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Growing God's Family

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10:45 a.m. Service

WE GIVE A WARM WELCOME TO THE VISITORS AND GUESTS AMONG US.
WE PRAY THAT TODAY'S SERVICE IS A BLESSING TO YOU. PLEASE COME AGAIN!

The **ALTAR FLOWERS** are given to the glory of God.

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S SUPPER: We are celebrating the Sacrament of the Altar today. This is The Lord's Table. As a church and body of Christians we believe this:

We will be receiving the true body and blood of Jesus Christ, in, with and under, the bread and wine.

When we receive Jesus' true body and blood, we receive the forgiveness of sins.

By communing together with our Lord and one another, we express a common belief that Jesus is in truth the Son of God, and our Savior; He is present in this Sacrament in a very real way; that Christ's sacrificial death assures us of complete forgiveness of our sins; and that God is strengthening us in this Sacrament to live a life that honors God.

If you share all these convictions, then you are welcome to come and celebrate the blessings of our Altar today. Please note that cups at the center of each tray are "non-alcoholic" wine for those who prefer such for medicinal and personal reasons. Pastor Erler is available before service if you have any questions.

A **NURSERY** with an attendant is available during worship service. You are welcome to use this service. Ask an usher for directions.

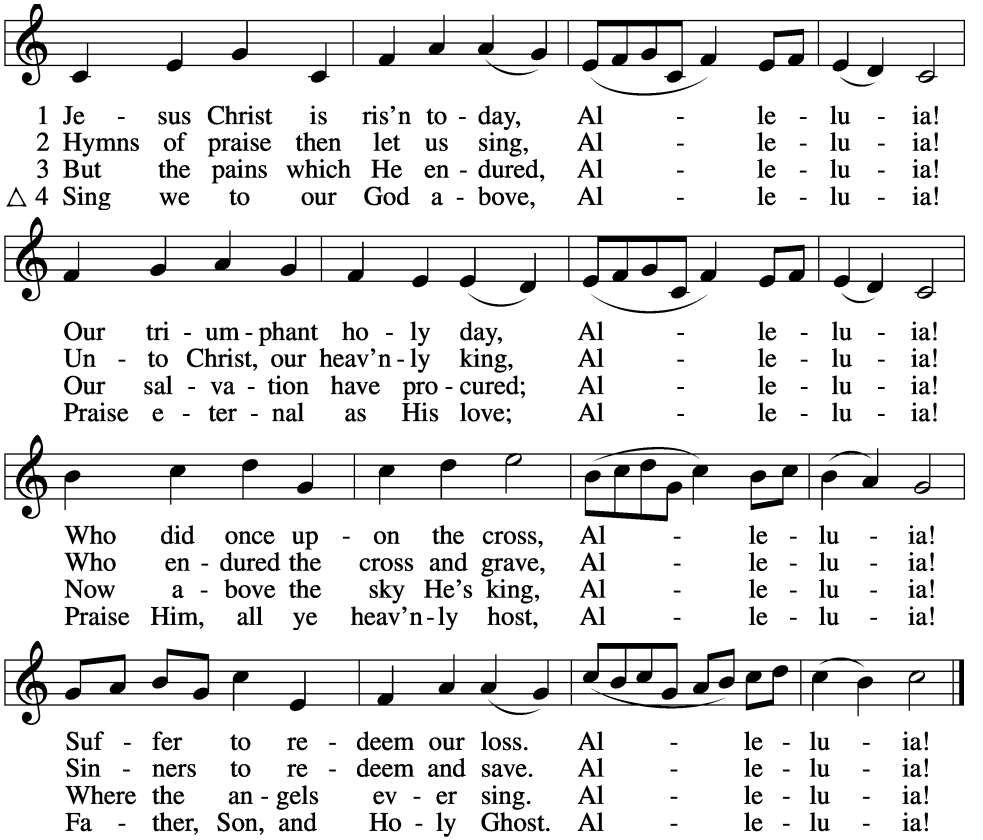
PRAYERS FOR WORSHIP

BEFORE WORSHIP
O Lord, my creator, redeemer, and comforter, as I come to worship You in spirit and in truth, I humbly pray that You would open my heart to the preaching of Your Word so that I may repent of my sins, believe in Jesus Christ as my only Savior, and grow in grace and holiness. Hear me for the sake of His name. Amen.

BEFORE COMMUNING
Dear Savior, at Your gracious invitation I come to Your table to eat and drink Your holy body and blood. Let me find favor in Your eyes to receive this holy Sacrament in faith for the salvation of my soul and to the glory of Your holy name; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

THANKSGIVING AFTER RECEIVING THE SACRAMENT
Almighty and everlasting God, I thank and praise You for feeding me the life-giving body and blood of Your Beloved Son, Jesus Christ. Send Your Holy Spirit that, having with my mouth received the holy Sacrament, I may by faith obtain and eternally enjoy Your divine grace, the forgiveness of sins, unity with Christ, and life eternal; through Jesus Christ, my Lord. Amen.

Bell Choir *"Ring the Bells of Easter"*

Jesus Christ Is Risen Today

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Please stand

℗ In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

℃ Amen.

Confession of Sins

℗ If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins,

℃ O Lord, who could stand?

℗ But with You there is forgiveness;

℃ therefore You are feared.

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

℗ O almighty God, merciful Father,

℃ I, a poor miserable sinner, confess to You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your punishment now and forever. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor sinful being.

Absolution

℗ Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God to all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

℃ Amen.

Please be seated

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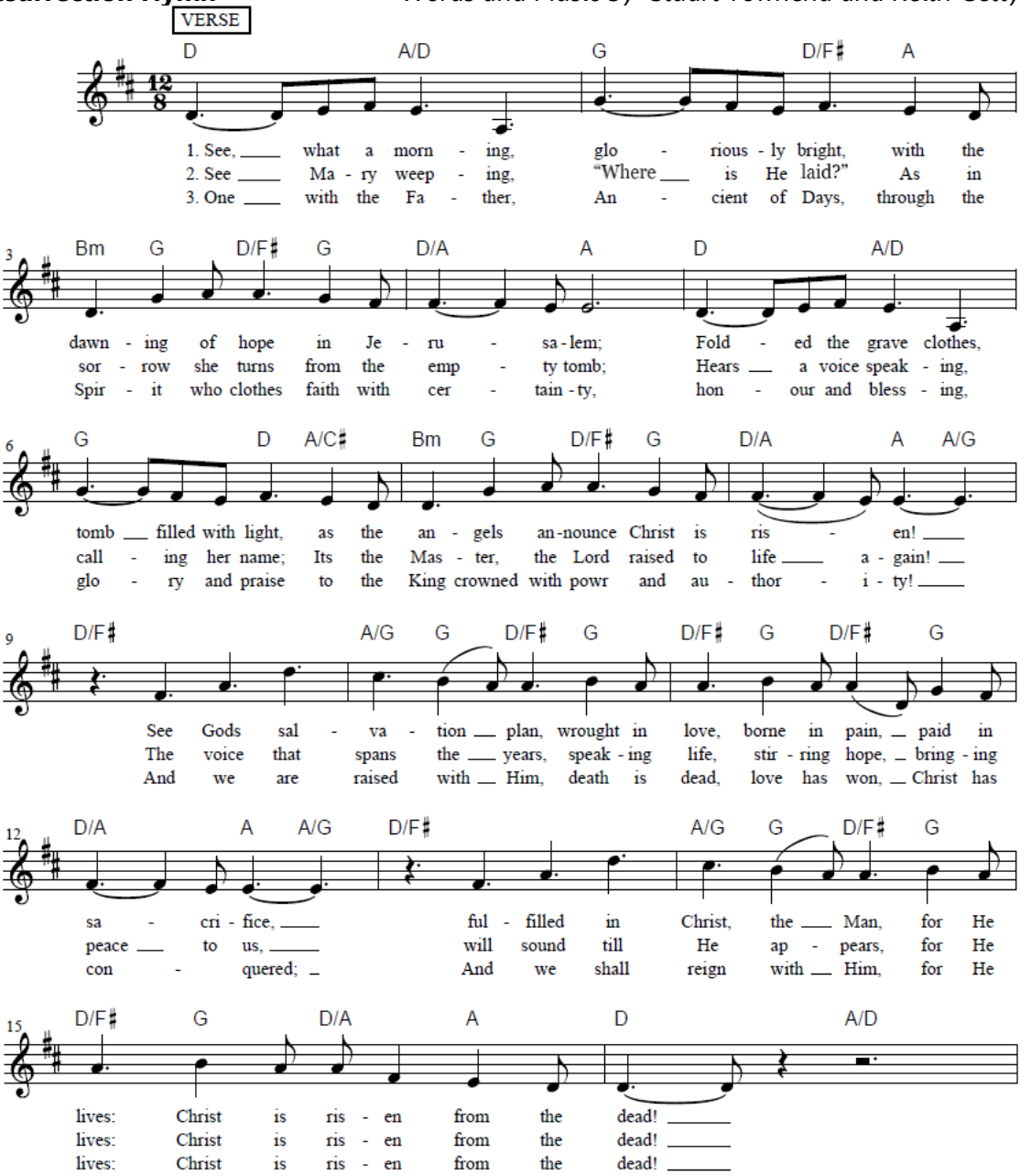
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Old Testament Reading *Jeremiah 31:1–6*

The Lord Will Turn Mourning to Joy

1 "At that time, declares the Lord, I will be the God of all the clans of Israel, and they
shall be my people."
2 Thus says the Lord:
"The people who survived the sword
found grace in the wilderness;
when Israel sought for rest,
3 the LORD appeared to him from far away.
I have loved you with an everlasting love;
therefore I have continued my faithfulness to you.
4 Again I will build you, and you shall be built,
O virgin Israel!
Again you shall adorn yourself with tambourines
and shall go forth in the dance of the merrymakers.
5 Again you shall plant vineyards
on the mountains of Samaria;
the planters shall plant
and shall enjoy the fruit.
6 For there shall be a day when watchmen will call
in the hill country of Ephraim:
'Arise, and let us go up to Zion,
to the LORD our God.'"

A This is the Word of the Lord.
C **Thanks be to God.**

Gradual

Christ has risen from the dead.
[God the Father] has crowned him with glory and honor.
He has given him dominion over the works of his hands;
he has put all things under his feet.

Epistle *Colossians 3:1–4*

Put on the New Self

[1]If then you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where
Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. [2]Set your minds on things that are above, not
on things that are on earth. [3]For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in
God. [4]When Christ who is your life appears, then you also will appear with him in glory.

A This is the Word of the Lord.
C **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand

Choir *"He Is Not Here"*

Holy Gospel *Matthew 28:1–10*

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the twenty-eighth chapter.
C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

The Resurrection

[1]Now after the Sabbath, toward the dawn of the first day of the week, Mary
Magdalene and the other Mary went to see the tomb. [2]And behold, there was a great
earthquake, for an angel of the Lord descended from heaven and came and rolled back
the stone and sat on it. [3]His appearance was like lightning, and his clothing white as
snow. [4]And for fear of him the guards trembled and became like dead men. [5]But the
angel said to the women, "Do not be afraid, for I know that you seek Jesus who was
crucified. [6]He is not here, for he has risen, as he said. Come, see the place where he lay.
[7]Then go quickly and tell his disciples that he has risen from the dead, and behold, he
is going before you to Galilee; there you will see him. See, I have told you." [8]So they
departed quickly from the tomb with fear and great joy, and ran to tell his disciples.
[9]And behold, Jesus met them and said, "Greetings!" And they came up and took hold
of his feet and worshiped him. [10]Then Jesus said to them, "Do not be afraid; go and tell
my brothers to go to Galilee, and there they will see me."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.
C **Praise to You, O Christ.**

Apostles' Creed

C **I believe in God, the Father Almighty,**
maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried.
He descended into hell.
The third day He rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy Christian Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life ☩ everlasting. Amen.

Please be seated

Graves into Gardens

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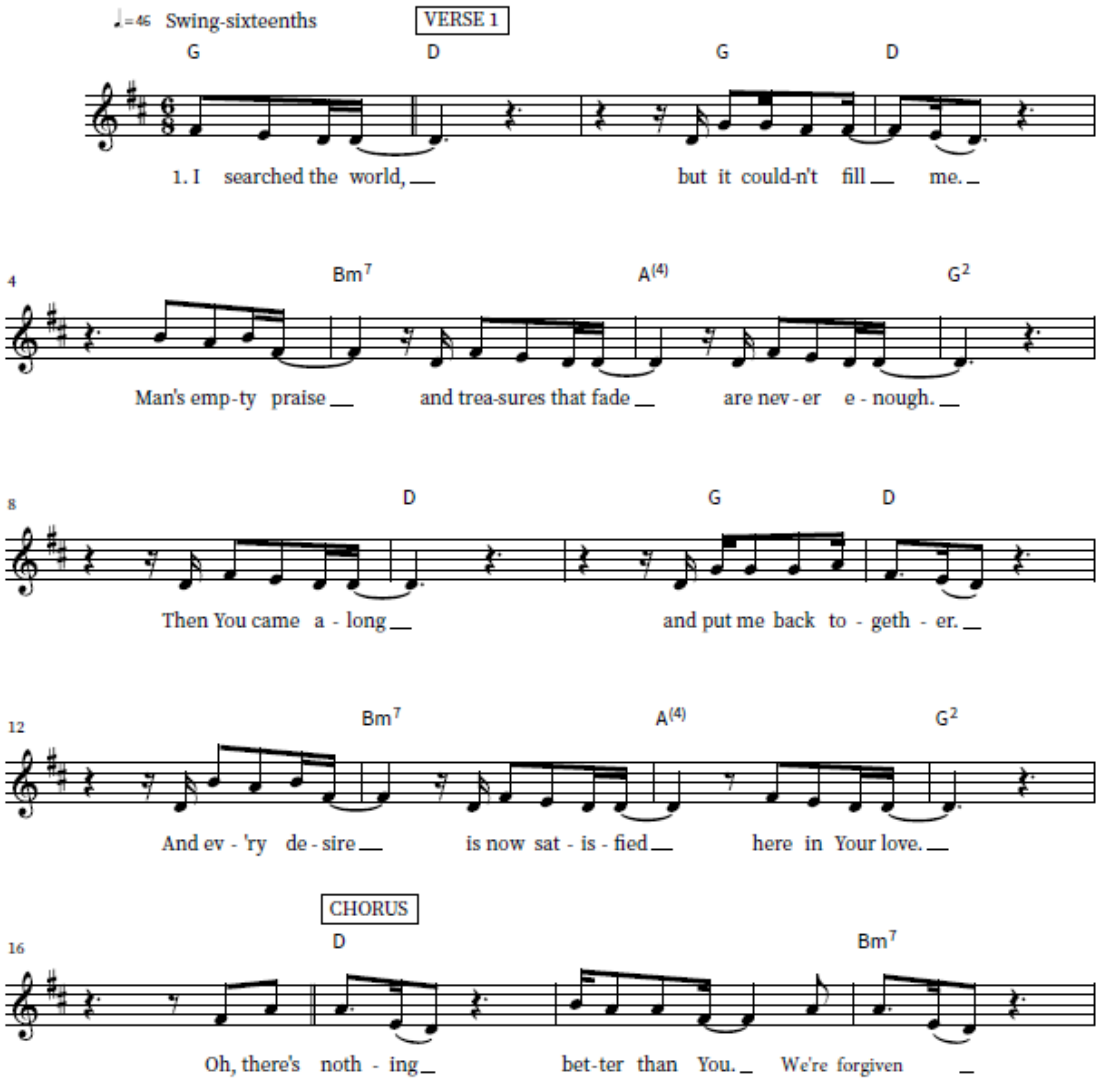
Brandon Lake, Chris Brown,
Steven Furtick and Tiffany Hammer

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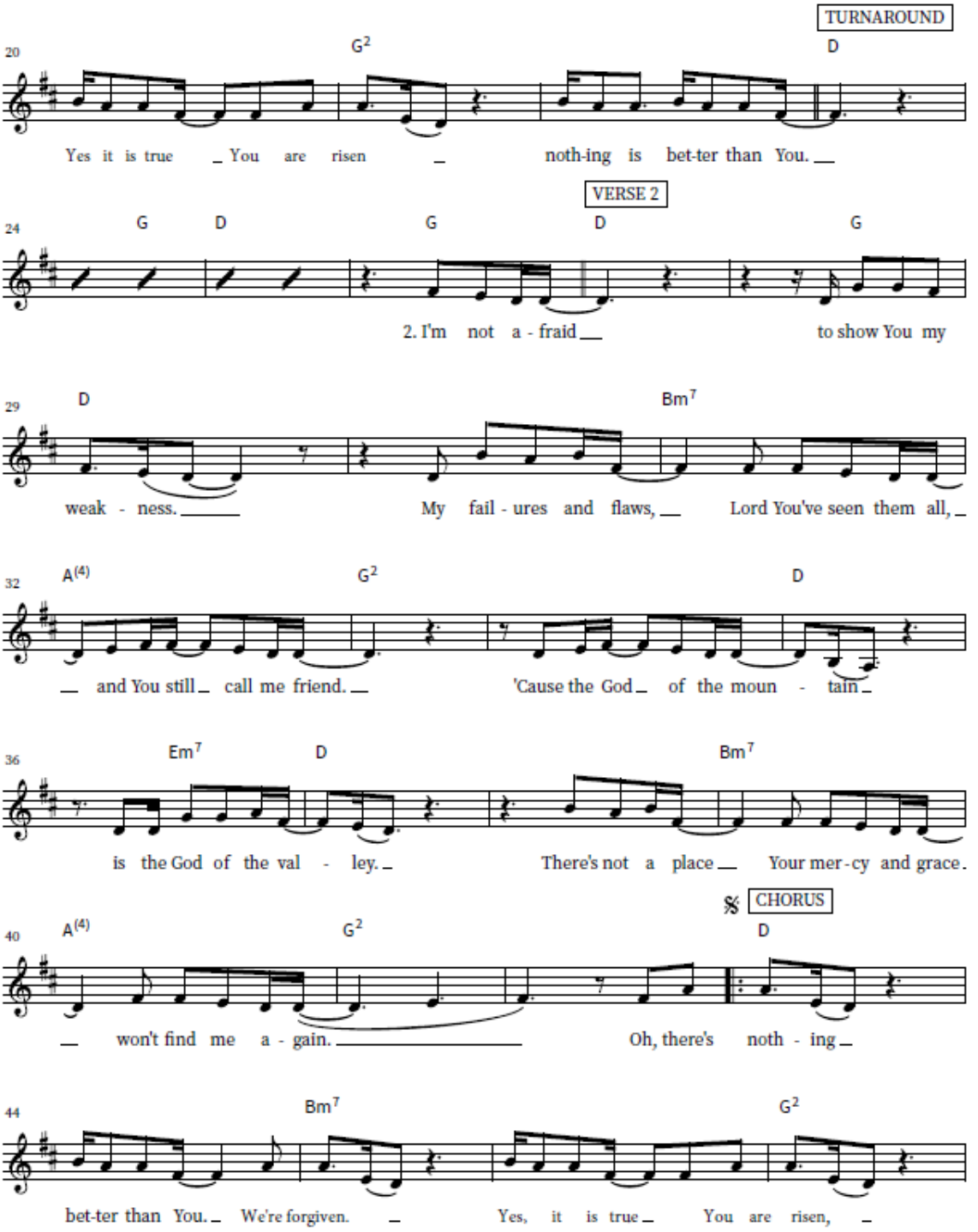
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Yes it is true _ You are risen _ noth-ing is bet-ter than You. __
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2. I'm not a - fraid __ to show You my
29
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weak - ness. _____ My fail - ures and flaws, __ Lord You've seen them all, _
32
A(4)
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__ and You still _ call me friend. __ 'Cause the God _ of the moun - tain _
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is the God of the val - ley. _ There's not a place __ Your mer-cy and grace.
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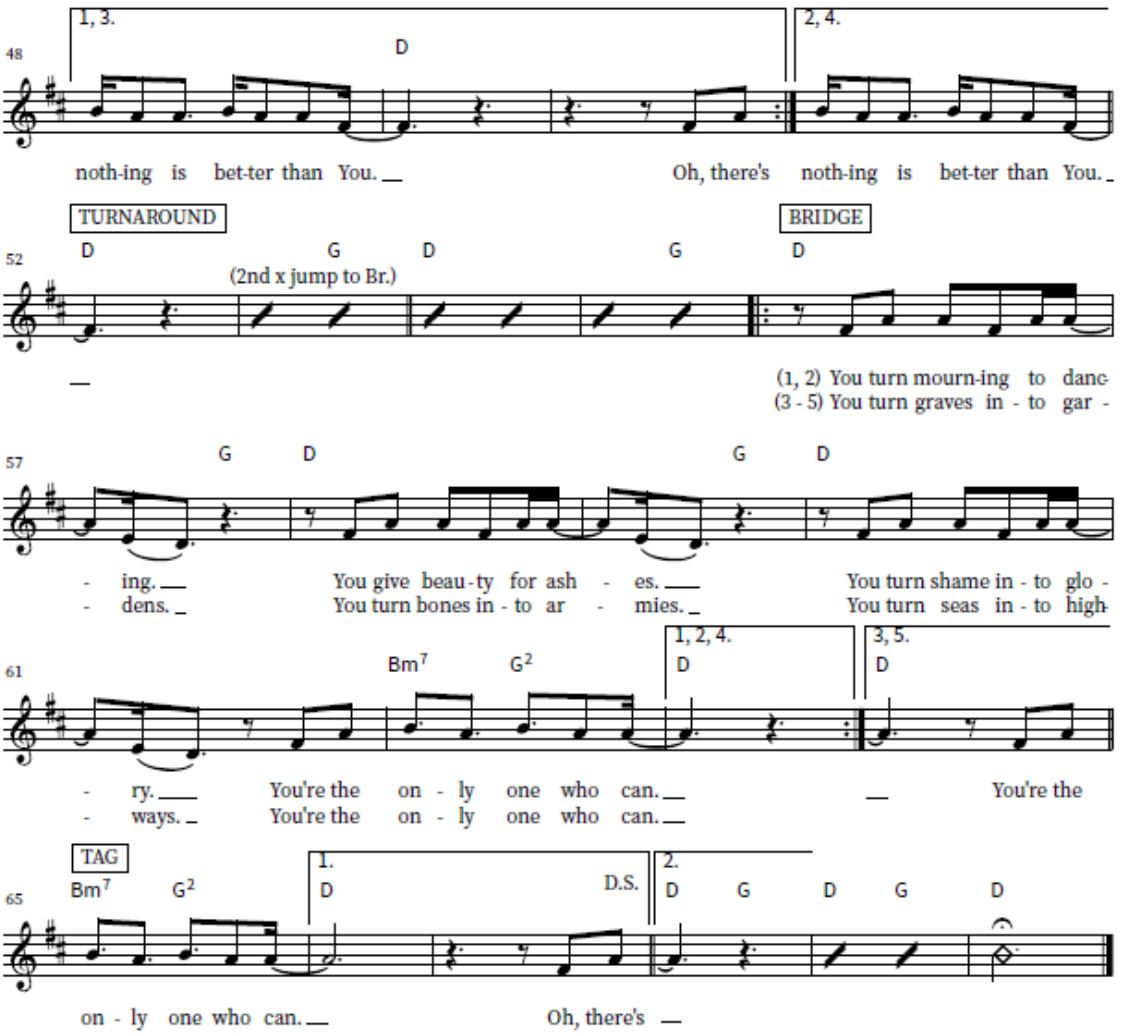

Sermon

Worship Team *"This Is Our God"*

Offering

Please stand

Prayer of the Church
The Pastor will end each petition with the phrase, "Lord in Your Mercy".
The congregation will respond **"Hear our Prayer"**.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

P Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:

Lord's Prayer

C **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.

Words of Institution

Please note:
St. Mark Lutheran Church is a congregation and a body of Christians believing firmly God's Word which says that in Holy Communion we truly and really receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus as we receive the earthly elements of bread and wine. His body and blood *are not symbolically present or spiritually received*, but real and tangible *in* the bread and wine, *with* the bread and wine, *under the bread and wine by the authority of Jesus' words,* and given to us as His pledge of love and forgiveness.

Holy Communion is a gift of God intended for those who have been baptized and confirmed in the Christian Faith. Within our Lutheran Church, we ask that a confirmation be done according to our Lutheran understanding. It is imperative, according to 1 Corinthians 11:27-29, for a communicant to spiritually examine himself before coming to the Lord's Table.

A brief examination would include answering "Yes" to the following five questions:
Do you believe that you are a sinner by nature and by choice?
Are you truly sorry for your sins?
Do you believe Jesus Christ is your Lord and Savior from sin Who graciously forgives your sins?
Do you intend, by the power of the Holy Spirit to make the needed changes in your sinful life?
Do you believe you receive the true body and blood of Jesus in, with, and under the bread and wine?

Please be seated

Distribution

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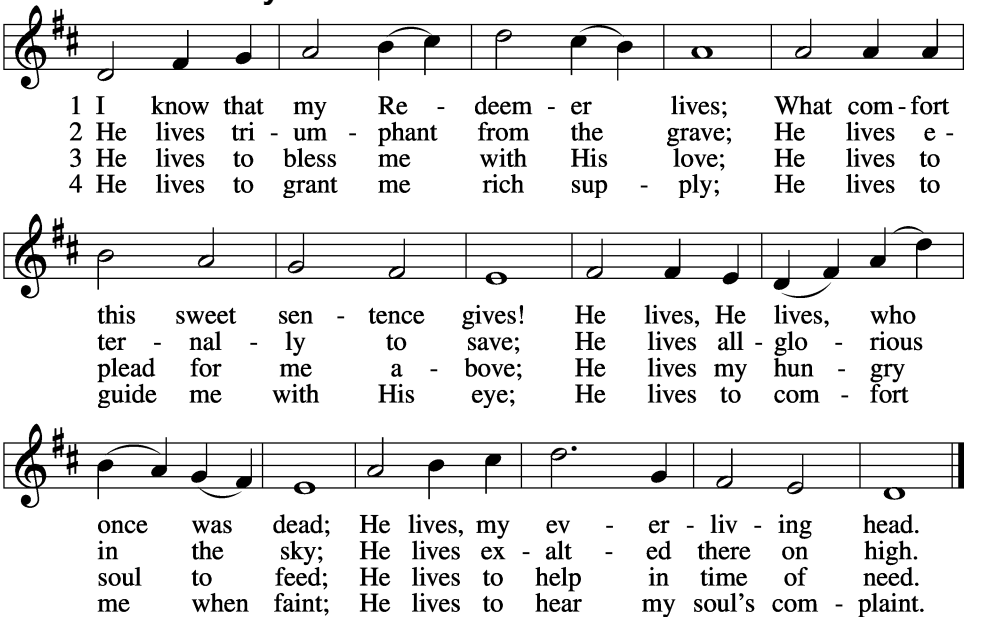

5 He lives to silence all my fears;
He lives to wipe away my tears;
He lives to calm my troubled heart;
He lives all blessings to impart.

6 He lives, my kind, wise, heav'nly friend;
He lives and loves me to the end;
He lives, and while He lives, I'll sing;
He lives, my Prophet, Priest, and King.

7 He lives and grants me daily breath;
He lives, and I shall conquer death;
He lives my mansion to prepare;
He lives to bring me safely there.

8 He lives, all glory to His name!
He lives, my Jesus, still the same;
Oh, the sweet joy this sentence gives:
I know that my Redeemer lives!

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I Will Rise

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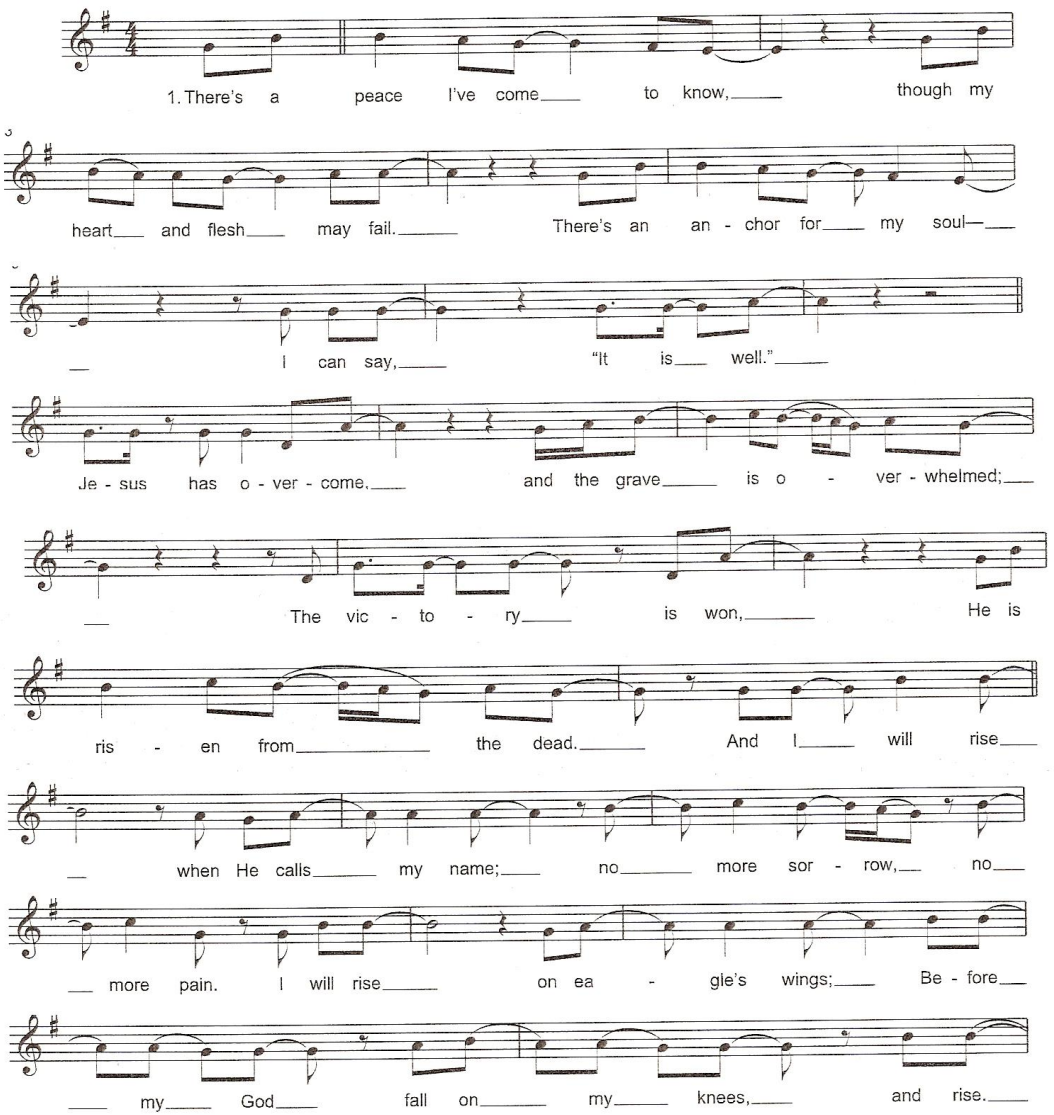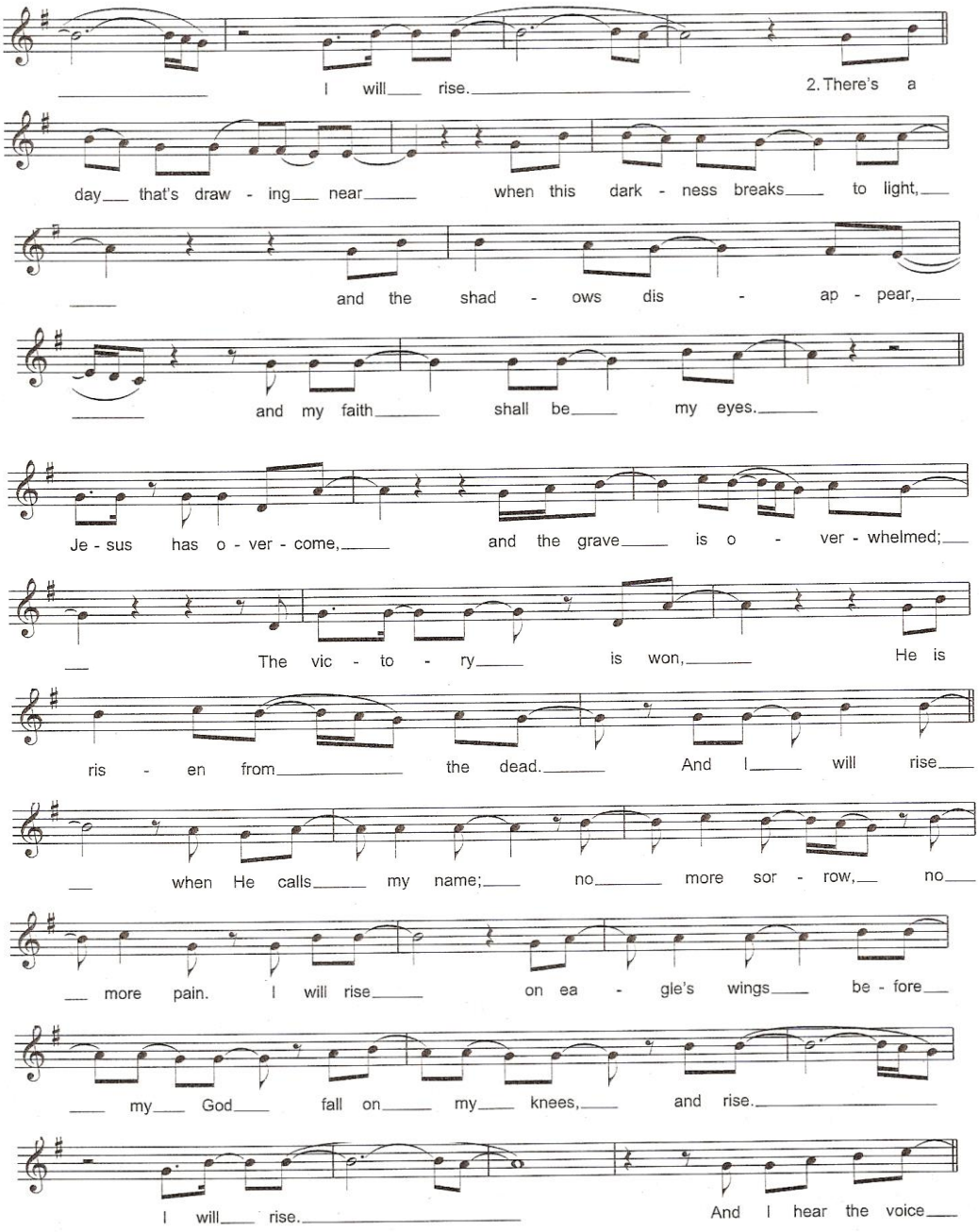
I will rise.
2. There's a
day that's draw - ing near
when this dark - ness breaks to light,
and the shad - ows dis - ap - pear,
and my faith shall be my eyes.
Je - sus has o - ver - come,
and the grave is o - ver - whelmed;
The vic - to - ry is won,
He is
ris - en from the dead.
And I will rise
when He calls my name;
no more sor - row,
no
more pain.
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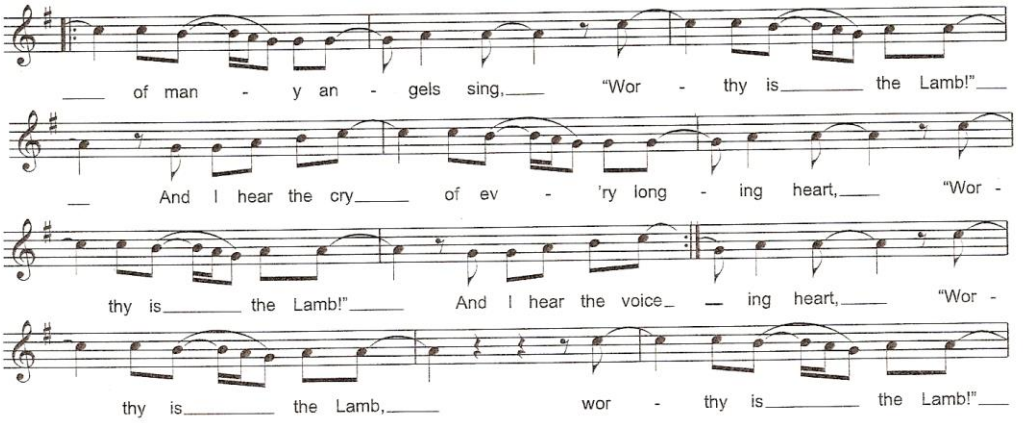
my God
fall on my knees,
and rise.
I will rise.
And I hear the voice

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Please stand

Post-Communion Collect

℗ Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

℃ **Amen.**

Benediction

℗ Let us bless the Lord.

℃ **Thanks be to God.**

℗ The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and ✢ give you peace.

℃ **Amen.**

Christ is Risen

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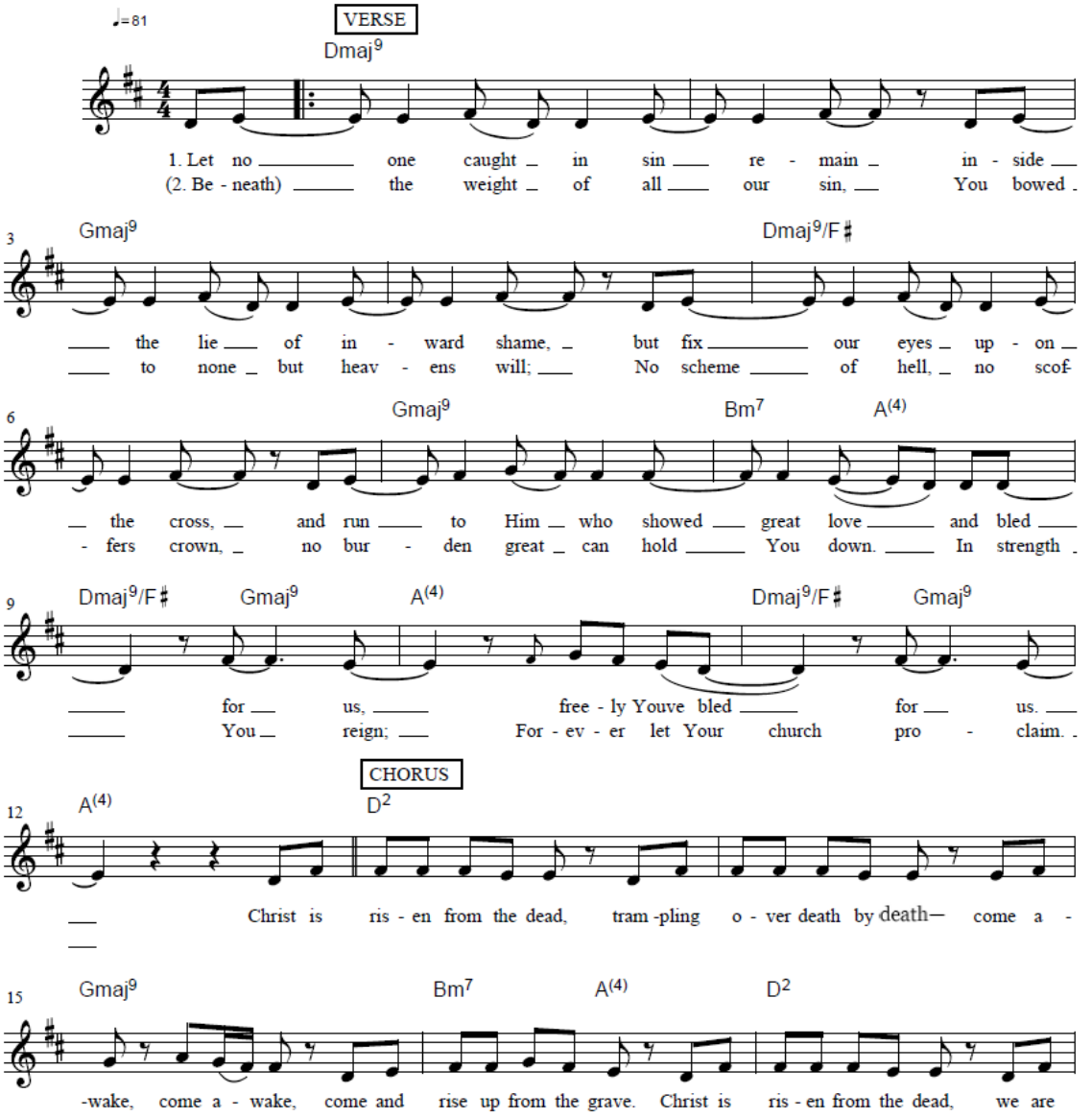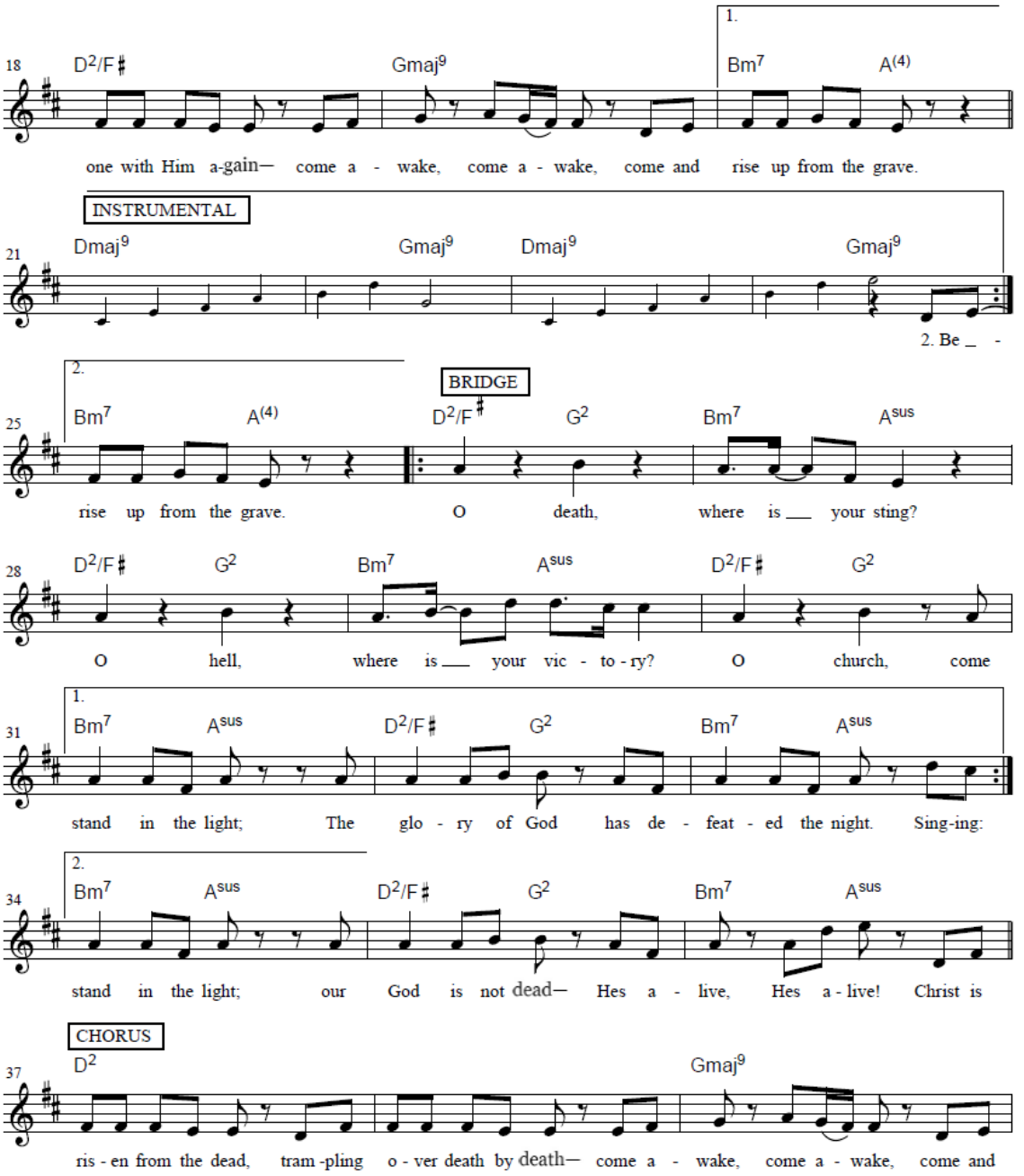
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2. Be _ -
2.
BRIDGE
25
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A(4)
D2/F♯
G2
Bm7
Asus
rise up from the grave.
O death, where is ___ your sting?
28
D2/F♯
G2
Bm7
Asus
D2/F♯
G2
O hell, where is ___ your vic - to - ry?
O church, come
1.
31
Bm7
Asus
D2/F♯
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Bm7
Asus
stand in the light; The glo - ry of God has de - feat - ed the night. Sing-ing:
2.
34
Bm7
Asus
D2/F♯
G2
Bm7
Asus
stand in the light; our God is not dead— Hes a - live, Hes a - live! Christ is
CHORUS
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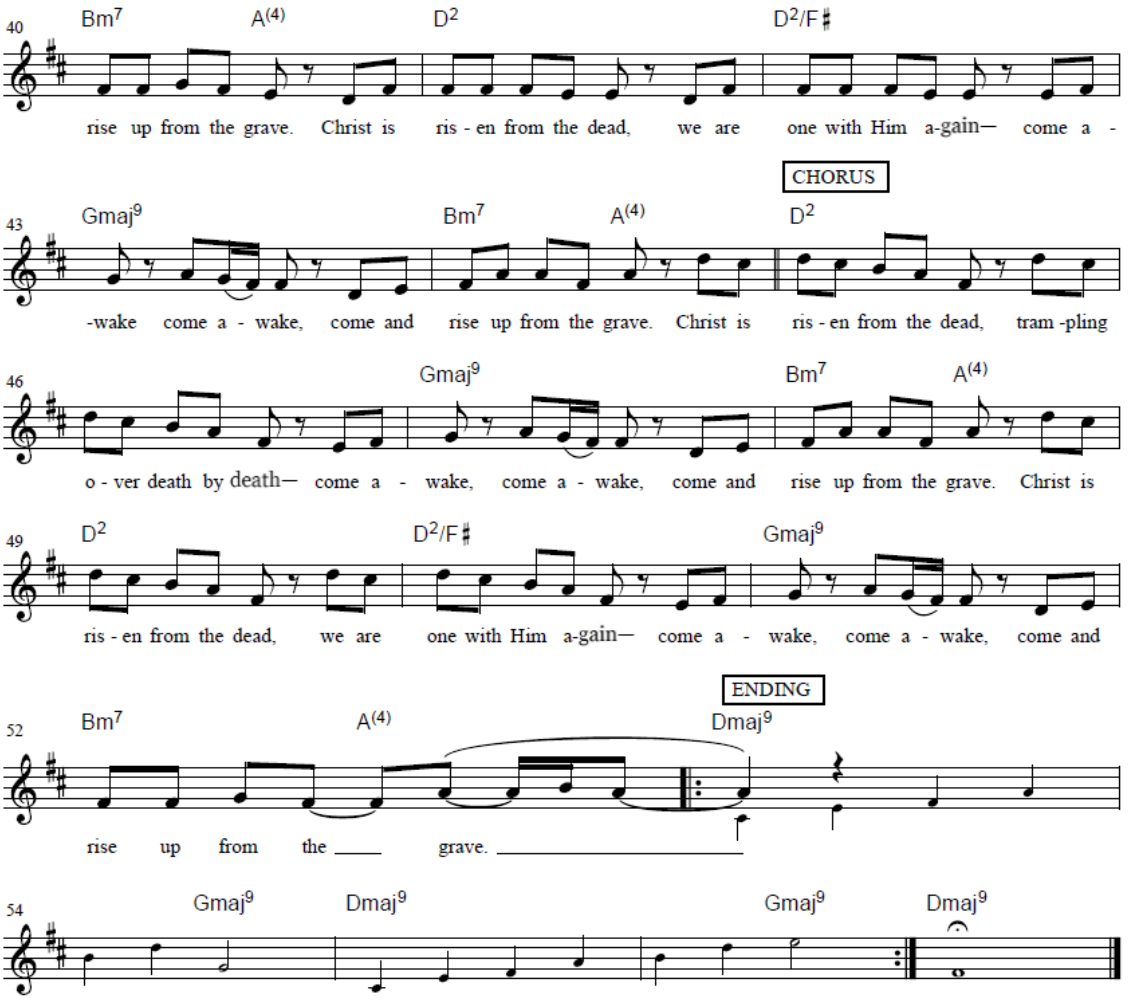
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