



# The Triumph of Jesus Christ our Lord

A Service for Evacuated Schools  
on May 6, 1940  
at 11 a.m.

## ORDER OF SERVICE

¶ *This service, falling in Ascensiontide, is designed to celebrate the TRIUMPH OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST. We shall praise Him for the mighty victory over sin and death revealed by His Resurrection on Easter Day, for His eternal Kingship after that He ascended into heaven, and for the never-ceasing goodness of the King, in that He sends down His own Holy Spirit upon Christian men and women, to bind them together in love and peace, to guide them into perfect truth, and to strengthen them in all their troubles and temptations.*

¶ *The three Scripture Lessons therefore tell in order of the Resurrection, the Ascension and the Descent of God the Holy Spirit on the first Whitsunday; while the Carols and Hymns voice the joy and thanks of us His children for these divine blessings.*

☩ *All stand for*

CHORALE

*Sung in the Ante-Chapel*

**Up, up! my Heart!**

*J. S. Bach*

UP, up my heart! with gladness  
Sing what was done to-day.  
How bitter was our sadness!  
What joy now lights our way!  
My Saviour low was laid,  
But as to mourn we stayed,  
His grave bonds did He rend  
And to the skies ascend.

Deep in the grave they laid Him,  
Loud laughed the fiends in glee.  
But as in thought they made Him  
Their own, lo! Christ is free!  
Now His victorious cry  
Rings out, and far and nigh  
He waves his banners bright,  
Victorious after fight.

☩ *This will be followed immediately by*

EASTER HYMN

*In which all the Congregation should join*

THE strife is o'er, the battle done;  
Now is the Victor's triumph won;  
O let the song of praise be sung.

*Alleluja!*

Death's mightiest powers have done their worst,  
And Jesus hath His foes dispersed;  
Let shouts of praise and joy outburst.

*Alleluja!*

On the third morn He rose again  
Glorious in majesty to reign;  
O let us swell the joyful strain.

*Alleluja!*

He brake the age-bound chains of hell;  
The bars from heaven's high portals fell;  
Let hymns of praise His triumph tell.

*Alleluja!*

Lord, by the stripes which wounded Thee  
From death's dread sting Thy servants free,  
That we may live, and sing to Thee.

*Alleluja!*

☩ *While all remain standing shall be said this Bidding Prayer:*

THE BIDDING PRAYER

Christian Children,

We are met together to give thanks to God our Father for the glorious triumph of His only-begotten Son Jesus Christ, who after that He, for love of us the weak and sinful, had humbled Himself to be born of the Virgin Mary and to be made man, and to suffer death upon the bitter Cross, rose again from the dead, and now liveth and reigneth at the right hand of God for ever and ever.

Let us praise and exalt Him, our Lord and Saviour, who by His death hath destroyed death, and opened wide for us the doors of everlasting life;

ALL. *Let us praise and exalt Him for ever.*

Who by His rising again hath triumphed over the whole power of sin, and given us the victory;

ALL. *Let us praise and exalt Him for ever.*

Who hath ascended into heaven and ever careth and pleadeth for us, that where He is, we might also be, and reign with Him in glory;

ALL. *Let us praise and exalt Him for ever.*

Who hath poured forth upon His Church His holy and life-giving Spirit, that the joy of the everlasting Gospel might go forth into all the world, and we all be made strong and holy;

ALL. *Let us praise and exalt Him for ever.*

Let us praise and exalt Him for ever, saying together:

ALL. *Blessing, honour, glory and power be unto Him that sitteth upon the throne and unto the Lamb for ever and ever.*

*Great and marvellous are Thy works, Lord God Almighty;*

*Just and true are Thy ways, thou King of saints;*

*Blessing, and glory, and wisdom, and thanksgiving, and honour, and power, and might be unto our God for ever and ever.*  
*Amen.*

☩ *After this the Congregation shall sit for the Carols and Lessons*

EASTER CAROL

**This Joyful Easter-tide**

*Dutch, c. 1685*

THIS joyful Easter-tide,  
Away with sin and sorrow!  
My Love, the Crucified,  
Hath sprung to life this morrow.

Had Christ, that once was slain,  
Ne'er burst His three-day prison,  
Our faith had been in vain:  
But now hath Christ arisen.

My flesh in hope shall rest,  
And for a season slumber:  
Till trump from east to west  
Shall wake the dead in number.  
Had Christ, that once, *etc.*

Death's flood hath lost his chill,  
Since Jesus cross'd the river:  
Lover of souls, from ill  
My passing soul deliver.  
Had Christ, that once, *etc.*

### EASTER LESSON

ST JOHN XX, II-20

*St John telleth of our Lord's first appearance after that He was risen*

READER: AN L.C.C. INSPECTOR OF SCHOOLS

BUT Mary stood without at the sepulchre weeping: and as she wept, she stooped down, and looked into the sepulchre, and seeth two angels in white sitting, the one at the head, and the other at the feet, where the body of Jesus had lain. And they say unto her, Woman, why weepest thou? She saith unto them, Because they have taken away my Lord, and I know not where they have laid him. And when she had thus said, she turned herself back, and saw Jesus standing, and knew not that it was Jesus. Jesus saith unto her, Woman, why weepest thou? whom seekest thou? She, supposing him to be the gardener, saith unto him, Sir, if thou have borne him hence, tell me where thou hast laid him, and I will take him away. Jesus saith unto her, Mary. She turned herself, and saith unto him, Rabboni; which is to say, Master. Jesus saith unto her, Touch me not; for I am not yet ascended to my Father: but go to my brethren, and say unto them, I ascend unto my Father, and your Father; and to my God, and your God. Mary Magdalene came and told the disciples that she had seen the Lord, and that he had spoken these things unto her.

Then the same day at evening, being the first day of the week, when the doors were shut where the disciples were assembled for fear of the Jews, came Jesus and stood in the midst, and saith unto them, Peace be unto you. And when he had so said, he shewed unto them his hands and his side. Then were the disciples glad, when they saw the Lord.

Thanks be to GOD

### EASTER CAROL

The World itself keeps Easter Day 16th century

THERE stood three Maries by the tomb,  
On Easter morning early;  
When day had scarcely chas'd the gloom,  
And dew was white and pearly:  
Alleluya, Alleluya:  
With loving but with erring mind,  
They came the Prince of life to find,  
*Cum pia servitute.*

But earlier still the angel sped,  
His news of comfort giving:  
And "why", he said, "among the dead  
Thus seek ye for the living?"

Alleluya, Alleluya:  
"Go, tell them all, and make them blest,  
Tell Peter first, and then the rest",  
*Mandatum hoc secute.*

But one, and one alone remain'd,  
With love that could not vary;  
And thus a joy past joy she gain'd,  
That some-time sinner, Mary;

Alleluya, Alleluya:  
The first the dear, dear form to see  
Of Him that hung upon the tree,  
*Pro hominum salute.*

The world itself keeps Easter Day,  
*Saint Joseph's Star* is beaming;  
*Saint Alice* has her primrose gay,  
*Saint George's Bells* are gleaming;

Alleluya, Alleluya:  
The Lord hath ris'n, as all things tell:  
Good Christians, see ye rise as well,  
*Divina de virtute.*

### ASCENSION LESSON

ACTS I, 6-11

*Our Lord Jesus Christ ascendeth into heaven*

READER: THE MAYOR OF CAMBRIDGE

WHEN they therefore were come together, they asked of him, saying, Lord, wilt thou at this time restore again the kingdom to Israel? And he said unto them, It is not for you to know the times or the seasons, which the Father hath put in his own power. But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and

ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judæa, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth. And when he had spoken these things, while they beheld, he was taken up; and a cloud received him out of their sight. And while they looked steadfastly toward heaven as he went up, behold, two men stood by them in white apparel; which also said, Ye men of Galilee, why stand ye gazing up into heaven? this same Jesus, which is taken up from you into heaven, shall so come in like manner as ye have seen him go into heaven.

Thanks be to God

ASCENSION CAROL

God is gone up

Words 15th century,  
Tune 1625

GOD is gone up on high to-day,  
Alleluya,  
Jesus the King of bliss for aye:  
Alleluya, Alleluya, Alleluya.  
Set at the Father's own right hand,  
Alleluya.  
Sovran of sky, and sea, and land.  
Alleluya, Alleluya, Alleluya.  
My Lord now with the Lord doth sit,  
Alleluya.  
High on His heavenly throne, to wit.  
Alleluya, Alleluya, Alleluya.  
Now Christ hath vanquish'd every foe,  
Alleluya.  
*Benedicamus Domino.*  
Alleluya, Alleluya, Alleluya.  
To Holy Trinity give praise,  
Alleluya.  
With *Deo gracias* always.  
Alleluya, Alleluya, Alleluya.

☩ Then shall all stand and sing:

ASCENSION HYMN

HAIL the day that sees Him rise Alleluya!  
Glorious to His native skies; Alleluya!  
Christ, awhile to mortals given, Alleluya!  
Enters now the highest heaven! Alleluya!  
See! the heaven its Lord receives, Alleluya!  
Yet He loves the earth He leaves: Alleluya!  
Though returning to His throne, Alleluya!  
Still He calls mankind His own. Alleluya!

See! He lifts His hands above; Alleluya!  
See! He shows the prints of love: Alleluya!  
Hark! His gracious lips bestow Alleluya!  
Blessings on His Church below. Alleluya!

☩ After this, the Congregation shall sit until the next Hymn

WHITSUN LESSON

ACTS II; 1-4; 37-38

St Luke recounteth the descent of God the Holy Ghost

READER: THE DEAN OF KING'S COLLEGE

AND when the day of Pentecost was fully come, they were all with one accord in one place. And suddenly there came a sound from heaven as of a rushing mighty wind, and it filled all the house where they were sitting. And there appeared unto them cloven tongues like as of fire, and it sat upon each of them. And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance.

Now when they heard this, they were pricked in their heart, and said unto Peter and to the rest of the apostles, Men and brethren, what shall we do? Then Peter said unto them, Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost.

Thanks be to God

WHITSUN MOTET

Come, Holy Ghost

Tune Attwood,  
1765-1838

COME, Holy Ghost, our souls inspire,  
And lighten with celestial fire;  
Thou the anointing Spirit art,  
Who dost Thy sevenfold gifts impart:  
Thy blessèd unction from above  
Is comfort, life, and fire of love;  
Enable with perpetual light  
The dullness of our blinded sight:  
Anoint and cheer our soilèd face  
With the abundance of Thy grace:  
Keep far our foes, give peace at home;  
Where Thou art guide no ill can come.  
Teach us to know the Father, Son,  
And Thee, of Both, to be but One;  
That through the ages all along  
This may be our endless song,  
Praise to Thy eternal merit,  
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

**C** Then shall all stand and sing:

*HYMN OF PRAISE*

**B**RIGHT the vision that delighted  
Once the sight of Judah's seer;  
Sweet the countless tongues united  
To entrance the prophet's ear.

Round the Lord in glory seated  
Cherubim and Seraphim  
Filled His temple, and repeated  
Each to each the alternate hymn:

“Lord, Thy glory fills the heaven;  
Earth is with its fullness stored;  
Unto Thee be glory given,  
Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord.”

Heaven is still with glory ringing,  
Earth takes up the Angel's cry,  
“Holy, Holy, Holy”, singing,  
“Lord of hosts, the Lord most high.”

With His seraph train before Him,  
With His holy Church below,  
Thus conspire we to adore Him,  
Bid we thus our anthem flow:

“Lord, Thy glory fills the heaven;  
Earth is with its fullness stored;  
Unto Thee be glory given,  
Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord.”

**C** After which, all shall kneel

*Minister:* The Lord be with you.

*All:* And with thy spirit.

**THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**BLESSING**