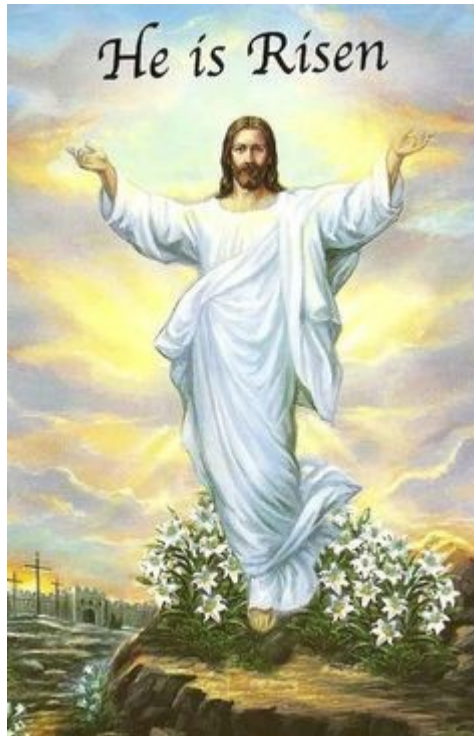


# Easter Day Liturgy



**“ Do not be afraid, for I know that you seek Jesus who was crucified. He is not here; for He is risen, as He said.”**

## Hymn

Light's glittering morn bedecks the sky;  
heaven thunders forth its victor cry;  
Alleluia, alleluia  
the glad earth shouts her triumph high,  
and groaning hell makes wild reply.  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia

While he, the King, the mighty King,  
despoiling death of all its sting,  
Alleluia, alleluia  
and, trampling down the powers of night,  
brings forth his ransomed saints to light.  
Alleluia, alleluia...

His tomb of late the threefold guard  
of watch and stone and seal had barred;  
Alleluia, alleluia,  
but now, in pomp and triumph high,  
he comes from death to victory.  
Alleluia, alleluia

The pains of hell are loosed at last;  
the days of mourning now are past;  
Alleluia, alleluia,  
an angel robed in light hath said,  
"The Lord is risen from the dead."  
*Alleluia, alleluia...*

O Lord of all, with us abide  
in this our joyful Eastertide;  
Alleluia, alleluia  
from every weapon death can wield  
thine own redeemed forever shield.  
*Alleluia, alleluia...*

All praise be thine, O risen Lord,  
From death to endless life restored:  
Alleluia, alleluia  
All praise to God the Father be  
And Holy Ghost eternally  
*Alleluia, alleluia....*

In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit **Amen.**

The Lord be with you  
**And also with you**

## ***Easter Acclamation***

Alleluia Christ is Risen  
**He is risen indeed Alleluia, Alleluia**

Gloria, gloria, in excelsis Deo. X2

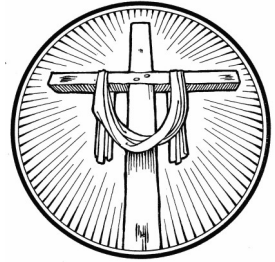
Lord God, heavenly King,  
peace you bring to us;  
we worship you, we give you thanks,  
we sing our song of praise.

Jesus, Saviour of all,  
Lord God, Lamb of God,  
you take away our sins, O Lord,  
have mercy on us all.

At the Father's right hand,  
Lord, receive our prayer,  
for you alone are the Holy One,  
and you alone are the Lord.

Glory, Father and Son,  
Glory, Holy Spirit,  
to you we raise our hands up high,  
we glorify your name.

Lord of all life and power,  
who through the mighty resurrection of your Son  
overcame the old order of sin and death  
to make all things new in him:  
grant that we, being dead to sin  
and alive to you in Jesus Christ,  
may reign with him in glory;  
to whom with you and the Holy Spirit  
be praise and honour, glory and might,  
now and in all eternity. **Amen.**



### ***Liturgy of the word***

*At the end of each of the first two readings the reader will say:*

This is the word of the Lord Alleluia, Alleluia  
**Thanks be to God Alleluia , Alleluia**

### **Hymn**

Jesus Christ is risen today, Alleluia  
Our triumphant holy day, Alleluia.  
Who didst once, upon the cross, Alleluia.  
Suffer to redeem our loss. Alleluia.

But the pains that he endured, Alleluia  
Our salvation have procured; Alleluia  
Now above the sky he's king, Alleluia  
Where the angels ever sing, 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

The Lord be with you  
**And also with you**

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to John  
**Glory to you O Lord. Alleluia, alleluia**

*At the end*

This is the Gospel of the Lord Alleluia, Alleluia  
**Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ Alleluia, Alleluia.**



## **Sermon**

### ***Renewal of Baptismal promises***

As we celebrate the resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ from the dead, we remember that through the paschal mystery we have died and been buried with him in baptism, so that we may rise with him to a new life within the family of his Church. Now that we have completed our observance of Lent, we renew the promises made at our baptism, affirming our allegiance to Christ, and our rejection of all that is evil. Therefore I ask these questions:

Do you turn to Christ?

**I turn to Christ.**

Do you repent of your sins?

**I repent of my sins.**

Do you renounce evil?

**I renounce evil.**

And now I ask you to make the profession of Christian faith into which you were baptized, and in which you live and grow. Do you believe and trust in God the Father, who made the world?

**I believe and trust in him**

Do you believe and trust in his Son Jesus Christ who redeemed mankind?

**I believe and trust in him.**

Do you believe and trust in his Holy Spirit, who gives life to the people of God?

**I believe and trust in him.**

This is the faith of the Church.

**This is our faith.**

**We believe and trust in one God,  
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.**

*The people are then sprinkled with the blessed water:*

## Hymn

Now the green blade riseth from the buried grain,  
Wheat that in dark earth many days has lain;  
Love lives again, that with the dead has been:

Love is come again, like wheat that springeth green

In the grave they laid him, love whom men had slain,  
Thinking that never he would wake again,  
Laid in the earth like grain that sleeps unseen; Chorus

Forth he came at Easter, like the risen grain,  
He that for three days in the grave had lain,  
Quick from the dead my risen Lord is seen: Chorus

When our hearts are wintry, grieving, or in pain,  
Thy touch can call us back to life again,  
Fields of our hearts that dead and bare have been: Chorus

Almighty God, we thank you for our fellowship in the household of faith with all those who have been baptised in your name. Keep us faithful to our baptism, and so make us ready for that day when the whole creation shall be made perfect in your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ.

**Amen.**

## *Prayers of Intercession*

The peace of the risen Lord be always with you Alleluia, Alleluia  
**and also with you. Alleluia, Alleluia**

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

*All exchange a sign of peace*



# *The Liturgy of the Eucharist*

## **Hymn**

Jesus lives! thy terrors now  
can no more, O death, appal us;  
Jesus lives! by this we know  
thou, O grave, canst not enthrall us.  
Alleluia!

Jesus lives! henceforth is death  
but the gate of life immortal;  
this shall calm our trembling breath  
when we pass its gloomy portal.  
Alleluia!

Jesus lives! for us he died;  
then, alone to Jesus living,  
pure in heart may we abide,  
glory to our Saviour giving.  
Alleluia!

Jesus lives! our hearts know well  
nought from us his love shall sever;  
life, nor death, nor powers of hell  
tear us from his keeping ever.  
Alleluia!

Jesus lives! to him the throne  
over all the world is given:  
may we go where he is gone,  
rest and reign with him in heaven.  
Alleluia!

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation:  
through your goodness we have this bread to set before you,  
which earth has given and human hands have made.  
It will become for us the bread of life.

**Blessed be God for ever.**

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation:  
through your goodness we have this wine to set before you,  
fruit of the vine and work of human hands.  
It will become for us the cup of salvation.

**Blessed be God for ever.**

**Be present, be present, Lord Jesus Christ our risen high priest;  
make yourself known in the breaking of bread.  
Amen.**

The Lord is here.

**His Spirit is with us.**

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 indeed right, it is our duty and our joy,  
at all times and in all places

to give you thanks and praise, holy Father, heavenly King,  
almighty and eternal God, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

But chiefly are we bound to praise you  
because you raised him gloriously from the dead.

For he is the true paschal lamb who was offered for us,  
and has taken away the sin of the world.

By his death he has destroyed death,  
and by his rising to life again he has restored to us eternal life.

Therefore with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven,  
we proclaim your great and glorious name,  
for ever praising you and singing:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord,  
God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

*Please sit or kneel*

We praise and bless you, loving Father,  
through Jesus Christ, our Lord;  
and as we obey his command,  
send your Holy Spirit,  
that broken bread and wine outpoured  
may be for us the body and blood of your dear Son.

On the night before he died he had supper with his  
friends

and, taking bread, he praised you.

He broke the bread, gave it to them and said:

Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;  
do this in remembrance of me.



When supper was ended he took the cup of wine.  
Again he praised you, gave it to them and said:  
Drink this, all of you;  
this is my blood of the new covenant,  
which is shed for you and for many  
for the forgiveness of sins.  
Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

So, Father, we remember all that Jesus did,  
in him we plead with confidence his sacrifice  
made once for all upon the cross.  
Bringing before you the bread of life and cup of salvation,  
we proclaim his death and resurrection  
until he comes in glory.

Great is the mystery of faith

**Christ has died:**

**Christ is risen:**

**Christ will come again.**

Lord of all life,  
help us to work together for that day  
when your kingdom comes  
and justice and mercy will be seen in all the earth.

Look with favour on your people,  
gather us in your loving arms  
and bring us with

The Blessed Virgin Mary, St. Anne St Andrew, St Edmund and all the  
saints  
to feast at your table in heaven.

Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
with all who stand before you in earth and heaven,  
we worship you, Father almighty,  
in songs of everlasting praise

**Blessing and honour and glory and power**

**Be yours for ever and ever. Amen**





## ***Communion Rite***

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.**

Jesus says, I am the bread of life,  
whoever eats this bread will live for ever.

**Lord, our hearts hunger for you;**

**give us this bread always.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, grant us your peace.**

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

**Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

*The celebrant and people receive communion.*

*Visitors: If you normally receive communion in your own church then you are welcome to receive the sacrament here.*

*If you would prefer to receive a blessing; please keep your hands down.*

*If you would prefer an intincted wafer; please point to that chalice.*

*Please note—all are welcome to come forward.*

## ***Concluding prayer***

God of Life,  
who for our redemption gave your only-begotten Son  
to the death of the cross,  
and by his glorious resurrection  
have delivered us from the power of our enemy:  
grant us so to die daily to sin,  
that we may evermore live with him in the joy of his  
risen life;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.      **Amen**

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

**He is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

God the Father,  
by whose love Christ was raised from the dead,  
open to you who believe the gates of everlasting life.

**Amen.**

God the Son,  
who in bursting from the grave has won a glorious victory,  
give you joy as you share the Easter faith.

**Amen.**

God the Holy Spirit,  
who filled the disciples with the life of the risen Lord,  
empower you and fill you with Christ's peace.

**Amen.**

And the blessing of God almighty,  
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,  
be among you and remain with you always.

**Amen.**

With the risen life of Christ within you,  
go in the peace of Christ. Alleluia! Alleluia!

**Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!**



## Final Hymn

The day of resurrection!  
Earth, tell it out abroad;  
the Passover of gladness,  
the Passover of God.  
From death to life eternal,  
from earth unto the sky,  
our Christ hath brought us over,  
with hymns of victory.

Our hearts be pure from evil,  
that we may see aright  
the Lord in rays eternal  
of resurrection light;  
and listening to his accents,  
may hear so calm and plain  
his own "All hail!" and, hearing,  
may raise the victor strain.

Now let the heavens be joyful!  
Let earth her song begin!  
The round world keep high triumph,  
and all that is therein!  
Let all things seen and unseen  
their notes in gladness blend,  
for Christ the Lord hath risen,  
our joy that hath no end.



*To each and to all;  
A very happy Easter  
And may the love and joy of the Risen Christ be in  
your hearts and your homes this day  
and ever more.*

