

**The Resurrection of Our Lord
Easter Sunday
4 April 2021**



This is the day the LORD has made, let us rejoice and be glad in it!
(Psalm 118:24)

If you are joining us online for the first time, we extend a warm welcome to you and invite you to join in our worship by saying or singing the words printed in **bold**.

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WELCOME

THE PENITENTIAL RITE

Christ died to sin once for all, and now he lives to God. Let us renew our resolve to put away all malice and evil and confess our sins in penitence and faith.

Most merciful God,

we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us, that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your name.
Amen.

Almighty God have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God,
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.
And also with you.

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!

May his grace and peace be with you.

May he fill our hearts with joy.

Almighty God,

to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hidden.

Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name; through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

OPENING HYMN:

JESUS CHRIST IS RISEN TODAY

**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!**

**Sing we to our God above, Alleluia!
Praise eternal, as his love; Alleluia!
Praise him, now his might confess, Alleluia!**

Father, Son, and Spirit blest. Alleluia!

THE COLLECT FOR EASTER SUNDAY

Almighty God, through your only Son Jesus Christ you have conquered death and opened to us the gate of everlasting life: by your grace put good desires into our minds and in your mercy, help us to bring them to fulfillment, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.

FIRST READING: COLOSSIANS 3: 1-11

Read by Kevin Harper.

If then you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth. For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. When Christ who is your life appears, then you also will appear with him in glory.

Put to death therefore what is earthly in you: sexual immorality, impurity, passion, evil desire, and covetousness, which is idolatry. On account of these the wrath of God is coming. In these you too once walked, when you were living in them. But now you must put them all away: anger, wrath, malice, slander, and obscene talk from your mouth. Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have put off the old self with its practices and have put on the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge after the image of its creator. Here there is not Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave, free; but Christ is all, and in all. (ESV)

PSALM 117 (HOWARD & VALERIE JONES)

***Refrain:* Go out to all the world, and tell the good news! Go out to all the world, and sing: Alleluia!**

Praise the Lord, all you nations! / Glorify God, all you peoples!

Refrain

Steadfast is God's love to all people! / And the promise of God endures forever!

Refrain

THE GOSPEL: JOHN 20:1-10

The Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Now on the first day of the week Mary Magdalene came to the tomb early, while it was still dark, and saw that the stone had been taken away from the tomb. So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, “They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him.” So Peter went out with the other disciple, and they were going toward the tomb. Both of them were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. And stooping to look in, he saw the linen cloths lying there, but he did not go in. Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen cloths lying there, and the face cloth, which had been on Jesus' head, not lying with the linen cloths but folded up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple, who had reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; for as yet they did not understand the Scripture, that he must rise from the dead. Then the disciples went back to their homes. (ESV)

The Gospel of Christ.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

THE SERMON: THE REV. CHRIS DOW

HYMN: ALL SHALL BE WELL

**All shall be well! For on our Easter skies
see Christ the sun of righteousness arise.**

**All shall be well! The sacrifice is made,
the sinner freed, the price of pardon paid.**

*All is well with my soul,
All is well with my soul,
All is well, it is well with my soul.*

**All shall be well! The cross and passion past,
dark night is done, bright morning come at last.**

**All shall be well! Lift every voice on high;
“Death has no more dominion, but shall die.”**

*It is well with my soul,
It is well with my soul,
It is well, it is well with my soul.*

**Jesus alive! Rejoice and sing again;
all shall be well for evermore, Amen.**

Common Worship Hymn #222

THE NICENE CREED

Let us confess our faith, as we say,

**We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God, begotten, not made,
of one being with the Father.**

Through him all things were made.

**For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven:
the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.**

**On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

We believe in the Holy Spirit,

the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father.
With the Father and the Son he is worshipped and glorified.
He has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Led by Claire Olorenshaw.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Rejoicing in God's new creation, let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us:

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come; thy will be done; on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CLOSING HYMN:

MY LIVING HOPE

How great the chasm that lay between us
How high the mountain I could not climb
In desperation I turned to heaven
And spoke Your name into the night
Then through the darkness Your loving-kindness
Tore through the shadows of my soul
The work is finished the end is written
Jesus Christ my living hope.

Who could imagine so great a mercy
What heart could fathom such boundless grace
The God of ages stepped down from glory
To wear my sin and bear my shame

**The cross has spoken I am forgiven
The King of kings calls me His own
Beautiful Savior I'm Yours forever
Jesus Christ my living hope.**

Chorus:

*Hallelujah praise the One who set me free
Hallelujah death has lost its grip on me
You have broken every chain
There's salvation in Your name
Jesus Christ my living hope*

**Then came the morning that sealed the promise
Your buried body began to breathe
Out of the silence the Roaring Lion
Declared the grave has no claim on me**

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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 upon you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

EASTER GREETING VIDEO

DISMISSAL

We are raised to new life with Christ.
Go in his peace. Alleluia! Alleluia!
Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK:

Those in Need: Miller & Margaret, Stephanie, Shireen & Irik, Anne, June, Marjorie, Muriel, Lois, Pam, Ross & Joan, Stan & Edna, Laurie, Caleigh, Rachael, Carey, Liz, Paul.

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