

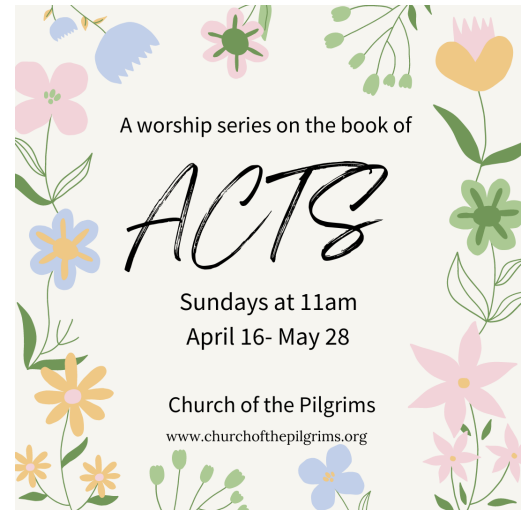
# Welcome to Worship with Church of the Pilgrims

Fourth Sunday of Easter  
Sunday, April 30, 2023 11:00 a.m.

*We are pilgrims, together on a spiritual journey, trusting God to show us the way.*

*We welcome you to come and seek, to study and question, to pray and sing, and to worship and wonder. We're trying to be safe right now, so if you're in the sanctuary, we recommend wearing a mask and practicing social distancing. And if you're online, be sure to say hello in the chat!*

*\*You are invited to stand, in body or in spirit, when \* indicates.*



## GATHERING

Prelude

*Mosso moderato in D*

Gino Visonà

Welcome

**\*Call to Worship** (*Adapted from Psalm 23*)

One: God is my shepherd. I dwell in God's house. I lay my head under God's shelter.

Many: I follow God's lead, beside the still waters, within the green pastures, through the frightening valleys, and all my journey long-

One: Because God is always with me.

Many: Because God is always with me.

One: I shall not want.

Many: I fear no evil.

One: I rest in comfort.

Many: And my hope overflows.

One: Because whatever this world throws at me,  
I know that God's goodness and mercy are with me, too.

Many: And I live in the shelter of God's love.

One: We get to live, serve, journey, and love together, in the shelter of God's love.

Many: Let us worship the One who always welcomes us home.

One: Let us worship the One who brings home to wherever we are.

Many: Let us worship our God!

**\*Hymn**

*Breathe in the Morning Air* (See Attached)

Opening Prayer (Unison)

Holy God, we gather together to rest in your shelter this morning. Listen to our prayers, notice our longings, receive our confessions, and inspire our discernment. For the ways in which we have failed one another, our neighbors, and you, forgive us. For the moments in which we've been worried, anxious, or weary, encourage us. For the illnesses that harm our bodies, minds, and spirits, heal us. And for the divisions, distractions, and deceptions that rip apart communities, mend us. Remind us again and again of your call to relationship and

community. Inspire us to take bold actions for love, justice, and hope, in your name, always and also right now. Amen.

#### Peace

May the peace of God be with you all. And also with you.

*Please share a sign of God's peace with one another.*

### WE EXPERIENCE GOD'S WORD

Anthem #251

*Christ Has Arisen, Alleluia*

Scripture Readings

Acts 2:24-27

Sermon

\*Hymn #305

*Come Sing, O Church, in Joy!*

### WE RESPOND TO GOD'S LOVE

#### Offering

*You can share with Pilgrims and our community by leaving a donation in the basket on the communion table or give online either by scanning the QR code, visiting our website at [www.churchofthepilgrims.org](http://www.churchofthepilgrims.org) or texting "PILGRIMS" to 73256.*



#### Announcements

##### \*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.

\*Hymn #585

*Gloria a Dios*

\*Benediction

Postlude

*Quasi allegro in D*

César Franck

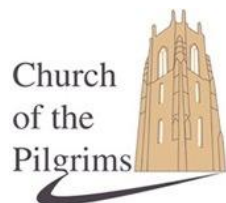
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***Thank you for joining us for worship today.***

***You are invited to stay after worship for a time of fellowship around the communion table.***

*Participating in today's worship service: Jean Stewart, liturgist;  
Dan Shore, music; Erin Counihan, preaching.*

If you're looking for more information on our ministry and how to get involved, please visit us online at [www.churchofthepilgrims.org](http://www.churchofthepilgrims.org) or contact Pastor Erin at [erin@churchofthepilgrims.org](mailto:erin@churchofthepilgrims.org).



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# Breathe In the Morning Air

Words: Helen Wiltshire. Pilgrim Publishing.

Music: Love Unknown (GTG#209), Public Domain.

Breathe in the morning air; inhale its fragrancY.  
Be still and trust the sacredness that dwells within;  
who's ever near; who knows our fears;  
whose presence calms our restless souls.

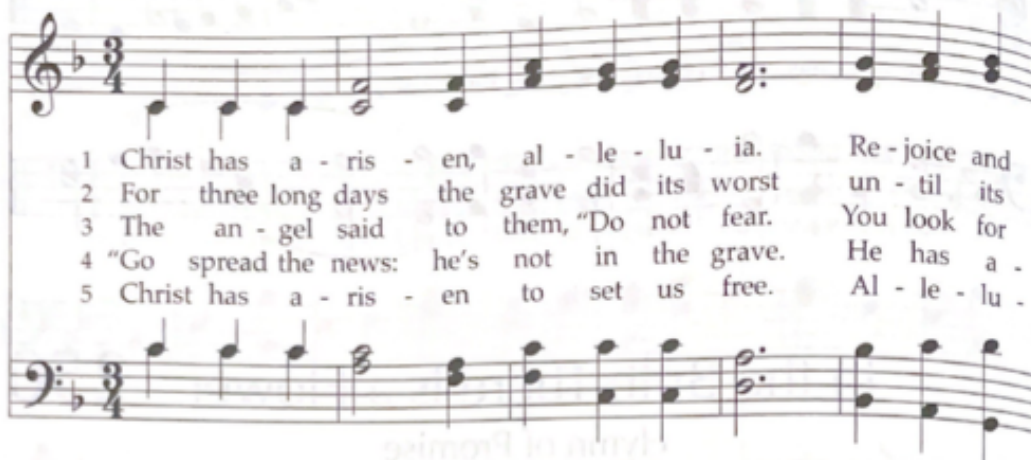
Rest in this sacred space; lie down in pastures green.  
Be present to the myst'ry of this holy place.  
Hear singing streams; feel earth's embrace;  
see how our lives are touched by grace.

Walk in the way of love, of justice and of peace.  
Bring loving to a world of pain and loneliness.  
Reach out in love and gentleness  
to heal the hurt of brokenness.

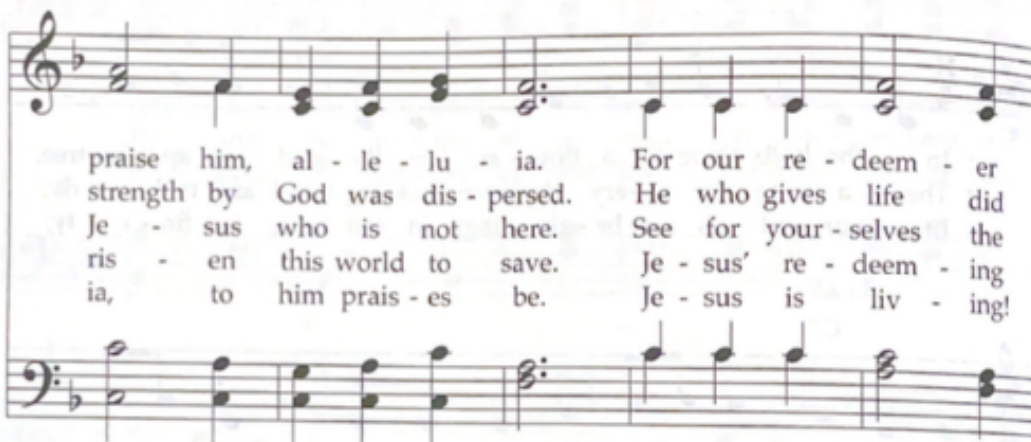
Here in this darkest vale, shadowed by grief and fear,  
we sense a loving presence that our hearts sustain.  
Our fears subside; our minds are calm;  
our panic flees, and peace remains.

Trust in the love of God; believe that goodness lives,  
that hope and joy and beauty will embrace our days.  
Pursued by love and touched by grace,  
our thankful hearts will offer praise

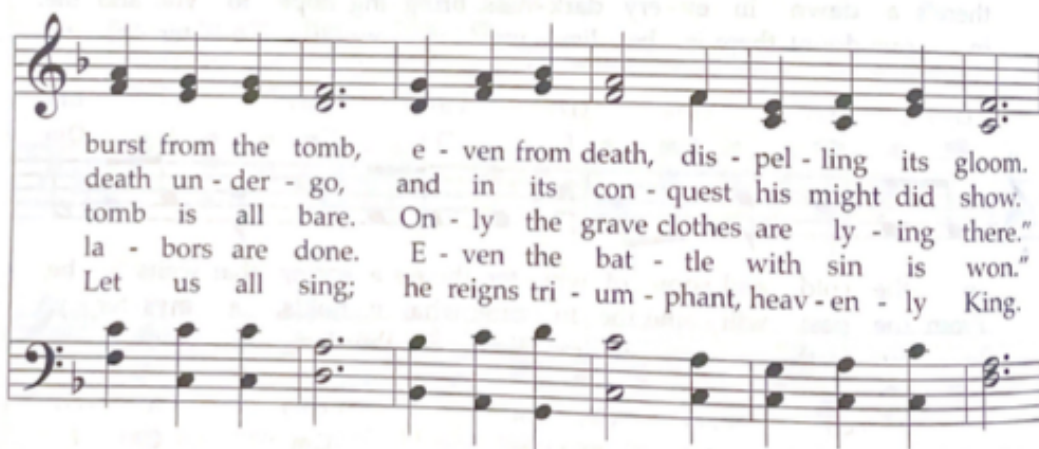
## 251 Christ Has Arisen, Alleluia



1 Christ has a - ris - en, al - le - lu - ia. Re - joice and  
 2 For three long days the grave did its worst un - til its  
 3 The an - gel said to them, "Do not fear. You look for  
 4 "Go spread the news: he's not in the grave. He has a -  
 5 Christ has a - ris - en to set us free. Al - le - lu -



praise him, al - le - lu - ia. For our re - deem - er  
 strength by God was dis - persed. He who gives life did  
 Je - sus who is not here. See for your - selves the  
 ris - en this world to save. Je - sus' re - deem - ing  
 ia, to him prais - es be. Je - sus is liv - ing!



burst from the tomb, e - ven from death, dis - pel - ling its gloom.  
 death un - der - go, and in its con - quest his might did show.  
 tomb is all bare. On - ly the grave clothes are ly - ing there."  
 la - bors are done. E - ven the bat - tle with sin is won."  
 Let us all sing; he reigns tri - um - phant, heav - en - ly King.

The good news of the Resurrection is retold in this lively hymn from Tanzania, blending 20th-century words with a traditional melody. In African call-and-response practice, the stanzas would ordinarily be sung by a soloist or small group and the refrain by the whole congregation.

TEXT: Bernard Kyamanywa, 1966; trans. Howard S. Olson, 1969

MUSIC: Tanzanian melody

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MFURAHINI, HALELUYA  
 9.9.9.9 with refrain

JESUS CHRIST: RESURRECTION

Refrain

Let us sing praise to him with end - less joy. Death's fear - ful

sting he has come to de - stroy. Our sin for - giv - ing,

al - le - lu - ia! Je - sus is liv - ing, al - le - lu - ia!

## 305 Come Sing, O Church, in Joy!

1 Come sing, O church, in joy! Come join, O church, in song!  
 2 Long years have come and gone, and still God reigns su - preme,  
 3 Let cour - age be our friend; let wis - dom be our guide,  
 4 Come sing, O church, in joy! Come join, O church, in song!

For Christ the Lord has led us through the a - ges long!  
 em - power - ing us to catch the vi - sion, dream the dream!  
 as we in mis - sion mag - ni - fy the Cru - ci - fied!  
 For Christ the Lord has tri - umphed o'er the a - ges long!

In bold ac - cord, come cel - e - brate the jour - ney now and praise the Lord!

This text was the winner in a hymn competition sponsored by the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) Bicentennial Committee for the 1988–1989 observance, which had the theme “Celebrate the Journey.” The late 18th-century tune (first used with Psalm 148) is appropriately celebratory.



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## Glory to God

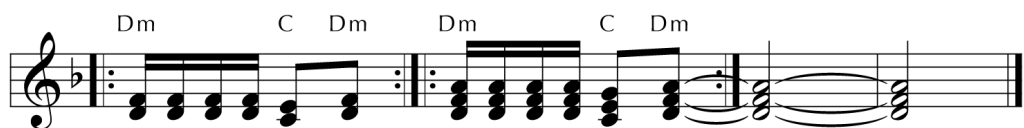
*Gloria a Dios*

1 Glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, glo-ry in the high - est!  
 2 Glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, glo-ry to Christ Je - sus!  
 3 Glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, glo-ry to the Spir - it!

1 ¡Glo-ria a Dios, glo-ria a Dios, glo-ria en los cie - los!  
 2 ¡Glo-ria a Dios, glo-ria a Dios, glo-ria a Je - su - cris - to!  
 3 ¡Glo-ria a Dios, glo-ria a Dios, glo-ria al Es - pí - ri - tu!



To God be glo-ry for - ev - er! Al-le-lu-ia, A - men!  
 ¡A Dios la glo-ria por siem - pre! ¡A - le - lu - ya, A - mén!



Al-le-lu-ia, A - men! Al-le-lu-ia, A - men!  
 ¡A - le - lu - ya, A - mén! ¡A - le - lu - ya, A - mén!

*May be sung in call and response pattern.*

TEXT: Anon.  
 MUSIC: Peruvian melody

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