the Name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the



high - est, ho-san-na in the high - est, ho-san-na in the



high - est, Lord, we sing your praise,



Lord, we sing your praise, Lord, we sing your praise.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Celebrant continues

Glory and honor are yours, Creator of all,
your Word has never been silent;
you called a people to yourself, as a light to the nations,
you delivered them from bondage
and led them to a land of promise.
Of your grace, you gave Jesus
to be human, to share our life,

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

to proclaim the coming of your holy reign
and give himself for us, a fragrant offering.

Through Jesus Christ our Redeemer,
you have freed us from sin,
brought us into your life,
reconciled us to you,
and restored us to the glory you intend for us.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

We thank you that on the night before he died for us Jesus took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, gave it to his friends and said:

“Take, eat, this is my Body, broken for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.”

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

After supper Jesus took the cup of wine,
said the blessing, gave it to his friends and said:

“Drink this, all of you:
this cup is the new Covenant in my Blood,
poured out for you and for all
for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.”

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

And so, remembering all that was done for us:
the cross, the tomb, the resurrection and ascension,
longing for Christ's coming in glory,
and presenting to you these gifts
your earth has formed and human hands have made,
we acclaim you, O Christ:

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Celebrant and People:

Dying, you destroyed our death.

Rising, you restored our life.

Christ Jesus, come in glory!

The Celebrant continues

Send your Holy Spirit upon us

and upon these gifts of bread and wine

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

that they may be to us the Body and Blood of your Christ. Grant that we, burning with your Spirit's power, may be a people of hope, justice and love.

Giver of Life, draw us together in the Body of Christ, and in the fullness of time gather us with the ever blessed Virgin Mary, and all your people into the joy of our true eternal home.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, we worship you our God and Creator in voices of unending praise.

Celebrant and People:

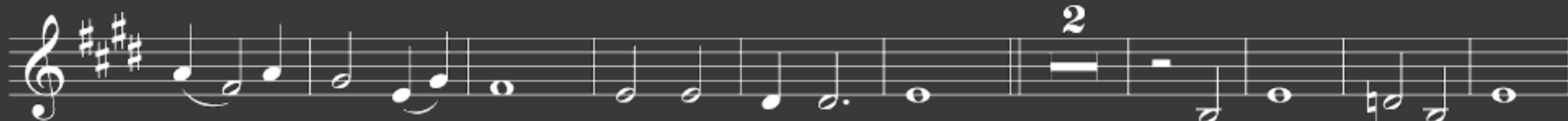
Blessed are you now and for ever. Amen.

Celebrant: As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING



Our Fa - ther in heav - en, hal - lowed be your Name, your king - dom




come, your will be done, hal - lowed be your Name. On earth as in heav -




en, hal - lowed be your Name. Give us to - day our dai - ly bread.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING



us from e - vil. Hal - lowed be your Name. For the king - dom, the pow -

2




er, hal - lowed be your Name. and the glo - ry are yours, now and for



ev - er. Hal - lowed be your Name. A - men, a - men, it shall be so, hal - lowed

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be your Name. A - men, a - men, it shall be so. Hal - lowed be your Name.

THE BREAKING *of the* BREAD



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



lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Cantor: *Worthy is Christ the Lamb who was slain,
whose blood set us free to be people of God.*





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



lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

THE BREAKING *of the* BREAD

Celebrant

Holy things for holy people.

All are welcome at God's holy Altar. If you normally receive communion in another church, of any denomination, you are welcome to do so here. If you are drawn to Jesus, but not yet baptized into any Christian community, you are invited to come forward for a blessing. In that case, simply cross your arms over your chest in front of the altar, or ask the priest, and you will be given a blessing. Ask the priest afterwards about baptism and joining St. Mary's. We offer gluten-free wafers as well. Please let the priest know if you need one.

SONG: *What a beautiful name*

What a beautiful name it is

What a beautiful name it is

The name of Jesus Christ my King

What a beautiful name it is

Nothing compares to this

What a beautiful name it is

The name of Jesus

SONG: *What a beautiful name*

What a wonderful name it is

What a wonderful name it is

The name of Jesus Christ my King

What a wonderful name it is

Nothing compares to this

What a wonderful name it is

The name of Jesus

SONG: *What a beautiful name*

What a powerful name it is

What a powerful name it is

The name of Jesus Christ my King

What a powerful name it is

Nothing can stand against

What a powerful name it is

The name of Jesus

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

The Celebrant and the People:

Loving God, we give you thanks for restoring us in your image and nourishing us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood. Now send us forth a people, forgiven, healed, renewed; that we may proclaim your love to the world and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

BLESSING *and* DISMISSAL

The Celebrant blesses the people and then they are dismissed, responding:

Thanks be to God.

PARTICIPANTS *in the* LITURGY

Celebrant: Rev. Louis-Patrick Mua

Preacher: Rev. Robert P. Travis

Lector: Chris Grimes

Eucharistic Minister: Peggy Hussey

Musicians: Angelita Berdiales, Evie Cottam,
Revon Johnson, David Moore, John Marlin

Video & audio engineering: Shallon Jacques

