



# EASTER SUNRISE SERVICE

APRIL 17, 2022

Colburn Park, Lebanon, NH

## Welcome and Easter Proclamation

### Call to Worship

Leader: This day is not like any other day.

People: Today we slow down. Today we take it all in. Today we rest in good news.

Leader: This day is not like any other day.

People: Today we are singing. Today we are full to the brim. Today joy cannot be contained.

Leader: This day is not like any other day.

People: Today the stone was rolled away. Today the women saw the empty grave.  
Today we know—death does not win.

Leader: This day is not like any other day.

People: Alleluia! Amen.

### Prayer of Confession (*Unison*)

God of new life, we are a mixed bag. We want to be full to the brim with hope and joy, but often we overflow with comparison and doubt. We want to embody the resurrection, but often we'd rather stay the same than to begin again. We want to have the courage to be like the women on that Easter morning—to run and speak the truth—but often we are weary of courage and uncertain of our own voices. Forgive us for all the ways we remain unchanged. Break into our hearts. Overflow here. With hope we pray, Amen.

### An Easter Poem

“New Life is Right Here”

### Lesson from Scripture

John 20:1-18

### Easter Message

Stephen R. Silver

### Affirmation of Faith

Leader: We believe in a God who can astound us—

People: A God who created the mountains of New Hampshire and Colorado, the stars on a summer night, and the green of Vermont and Ireland.

Leader: We believe in Jesus, whose example changes us—

People: An example of love for those on the fringes, healing for the sick, and welcome for the lonely.

Leader: We believe that Jesus was abandoned by his friends, and wounded, mocked, and killed by the Romans.

People: And in a garden, three days later, we believe that life began again—as the stone was rolled back, as death lost its sting.

Leader: Ever since then, we believe the Spirit has been inviting us into an expansive life—

People: A life not measured by wealth or accolades, but a life full to the brim with joy, overflowing with laughter, saturated in hope, and decorated with good news.

Leader: Death has lost its sting.

People: We believe and are set free. Thanks be to God. Amen.

## Prayers of the People

### The Lord's Prayer (*Unison*)

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.

## Service of Communion

Invitation to the Table

Sharing the Bread and Cup

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Hymn      *The Day of Resurrection!*

Lancashire

## Benediction

***ALLELUIA! HE IS RISEN! HAPPY EASTER TO ALL!***



*A free-will offering will support Listen Community Services. Please leave your contributions in the basket as you leave worship.*



*This morning's liturgy is drawn from "Full to the Brim" at sanctifiedart.com, written by the Rev. Sarah Speed.*



### *Leading Worship This Morning*

The Rev. SangChurl Bae, Lebanon and White River United Methodist Churches

The Rev. Kirsty DePree, West Lebanon Congregational Church

The Rev. Stephen R. Silver, First Congregational Church of Lebanon

# The Day of Resurrection

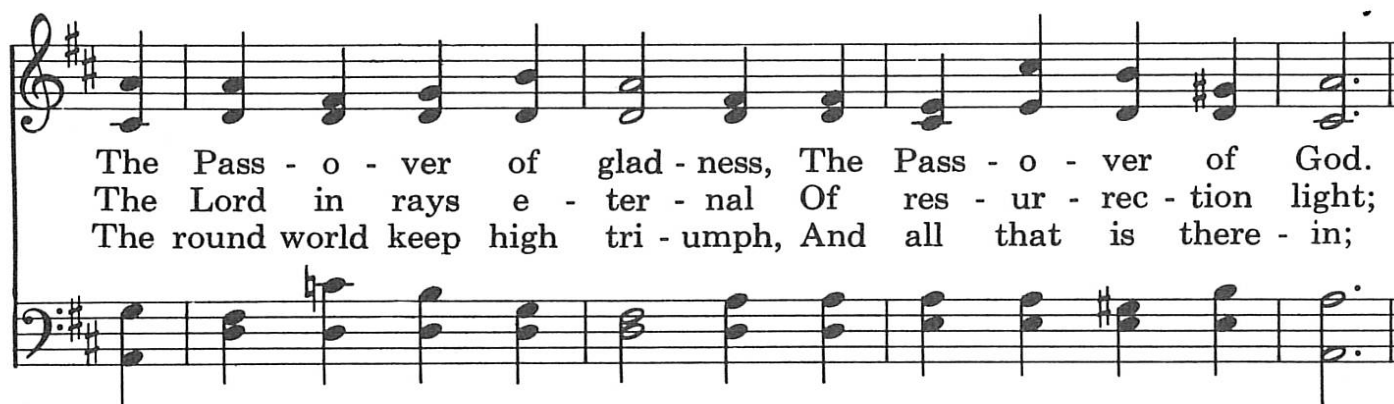
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*John of Damascus, c.696-c.754*  
*Tr. John M. Neale, 1818-1866, alt.*

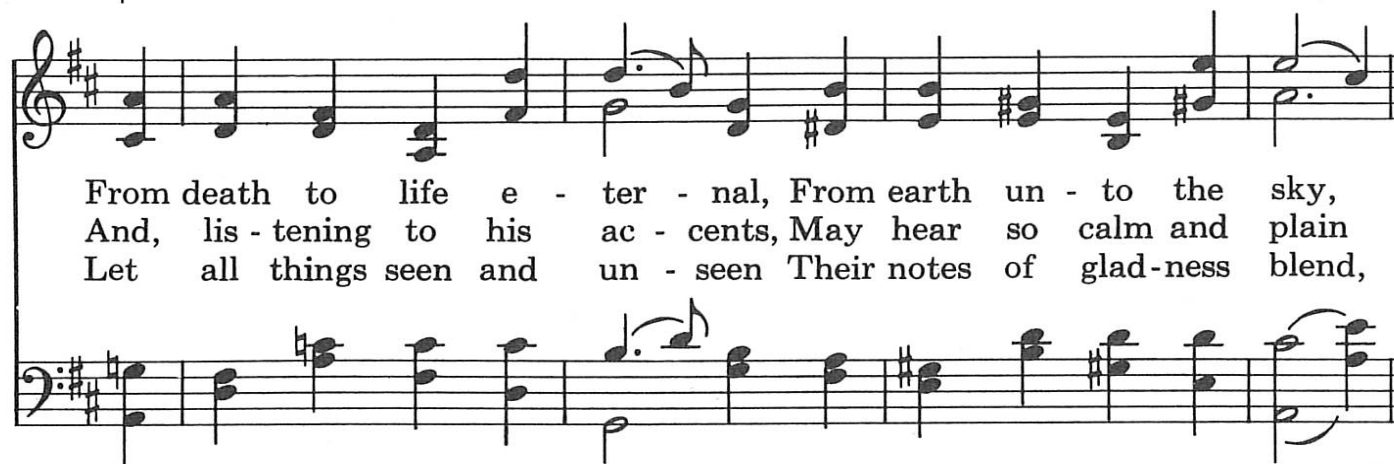
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*Henry T. Smart, 1813-1879*



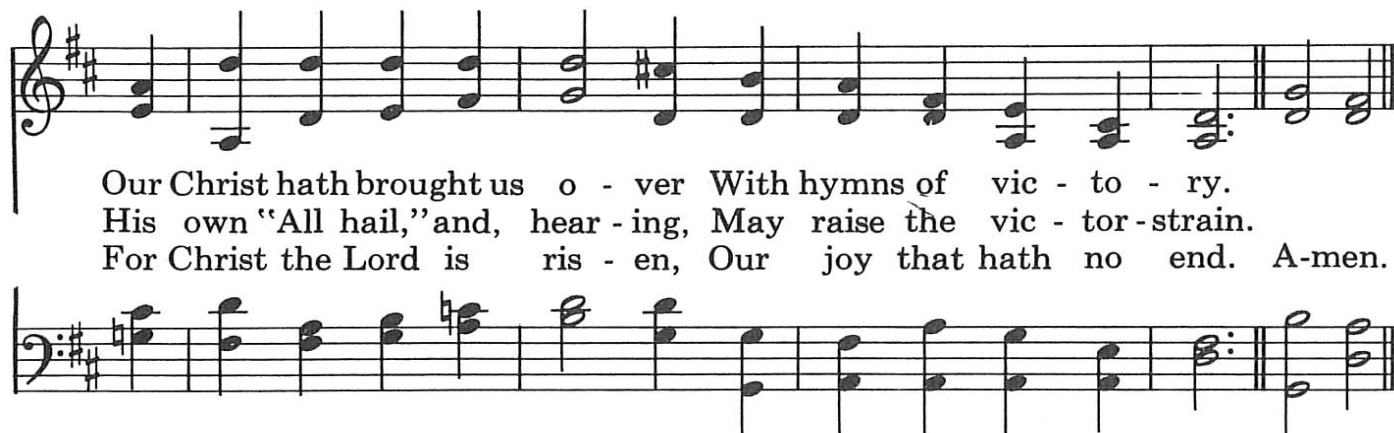
1 The day of res - ur - rec - tion! Earth, tell it out a - broad;  
 2 Our hearts be pure from e - vil, That we may see a - right  
 3 Now let the heavens be joy - ful, Let earth her song be - gin,



The Pass - o - ver of glad - ness, The Pass - o - ver of God.  
 The Lord in rays e - ter - nal Of res - ur - rec - tion light;  
 The round world keep high tri - umph, And all that is there - in;



From death to life e - ter - nal, From earth un - to the sky,  
 And, lis - tening to his ac - cents, May hear so calm and plain  
 Let all things seen and un - seen Their notes of glad - ness blend,



Our Christ hath brought us o - ver With hymns of vic - to - ry.  
 His own "All hail," and, hear - ing, May raise the vic - tor - strain.  
 For Christ the Lord is ris - en, Our joy that hath no end. A-men.

*A lower setting may be found at No. 375*  
*Alternative tune, GREENLAND, No. 190*

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