Eureka!

(1) ____________________________     (2) ____________________________    (3) ____________________________

(4) ____________________________     (5) ____________________________     (6) ____________________________

(7) TIASTITCHME

(8) To give others a sporting chance, the king has decreed that no tenors may attend the royal dance. Obviously, the dance is a ____________________________.

(9) Supply missing letters, and find a winged proverb: a-i-d-n-h-n-i-w-r-h-w-i-t-e-u-h

(10) Brahms
    Bach
    Chopin
    Mozart
    Beethoven
    Liszt
Resurrection Reflections

If Christ Rose Not Again

If it be all for naught, for nothingness
At last, why does God make the world so fair?
Why spill this golden splendor out across
The western hills, and light the silver lamp
Of eve? Why give me eyes to see, and soul
To love so strong and deep? Then, with a pang
This brightness stabs me through, and wakes within
Rebellious voice to cry against all death?
Why set this hunger for eternity
To gnaw my heartstrings through, if death ends all?
If death ends all, then evil must be good,
Wrong must be right, and beauty ugliness.
God is a Judas who betrays His Son,
And with a kiss, damns all the world to hell,—
If Christ rose not again.

—Unknown soldier, killed in World War I*

Descending Theology: The Resurrection

From the far star points of his pinned extremities,
cold inched in—black ice and squid ink—
till the hung flesh was empty.
Lonely in that void even for pain,
he missed his splintered feet,
the human stare buried in his face.
He ached for two hands made of meat
he could reach to the end of.
In the corpse’s core, the stone fist
of his heart began to bang
on the stiff chest’s door, and breath spilled
back into that battered shape. Now
it’s your limbs he comes to fill, as warm water
shatters at birth, rivering every way.

—Mary Karr**

Resurrection Consequences—The 4 Cs

Confirms: The Resurrection confirms all Christ’s works and teaching.
- Christ’s Identity, Works, and Teachings
  John 8:28

Completes: The Resurrection, following Christ’s sacrifice on the Cross, accomplished our Salvation.
- Our Salvation
  1 Peter 2:24

Confers: The Resurrection gives new life, justifies us in God’s grace, and adopts us into the divine family.
- New Life and Justification
  John 3:16–17

- Adoption into God’s Family
  John 1:12

Creates: Through the power of the Holy Spirit, Christians participate in the life, suffering, Death, and Resurrection of Jesus.
- A New Future
  John 11:25–26
Father of light,
from whom every good gift comes,
send your Spirit into our lives
with the power of a mighty wind,
and by the flame of your wisdom
open the horizons of our minds.
Loosen our tongues to sing your praise
in words beyond the power of speech,
for without your Spirit
we could never raise our voices in words of peace
or announce the truth that Jesus is Lord,
who lives with you
and the Holy Spirit,
one God,
for ever and ever.
Amen.

—Opening Prayer for the Feast of Pentecost