

ALLELUIA!  
CHRIST IS RISEN.

CHRIST IS RISEN INDEED.  
ALLELUIA!

JOY  
COMPLETE!

SEPA SYNOD EASTER WORSHIP 2021



## That Easter Day with Joy Was Bright

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### Thanksgiving for Baptism

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God,  
the fountain of living water, the rock who gave us birth,  
our light and our salvation. **Amen.**

We praise you, O God, for water.  
**We praise you, O God, for water.**

We need water to drink.  
**We need water to drink.**

We need water to wash.  
**We need water to wash.**

We need water to grow.  
**We need water to grow.**

We praise you, O God, for water.  
**We praise you, O God, for water.**

We praise you, O God, for baptism.  
**We praise you, O God, for baptism.**

We praise you, O God, for your Spirit.  
**We praise you, O God, for your Spirit.**

We praise you, O God, for water.  
**We praise you, O God, for water.**

Amen, with water.  
**Amen, with water.**

Rev. Erika Wesch Pastor, Little Zion, Telford  
2 Dean, Upper Bucks Conference

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

**Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

Alleluia! May your joy be complete!

### I've Got the Joy, Joy, Joy



1 I've got the joy, joy, joy, joy,  
2 I've got the peace that pass - es un - der - stand - ing,  
3 I've got the love of Je - sus, love of Je - sus,



down in my heart, down in my heart, down in my heart;  
down in my heart, down in my heart, down in my heart;  
down in my heart, down in my heart, down in my heart;



I've got the joy, joy, joy, joy,  
I've got the peace that pass - es un - der - stand - ing,  
I've got the love of Je - sus, love of Je - sus,



down in my heart, down in my heart to stay.  
down in my heart, down in my heart to stay.  
down in my heart, down in my heart to stay.

Rev. Tim Johansen  
Pastor, Temple, Havertown

## **Greeting**

The grace of our Lord, Jesus Christ, the love of God and fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

## **Prayer of the Day**

Almighty God,

with joy we celebrate the day of our Lord's resurrection.

By the grace of Christ among us,  
enable us to show the power of the resurrection  
in all that we say and do,  
through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord,  
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

Rev. Ron Wesemann Pastor, St. Peter's, Chester Springs  
Dean, Chester Conference

## **Acts 4:32-35**

<sup>32</sup>Now the whole group of those who believed were of one heart and soul, and no one claimed private ownership of any possessions, but everything they owned was held in common.

<sup>33</sup>With great power the apostles gave their testimony to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great grace was upon them all.

<sup>34</sup>There was not a needy person among them, for as many as owned lands or houses sold them and brought the proceeds of what was sold.

<sup>35</sup>They laid it at the apostles' feet, and it was distributed to each as any had need.

Rev. Regina Goodrich Pastor, Mediator, Philadelphia  
Dean, Central Philadelphia Conference

# Psalm 133

<sup>1</sup>How good and how pleasant it is,  
when kindred live together in unity!

<sup>2</sup>It is like fine oil upon the head,  
flowing down upon the beard, upon the beard of Aaron,  
flowing down upon the collar of his robe.

<sup>3</sup>It is like the dew of Hermon flowing down upon the hills of Zion.  
For there the Lord has commanded the blessing: life forevermore.

## Behold, How Pleasant/ Miren que bueno

*Refrain / Estribillo*



¡Mi - ren qué bue - no, qué bue - no es!  
Be - hold, how plea - sant, how good it is!



1 Mi - ren qué bue - no es cuan - do nos reu - ni - mos to - dos jun - tos:  
1 How plea - sant and har - mo - nious when God's peo - ple are to - geth - er:  
2 How plea - sant and har - mo - nious when God's peo - ple are to - geth - er:  
3 How plea - sant and har - mo - nious when God's peo - ple are to - geth - er:

*Refrain / Estribillo*



es co - mo a - cei - te bue - no de - rra - ma - do so - bre Aa - rón.  
fra - grant as pre - cious oil when run - ning fresh on Aa - ron's beard.  
re - fresh - ing as the dew up - on the moun - tain of the Lord.  
there the Lord God be - stows a bless - ing— life for - ev - er - more.

2 *Miren qué bueno es cuando  
nos reunimos todos juntos:  
se parece al rocío  
sobre los montes de Sión.* Estribillo

3 *Miren qué bueno es cuando  
nos reunimos todos juntos:  
porque el Señor nos manda  
vida eterna y bendición.* Estribillo

## 1 John 1:1-4

<sup>1</sup>We declare to you what was from the beginning, what we have heard, what we have seen with our eyes, what we have looked at and touched with our hands, concerning the word of life—<sup>2</sup>this life was revealed, and we have seen it and testify to it, and declare to you the eternal life that was with the Father and was revealed to us—<sup>3</sup>we declare to you what we have seen and heard so that you also may have fellowship with us; and truly our fellowship is with the Father and with his Son Jesus Christ.  
<sup>4</sup>We are writing these things so that our joy may be complete.

Kyle Schiefelbein-Guerrero  
Christ Ascension, Philadelphia

## Heaven Is Singing for Joy/El cielo canta alegria



*El cie - lo can - ta a - le - grí - a, ja - le - lu - ya!,*  
1 Heav - en is sing - ing for joy, al - le - lu - ia,  
2 Heav - en is sing - ing for joy, al - le - lu - ia,  
3 Heav - en is sing - ing for joy, al - le - lu - ia,



*por - que en tu vi - da y la mí - a bri - lla la glo - ria de Dios.*  
for in your life and mine is shin - ing the glo - ry of God.  
for your life and mine u - nite in the love of our God.  
for your life and mine will al - ways bear wit - ness to God.

*Refrain / Estribillo*

¡A - le - lu - ya,      a - le - lu - ya!      ¡A - le -  
 Al - le - lu - ia,      al - le - lu - ia!      Al - le -  
 lu - ya,      a - le - lu - ya!  
 lu - ia,      al - le - lu - ia!

2 *El cielo canta alegría, ¡aleluya!,  
 porque a tu vida y la mía  
 las une el amor de Dios. Estribillo*

3 *El cielo canta alegría, ¡aleluya!,  
 porque tu vida y la mía  
 proclamarán al Señor. Estribillo*

Chris Holben  
 Christ Ascension, Philadelphia

## 1 John 1:5-2:2

<sup>5</sup>This is the message we have heard from him and proclaim to you, that God is light and in him there is no darkness at all.

<sup>6</sup>If we say that we have fellowship with him while we are walking in darkness, we lie and do not do what is true; <sup>7</sup>but if we walk in the light as he himself is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin.

<sup>8</sup>If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. <sup>9</sup>If we confess our sins, he who is faithful and just will forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

<sup>10</sup>If we say that we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us.

<sup>1</sup>My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; <sup>2</sup>and he is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world.

Rev. Jenn Casey Pastor, Holy Trinity, Wallingford  
 7 Dean, Delaware Conference

## Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness



- 1 Praise the One who breaks the dark-ness with a lib - er - at - ing light;
- 2 Praise the One who blessed the chil - dren with a strong yet gen - tle word;
- 3 Praise the one true love in - car - nate: Christ, who suf - fered in our place;



praise the One who frees the pris - 'ners, turn - ing blind - ness in - to sight.  
praise the One who drove out de - mons with a pierc - ing, two - edged sword.  
Je - sus died and rose for man - y that we may know God by grace.



Praise the One who preached the gos - pel, heal - ing ev - 'ry dread dis - ease,  
Praise the One who brings cool wa - ter to the des - ert's burn - ing sand;  
Let us sing for joy and glad - ness, see - ing what our God has done.



calm - ing storms and feed - ing thou - sands with the ver - y bread of peace.  
from this well comes liv - ing wa - ter quench - ing thirst in ev - 'ry land.  
Praise the one re - deem - ing glo - ry; praise the One who makes us one.

Holy Trinity, Wallingford

## **John 20:19-23**

<sup>19</sup>When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week,  
and the doors of the house where the disciples had met  
were locked for fear of the Jews,  
Jesus came and stood among them and said,  
“Peace be with you.”

<sup>20</sup>After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side.  
Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord.

<sup>21</sup>Jesus said to them again,  
“Peace be with you.

As the Father has sent me,  
so I send you.”

<sup>22</sup>When he had said this,  
he breathed on them and said to them,  
“Receive the Holy Spirit.

<sup>23</sup>If you forgive the sins of any,  
they are forgiven them;  
if you retain the sins of any,  
they are retained.”

Rev. Bryan Penman Pastor, St. Mark, Conshohocken  
Dean, Lower Montgomery Conference

# The Peace of the Lord/ La paz; del Señor



1 La paz del Se - ñor, la paz del Se - ñor, la  
 1 The peace of the Lord, the peace of the Lord, the  
 2 The peace of the Lord, the peace of the Lord, the  
 3 The peace of the Lord, the peace of the Lord, the



paz del Re - su - ci - ta - do: la paz del Se -  
 peace of the ris - en Lord Je - sus: the peace of the  
 peace of the ris - en Lord Je - sus: the peace of the  
 peace of the ris - en Lord Je - sus: the peace of the



ñor a ti ya mí, a to - dos al - can - za -  
 Lord is for you and for me, and al - so for all of God's  
 Lord is a - mong us right now, so o - pen your - selves to re -  
 Lord kept with - in can - not live, so o - pen your - selves now to



rá: la paz del Se - ñor a ti ya  
 chil - dren. The peace of the Lord is for you and for  
 ceive it. The peace of the Lord is a - mong us right  
 share it. The peace of the Lord kept with - in can - not



mí, a to - dos al - can - za - rá.  
 me, and al - so for all of God's chil - dren.  
 now, so o - pen your - selves to re - ceive it.  
 live, so o - pen your - selves now to share it.

2 *La paz del Señor, la paz del Señor,  
 la paz del Resucitado:  
 se hace presente ahora y aquí  
 apréstate a recibirla;  
 se hace presente ahora y aquí  
 apréstate a recibirla.*

3 *La paz del Señor, la paz del Señor,  
 la paz del Resucitado:  
 no puede vivir encerrada en sí,  
 apréstate a compartirla;  
 no puede vivir encerrada en sí,  
 apréstate a compartirla.*

## **John 20:24-31**

<sup>24</sup>But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came.

<sup>25</sup>So the other disciples told him,

“We have seen the Lord.”

But he said to them,

“Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands,

and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe.”

<sup>26</sup>A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them.

Although the doors were shut,

Jesus came and stood among them and said,

“Peace be with you.”

<sup>27</sup>Then he said to Thomas,

“Put your finger here and see my hands.

Reach out your hand and put it in my side.

Do not doubt but believe.”

<sup>28</sup>Thomas answered him, “My Lord and my God!”

<sup>29</sup>Jesus said to him (Thomas),

“Have you believed because you have seen me?

Blessed are those who have not seen

and yet have come to believe.”

<sup>30</sup>Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. <sup>31</sup>But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

Rev. Joey Klinger  
Pastor, Redemption, Philadelphia

## Prayers

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.

O God, you shower your church with grace.  
Unite the whole church on earth, so that with one heart  
it testifies to the resurrection of Jesus Christ with power and love.

O God, you proclaim the blessing of life forevermore.  
Like dew upon the mountains, refresh your creation.  
Restore waters, cleanse the air,  
and provide revitalizing moisture to parched land.  
Give your whole creation the promise of new life.

O God, you direct the nations.  
Guide all in authority, that they shepherd their peoples  
in the ways of your love.  
Defeat in us our impulse to war.  
Bestow the peace of Christ upon those in authority  
and breathe upon them the Holy Spirit.

O God, you place within the heart of the church a spirit of sharing.  
Give us the power of your generous Spirit,  
that we provide for the needs of others.  
Announce your peace to those who are:  
lonely, hurting, suffering, or afraid.

O God, you give us fellowship with one another.  
Shine the light of the risen Christ in our life together,  
so that we live in love for one another and our joy may be  
complete.

O God, you share the gift of eternal life.  
In thanksgiving and remembrance,  
we recall the lives and gifts of those who now live in endless joy.  
Unite us with them in resurrection hope.

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.**

Rev. Norbert Hahn Pastor, Immanuel, Somerton  
Dean, Lower Bucks Conference

## **Peace**

The Peace of Christ be with you always.  
**And also with you.**

Alleluia! Christ is risen!  
**Christ is risen, indeed. Alleluia!**  
May your joy be complete! **Amen.**

Rev. Marcia Bell  
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