



## Easter Day Communion Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> April 2021

*Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, "I have seen the Lord".  
(John 20: 18)*

**Alleluia! Christ is risen!**

### We Gather Together

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 Easter 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.**

## Hymn

This joyful Eastertide,  
away with sin and sorrow.  
My Love, the Crucified,  
hath sprung to life this morrow:

*Had Christ, that once was slain,  
ne'er burst his three-day prison,  
our faith had been in vain;  
but now is Christ arisen.*

My flesh in hope shall rest,  
and for a season slumber:  
till trump from east to west  
shall wake the dead in number:

Death's flood hath lost its chill,  
since Jesus crossed the river:  
Lover of souls, from ill  
my passing soul deliver:

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*Sung by: Rachel Dent, Edward Jerome, Samuel Jerome and Catherine Marsh*

## The Greeting

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

Praise to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ  
**He has given us new life and hope by raising Jesus from the dead**

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**He is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

## **We Confess Our Sins**

Like Mary at the empty tomb,  
we fail to grasp the wonder of your presence.  
Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

Like the disciples behind locked doors, we are afraid to be seen as your  
followers.  
Christ, have mercy. **Christ, have mercy.**

Like Thomas in the upper room, we are slow to believe.  
Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

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.**

*We stand*

## **Gloria in Excelsis**

*Missa Brevis  
by Benjamin Britten  
sung by Georgina Baguley, Isabelle Dodds, Maddy Belotti*

## **The Collect**

God of glory,  
by the raising of your Son  
you have broken the chains of death and hell:  
fill your Church with faith and hope;  
for a new day has dawned  
and the way to life stands open  
in our Saviour Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

John 20: 1-18

## **Gospel Reading**

## **Sermon**

*Rt Rev Nick Drayson  
Bishop of Northern Argentina*

## **We Declare our Faith**

Let us declare our faith  
in the resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ.

**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,**  
**was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and 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 and the Son,**  
**who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified,**  
**who 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.**

## **We Pray Together**

*The Prayers are led by Nell Baker*

Come, risen Lord,  
**and roll away the stone.**

*At the end*

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

## **We Share Communion**

### **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.

### **The Eucharistic Prayer**

*The President leads the prayer over the bread and wine. 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!**

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.

Great is the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.**

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 John of Beverley and 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.  
**All Amen.**

### **Lord's Prayer**

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.**

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

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

Music during Communion

*Now the green blade riseth*  
*Sung by: Sue Wheeldon, Sue Horridge, Kevin Wheeldon,*  
*Robert Poyser, Liam Ormston*

## Closing Prayer

**God of truth, we have seen with our eyes  
and touched with our hands the bread of life  
strengthen our faith  
that we may grow in love for you  
and for each other;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

We go in Peace

## 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 the blessing of God almighty,  
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,  
Be with us all, evermore. **Amen.**

## Hymn

Thine be the glory, risen, conqu'ring Son;  
endless is the vict'ry, thou o'er death hast won;  
angels in bright raiment rolled the stone away,  
kept the folded grave clothes where thy body lay.  
*Thine be the glory, risen conqu'ring Son,  
Endless is the vict'ry, 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.

No more we doubt thee, glorious Prince of Life;  
life is naught without thee; aid us in our strife;  
make us more than conqu'rors, through thy deathless love:  
bring us safe through Jordan to thy home above.

*Sung by: Tom Wale, David Almond, Jerome Robertson, Kevin Wheeldon*

## Dismissal

Go in the peace of Christ. Alleluia, Alleluia.  
**Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia.**



## **Voluntary**

Toccata

*Georgi Mushel*

*played by Robert Poyser*

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