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Music Notes for Easter.



The Introit for Easter Sunday, The Strife is O'er, once again opens our celebration of the Risen Lord. The text, originally in Latin, Finita iam sunt proelia (Now the battle is over), was published in 1695 as part of a collection of German Jesuit hymns. Almost two hundred years later, pastor Francis Pott translated the text into English, published in 1861 in the first Anglican hymnal, Hymns Ancient and Modern. The music was composed by Melchior Vulpius (1570-1615), who included the tune Gelobet sei Gott in his volume of hymns Ein Schon Geistlich Gesangbuch (A Beautiful Sacred Songbook) in 1609.

Sunday's Easter service will conclude with the final movement of the Symphony no. 5 in f, Op. 42, no. 1, by Charles-Marie Widor. The Toccata is the French composer's most famous piece, played at the conclusion of scores of services, from feast days to wedding ceremonies.



EASTER-DAY: MORNING PROCESSION



The anthem for Easter Sunday was composed by Annie Herring (b. 1945). She is a largely self-taught composer who was part of a trio called *The 2nd Chapter of Acts.* When Pat Boone heard the group in the early 1970s, he was instrumental in their securing a two-year recording contract with MGM. Herring composed *The Easter Song* in 1971. According to the composer, as she sat in front of the piano, she prayed, "You know, Father, I would really like to have a present."Herring said that the Lord answered with this piece.

This Week in History.



In Richmond VA, a group of some 300 armed women through the streets of Richmond, VA, demanding food and supplies that were in short supply during wartime. The crowd grew to around 5,500 people, mostly poor women, breaking into shops and seizing food, clothing, shoes, and even jewelry as an expression of their frustration and desperation. Confederate President Jefferson Davis would plead with the women, even emptying his pockets from his pockets, saying "You say you are hungry and have no money; here, this is all I have."

April 2, 1863



Civil Rights leader and Nobel laureate the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King. Jr. is shot and killed in Memphis, TN.

April 4, 1968



Following a vote by Congress approving a declaration of war, the U.S. entered the war in Europe, now known as World War I. April 6, 1917



Addressing the landmark case *Smith v. Allwright*, the U.S. Supreme Court rules 8 to 1 that African Americans can not be barred from voting in the Texas Democratic primaries. The Court stated that discrimination against blacks violates the 15th Amendment and that political parties are not private associations. April 3, 1944





African American educator Booker Taliaferro Washington is born a slave in Franklin County, VA. Freed by the Civil War. Self-taught before attending from what is now Hampton University, he served as principal of the Tuskegee Institute, now Tuskegee University. He advocated for black progress through education and entrepreneurship, rather than protest.

April 5, 1856



Elinore (Eleanora) Harris, is born in Philadelphia PA. She would follow her father into music, and under the name Billie Holiday, becoming one of the preeminent Jazz singers of the 20th century.

April 7, 1915