Third Sunday of Easter ELW Holy Communion Setting Four Sunday, April 14, 2024 CLC 8am & 10am

GATHERING

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

GATHERING SONG Come, You Faithful, Raise the Strain (ELW 363)

The time of gathering song may be brief or extended, and may include one or more of the following: hymns, psalms; a Kyrie; a canticle of praise.

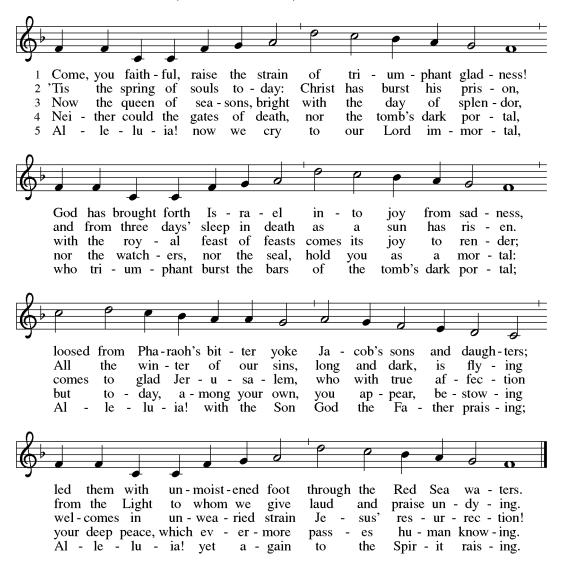
1 Come, you faithful, raise the strain of triumphant gladness!
God has brought forth Israel into joy from sadness, loosed from Pharaoh's bitter yoke Jacob's sons and daughters; led them with unmoistened foot through the Red Sea waters.

2 'Tis the spring of souls today: Christ has burst his prison, and from three days' sleep in death as a sun has risen. All the winter of our sins, long and dark, is flying from the Light to whom we give laud and praise undying. 3 Now the queen of seasons, bright with the day of splendor, with the royal feast of feasts comes its joy to render; comes to glad Jerusalem, who with true affection welcomes in unwearied strain Jesus' resurrection!

4 Neither could the gates of death, nor the tomb's dark portal, nor the watchers, nor the seal hold you as a mortal: but today, among your own, you appear, bestowing your deep peace, which evermore passes human knowing.

5 Alleluia! now we cry to our Lord immortal, who triumphant burst the bars of the tomb's dark portal; Alleluia! with the Son God the Father praising; Alleluia! yet again to the Spirit raising.

Come, You Faithful, Raise the Strain



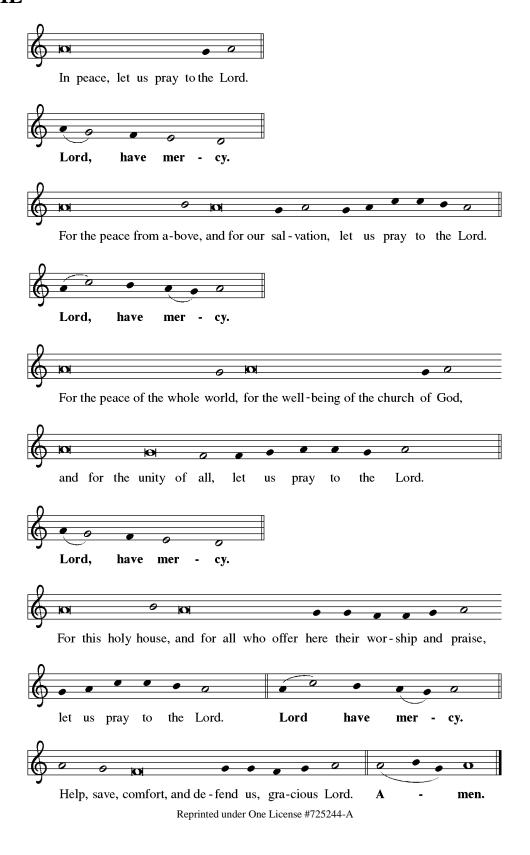
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GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

KYRIE



In peace, let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mercy.

For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mercy.

For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord. **Amen.**

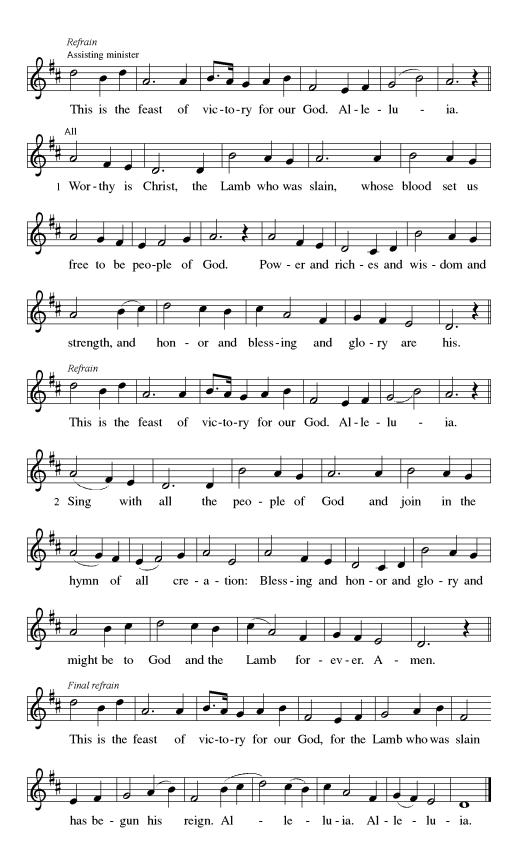
CANTICLE OF PRAISE

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia.

Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God. Power and riches and wisdom and strength, and honor and blessing and glory are his. This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia.

Sing with all the people of God and join in the hymn of all creation:

Blessing and honor and glory and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen. This is the feast of victory for our God, for the Lamb who was slain has begun his reign. Alleluia. Alleluia.



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PRAYER OF THE DAY

The presiding minister leads the prayer of the day.

E pule, Kakou. Let us pray.

A brief silence is kept before the prayer.

Holy and righteous God, you are the author of life, and you adopt us to be your children. Fill us with your words of life, that we may live as witnesses to the resurrection of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

The assembly is seated.

WORD

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

FIRST READING: Acts 3:12-19

After healing a man unable to walk, Peter preaches to the people, describing how God's promises to Israel have been fulfilled in Jesus. Through the proclamation of Christ's death and resurrection, God is offering them forgiveness and restoration in Jesus' name.

A reading from Acts.

¹²[Peter] addressed the people, "You Israelites, why do you wonder at this, or why do you stare at us, as though by our own power or piety we had made him walk?¹³The God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, the God of our ancestors has glorified his servant Jesus, whom you handed over and rejected in the presence of Pilate, though he had decided to release him. ¹⁴But you rejected the Holy and Righteous One and asked to have a murderer given to you, ¹⁵and you killed the Author of life, whom God raised from the dead. To this we are witnesses. ¹⁶And by faith in his name, his name itself has made this man strong, whom you see and know; and the faith that is through Jesus has given him this perfect health in the presence of all of you.

¹⁷"And now, friends, I know that you acted in ignorance, as did also your rulers. ¹⁸In this way God fulfilled what he had foretold through all the prophets, that his Messiah would suffer. ¹⁹Repent therefore, and turn to God so that your sins may be wiped out."

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 4

¹Answer me when I call, O God, defender of my cause; you set me free when I was in distress; have mercy on me and hear my prayer.

²"You mortals, how long will you dishonor my glory;

how long will you love illusions and seek after lies?"

³Know that the LORD does wonders for the faithful;

the LORD will hear me when I call.

⁴Tremble, then, and do not sin;

speak to your heart in silence upon your bed.

⁵Offer the appointed sacrifices,

and put your trust in the LORD.

⁶Many are saying, "Who will show us any good?"

Let the light of your face shine upon us, O LORD.

⁷You have put gladness in my heart,

more than when grain and wine abound.

⁸In peace, I will lie down and sleep;

for you alone, O LORD, make me rest secure.

SECOND READING: 1 John 3:1-7

God has loved us in order to make us children of God. Though we do not yet know the full details of our future existence, we trust that God will reveal it just as God revealed Jesus to take away our sins.

A reading from 1 John.

¹See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. ²Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. ³And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.

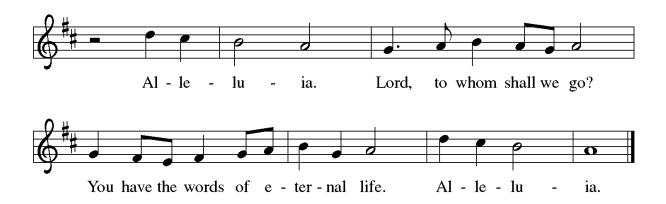
⁴Everyone who commits sin is guilty of lawlessness; sin is lawlessness. ⁵You know that he was revealed to take away sins, and in him there is no sin. ⁶No one who abides in him sins; no one who sins has either seen him or known him. ⁷Little children, let no one deceive you. Everyone who does what is right is righteous, just as he is righteous.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia.

GOSPEL: Luke 24:36b-48

In this account of an appearance after his resurrection, Jesus opens the minds of the disciples to understand him as Messiah. Jesus convinces them that he has been raised and sends them on a mission to proclaim the message of repentance and forgiveness.

The holy gospel according to Luke.

Glory to you, O Lord.

^{36b}Jesus himself stood among [the disciples] and said to them, "Peace be with you." ³⁷They were startled and terrified, and thought that they were seeing a ghost. ³⁸He said to them, "Why are you frightened, and why do doubts arise in your hearts? ³⁹Look at my hands and my feet; see that it is I myself. Touch me and see; for a ghost does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have." ⁴⁰And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. ⁴¹While in their joy they were disbelieving and still wondering, he said to them, "Have you anything here to eat?" ⁴²They gave him a piece of broiled fish, ⁴³and he took it and ate in their presence.

⁴⁴Then he said to them, "These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you—that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled." ⁴⁵Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, ⁴⁶and he said to them, "Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, ⁴⁷and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. ⁴⁸You are witnesses of these things."

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

KEIKI STORY

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds (ELW 367)

The assembly stands to proclaim the word of God in song.

1 Now all the vault of heav'n resounds in praise of love that still abounds: "Christ has triumphed! He is living!" Sing, choirs of angels, loud and clear! Repeat their song of glory here: "Christ has triumphed! He is living!" Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

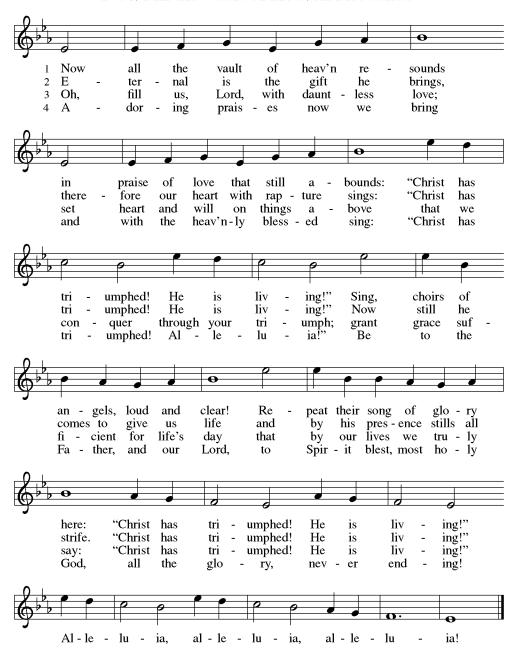
2 Eternal is the gift he brings, therefore our heart with rapture sings: "Christ has triumphed! He is living!" Now still he comes to give us life and by his presence stills all strife. "Christ has triumphed! He is living!" Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

3 Oh, fill us, Lord, with dauntless love; set heart and will on things above that we conquer through your triumph; grant grace sufficient for life's day that by our lives we truly say: "Christ has triumphed! He is living!" Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

4 Adoring praises now we bring and with the heav'nly blessed sing:

"Christ has triumphed! Alleluia!"
Be to the Father, and our Lord,
to Spirit blest, most holy God,
all the glory, never ending!
Alleluia, alleluia!

Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds



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NICENE CREED

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. For us and for our salvation

he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried.

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 and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.

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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.

LITURGY OF HEALING

The presiding minister addresses the assembly with these words.

Friends and neighbors, sisters and brothers, I invite you to come and receive a sign of healing and wholeness in the name of the triune God.

Those who wish to receive laying on of hands may come forward. The minister blesses them. The minister may also make the sign of the cross.

Name _______, in the name of our Savior Jesus Christ, be strengthened and filled with God's grace, that you may know the healing power of the Spirit. **Amen.**

Receive this sign of + the cross as a symbol of forgiveness and healing in Jesus Christ. Amen.

The assembly stands, and the presiding minister continues.

E pule, Kakou. Let us pray. Living God, through the laying on of hands and anointing, grant comfort in suffering to all who are in need of healing. When they are afraid, give them courage; when afflicted, give them patience; when dejected, give them hope; and when alone, assure them of the support of your holy people. We ask this through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Alive in the risen Christ by the power of the Holy Spirit, we bring our prayers before God who promises to hear us and answer in steadfast love.

A brief silence.

Living God, in the midst of Easter joy we are still filled with questions and wondering. Open our hearts and minds as we encounter the scriptures, so that the church embodies repentance, reconciliation, and repair in the name of Jesus to all peoples and all nations. E ka Haku. **Aloha ke Akua**.

Creating God, like a master artist you have fashioned the universe out of your love and delight. Heal your creation where it is in need of restoration, especially our reefs and seashores, our unique animal life and our diminishing sea life. Provide all the inhabitants of earth a peaceful and sustainable home. E ka Haku.

Aloha ke Akua.

God of all, the nations hunger and thirst for your righteousness. Many call on you for guidance and strength. Answer their hopes with the peace of Christ and give your lovingkindness to national, state, and local leaders of people. Comfort those who have lost loved ones to authoritarian violence. We pray for the peoples of Ukraine, Gaza, the Sudan, and Maui. E ka Haku.

Aloha ke Akua.

Healing God, you hear the cries of those in need and answer them in their distress. Grant to those who are sick and suffering your compassion and nurse them back to health and wholeness, especially do we recall all those whom we pray for silently and all those whose names we now speak aloud Be close to the hearts of the lonely. E ka Haku.

Aloha ke Akua.

Blessing God, we give thanks to you for the members and the ministry of this congregation, Christ Lutheran Church: for those who had the vision to begin this congregation, those who sustain its present ministry, and those who will carry its mission forward into the future. E ka Haku.

Aloha ke Akua.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

Birthdays: Eli & Gayle Baptisms: Henry

Church: Lihue Lutheran Church, Pastor JP Paxton

God of all times and ages, those who have died in you now see you as you are. We thank you for their lives among us. Assure us of the peace you have promised, that we may join them in everlasting life. E ka Haku.

Aloha ke Akua.

In the hope of new life in Christ, we raise our prayers to you, trusting in your never-ending goodness and mercy; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

PEACE AND ALOHA

Aloha nui e 'oukou.

'O ke aloha o ka Haku

e mau ana me 'oukou

apau loa.

Friends, sisters and brothers, the peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

MEAL

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

OFFERING

An offering is gathered for the mission of the church, including the care of those in need. Mahalo nui loa to everyone for your offerings.

You may drop your offering in the wooden plates on the way in or out of worship. You can also send checks via USPS mail or go to our "Donate" button at www.clcmililani.org and make your offering via Tithe.ly or PayPal. Mahalo to Thrivent members making offerings via Simply Giving.

Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful Offering Song



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Let the vineyards be fruitful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of blessing.
Gather a harvest from the seeds that were sown, that we may be fed with the bread of life.
Gather the hopes and dreams of all; unite them with the prayers we offer.
Grace our table with your presence, and give us a foretaste of the feast to come.

OFFERING PRAYER

As the table is prepared, the assisting minister prays.

E pule, Kakou. Let us pray.

A brief silence.

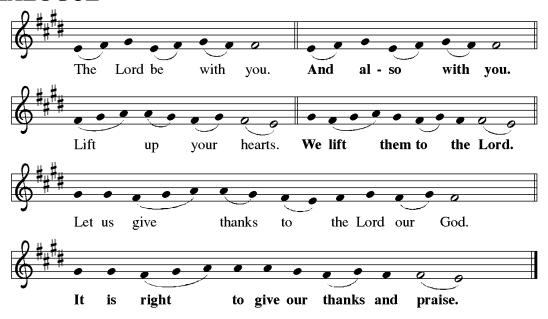
God of love, you call us beloved children and welcome us to your table. Receive our lives and the gifts we offer.

Abide with us and send us in service to a suffering world; for the sake of your beloved Child, Jesus Christ.

Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

DIALOGUE



The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

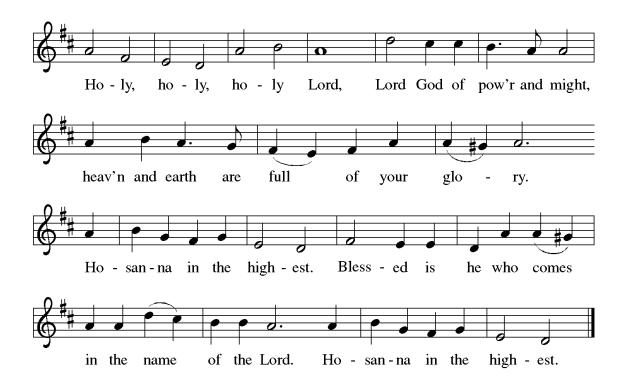
PREFACE (ELW p. 153)

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, for the glorious resurrection of our Savior Jesus Christ, the true Paschal Lamb who gave himself to take away our sin; who in dying has destroyed death, and in rising has brought us to eternal life. And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of

And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the resurrection,

with earth and sea and all their creatures, and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY (ELW p. 153)



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Holy, holy, holy Lord,

Lord God of pow'r and might:
Heav'n and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

In the night in which he was betrayed,
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.
Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,
and gave it for all to drink, saying:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

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.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Na Makana a ke Akua no ka Po'e a ke Akua The Gifts of God for the People of God.

E komo mai, e kipa mai. Come, all is ready. You are welcome.

COMMUNION

When giving the bread and cup, the communion ministers say

The body of Christ, given for you. The blood of Christ, shed for you. and each person may respond

Amen.

The ministers commune either after or before others commune.

COMMUNION SONG - THE QUEEN'S PRAYER

O kou aloha no A ia I ka lani A o kou oia io He hemolele hoi. Amene.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

As the table is cleared, the assisting minister prays.

E pule, Kakou. Let us pray. *A brief silence*.

Wellspring of joy, through this meal you have put gladness in our hearts. Satisfy the hunger still around us, and send us as joyful witnesses, that your love may bring joy to the hearts of all people, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

SENDING

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BLESSING

The God of all consolation bless us in every way, grant us hope all the days of our lives, restore us to health and grant us salvation, fill our hearts with peace, and lead us to eternal life.

Loving God bless us, Creator, + Redeemer, and Sanctifier.

Amen.

SENDING SONG Let All Things Now Living (ELW 881)

a song of thanksgiving
to God the creator triumphantly raise,
who fashioned and made us,
protected and stayed us,
who still guides us on to the end of our days.
God's banners are o'er us,
God's light goes before us,
a pillar of fire shining forth in the night,
till shadows have vanished
and darkness is banished,
as forward we travel from light into light.

2 God rules all the forces: the stars in their courses and sun in its orbit obediently shine; the hills and the mountains, the rivers and fountains, the deeps of the ocean proclaim God divine.
We too should be voicing
our love and rejoicing;
with glad adoration a song let us raise
till all things now living
unite in thanksgiving:
"To God in the highest, hosanna and praise!"

Let All Things Now Living



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Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

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