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# EASTER

May 18, 2025

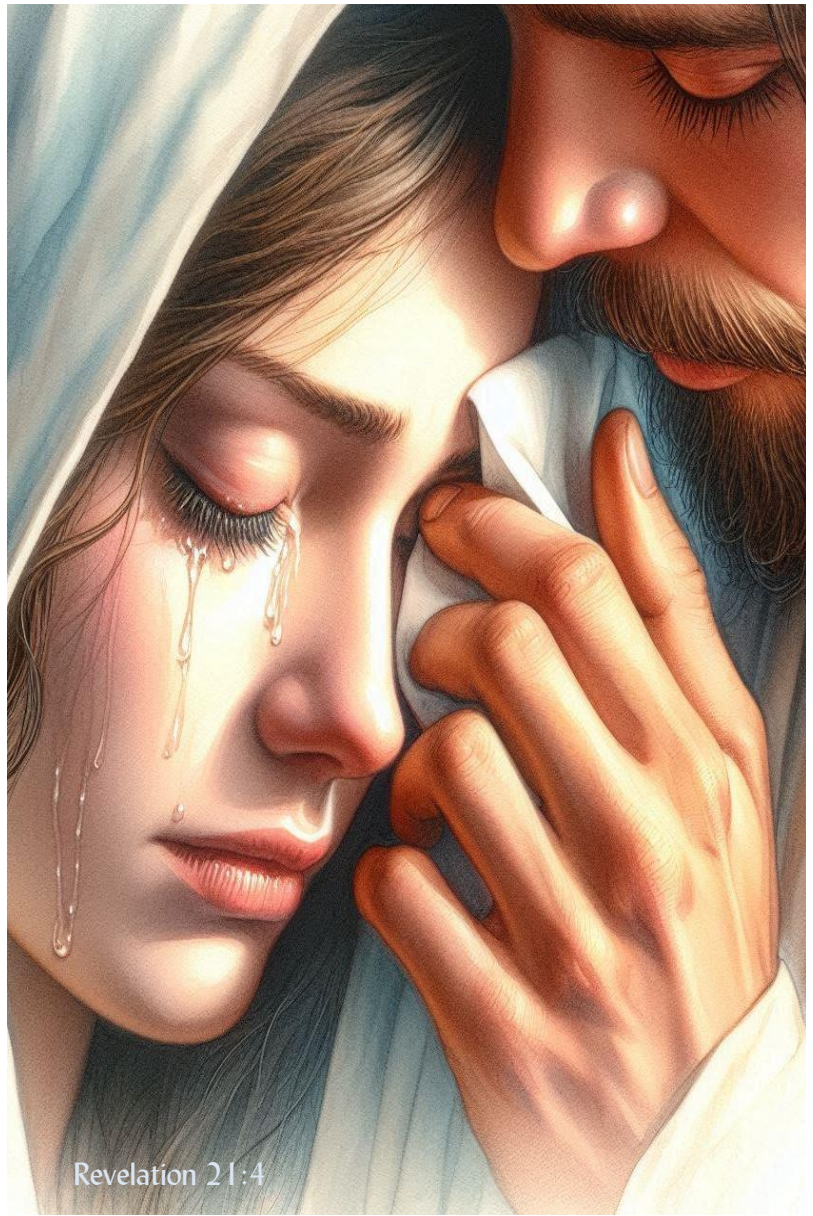


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Revelation 21:4



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## Lutheran Church

May 18, 2025

### PRELUDE

“Prelude in C (Well-Tempered Clavier)”

J. S. Bach

*Tommy Paul, Cellist; arr. Charles Gounod*

### PROCESSIONAL HYMN

“Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee”

LSB 803



1 Joy - ful, joy - ful we a - dore Thee, God of glo - ry, Lord of love!

2 All Thy works with joy sur-round Thee, Earth and heav'n re - flect Thy rays,

△ 3 Thou art giv - ing and for - giv - ing, Ev - er bless-ing, ev - er blest,



Hearts un - fold like flow'rs be - fore Thee, Prais-ing Thee, their sun a - bove.

Stars and an-gels sing a-round Thee, Cen - ter of un - bro - ken praise.

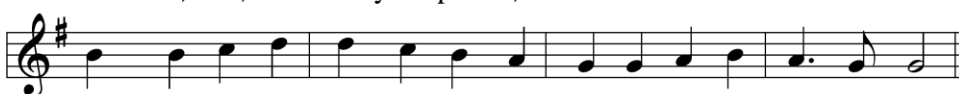
Well-spring of the joy of liv - ing, O - cean - depth of hap - py rest!



Melt the clouds of sin and sad - ness, Drive the gloom of doubt a - way.

Field and for - est, vale and moun-tain, Flow - 'ry mead-ow, flash-ing sea,

Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Spir - it, Foun - tain - head of love di-vine:



Giv - er of im - mor - tal glad-ness, Fill us with the light of day.

Chant-ing bird, and flow - ing foun-tain Call us to re - joice in Thee.

Joy - ful, we Thy heav'n in - her - it! Joy-ful, we by grace are Thine!

### INVOCATION

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People:  Amen.

### OPENING SENTENCES from Psalm 148:1-3, 13

Pastor: Praise the LORD! Praise the LORD from the heavens;

People: **praise Him in the heights!**

Pastor: Praise Him, all His angels;

People: **praise Him, all His hosts!**

Pastor: Praise Him, sun and moon,

People: **praise Him, all you shining stars!**

Pastor: Let them praise the name of the LORD,

People: **for His name alone is exalted; His majesty is above earth and heaven.**

## **CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION** *(Based on our first reading)*

Pastor: Creator of all things in heaven, on earth and under the earth, we praise You because You are the Beginning and the End. We however, are flawed and finite.

**People: Because of our sinful nature, we are weak while You are strong.**

Pastor: Because of the sin and evil so prevalent in our world, there is death and sorrow in our lives.

**People: Because of our sin and the evil we have done against You, heavenly Father, there is death and sorrow in our lives.**

Pastor: Hear us as we pray,

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

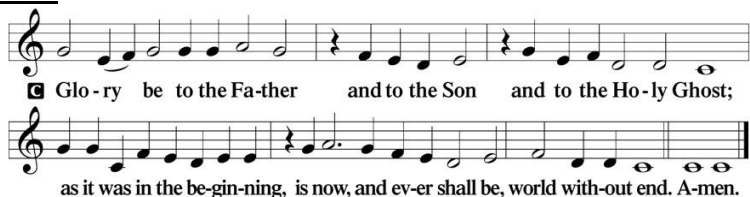
Pastor: Hear the words of the Lamb who sits on the throne: "Behold, I am making all things new." On the cross Jesus paid the penalty for your evil and sin. By the power of His resurrection victory He makes all things new. To you He gives freely from the springs of the water of life. As a called ordained servant of Christ, in the name of Jesus and by the power of His blood sacrifice, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**People: ♪ Amen.**

## **THE INTROIT** *Ps 98:4-6 (antiphon: Ps. 98:1)*

Pastor/Choir: Oh sing to the Lord a new song, for he has done marvelous things! His right hand and his holy arm have worked salvation for him. Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth; break forth into joyous song and sing praises! Sing praises to the Lord with the lyre, with the lyre and the sound of melody! With trumpets and the sound of the horn make a joyful noise before the King, the Lord!

## **THE GLORIA PATRI**



♩ Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther and to the Son and to the Ho - ly Ghost;  
as it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and ev - er shall be, world with - out end. A - men.

## **THE KYRIE** *Mt 9:27, 15:22*

LSB p. 186

**People:**     **♪ Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us.  
Lord, have mercy upon us.**

## HYMN OF PRAISE *Rev. 19:7*

## “Splendor and Honor”

LSB 950

1 Splen - dor and hon - or,      maj - es - ty and pow - er  
2 Praised be the true Lamb,      slain for our re - demp - tion,  
3 To the Al - might - y,      throned in heav'n - ly splen - dor,

Are Yours, O Lord God,      fount of ev - 'ry bless - ing,  
By whose self - of - f'ring      we are made God's peo - ple:  
And to the Sav - ior,      Christ our Lamb and Shep - herd,


For by Your bid - ding      was the whole cre -  
A priest - ly king - dom,      from all tongues and  
Be ad - o - ra - tion,      praise, and glo - ry

a - tion      Called      in - to      be -      ing.  
na - tions,      Called      to God's ser -      vice.  
giv - en,      Now      and for - ev -      er.

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## THE SALUTATION 2 Timothy 4:22

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

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

### **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Pastor: O God, You make the minds of Your faithful to be of one will. Grant that we may love what You have commanded and desire what You promise, that among the many changes of this world our hearts may be fixed where true joys are found; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**People:**       **Amen.**

## **FIRST READING**

Acts 11:1-18

*(Peter tells of the Gospel being shared with the Gentiles.)*

<sup>1</sup>Now the apostles and the brothers who were throughout Judea heard that the Gentiles also had received the word of God. <sup>2</sup>So when Peter went up to Jerusalem, the circumcision party criticized him, saying, <sup>3</sup>"You went to uncircumcised men and ate with them."

<sup>4</sup>But Peter began and explained it to them in order: <sup>5</sup>"I was in the city of Joppa praying, and in a trance I saw a vision, something like a great sheet descending, being let down from heaven by its four corners, and it came down to me. <sup>6</sup>Looking at it closely, I observed animals and beasts of prey and reptiles and birds of the air. <sup>7</sup>And I heard a voice saying to me, 'Rise, Peter; kill and eat.'

<sup>8</sup>But I said, 'By no means, Lord; for nothing common or unclean has ever entered my mouth.' <sup>9</sup>But the voice answered a second time from heaven, 'What God has made clean, do not call common.' <sup>10</sup>This happened three times, and all was drawn up again into heaven.

<sup>11</sup>And behold, at that very moment three men arrived at the house in which we were, sent to me from Caesarea. <sup>12</sup>And the Spirit told me to go with them, making no distinction. These six brothers also accompanied me, and we entered the man's house. <sup>13</sup>And he told us how he had seen the angel stand in his house and say, 'Send to Joppa and bring Simon who is called Peter; <sup>14</sup> he will declare to you a message by which you will be saved, you and all your household.'

<sup>15</sup>As I began to speak, the Holy Spirit fell on them just as on us at the beginning. <sup>16</sup>And I remembered the word of the Lord, how he said, 'John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.' <sup>17</sup>If then God gave the same gift to them as he gave to us when we believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I that I could stand in God's way?"

<sup>18</sup>When they heard these things they fell silent. And they glorified God, saying, "Then to the Gentiles also God has granted repentance that leads to life."

**Pastor:** This is the Word of the Lord.

**People:** Thanks be to God.

## **SECOND READING**

Revelation 21:1-7

*(John beholds a vision of the new heaven and new earth.)*

<sup>1</sup>Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. <sup>2</sup>And I saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. <sup>3</sup>And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "Behold, the dwelling place of God is with man. He will dwell with them, and they will be his people, and God himself will be with them as their God. <sup>4</sup>He will wipe away every tear from their eyes, and death shall be no more, neither shall there be mourning, nor crying, nor pain anymore, for the former things have passed away."

<sup>5</sup>And he who was seated on the throne said, "Behold, I am making all things new." Also he said, "Write this down, for these words are trustworthy and true." <sup>6</sup>And he said to me, "It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give

from the spring of the water of life without payment. <sup>7</sup> The one who conquers will have this heritage, and I will be his God and he will be my son.

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

**ANTHEM** @10:30

"We All Believe in One True God"

*Melchoir Vulpus  
The Cathedral Choir*

**GOSPEL**

John 16:12-22

*(The Spirit of truth will glorify Jesus)*

Pastor: The Gospel according to St. John, the sixteenth chapter.

People:



<sup>12</sup>"I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. <sup>13</sup>When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth, for he will not speak on his own authority, but whatever he hears he will speak, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. <sup>14</sup>He will glorify me, for he will take what is mine and declare it to you. <sup>15</sup>All that the Father has is mine; therefore I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you.

<sup>16</sup>"A little while, and you will see me no longer; and again a little while, and you will see me." <sup>17</sup>So some of his disciples said to one another, "What is this that he says to us, 'A little while, and you will not see me, and again a little while, and you will see me'; and, 'because I am going to the Father'?" <sup>18</sup>So they were saying, "What does he mean by 'a little while'? We do not know what he is talking about." <sup>19</sup>Jesus knew that they wanted to ask him, so he said to them, "Is this what you are asking yourselves, what I meant by saying, 'A little while and you will not see me, and again a little while and you will see me'?" <sup>20</sup>Truly, truly, I say to you, you will weep and lament, but the world will rejoice. You will be sorrowful, but your sorrow will turn into joy. <sup>21</sup>When a woman is giving birth, she has sorrow because her hour has come, but when she has delivered the baby, she no longer remembers the anguish, for joy that a human being has been born into the world. <sup>22</sup>So also you have sorrow now, but I will see you again, and your hearts will rejoice, and no one will take your joy from you.

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People:



## THE APOSTLES CREED

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.  
And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and  
was buried. He descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead.  
He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.**

**From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.**

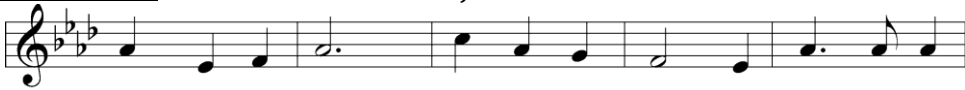
**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.**

**Amen.**

## HYMN OF THE DAY

“Alleluia! Jesus is Risen”

LSB 474



1 Al - le - lu - ia! Je - sus is ris - en! Trum - pets re -  
2 Walk - ing the way, Christ in the cen - ter Tell - ing the  
3 Je - sus the vine, We are the branch - es; Life in the  
4 Weep - ing, be gone; Sor - row, be si - lent; Death put a -  
5 Cit - y of God, Eas - ter for - ev - er, Gold - en Je -



sound - ing in glo - ri - ous light! Splen - dor, the Lamb, Heav - en for -  
sto - ry to o - pen our eyes; Break - ing our bread, Giv - ing us  
Spir - it the fruit of the tree; Heav - en to earth, Christ to the  
sun - der, and Eas - ter is bright. Cher - u - bim sing: “O grave, be  
ru - sa - lem, Je - sus the Lamb, Riv - er of life, Saints and arch -



ev - er! Oh, what a mir - a - cle God has in sight!  
glo - ry: Je - sus our bless - ing, our con - stant sur - prise.  
peo - ple, Gift of the fu - ture now flow - ing to me.  
o - pen!” Clothe us in won - der, a - dorn us in light.  
an - gels, Sing with cre - a - tion to God the I AM!



Je - sus is ris - en and we shall a - rise:



Give God the glo - ry! Al - le - lu - ia!

## SERMON

"A Little While"  
Rev. Peter Nickel, Cathedral Pastor  
Historic Trinity Lutheran Church

John 16:12-22

## OFFERTORY Ps 51:10-12

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♩ Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.

Cast me not away from Thy presence, and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me.

Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation, and uphold me with Thy free spirit. Amen.

## GATHERING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

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## VOLUNTARY

"In the Garden"

arr. Marty Parks  
Tommy Paul, Cellist

## PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

## 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 trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.


*9am continues with the Benediction*

† The Order of Holy Communion †

@10:30am

## THE PREFACE AND PROPER PREFACE

Pastor: The Lord be with you. 2 Tim. 4:22

People: 

☐ And with thy spir - it.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts. Lam 3:41

People: 

☐ We lift them up un - to the Lord.

Pastor: Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God. Ps 100:4

People: 

☐ It is meet and right so to do.



## THE PROPER PREFACE

Pastor: It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who now risen from the dead after a little while will come again with glory, bringing with Him the fullness of joy. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

## SANCTUS *Is 6:3*

LSB p. 195

♪ Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth; heav'n and earth are full of Thy glory.

Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is He, blessed is He, blessed is He that cometh in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.

## THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION *Mt 26:26-28; Mk 14:22-24; Lk 22:19-20; 1 Co 11:23-25*

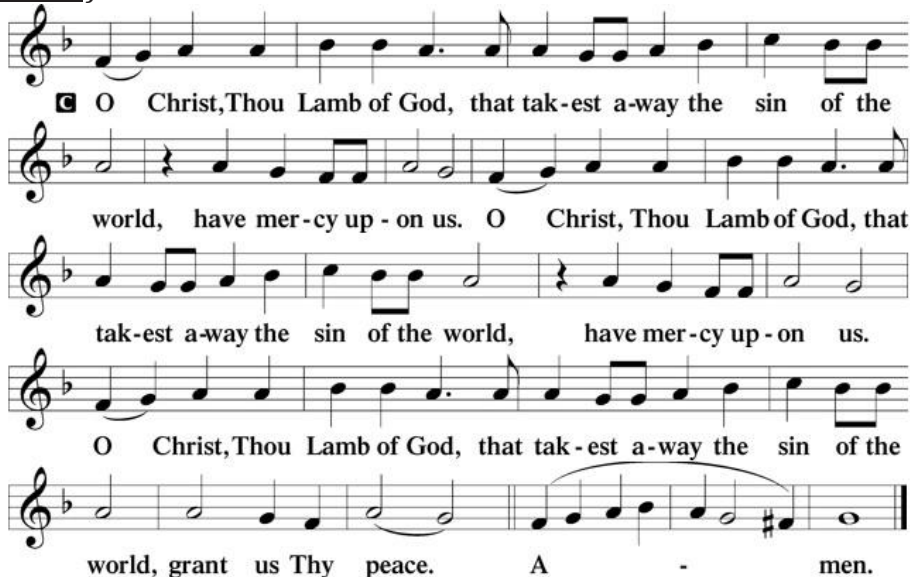
## THE PAX DOMINI *Jn 20:19*

Pastor: The peace of Lord be with you all.

People: ♪ Amen.

## THE AGNUS DEI *Jn 1:29*

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□ O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the world, have mer-cy up-on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the world, have mer-cy up-on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace. A - men.

## DISTRIBUTION

*For those with health concerns, there are gluten free wafers and non-alcoholic white wine available.*

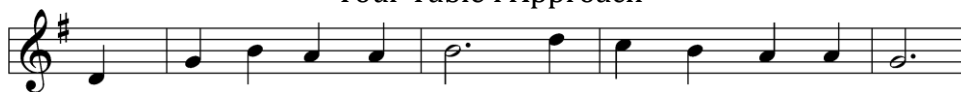
### **TWO STATION COMMUNION:**

*If you would like to receive communion at the altar, take the path to the left before the chancel step.*

*If you would like to receive communion in a continuous line, take the path to the right before the chancel step.*

## “Your Table I Approach”

LSB 628



1 Your ta - ble I ap - proach; Dear Sav - ior, hear my prayer.  
 2 Lord, I con - fess my sins And mourn their wretch - ed bands;  
 3 Your bod - y and Your blood, Once slain and shed for me,  
 4 Search not how this takes place, This won - drous mys - ter - y;



Let not an un - re - pen - tant heart Prove hurt - ful to me there.  
 A con - trite heart is sure to find For - give - ness at Your hands.  
 Are tak - en at Your ta - ble, Lord, In blest re - al - i - ty.  
 God can ac - com - plish vast - ly more Than what we think could be.

O grant, most blessèd Lord, That earth and hell combined  
 May not about this sacrament Raise doubt within my mind.

Oh, may I never fail To thank You day and night  
 For Your true body and true blood, O God, my peace and light.

## DISMISSAL

## POST COMMUNION CANTICLE

LSB p. 164



☐ Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev-'ry-one what He has done.



Let all who seek the Lord re - jice and proud - ly bear His name.



He re - calls His prom - is - es and leads His peo - ple forth in joy



with shouts of thanks - giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

## POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING

Pastor: Lord our God, we give You thanks and praise for again nourishing us with Your Word and with the body and blood of our Savior. Strengthen us thereby to resist all who would lead us astray from our Shepherd. Keep us

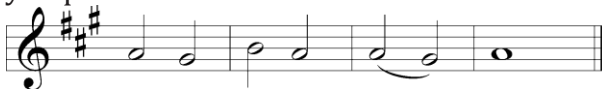
firm in the faith until we celebrate the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom which has no end; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**People:**     ♪ **Amen.**

## **BENEDICTION**

**Pastor:**     The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you. The † Lord lift his countenance upon you and give you peace.

**People:**



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

## **RECESSIONAL HYMN**

“Rejoice, O Pilgrim Throng”

LSB 813 v.1-3, 6



1 Re - joice, O pil - grim throng! Re - joice, give  
2 With voice as full and strong As o - cean's  
3 With all the an - gel choirs, With all the  
6 At last the march shall end; The wea - ried



thanks, and sing; Your fes - tal ban - ner  
surg - ing praise, Send forth the stur - dy  
saints on earth rest; Pour out the strains of  
ones shall rest; The pil - grims find their



wave on high, The cross of Christ your king.  
hymns of old, The psalms of an - cient days.  
joy and bliss, True rap - ture, no - blest mirth.  
home at last, Je - ru - sa - lem the blest.

*Refrain*



Re - joice!     Re - joice!     Re - joice, give thanks, and sing!

## **POSTLUDE**

“We All Believe in One True God”

*J. S. Bach*

(BWV 1098)