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 Leader: Wow! Alleluia!
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MUSICAL REFLECTION

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Who raises us from sadness and despair to the possibilities of blessing and joy.

We believe in Jesus,
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We believe in the Holy Spirit,
The hidden partner, the gentle messenger of God,
Who fills our every breath with blessing;
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We believe in the church,
An instrument of God in this present moment, striving for justice, celebrating in joy, clawing at despair, living in hope, praying for healing and forever proclaiming the Good News of God's persistent and redeeming love.

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DRUMS AND TRUMPETS~ A Litany of Easter Praise

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Youth: With trumpets
Adults: Trumpets?
Youth: Yes! Trumpets!
Leader: And drums!
Adults: Drums?
Youth: Of course, drums!
Leader: Drums and trumpets
Youth: And harps!
Adults: Harps?
Youth: Yes, harps. Stringed instruments. Harps!
Leader: Harps!
Youth: And drums!
Adults: And trumpets!
Leader: Harps and drums and trumpets!
Youth: And angels!
Adults: Angels?
Youth: Angels. Singing Angels, winging angels. Angels!
Leader: Angels!
Adults: And harps!
Youth: And drums!
Leader: And trumpets!
Youth: And cymbals!
Adults: Cymbals?
Youth: Loud, golden, clanging, pounding, magnificent cymbals!
Leader: Cymbals!
Adults: And angels!
Youth: And harps!
Leader: And drums!
Adults: And trumpets!
Youth: And the saints!
Leader: The saints? You mean the football team?
Youth: No, silly! Like Peter and Paul, John and Mary and Salome and Calvin—you know our church ancestors. Saints!!
Leader: Oh, saints!
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