the river they passed through on foot;♦

there we rejoiced in him.

**In his might he rules for ever;**

**his eyes keep watch over the nations;♦**

**let no rebel rise up against him.**

Bless our God, O you peoples;♦

make the voice of his praise to be heard,

**Who holds our souls in life♦**

**and suffers not our feet to slip.**

For you, O God, have proved us;♦

you have tried us as silver is tried.

**You brought us into the snare;♦**

**you laid heavy burdens upon our backs.**

You let enemies ride over our heads;

we went through fire and water;  ♦

but you brought us out into a place of liberty.

**I will come into your house with burnt offerings**

**and will pay you my vows,♦**

**which my lips uttered**

**and my mouth promised when I was in trouble.**

**Glory to the Father and to the Son**

**and to the Holy Spirit;**

**as it was in the beginning is now**

**and shall be for ever. Amen.**

##### Canticle: A Song of Faith

***God raised Christ from the dead,***

***the Lamb without spot or stain. Alleluia.***

Blessed be the God and Father♦

**of our Lord Jesus Christ!**

**By his great mercy we have been born anew to a living hope♦**

**through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead,**

**Into an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled and unfading,♦**

**kept in heaven for you,**

**Who are being protected by the power of God through faith,♦**

**for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time.**

**You were ransomed from the futile ways of your ancestors♦**

**not with perishable things like silver or gold**

**But with the precious blood of Christ♦**

**like that of a lamb without spot or stain.**

**Through him you have confidence in God,**

**who raised him from the dead and gave him glory,♦**

**so that your faith and hope are set on God.**

**Glory to the Father and to the Son**

**and to the Holy Spirit;**

**as it was in the beginning is now**

**and shall be for ever. Amen.**

***God raised Christ from the dead,***

***the Lamb without spot or stain. Alleluia.***

##### Scripture Reading

Then:

The Lord is my strength and my song:

he has become my salvation.

**The Lord is my strength and my song:**

**he has become my salvation.**

I shall not die, but live,

and declare the works of the Lord.

**He has become my salvation.**

Glory to the Father and to the Son

and to the Holy Spirit.

**The Lord is my strength and my song:**

**he has become my salvation.**

##### Gospel Canticle: The Magnificat (Song of Mary)

***The stone which the builders rejected***

***has become the chief cornerstone. Alleluia.***

My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord,

**my spirit rejoices in God my Saviour;♦**

**he has looked with favour on his lowly servant.**

**From this day all generations will call me blessed;♦**

**the Almighty has done great things for me**

**and holy is his name.**

**He has mercy on those who fear him,♦**

**from generation to generation.**

**He has shown strength with his arm♦**

**and has scattered the proud in their conceit,**

**Casting down the mighty from their thrones♦**

**and lifting up the lowly.**

**He has filled the hungry with good things♦**

**and sent the rich away empty.**

**He has come to the aid of his servant Israel,♦**

**to remember his promise of mercy,**

**The promise made to our ancestors,♦**

**to Abraham and his children for ever.**

**Glory to the Father and to the Son**

**and to the Holy Spirit;**

**as it was in the beginning is now**

**and shall be for ever. Amen.**

**The stone which the builders rejected**

**has become the chief cornerstone. Alleluia.**

##### ****Prayers** *ending with the Lord’s Prayer***

God of life,

who for our redemption gave your only-begotten Son

to the death of the cross,

and by his glorious resurrection

have delivered us from the power of our enemy:

grant us so to die daily to sin,

that we may evermore live with him in the joy of his risen life;

through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

May the risen Christ grant us the joys of eternal life.

**Amen.**

Let us bless the Lord. Alleluia, alleluia.

**Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.**

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***Simple Evening Prayer in Eastertide***

O God, make speed to save us.

**O Lord, make haste to help us.**

In your resurrection, O Christ,

**let heaven and earth rejoice. Alleluia.**

Blessed are you, Sovereign Lord,

the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,

to you be glory and praise for ever.

From the deep waters of death

you brought your people to new birth

by raising your Son to life in triumph.

Through him dark death has been destroyed

and radiant life is everywhere restored.

As you call us out of darkness into his marvellous light

may our lives reflect his glory

and our lips repeat the endless song.

Blessed be God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

**Blessed be God for ever.**

That this evening may be holy, good and peaceful,

let us pray with one heart and mind.

Silence is kept.

As our evening prayer rises before you, O God,

so may your mercy come down upon us

to cleanse our hearts

and set us free to sing your praise

now and for ever. **Amen.**

***Psalm 66***

Be joyful in God, all the earth;♦

sing the glory of his name; sing the glory of his praise.

**Say to God, ‘How awesome are your deeds!♦**

**Because of your great strength your enemies shall bow before you.**

All the earth shall worship you,♦

sing to you, sing praise to your name.’

**Come now and behold the works of God,♦**

**how wonderful he is in his dealings with humankind.**

He turned the sea into dry land;