

Easter Day 2021 He is risen!

Gathering

WELCOME & GREETING – Simon Taylor Alleluia! Christ is risen!
He is risen indeed. Alleluia!

HYMN

See what a morning, gloriously bright, with the dawning of hope in Jerusalem; folded the grave-clothes' tomb filled with light, as the angels announce Christ is risen! See God's salvation plan, wrought in love, borne in pain, paid in sacrifice, fulfilled in Christ, the Man, for He lives, Christ is risen from the dead!

(Women & children)
See Mary weeping: 'Where is He laid?
as in sorrow she turns from the empty tomb;
hears a voice speaking,
calling her name:
it's the Master, the Lord raised to life again!
(All)
The voice that spans the years,
speaking life, stirring hope,
bringing peace to us,
will sound till He appears,

for He lives, Christ is risen from the dead!

(Men)

One with the Father, Ancient of Days, through the Spirit who clothes faith with certainty; honour and blessing, glory and praise to the King crowned with power and authority! (AII)

And we are raised with Him, death is dead, love has won Christ has conquered; and we shall reign with Him, for He lives. Christ is risen from the dead!

CONFESSION

Jesus Christ, risen Master and triumphant Lord, we come to you in sorrow for our sins, and confess to you our weakness and unbelief.

We have lived by our own strength, and not by the power of your resurrection. In your mercy, forgive us.

Lord, hear us and help us.

We have lived by the light of our own eyes, as faithless and not believing. In your mercy, forgive us.

Lord, hear us and help us.

We have lived for this world alone, and doubted our home in heaven. In your mercy, forgive us.

Lord, hear us and help us.

ABSOLUTION

May God who loved the world so much that he sent his Son to be our Saviour, forgive you your sins, and make you holy to serve him in the world, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

COLLECT

God of glory,
by the raising of your Son
you have broken the chains of death and hell:
fill your Church with faith and hope;
for a new day has dawned
and the way stands open
in our Saviour Jesus Christ.
Amen.

Liturgy of the Word

HYMN

Jesus Christ is risen today, Alleluia!

our triumphant holy day, Alleluia! who did once upon the cross, Alleluia! suffer to redeem our loss. Alleluia!

Hymns of praise then let us sing, Alleluia! unto Christ, our heavenly King, Alleluia! who endured the cross and grave, Alleluia! sinners to redeem and save. Alleluia!

But the pains which he endured, Alleluia! our salvation have procured; Alleluia! now above the sky he's King, Alleluia! where the angels ever sing. Alleluia!

BIBLE READING - A Happy Day from The Story Teller's Bible read by Sue Brown

TALK – Simon Taylor

PRAYERS – Lucinda Howard

Liturgy of the Sacrament

HYMN

You're the Word of God the Father,

from before the world began; every star and every planet has been fashioned by your hand. All creation holds together by the power of your voice: let the skies declare your glory, let the land and seas rejoice!

You're the Author of creation, you're the Lord of every man; and your cry of love rings out across the lands.

Yet you left the gaze of angels, came to seek and save the lost, and exchanged the joy of heaven for the anguish of a cross. With a prayer you fed the hungry, with a word you stilled the sea; yet how silently you suffered that the guilty may go free.

With a shout you rose victorious, wresting victory from the grave, and ascended into heaven Leading captives in your wake. Now you stand before the Father interceding for your own. From each tribe and tongue and nation you are leading sinners home.

EUCHARISTIC PRAYER – Clare Coates The Lord be with you **and also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give thanks and praise.

It is right to praise you, Father, Lord of all creation; in your love you made us for yourself.

When we turned away you did not reject us, but came to meet us in your Son.
You embraced us as your children and welcomed us to sit and eat with you.

In Christ you shared our life that we might live in him and he in us. He opened his arms of love upon the cross and made for all the perfect sacrifice for sin.

On the night he was betrayed, at supper with his friends he took bread, and gave you thanks; he broke it and gave it to them, saying: Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me.

Father, we do this in remembrance of him: his body is the bread of life.

At the end of supper, taking the cup of wine, he gave you thanks, and said:
Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins; do this in remembrance of me.

Father, we do this in remembrance of him: his blood is shed for all.

As we proclaim his death and celebrate his rising in glory, send your Holy Spirit that this bread and this wine may be to us the body and blood of your dear Son.

As we eat and drink these holy gifts make us one in Christ, our risen Lord.

With your whole Church throughout the world we offer you this sacrifice of praise and lift our voice to join the eternal song of heaven:

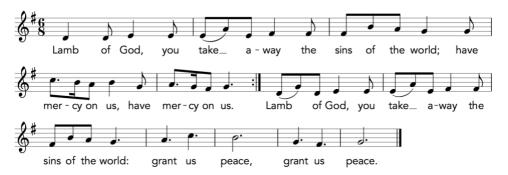


THE LORD'S PRAYER

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Every time we eat this bread and drink this cup,

we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.



GIVING OF COMMUNION

Draw near with faith.

Receive the body of our Lord Jesus Christ

which he gave for you,

and his blood which he shed for you.

Eat and drink

in remembrance that he died for you,

and feed on him in your hearts

by faith with thanksgiving.

All receive communion or a blessing

ANTHEM - I know that my Redeemer liveth sung by Alice Barlow

HYMN

(Men) Bless the Lord, O my soul,

O my soul, worship His holy name.

Sing like never before, O my soul.

I'll worship Your holy name.

(Women & children) The sun comes up, it's a new day dawning;

It's time to sing Your song again.

Whatever may pass and whatever lies before me,

Let me be singing your when the evening comes.

(All) Bless the Lord, O my soul, O my soul, worship His holy name. Sing like never before, O my soul. I'll worship Your holy name.

You're rich in love and You're slow to anger, Your name is great and Your heart is kind. For all Your goodness, I will keep on singing; Ten thousand reasons for my heart to find.

And on that day when my strength is failing, The end draws near and my time has come, Still my soul will sing Your praise unending; Ten thousand years and then forever more.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

God of truth,
we have seen with our eyes
and touched with our hands
the bread of life;
strengthen our faith
that we may grow in love for you and for each other,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

HYMN

Thine be the glory, risen, conquering Son, endless is the victory, thou o'er death hast won; angels in bright raiment rolled the stone away, kept the folded grave clothes where thy body lay.

Thine be the glory, risen conquering Son, endless is the vict'ry, thou o'er death hast won.

Lo! Jesus meets us, risen from the tomb; lovingly he greets us, scatters fear and gloom; let the Church with gladness hymns of triumph sing, for her Lord now liveth, death hath lost its sting.

No more we doubt thee, glorious Prince of life; life is naught without thee; aid us in our strife, make us more than conquerors, through thy deathless love; bring us safe through Jordan to thy home above.

BLESSING

May Christ, who out of defeat brings new hope and a new future, fill you with his new life; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.

Amen.

He is not here. He is risen. Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia, alleluia. In the name of Christ. Amen. Alleluia, alleluia.

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