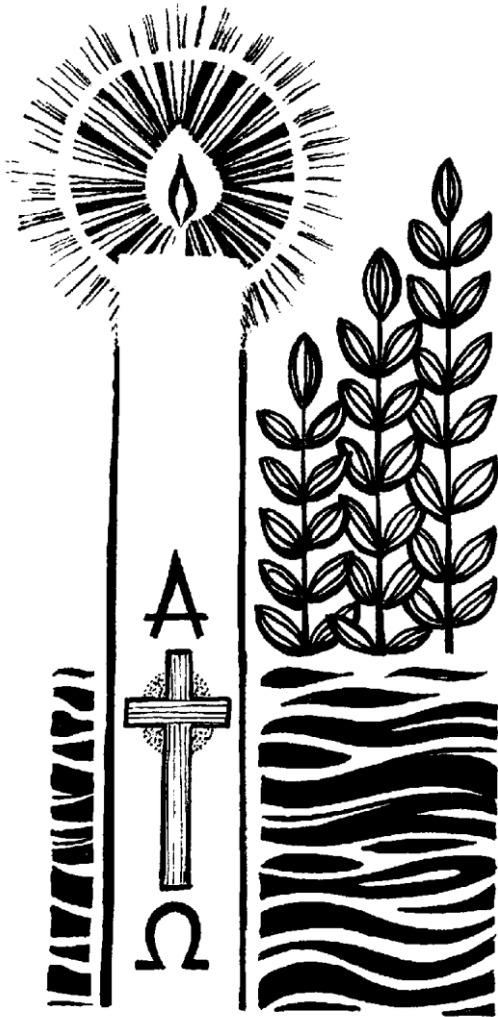


# EASTERTIDE VESPERS

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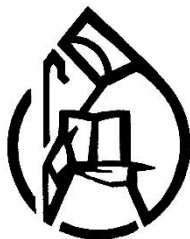
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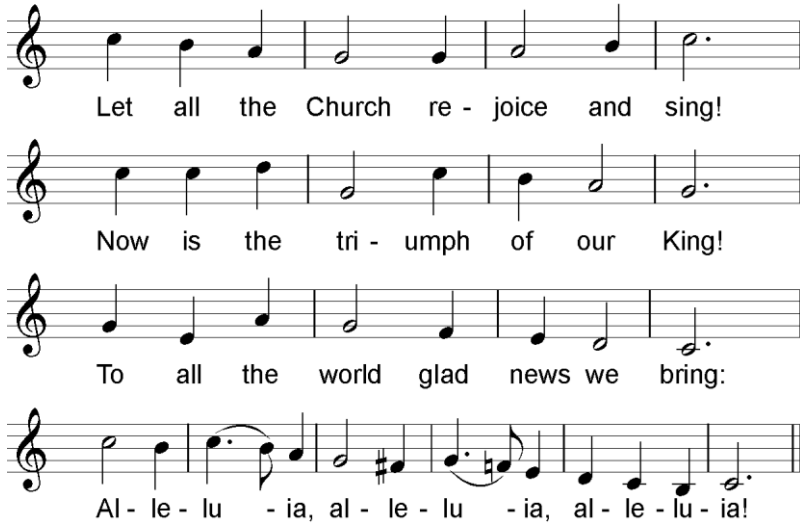
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# HYMN

Traditional German melody, Jena 1609



Let all the Church re - joice and sing!  
Now is the tri - umph of our King!  
To all the world glad news we bring:  
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

The Lord of life is risen for ay;  
Bring flowers of song to strew his way;  
Let all mankind rejoice and say:

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Praise we in songs of victory  
That love, that life which cannot die,  
And sing with hearts uplifted high:

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Thy name we bless, O risen Lord,  
And sing today with one accord  
The life laid down, the life restored:

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

C.A. Alington 1872–1955

## VESPERS IN EASTERTIDE

FRIDAY A

O God, come to our aid,  
O Lord, make haste to help us.  
Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit,  
as it was in the beginning, is now  
and shall be for ever, amen. Alleluia!

### HYMN

**ANTIPHON 1:** The Lion \* of the tribe of Judah, the Root of David, has triumphed, alleluia!

### Psalm 21 A



My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?  
You are far from my plea and the cry of my distress.  
O my God, I call by day and you give no reply;  
I call by night and I find no peace.

Yet you, O God, are holy,  
enthroned on the praises of Israel.  
In you our fathers put their trust;  
they trusted and you set them free.  
When they cried to you, they escaped.  
In you they trusted and never in vain.

But I am a worm and no man,  
the butt of men, laughing-stock of the people.  
All who see me deride me.  
They curl their lips, they toss their heads.  
'He trusted in the Lord, let him save him;  
let him release him if this is his friend.'

Yes, it was you who took me from the womb,  
entrusted me to my mother's breast.  
To you I was committed from my birth,  
from my mother's womb you have been my God.  
Do not leave me alone in my distress;  
come close, there is none else to help.

Many bulls have surrounded me,  
fierce bulls of Bashan close me in.  
Against me they open wide their jaws,  
like lions rending and roaring.

Like wáter I am poured out,  
disjointed are all my bones.  
My héart has become like wax,  
it is melted within my breast.

Parched as burnt cláy is my throat,  
my tongue cleaves to my jaws.

Many dógs have surrounded me,  
a band of the wicked beset me.  
They tear holes in my hánds and my feet  
and lay me in the dust of death.

I can count every óne of my bones,  
These people stare at me and gloat;  
they divide my clóthing among them.  
They cast lots for my robe.

O Lord, do not léave me alone,  
my strength, make haste to help me!  
Rescue my sóul from the sword,  
my life from the grip of these dogs.  
Save my life from the jáws of these lions,  
my poor soul from the horns of these oxen.

### Psalm 21 B



I will téll of your náme to my brethren  
and praise you where they are assembled.

( 'You who fear the Lord give him práise;  
all sons of Jácob, give him glory.  
Revere him, Israel's sons.

For hé has néver despised  
nor scorned the poverty of the poor.  
From him he has not hídden his face,  
but he heard the poor man when he cried.'

You are my práise in the gréat assembly.  
My vows I will pay before those who fear him.

( The poor shall eat and shall have their fill.  
They shall praise the Lórd, those who seek him.  
May their hearts live for ever and ever!

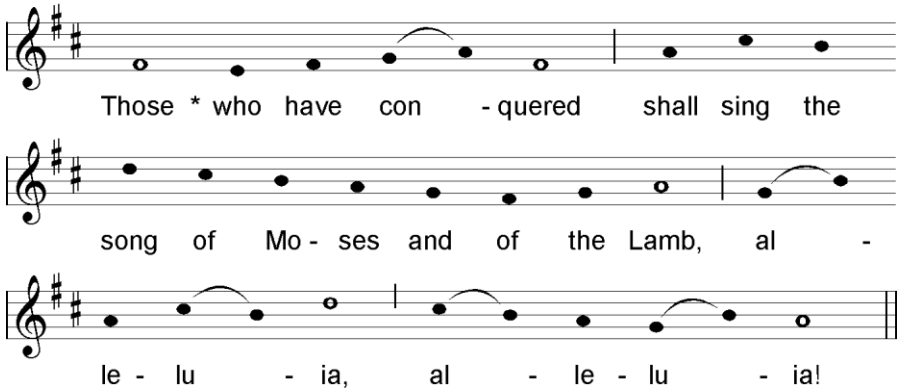
( All the earth shall remember and return to the Lórd,  
all families of the nations wórship before him  
for the kingdom is the Lord's; he is ruler of the nations.  
They shall wórship him, all the míghty of the earth;  
before him shall bow all who go down to the dust.

And my soul shall líve for him, my chíldren serve him.  
They shall tell of the Lord to generations yet to come,  
declare his fáithfulness to péoples yet unborn:  
'These things the Lord has done.'

Glory be to the Fátor, the Són and Holy Spirit,  
both now and for ever, amen.

**ANTIPHON 1:** The Lion \* of the tribe of Judah, the Root of David, has  
triumphed, alleluia!

## ANTIPHON 2



Those \* who have con - quered shall sing the  
song of Mo - ses and of the Lamb, al -  
le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

The musical notation is in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of three staves. The first staff contains the melody for 'Those \* who have con - quered shall sing the'. The second staff contains the melody for 'song of Mo - ses and of the Lamb, al -'. The third staff contains the melody for 'le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!'. The melody is simple and uses whole and half notes, with some phrasing slurs.

## NT Canticle 21



(Revelation 15:3–4)

Great and wonderful are your deeds,  
O Lord God, the Almighty!  
Just and true are your ways,  
O King of the ages!

Who shall not fear and glorify your name, O Lord,  
for you alone are holy!  
All nations shall come and worship you,  
for your judgements have been revealed.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son  
and to the Holy Spirit,  
as it was in the beginning, is now  
and shall be for ever, amen.

## REPEAT ANTIPHON

**ANTIPHON 3:** Alleluia! \* Worthy are you, our Lord and God, to receive glory and honour and power, alleluia!

Psalm 99



Cry out with joy to the Lord, all the earth.  
Serve the Lord with gladness.  
Come before him, singing for joy.

Know that he, the Lord, is God.  
He made us, we belong to him,  
we are his people, the sheep of his flock.

Go within his gates, giving thanks.  
Enter his courts with songs of praise.  
Give thanks to him and bless his name.

Indeed, how good is the Lord,  
eternal his merciful love.  
He is faithful from age to age.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son  
and to the Holy Spirit,  
both now and for ever, amen.

**ANTIPHON 3:** Alleluia! \* Worthy are you, our Lord and God, to receive glory and honour and power, alleluia!

# SCRIPTURE READING

## RESPONSORY



**Cantor:** The Lord is tru - ly ris - en, al - le - lu - ia,



al - le - lu - ia!

**All Repeat**



**Cantor:** He has appeared to Sim - on:



**All:** Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!



**Cantor:** Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther and to the Son and



to the Ho - ly Spi - rit.

**All:** The Lord is truly risen, alleluia, alleluia!

## RESPONSORY FROM ASCENSION UNTIL PENTECOST

Send forth your Spirit, O Lord, and renew the face of the earth!

## MAGNIFICAT ANTIPHON

### Week 3

Christ \* died on the cross and rose again from the dead to redeem us, alleluia!

### Week 5

No one \* can have greater love than to lay down their life for their friends, alleluia!

### Week 7

They all \* persevered together in prayer, with Mary, the mother of Jesus, alleluia!

## MAGNIFICAT

(Luke 1:46–55)

### Canticle of Mary



My soul glorifies the Lord,  
my spirit rejoices in God, my Saviour.  
He looks on his servant in her lowliness;  
henceforth all ages will call me blessed.

The Almighty works marvels for me.  
Holy his name!  
His mercy is from age to age,  
on those who fear him.

He puts forth his arm in strength  
and scatters the proud-hearted.  
He casts the mighty from their thrones  
and raises the lowly.

He fills the starving with good things,  
sends the rich away empty.

He protects Israel, his servant,  
remembering his mercy,  
the mercy promised to our fathers,  
to Abraham and his sons for ever.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son  
and to the Holy Spirit,  
as it was in the beginning, is now  
and shall be for ever, amen.

## REPEAT ANTIPHON

## INTERCESSIONS

**OUR FATHER**

*(said by the Superior)*

## CONCLUDING PRAYER

LET US BLESS THE LORD, ALLELUIA!  
THANKS BE TO GOD, ALLELUIA!

May the divine assistance remain always with us.  
And with our absent brothers and sisters. Amen.

