

April 12th, 2026
The Octave Day of Easter
(being the Sunday after Easter Day)

Opening Hymn: Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

Text: Joachim Neander, 1600's; Translator: Catherine Winkworth, 1800's; Tune: *Lobe Den Herren*, composer unknown, 1600's. Public domain.

1. Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation.

O my soul, praise him, for he is your health and salvation.

Let all who hear, brothers and sisters, draw near,
joining in glad adoration.

2. Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things is wondrously reigning
and, as on wings of an eagle, uplifting, sustaining.

Have you not seen all that is needful has been
sent by his gracious ordaining?

3. Praise to the Lord!

Oh, let all that is in me adore him.

All that has life and breath, come now with praises before him.

Let the Amen sound from his people again;
gladly forever adore him.

Song 1: All People That on Earth Do Dwell

Text: William Kethe, 1500's; Tune: *Old Hundredth*, attributed to Louis Bourgeois, 1500's. Public domain.

1. All people that on earth do dwell
sing to the Lord with cheerful voice;
him serve with *mirth, his praise forth tell.
Come ye before him and rejoice.

**mirth = gladness and merriment*

2. Know that the Lord is God indeed;
without our aid he did us make;
we are his folk, he doth us feed,
and for his sheep he doth us take.

3. O enter then his gates with praise;
approach with joy his courts unto;
praise, *laud, and bless his name always
for it is seemly so to do.

**laud = glorify*

4. For why? The Lord our God is good!
His mercy is for ever sure;
his truth at all times firmly stood
and shall from age to age endure.

5. To Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,
the God whom heaven and earth adore,
from us and from the angel host
be praise and glory evermore.

Song 2: Christ is Mine Forevermore

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1. Mine are days that God has numbered, I was made to walk with him.
Yet I look for worldly treasure and forsake the King of kings.
But mine is hope in my Redeemer, though I fall his love is sure
for Christ has paid for every failing.
I am his forevermore.

2. Mine are tears in times of sorrow, darkness not yet understood;
through the valley I must travel where I see no earthly good.
But mine is peace that flows from heaven and the strength in times of need.
I know my pain will not be wasted -
Christ completes his work in me.

3. Mine are days here as a stranger, pilgrim on a narrow way.
One with Christ, I will encounter harm and hatred for his name.
But mine is armour for this battle strong enough to last the war.
And he has said he will deliver
safely to the golden shore.

And mine are keys to Zion's city where beside the King I walk.
For there my heart has found its treasure -
Christ is mine forevermore.

Bridge:

Come rejoice now, O my soul, for his love is my reward!
Fear is gone and hope is sure - Christ is mine forevermore.
(repeat)

And mine are keys to Zion's city where beside the King I walk.
For there my heart has found its treasure -
Christ is mine forevermore.

Song: Speak, O Lord

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1. Speak, O Lord, as we come to you
to receive the food of your holy word.
Take your truth, plant it deep in us,
shape and fashion us in your likeness.
That the light of Christ might be seen today
in our acts of love and our deeds of faith.
Speak, O Lord, and fulfil in us
all your purposes for your glory.

2. Teach us Lord full obedience,
holy reverence, true humility.
Test our thoughts and our attitudes
in the radiance of your purity.
Cause our faith to rise, cause our eyes to see
your majestic love and authority.
Words of power that can never fail;
let their truth prevail over unbelief.

3. Speak, O Lord, and renew our minds;
help us grasp the heights of your plans for us.
Truths unchanged from the dawn of time
that will echo down through eternity.
And by grace we'll stand on your promises;
and by faith we'll walk as you walk with us.
Speak, O Lord, 'til your church is built
and the earth is filled with your glory.

Offering Song: My Heart is Filled with Thankfulness

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1. My heart is filled with thankfulness

to him who bore my pain;

who plumbed the depths of my disgrace

and gave me life again.

Who crushed my curse of sinfulness,

and clothed me with his light,

and wrote his law of righteousness

with power upon my heart.

2. My heart is filled with thankfulness

to him who walks beside;

who floods my weaknesses with strength

and causes fears to fly;

whose every promise is enough

for every step I take,

sustaining me with arms of love

and crowning me with grace.

3. My heart is filled with thankfulness

to him who reigns above;

whose wisdom is my perfect peace,

whose every thought is love.

For every day I have on earth

is given by the King.

So I will give my life, my all,

to love and follow him.

Closing Song: Tell Out, My Soul

(based on the Magnificat: Luke 1:46-55)

Text: Timothy Dudley-Smith © 1962. Renewal 1990 Hope Publishing Company;
Tune: *Woodlands*, Walter Greatorex, 1900's. Public domain.

1. Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord!

Unnumbered blessings give my spirit voice;
tender to me the promise of his Word;
in God my Saviour shall my heart rejoice.

2. Tell out, my soul, the greatness of his name!

Make known his might, the deeds his arm has done;
his mercy sure, from age to age the same;
his holy name, the Lord, the Mighty One.

3. Tell out, my soul, the greatness of his might!

Powers and dominions lay their glory by.
Proud hearts and stubborn wills are put to flight,
the hungry fed, the humble lifted high.

4. Tell out, my soul, the glories of his Word!

Firm is his promise, and his mercy sure.
Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord
to children's children and forevermore!

Abide with Me

Lyrics: Henry Francis Lyte, 1800's; Tune: *Eventide*, by William Monk, 1800's. Public domain.

Abide with me: fast falls the eventide;
the darkness deepens; Lord, with me abide.
When other helpers fail and comforts flee,
Help of the helpless, O abide with me.
Amen.