

The Proclamation of the Resurrection

The angel said to the women, “Do not be afraid; for I know that you seek Jesus who was crucified. He is not here; for he has risen”

Matthew 28.5-6

The Choir may sing an introit

HYMN

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!

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THE BLESSING OF THE EASTER GARDEN

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation,
the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

To you be glory now and for ever.

In your great mercy you have given us a new birth
into a living hope

through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead.

By your blessing,

may we who have prepared this garden
in celebration of his victory

be strengthened in faith,

know the power of his presence,

and rejoice in the hope of eternal glory,

for he is alive and reigns for ever and ever.

Amen.

HYMN

PRAYERS OF PENITENCE

The President or Sub Deacon says

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 and help us.

Lord, hear us and help us.

The President pronounces the Absolution.

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

Amen.

GLORIA

**Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to his people on earth.**

**Lord God, heavenly King,
almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.**

**Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:
receive our prayer.**

**For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father.
Amen.**

COLLECT

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.

The Liturgy of the Word

READINGS

Sit for either one or two readings, after each we say

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

A canticle, psalm or anthem may follow the first reading.

Stand

HYMN

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia.

Jesus said, “I am the resurrection and the life.

Those who believe in me, even though they die will live,
and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die.”

Alleluia

GOSPEL READING

When the Gospel is announced the reader says

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to

Glory to you, O Lord.

At the end

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Sit

ADDRESS

THE RENEWAL OF BAPTISMAL VOWS

Stand and the President or another minister says

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 baptised, and in which you live and grow.

Do you believe and trust in God the Father,

source of all being and life,

the one for whom we exist?

I believe and trust in him.

Do you believe and trust in God the Son,
who took our human nature, died for us and rose again?
I believe and trust in him.

Do you believe and trust in the Holy Spirit,
who gives life to the people of God
and makes Christ known in the world?
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 President says

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 President or Sub Deacon says

In joy and hope let us pray to the Lord.

Kneel or sit

This or an alternative response may be used.

Lord, in your mercy
hear our prayer.

And at the end

Merciful Father,
accept these prayers
for the sake of your Son,
our Saviour Jesus Christ.

Amen.

The Liturgy of the Sacrament

THE PEACE

The risen Christ came and stood among his disciples
and said ‘Peace be with you’.

Then were they glad when they saw the Lord.
Alleluia.

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

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

PREPARATION OF THE TABLE

HYMN

The gifts of the people are gathered and presented.

The table is prepared and bread and wine placed upon it.

Yours Lord, is the greatness, the power,
the glory, the splendour and the majesty;
for everything in heaven and on earth is yours.

**All things come from you,
and of your own do we give you.**

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation:

In your loving care you spread before us the table of life
and gave us the cup of salvation to drink.

Keep us always in the fold of our Saviour and our Shepherd, your Son, Jesus
Christ our Lord.

Blessed be God for ever.

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

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 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.

Kneel or sit

**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.**

Accept our praises, heavenly Father,
through your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ,
and as we follow his example and obey his command,
grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit
these gifts of bread and wine may be to us his body
and his blood; 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.

Therefore, heavenly Father,
we remember his offering of himself
made once for all upon the cross;
we proclaim his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension;
we look for the coming of your kingdom,
and with this bread and this cup
we make the memorial of
Christ your Son our Lord.

The President or Sub Deacon says

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died:

Christ is risen:

Christ will come again.

Accept through him, our great high priest,
this our sacrifice of thanks and praise,
and as we eat and drink these holy gifts
in the presence of your divine majesty,
renew us by your Spirit, inspire us with your love
and unite us in the body of your Son,
Jesus Christ our Lord.

Through him, and with him, and in him,
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.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Rejoicing in God's new creation, as our Saviour taught us, so we pray:

**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.**

**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.**

THE BREAKING OF BREAD

The president breaks the consecrated bread:

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.**

The Agnus Dei is said or sung here or during the distribution

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

Or

**Jesus, Lamb of God
have mercy on us.**

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

**Jesus, bearer of our sins,
have mercy on us.**

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

**Jesus, redeemer of the world
grant us your peace.**

GIVING OF COMMUNION

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

We welcome to communion all who are full members of their own church.

If you would like to come up for a blessing, please bring your Order of Service with you.

Hymns and anthems may be sung during the distribution.

PRAYERS AFTER COMMUNION

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.

Followed by

**Almighty God,
we thank you for feeding us
with the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ.
Through him we offer you our souls and bodies
to be a living sacrifice.**

**Send us out
in the power of your Spirit
to live and work
to your praise and glory.
Amen.**

The Dismissal

Stand

HYMN

This may be sung here or at the end of the service

BLESSING

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 power that raised Jesus from the dead at work within you
go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia, Alleluia.

In the name of Christ. Amen.

Alleluia, Alleluia.

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