

# Sunday Worship Music

April 16, 2023

## Introit

*Because You Live, O Christ*

text by Shirley Erena Murray, 1987

Dutch melody

*Because you live, O Christ, the garden of the world has come to flower;  
the darkness of the tomb is flooded with your resurrection power.  
The stone has rolled away and death cannot imprison!  
O sing this Easter day, for Jesus Christ has risen, has risen, has risen!*

*Because you live, O Christ, the rainbow of your peace will span creation;  
the colors of your love will draw all humankind to adoration.  
The stone has rolled away and death cannot imprison!  
O sing this Easter day, for Jesus Christ has risen, has risen, has risen!*

## Hymn 233

*The Day of Resurrection!*

text by John Mason Neale, 1862

music by Henry Thomas Smart, 1835

*The day of resurrection! Earth, tell it out abroad,  
the Passover of gladness, the Passover of God.  
From death to life eternal, from sin's dominion free,  
our Christ has brought us over with hymns of victory.*

*Let hearts be purged of evil that we may see aright  
the Lord in rays eternal of resurrection light,  
and listening to his accents, may hear, so calm and plain,  
his own "All hail!" and hearing, may raise the victor strain.*

*Now let the heavens be joyful; let earth its song begin;  
the round world keep high triumph and all that is therein.  
Let all things seen and unseen their notes of gladness blend,  
for Christ the Lord has risen, our joy that has no end.*

## Anthem

*I Was There to Hear Your Borning Cry*  
(Robie Armbruster, alto recorder)

John Ylvisaker  
arr. John Helgen

*"I was there to hear your borning cry; I'll be there when you are old.  
I rejoiced the day you were baptized to see your life unfold.  
I was there when you were but a child with a faith to suit you well;  
in a blaze of light you wandered off to find where demons dwell."*

*"When you heard the wonder of the Word, I was there to cheer you on.  
You were raised to praise the living Lord to whom you now belong.  
If you find someone to share your time and you join your hearts as one,  
I'll be there to make your verses rhyme from dusk till rising sun."*

*"In the middle ages of your life, not too old, no longer young,  
I'll be there to guide you through the night, complete what I've begun.  
When the evening gently closes in and you shut your weary eyes,  
I'll be there as I have always been with just one more surprise."*

*"I was there to hear your borning cry; I'll be there when you are old.  
I rejoiced the day you were baptized to see your life unfold."*

**Offertory Solo**

*The Lily of the Valley*  
(Robin Birdwell, soprano)

arr. Michael Smith

*I have found a friend in Jesus; he's everything to me.  
He's the fairest of ten thousand to my soul.  
The lily of the valley, in him alone I see  
all I need to cleanse and make me fully whole.*

*In sorrow he's my comfort; in trouble he's my stay.  
He tells me every care on him to roll.  
He's the lily of the valley, the bright and morning star!  
He's the fairest of ten thousand to my soul.*

**Hymn 240**

Alleluia, Alleluia! Give Thanks

Donald Fishel, 1971

*(Refrain) Alleluia, alleluia! Give thanks to the risen Lord.  
Alleluia, alleluia! Give praise to his name.*

*Jesus is Lord of all the earth.  
He is the King of creation. (Refrain)*

*Spread the good news o'er all the earth:  
Jesus has died and has risen. (Refrain)*

*We have been crucified with Christ.  
Now we shall live forever. (Refrain)*

*Come let us praise the living God,  
joyfully sing to our Savior. (Refrain)*