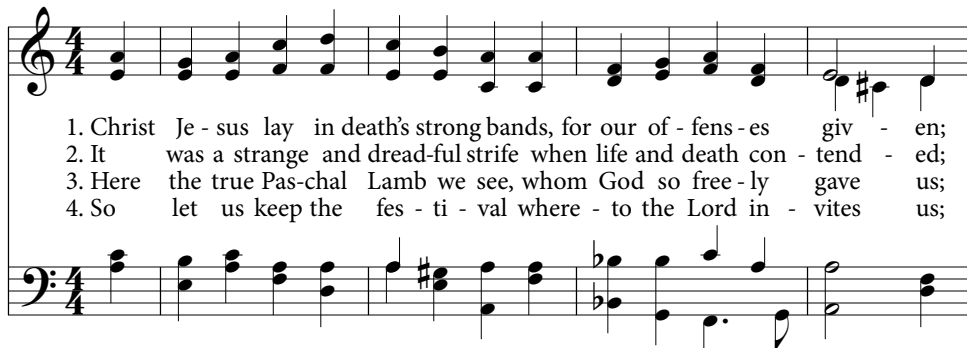
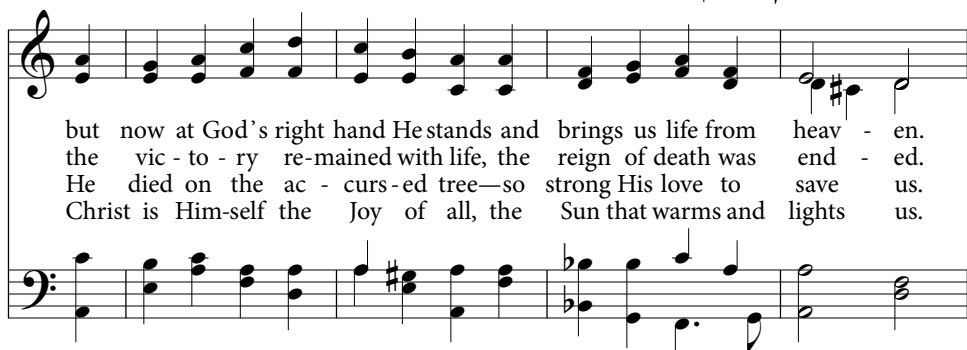


# Christ Jesus Lay in Death's Strong Band

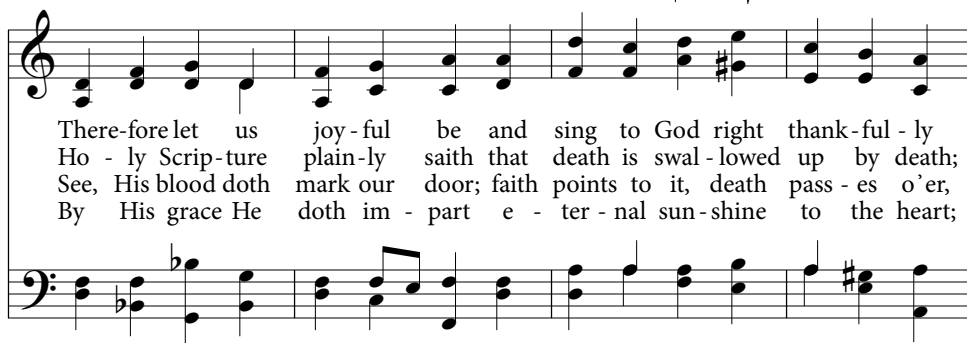
CHRIST LAG IN TODESBANDEN



1. Christ Je - sus lay in death's strong bands, for our of - fens - es giv - en;  
2. It was a strange and dread-ful strife when life and death con - tend - ed;  
3. Here the true Pas-chal Lamb we see, whom God so free - ly gave us;  
4. So let us keep the fes - ti - val where - to the Lord in - vites us;



but now at God's right hand He stands and brings us life from heav - en.  
the vic - to - ry re - main - ed with life, the reign of death was end - ed.  
He died on the ac - curs - ed tree—so strong His love to save us.  
Christ is Him - self the Joy of all, the Sun that warms and lights us.



There - fore let us joy - ful be and sing to God right thank - ful - ly  
Ho - ly Scrip - ture plain - ly saith that death is swal - lowed up by death;  
See, His blood doth mark our door; faith points to it, death pass - es o'er,  
By His grace He doth im - part e - ter - nal sun - shine to the heart;



loud songs of hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le - lu - jah!  
his sting is lost for - ev - er. Hal - le - lu - jah!  
and Sa - tan can - not harm us. Hal - le - lu - jah!  
the night of sin is end - ed. Hal - le - lu - jah!

WORDS: Martin Luther, 1524, based on Latin *Victimae Paschali*;

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tr. Richard Massie, 1854, alt.

MUSIC: Latin melody, c. 1100; adapt. Johann Walther, 1524