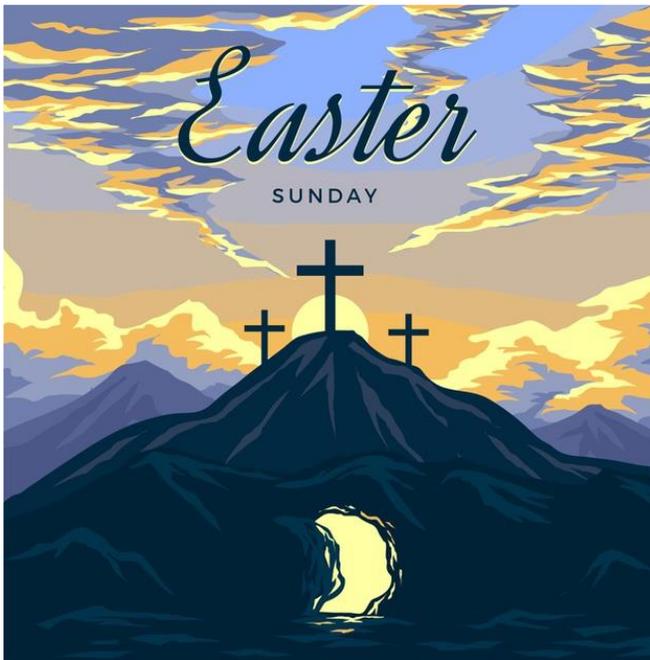


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Holy Communion



Sunday 4th April 2021 10am

Welcome in the name of Christ.
God's grace, mercy and peace be with you:
and also with you.

Alleluia. Christ is risen.
He is risen indeed. Alleluia.

This is the day when our Lord Jesus Christ passed from death to life. Throughout the world Christians celebrate the awesome power of God.

As we hear his word and proclaim all that God has done, we can be confident that we shall share his victory over death and live with him for ever.

We light the Easter Candle, saying

May the light of Christ, rising in glory,
banish all darkness from our hearts and minds.

The light of Christ.
Thanks be to God

Alleluia. Christ is risen.
He is risen indeed. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Welcome and Notices

Hymn:

Jesus Christ is ris'n 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 heav'nly King, Alleluia!

who endured the cross and grave, Alleluia!

sinner 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, all ye heav'nly host, Alleluia!

Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia!

Confession:

Christ died to sin once for all, and now he lives to God.

Let us renew our resolve to have done with all that is

evil and confess our sins in penitence and faith.

Romans 6.10

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 the God of love and power
forgive you and free you from your sins,
heal and strengthen you by his Spirit,
and raise you to new life in Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 25: 6-9
The feast of the Lord on the holy mountain

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Song:

Come People of the Risen King

Who delight to bring Him praise.

Come all and tune your hearts to sing,

To the Morning Star of grace.

From the shifting shadows of the earth,

We will lift our eyes to Him.

Where steady arms of mercy reach,

To gather children in.

Rejoice, rejoice! Let every tongue rejoice!

One heart, one voice; O Church of Christ, rejoice!

Come, those whose joy is morning sun,

And those weeping through the night.

Come, those who tell of battles won,

And those struggling in the fight.

For His perfect love will never change,

And His mercies never cease.

But follow us through all our days,

With the certain hope of peace.

Rejoice, rejoice! Let every tongue rejoice!

One heart, one voice; O Church of Christ, rejoice!

Come, young and old from every land,
Men and women of the faith.
Come, those with full or empty hands,
Find the riches of His grace.
Over all the world, His people sing,
Shore to shore we hear them call.
The Truth that cries through every age:
"Our God is all in all!"

*Rejoice, rejoice! Let every tongue rejoice!
One heart, one voice; O Church of Christ, rejoice!*

New Testament Reading: Acts 10: 34-43
Peter testifies to Christ crucified and risen

This is the word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Gospel Reading:

Please stand for the Gospel reading.

Alleluia, alleluia.

I am the first and the last, says the Lord, the living one;
I was dead, and behold I am alive for evermore.

Revelation 1.17,18

Alleluia.

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ,
according to John. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

John 20:1-18 - The empty tomb: Mary Magdalene meets the risen Lord

This is the Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon:

Prayers of Intercessions:

Lord, in your mercy
Hear our prayer.

Merciful Father
**Accept these prayers
For the sake of your Son
Our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen**

The Peace:

Alleluia. Christ is risen.
He is risen indeed. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

The peace of the Lord be always with you
and also with you.

Offertory Song:

In Christ Alone, my hope is found,
He is my light, my strength, my song.
This Cornerstone, this solid Ground,
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm.
What heights of love, what depths of peace,
When fears are stilled, when strivings cease.
My Comforter, my All in All,
Here in the love of Christ I stand.

In Christ alone! - who took on flesh,
Fullness of God in helpless babe.
This gift of love and righteousness,
Scorned by the ones He came to save.
Till on that cross as Jesus died,
The wrath of God was satisfied.
For every sin on Him was laid,
Here in the death of Christ I live.

There in the ground His body lay,
Light of the world by darkness slain:
Then bursting forth in glorious day,
Up from the grave He rose again.
And as He stands in victory,
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me.
For I am His and He is mine,
Bought with the precious blood of Christ.

No guilt in life, no fear in death,
This is the power of Christ in me.
From life's first cry to final breath,
Jesus commands my destiny.
No power of hell, no scheme of man,
Can ever pluck me from His hand.
Till He returns or calls me home,
Here in the power of Christ I'll stand.

Prayer at the Preparation of the Table:

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation.
In your loving care you spread before us the table of life
and give us the cup of salvation.
Keep us always in the fold of our Saviour and our
Shepherd, your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Communion:

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, our duty and our joy,
always and everywhere to give you thanks,
almighty and eternal Father,
and in these days of Easter
to celebrate with joyful hearts
the memory of your wonderful works.

For by the mystery of his passion
Jesus Christ, your risen Son,
has conquered the powers of death and hell
and restored in men and women
the image of your glory.
He has placed them once more in paradise
and opened to them the gate of life eternal.
And so, in the joy of this Passover,
earth and heaven resound with gladness,
while angels and archangels and the powers of all
creation sing for ever the hymn of your glory:

**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.**

Lord, you are holy indeed, the source of all holiness;
grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit,
and according to your holy will,
these gifts of bread and wine
may be to us the body and blood of our Lord Jesus
Christ;

Who, in the same night that he was betrayed,
took bread and gave you thanks;
he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;
do this in remembrance of me.

In the same way, after supper
he took the cup and gave you thanks;
he gave it to them, saying:
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.

Jesus Christ is Lord:
**Lord, by your cross and resurrection
you have set us free.
You are the Saviour of the world.**

And so, Father, calling to mind his death on the cross,
his perfect sacrifice made once for the sins of the
whole world;
rejoicing in his mighty resurrection and glorious
ascension,
and looking for his coming in glory,
we celebrate this memorial of our redemption.

As we offer you this our sacrifice of praise and
thanksgiving,
we bring before you this bread and this cup
and we thank you for counting us worthy
to stand in your presence and serve you.

Send the Holy Spirit on your people
and gather into one in your kingdom
all who share this one bread and one cup,
so that we, in the company of all the saints,
may praise and glorify you for ever,
through Jesus Christ our Lord;

by whom, and with whom, and in whom,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all honour and glory be yours,
almighty Father, for ever and ever.

Amen.

The Lord's Prayer:

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Lead us not into temptation
but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours
now and for ever. Amen.**

Breaking of the Bread:

**We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.
Though we are many, we are one body,
because we all share in one bread.**

Giving of Communion:

**Alleluia. Christ our passover is sacrificed for us.
Therefore, let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

***Please stay in your seats and we will bring
Communion to you.***

We listen to some Easter anthems.

Post Communion Prayer:

**Father of all,
we give you thanks and praise,
that when we were still far off
you met us in your Son and brought us home.
Dying and living, he declared your love,
gave us grace, and opened the gate of glory.
May we who share Christ's body live his risen life;
we who drink his cup bring life to others;
we whom the Spirit lights give light to the world.
Keep us firm in the hope you have set before us,
so we and all your children shall be free,
and the whole earth live to praise your name;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

***We now exit into our Easter Garden at the front of
church and face towards the empty tomb.***

Alleluia. Christ is risen.
He is risen indeed. Alleluia.

Praise the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.
He has given us new life and hope.
He has raised Jesus from the dead.

God has claimed us as his own.
He has brought us out of darkness.
He has made us light to the world.

Alleluia. Christ is risen.
He is risen indeed. Alleluia.

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 graveclothes where thy body lay.**
*Thine be the glory, risen, conquering Son,
endless is the victory 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.**
*Thine be the glory, risen, conquering Son,
endless is the victory thou o'er death hast won.*

No more we doubt thee, glorious Prince of life;
life is nought 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.
*Thine be the glory, risen, conquering Son,
endless is the victory thou o'er death hast won.*

Blessing:

God, who through the resurrection of our
Lord Jesus Christ
has given us the victory,
give you joy and peace in your faith;
And may the blessing of God Almighty,
Father, Son and Holy Spirit,
Rest upon us and fill us,
now and always. **Amen**

We are raised to new life with Christ.
Go in his peace. Alleluia.

Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.