

10 AM PRELUDE Prelude in D Major Bach

**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS** 

**CALL TO WORSHIP** 

9 AM SONG Christians, We Have Met to Worship Moore/Hayes

10 AM SONG GTG 248 Christ is Risen, Shout Hosanna!





In commenting on this late 20th-century text, the author has stressed his intention to affirm the social implications of an Easter faith: "Christian peace and justice action finds its wellspring, not in moral zeal or guilty conscience, but in the resurrection."

TEXT: Brian Wren, 1984 MUSIC: Ludwig van Beethoven, 1824; adapt. Edward Hodges, 1842, alt. Text © 1986 Hope Publishing Company HYMN TO JOY

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### **INVITATION TO PRAY**

## **PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION**

God of life, we praise you! New life is visible everywhere we look; green shoots; tulip and daffodils; newborn birds and squirrels; growing and springing forth. We praise you for showing us such abundance everywhere we go. God of mercy and hope, even in this abundance we are aware that we do not always live up to that life-full promise. We do not always value what we have, what we see. We overlook goodness and grace, and we take for granted that we have breath. Forgive us our complacent hearts, our neglect of living life to the full; forgive us when we take advantage of others, and abuse the potentials of living. Forgive us and renew our lives so that we may truly reflect life in all its variations today and always. Amen.



### **ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

10 AM SHARING OF PEACE

10 AM PRAYER OF DEDICATION

10 AM OFFERTORY Christians, We Have Met to Worship

Moore/Hayes

## **PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION**

SCRIPTURE: I CORINTHIANS 15:51-28

SERMON "SPIRIT OF LIFE" Melodie

# Reflection prompts:

- What do you feel brings you life? Where are new forms of life visible? What signs of life do you give thanks for?
- What do you feel needs to be 'let go of' in your life in order that new life can spring up?
- What do you feel are the essentials of 'life' within your life and your wider community?
- Do you feel God's presence in both the things that bring life and the things that need to be 'let go of'?

10 AM SPECIAL MUSIC

**Lord of the Dance** 

**Mark Hayes** 



## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE/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.

9 AM SONG I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light
Thormerson/Carter

10 AM SONG GTG 242

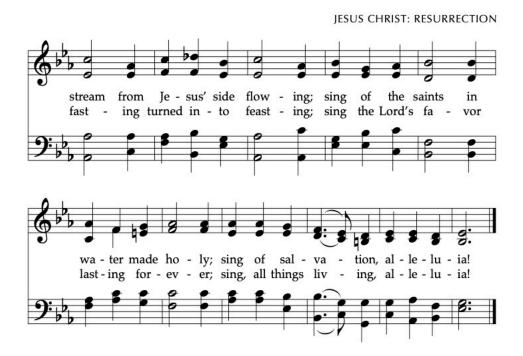
Day of Delight and Beauty Unbounded





This joyful Easter hymn brings together many images and responses evoked by Christ's Resurrection. As the second stanza affirms, it does turn mourning into dancing (Psalm 30:11), for this 20th-century text was written to fit the rhythms of this 16th-century Italian dance-song.





## **CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

# 10 AM INTERLUDE/POSTLUDE Improvisations on Ode to Joy Brent Shaw

10 AM AFTER CHAT