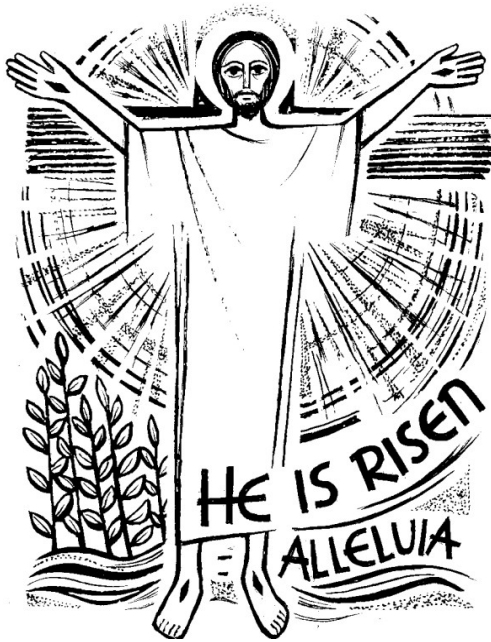


# Eucharist of Easter Day

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## ¶ The Service of Light

*Paschal candle is brought forward and placed in its stand.*

Christ yesterday and today,  
**the beginning and the end,**

Alpha and Omega, all time belongs to him, and all ages;  
**to him be glory and power,  
through every age and for ever. Amen.**

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.

*The Paschal Candle is lit*

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

The light of Christ.  
**Thanks be to God.**

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

*A fanfare is played.*

## **Gloria in Excelsis**

*(Tune: Cwn Rhondda, 'Guide me O thou great redeemer')*

**Glory be to God in heaven  
songs of joy and peace we bring,  
thankful hearts and voices raising  
to creation's Lord we sing  
Lord, we thank you  
Lord, we bless you,  
glory be to God our King  
glory be to God our King**

**Lamb of God, who on your shoulders  
bore the load of this world's sin,  
only Son of God the Father,  
you have bought us peace within:  
Lord, have mercy,  
Christ, have mercy,  
now your glorious reign begin  
now your glorious reign begin**

## **The Collect**

*The president introduces a period of silent prayer. Our individual thanksgivings, requests and concerns are then 'collected' together through the Collect Prayer.*

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*

### **Reading**

*At the end of the reading:*

For the word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

### **Gospel Reading**

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

Alleluia, alleluia.

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

**Alleluia.**

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

*At the end*

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

### **Sermon**

## **Thanksgiving for the Resurrection**

Let us bless the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.  
Let us praise and exalt him for ever.

**Blessing and honour and glory and power  
be to him who sits upon the throne  
and to the Lamb for ever and ever. Amen.  
Great and marvellous are your works,  
Lord God the almighty;  
just and true are your ways,  
King of saints;  
all glorious your gifts, Spirit of life.  
Blessing and honour  
and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving  
and honour and power and might  
be to our God for ever and ever. Amen.**

○ give thanks to the Lord, for he is gracious:  
**and his mercy endures for ever.**

He has loved us from all eternity:  
**for his mercy endures for ever.**

And remembered us when we were in trouble:  
**for his mercy endures for ever.**

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven:  
**for his mercy endures for ever.**

He became incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary  
and was made man:  
**for his mercy endures for ever.**

By his cross and passion he has redeemed the world:  
**for his mercy endures for ever.**

And has washed us from our sins in his own blood:  
**for his mercy endures for ever.**

On the third day he rose again:  
**for his mercy endures for ever.**

And has given us the victory:  
**for his mercy endures for ever.**

He ascended into heaven:  
**for his mercy endures for ever.**

And opened wide for us the everlasting doors:  
**for his mercy endures for ever.**

He is seated at the right hand of the Father:  
**for his mercy endures for ever.**

And ever lives to make intercession for us:  
**for his mercy endures for ever.**

**Glory to the Father and to the Son  
and to the Holy Spirit;  
as it was in the beginning is now  
and shall be for ever. Amen.**

For the gift of his Spirit:  
**blessed be Christ.**

For the catholic Church:  
**blessed be Christ.**

For the means of grace:  
**blessed be Christ.**

For the hope of glory:  
**blessed be Christ.**

For the triumphs of his gospel:  
**blessed be Christ.**

For the lives of his saints:  
**blessed be Christ.**

In joy and in sorrow:  
**blessed be Christ.**

In life and in death:  
**blessed be Christ.**

Now and to the end of the ages:  
**blessed be Christ.**

Blessing and honour and thanksgiving and praise  
more than we can utter,  
more than we can conceive,  
be to you, O most adorable Trinity,  
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,  
by all angels, all peoples, all creation,  
for ever and ever.

*Lancelot Andrewes (1626)*

**Amen. Alleluia.**

### ***Intercessions***

*Prayers are offered for the church, the world and those in need.*

### **¶ *The Liturgy of the Eucharist***

### ***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.

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

## **Preparation of the Table**

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

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

## **The Eucharistic Prayer**

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 on this day of our redemption  
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:

*(Tune: Ashgrove)*

**O holy most holy, the God of creation,  
for ever exalted in pow'r and great might.  
The earth and the heavens  
are full of your glory,  
Hosanna, hosanna  
and praise in the height.**

**How blessed is he  
who is sent to redeem us  
who puts every fear and injustice to flight;  
who comes in the name of the Lord  
as our Saviour,  
Hosanna, Hosanna  
and praise in the height.**

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 Our Lady Mary, St Oswin, St Andrew  
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,  
all honour and glory are yours, O loving Father,  
for ever and ever.  
**Amen.**

### **The Lord's Prayer**

So let us pray 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.**

### **Breaking of the Bread**

*(tune: Bunesan)*

**Lord by your death and,  
Lord, by your rising  
you have redeemed us, setting us free.  
You are the Saviour of all creation  
Come now in glory, that all may see.**

### **Act of Spiritual Communion**

Alleluia. Christ our passover is sacrificed for us.

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

Give thanks for the saving death and resurrection of Jesus and ask him to be with you now.

*Due to the COVID-19 pandemic many are still choosing to gather in worship via livestream rather than by physically gathering with others. All those gathered together for worship this morning, those online and those in church buildings, commune together with our Lord at this point. Spend time looking at the Holy Sacrament in awe and wonder that God became human in Jesus and is present with us in the bread and wine of the Eucharist. Spiritual Communion is the conscious willing and desire to be in sacramental relationship with our Lord whether or not receiving the elements of the Eucharist is possible. You may wish to pray the following prayer:*

Thanks be to you, Lord Jesus Christ, for all the benefits you have given me, for all the pains and insults you have borne for me. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, I ask you to come spiritually into my heart. O most merciful redeemer, friend and brother, may I know you more clearly, love you more dearly, and follow you more nearly, day by day. Amen.

### **Prayer after Communion**

*Silence is kept.*

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.**

### **¶ The Dismissal**

#### **The Blessing**

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

The God of peace,  
who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus,  
that great shepherd of the sheep,  
through the blood of the eternal covenant,  
make you perfect in every good work to do his will,  
working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight;  
and the blessing of God almighty,  
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,  
be among you and remain with you always.  
**Amen.**

#### **The Dismissal**

With the risen life of Christ within you,  
go in the peace of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia.  
**Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.**