

The Chant of the Exsultet at the Easter Vigil

ECUSA Book of Common Prayer, 1979


$\text{♩} = \text{c. } 160$ (for all the chant verses)

DEACON



Re - joi - ce_ now, hea - ven - ly hosts and choirs of an - gels,

2



and let your tru - pets sound Sal - va - tion

3



for_ the vic - to - ry of_ our_ migh - ty King.

$\text{♩} = \text{c. } 120$ (for all the harmonized verses)

S
A



Re - joi - ce and_ sing now, all the round earth,

T
B



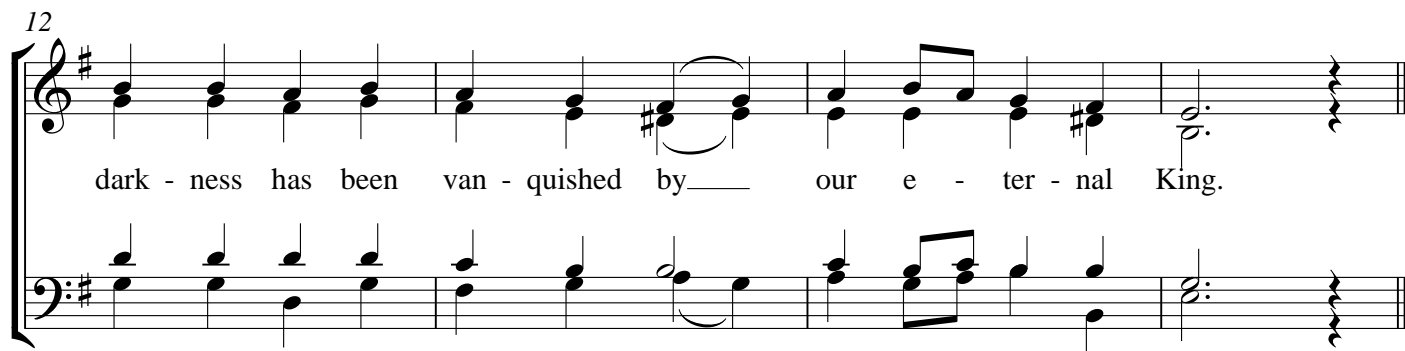
9



bright_ with a glo - rious_ splen - dor, for_



12



dark - ness has been van - quished by our e - ter - nal King.

DEACON



Re - joice and be glad now, Mo - ther Church,

17



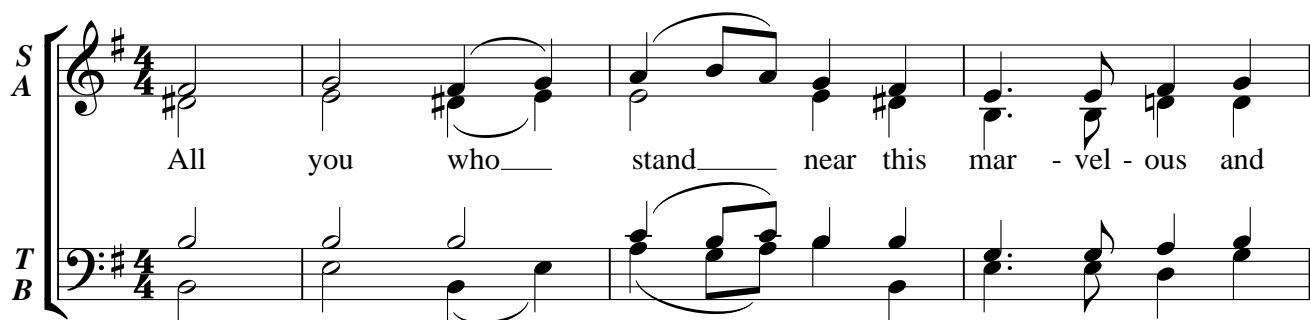
and let your ho - ly courts, in ra - diant light,

18



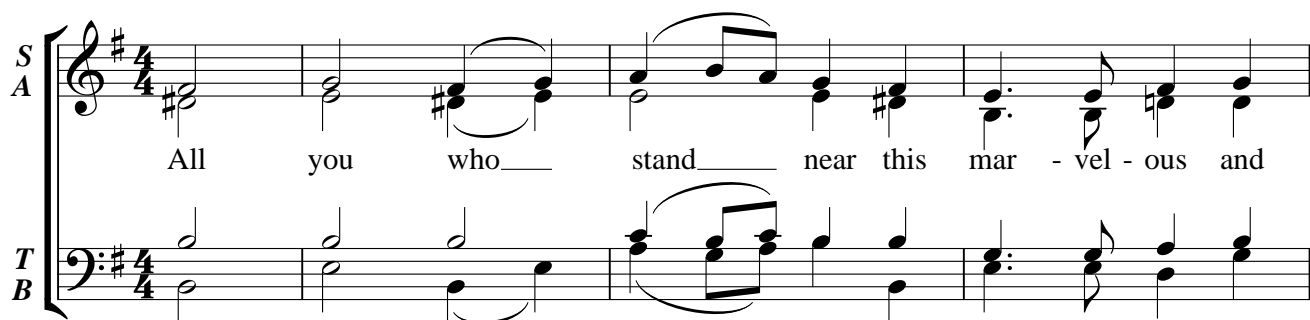
Re - sound with the prai - ses of your peo - ple.

S
A

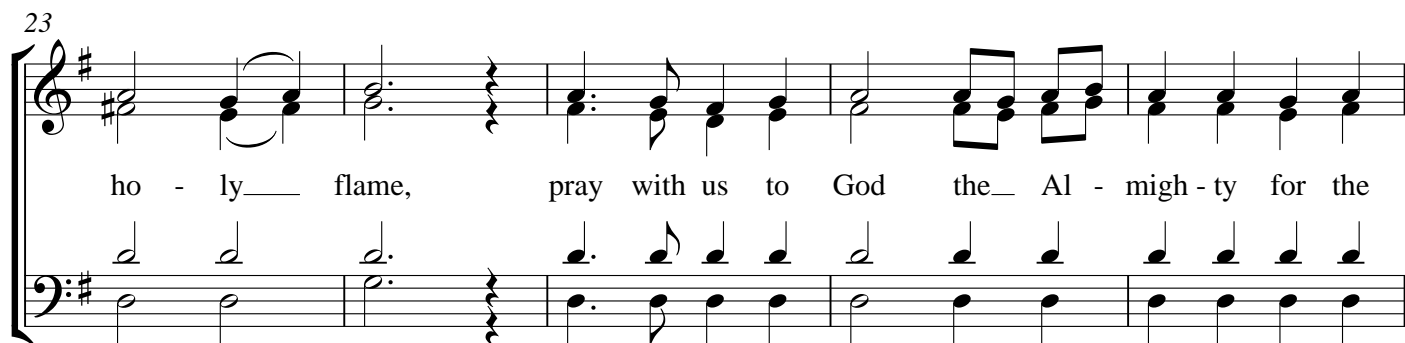


All you who stand near this mar - vel - ous and

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B

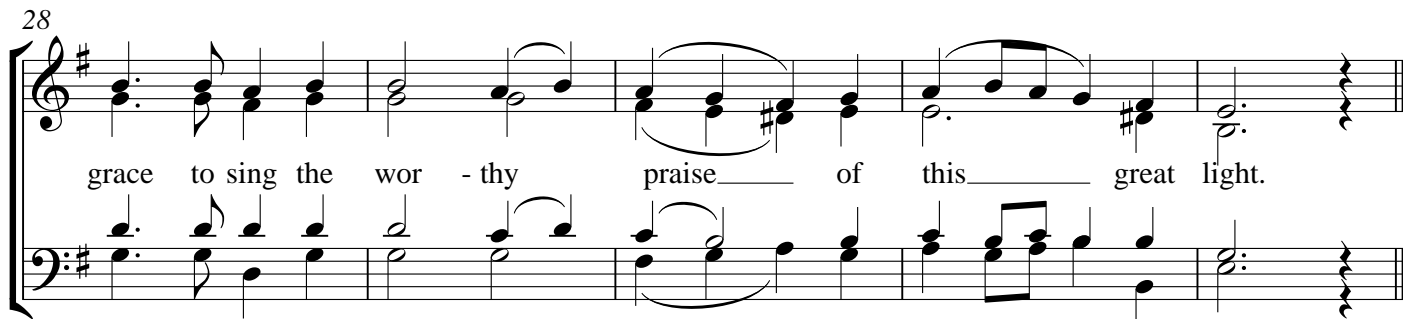


23



ho - ly flame, pray with us to God the Al - migh - ty for the

28



grace to sing the wor - thy praise of this great light.

DEACON



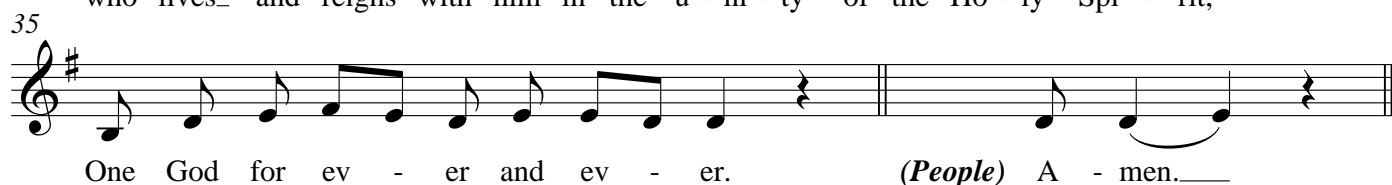
Through Je - sus Christ his Son our Lord,

34



who lives and reigns with him in the u - ni - ty of the Ho - ly Spi - rit,

35



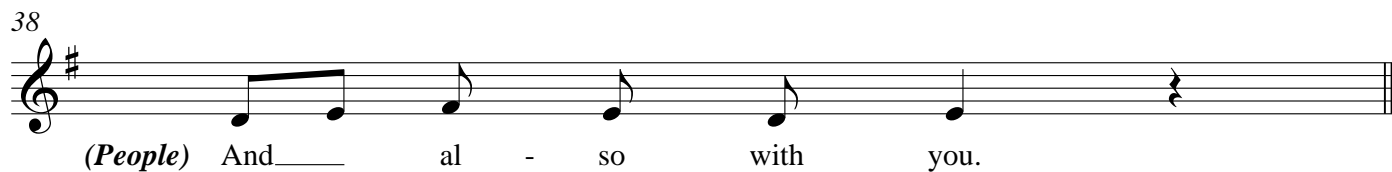
One God for ev - er and ev - er. (People) A - men.

37



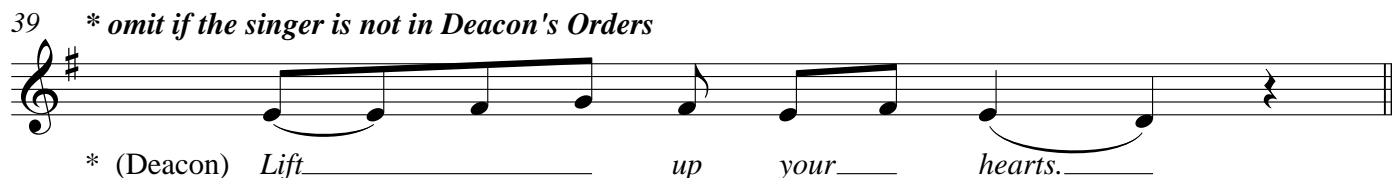
(Deacon) The Lord be with you.

38



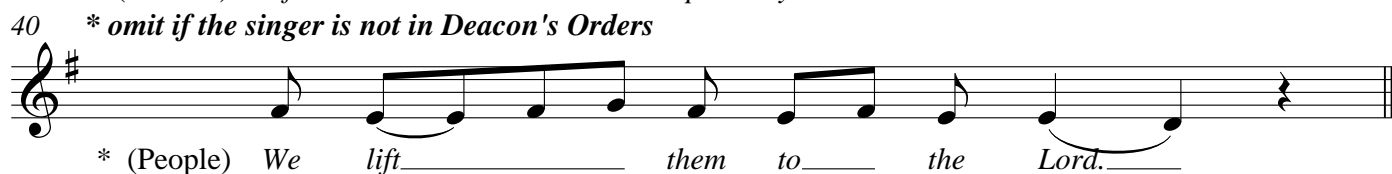
(People) And also with you.

39 * omit if the singer is not in Deacon's Orders



* (Deacon) Lift up your hearts.

40 * omit if the singer is not in Deacon's Orders



* (People) We lift them to the Lord.

41



(Deacon) Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

42

(People) It is right_____ to give him thanks_ and praise.____

43

It is tru - ly_____ right_____ and good al - ways and ev - 'ry -

48

where with our whole heart_____ and mind_____ and voice, to_____ praise_ you, the in -

53

vis - i - ble,_____ al - migh - ty, and e - ter - nal God and your on - ly - be -

57

got - ten Son, Je - sus Christ_____ our Lord.

DEACON

For he is the true Pas - chal Lamb,

63

who at the feast of the Pass - o - ver

64

paid for us the debt of A - dam's sin,

65

and by his blood de - liv - ered your faith - fu peo - ple.

S
A

This is the night when you brought our fa - thers, the

T
B

70

chil - dren of Is - ra - el, out of bon - dage in E - gypt, and

75

led them through the Red Sea on dry land.

80

This is the night, when all who believe in Christ

81

are delivered from the gloom of sin,

82

and are restored to grace and holiness of life.

S
A

This is the night when Christ broke the bonds of death and

T
B

88

hell and rose victorious from the grave.

DEACON

How___ won - der - ful and be - yond our know - ing,___ O___ God,

94

is your mer - cy and lov - ing - kind - ness___ to___ us,

95

that to re - deem a slave, you gave___ a Son.

S
A

How_ ho - ly___ is___ this night, when_ wick - ed - ness is

T
B

101

put_ to___ flight___ and sin is washed a - way. It re - stores___

106

in - no - cence___ to___ the___ fal - len, and___ joy___ to

110

those who mourn. It casts out

114

pride and ha - tred, and brings peace and con - cord.

DEACON

How bles - sed is this night,

119

where earth and hea - ven are joined

120

and we are re - con - ciled to God.

S
A

Ho - ly Fa - ther, ac - cept our eve - ning sa - cri -

T
B

126

fice, the of - fring of this can - dle in your


131


ho - nor. May it shine con - tin - ual - ly to

134

drive a - way all dark - ness.

DEACON 
 May___ Christ, the Mor - ning Star who knows no___ set - ting,

138 
 find it ev - - er___ burn - ing --

139 
 he who gives his light to all cre - a - tion,

140 
 and who lives and reigns for ev - er___ and ev - er. (People) A - men.---

In memory of

the Rev'd Dr. Steven Conrad Schaber, Deacon

Memory Eternal!