

Morning Prayer for the Second Sunday of Easter

Sunday 1st May 2022 at 9.30 (call in from 9.15)

The Greeting

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

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

In your resurrection, O Christ,

All **Let heaven and earth rejoice.**

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

He is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Blessed are you, Lord God of our salvation,
to you be praise and glory for ever.

As once you ransomed your people from Egypt
and led them to freedom in the promised land,
so now you have delivered us from the dominion of darkness
and brought us into the kingdom of your risen Son.

May we, the first fruits of your new creation,
rejoice in this new day you have made,
and praise you for your mighty acts.

Blessed be God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

All **Blessed be God for ever.**

Easter Anthems

¹ Christ our Passover has been sacrificed for us:

All **so let us celebrate the feast,**

² not with the old leaven of corruption and wickedness:

All **but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth.**

1 Corinthians 5.7b, 8

³ Christ once raised from the dead dies no more:

All **death has no more dominion over him.**

⁴ In dying he died to sin once for all:
All **in living he lives to God.**
⁵ See yourselves therefore as dead to sin:
All **and alive to God in Jesus Christ our Lord.**

Romans 6.9–11

⁶ Christ has been raised from the dead:
All **the first fruits of those who sleep.**

⁷ For as by man came death:
All **by man has come also the resurrection of the dead;**
⁸ for as in Adam all die:
All **even so in Christ shall all be made alive.**

1 Corinthians 15.20–22

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

Prayer

The night has passed,
and the day lies open before us.
Let us pray with one heart and mind.

Come, let us enter the presence of the One who sits on the
heavenly throne.
Let us join with every creature in heaven and earth,
and add our voices to the choir of angels,
worshipping and praising our Creator,
the One Most Holy.
All **Amen.**

The Word of God

Revelation 5: 11-14

¹¹ Then I looked and heard the voice of many angels, numbering thousands upon thousands, and ten thousand times ten thousand. They encircled the throne and the living creatures and the elders. ¹² In a loud voice they were saying:

“Worthy is the Lamb, who was slain,
to receive power and wealth and wisdom and strength
and honour and glory and praise!”

¹³ Then I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and on the sea, and all that is in them, saying:

“To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb
be praise and honour and glory and power,
for ever and ever!”

¹⁴ The four living creatures said, “Amen,” and the elders fell down and worshipped.

This is the word of the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 30

All **I will give thanks to you,
for you have become my salvation.**

1 I will exalt you, O Lord,
because you have raised me up
and have not let my foes triumph over me.

2 O Lord my God, I cried out to you
and you have healed me.

3 You brought me up, O Lord, from the dead;
you restored me to life from among those that go down to the
Pit.

4 Sing to the Lord, you servants of his;
give thanks to his holy name.

5 For his wrath endures but the twinkling of an eye,
his favour for a lifetime.

Heaviness may endure for a night,
but joy comes in the morning.

All **I will give thanks to you,
for you have become my salvation.**

6 In my prosperity I said,
'I shall never be moved.
You, Lord, of your goodness,
have made my hill so strong.'

7 Then you hid your face from me
and I was utterly dismayed.

8 To you, O Lord, I cried;
to the Lord I made my supplication:

9 'What profit is there in my blood,
if I go down to the Pit?

Will the dust praise you or declare your faithfulness?

10 'Hear, O Lord, and have mercy upon me;
O Lord, be my helper.'

All **I will give thanks to you,
for you have become my salvation.**

11 You have turned my mourning into dancing;
you have put off my sackcloth and girded me with gladness;

12 Therefore my heart sings to you without ceasing;

O Lord my God, I will give you thanks for ever.

Refrain: You brought me up, O Lord, from the dead.

Lord, you hide your face
when we trust in ourselves;
strip us of false security
and re-clothe us in your praise,

that we may know you
as the one who raises us from death,
as you raised your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ.

All **Glory be to the Father and to the Son
and to the Holy Spirit,
as it was in the beginning,
world without end. Amen.**

John 21: 1-19

21 Afterward Jesus appeared again to his disciples, by the Sea of Galilee. It happened this way: ² Simon Peter, Thomas (also known as Didymus), Nathanael from Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee, and two other disciples were together. ³ “I’m going out to fish,” Simon Peter told them, and they said, “We’ll go with you.” So they went out and got into the boat, but that night they caught nothing.

⁴ Early in the morning, Jesus stood on the shore, but the disciples did not realize that it was Jesus.

⁵ He called out to them, “Friends, haven’t you any fish?”

“No,” they answered.

⁶ He said, “Throw your net on the right side of the boat and you will find some.” When they did, they were unable to haul the net in because of the large number of fish.

⁷ Then the disciple whom Jesus loved said to Peter, “It is the Lord!” As soon as Simon Peter heard him say, “It is the Lord,” he wrapped his outer garment around him (for he had taken it off) and jumped into the water. ⁸ The other disciples followed in the boat, towing the net full of fish, for they were not far from shore, about a hundred yards. ⁹ When they landed, they saw a fire of burning coals there with fish on it, and some bread.

¹⁰ Jesus said to them, “Bring some of the fish you have just caught.” ¹¹ So Simon Peter climbed back into the boat and dragged the net ashore. It was full of large fish, 153, but even with so many the net was not torn. ¹² Jesus said to them, “Come and have breakfast.” None of the disciples dared ask him, “Who are you?” They knew it was the Lord. ¹³ Jesus came, took the bread and gave it to them, and did the same with the fish. ¹⁴ This was now the third time Jesus appeared to his disciples after he was raised from the dead.

Jesus Reinstates Peter

¹⁵ When they had finished eating, Jesus said to Simon Peter, “Simon son of John, do you love me more than these?”

“Yes, Lord,” he said, “you know that I love you.”

Jesus said, “Feed my lambs.”

¹⁶ Again Jesus said, “Simon son of John, do you love me?”

He answered, “Yes, Lord, you know that I love you.”

Jesus said, “Take care of my sheep.”

¹⁷ The third time he said to him, “Simon son of John, do you love me?”

Peter was hurt because Jesus asked him the third time, “Do you love me?” He said, “Lord, you know all things; you know that I love you.”

Jesus said, “Feed my sheep. ¹⁸ Very truly I tell you, when you were younger you dressed yourself and went where you wanted; but when you are old you will stretch out your hands, and someone else will dress you and lead you where you do not want to go.” ¹⁹ Jesus said this to indicate the kind of

death by which Peter would glorify God. Then he said to him, "Follow me!"

This is the word of the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

Reflection

Prayers of Intercession

In the power of the Spirit, and in union with Christ,
let us pray to the Father.

Loving God,

we pray for those who carry the burden of guilt,
and all who bear the weight of failure...

May Jesus turn their lives around.

We pray for all who are afraid of their past,
and all who are fearful of their future...

May Jesus turn their lives around.

We pray for those desperate for forgiveness,
and determined to begin again...

May Jesus turn their lives around.

We pray for those whose mistakes are public,
and for leaders who have misused their power...

May Jesus turn their lives around.

We pray for ourselves and for one another.

May Jesus turn our lives around.

Amen.

The Collect

Almighty Father,
who in your great mercy gladdened the disciples
with the sight of the risen Lord:
give us such knowledge of his presence with us,
that we may be strengthened and sustained by his risen life
and serve you continually in righteousness and truth;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

All **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

All **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.**

The Blessing

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

All **Amen.**

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

All **Amen.**

God the Holy Spirit,
whom the risen Lord breathed into his disciples,
empower you and fill you with Christ's peace.

All **Amen.**

And the blessing of God Almighty,
the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit,
be amongst you and remain
with you this day and always.

All **Amen.**

Sending out

All **Send us out, Lord.**

Keep before us the vision of heaven on earth.

Show us the way of life

that is the pattern of Christ.

Fill our hearts with the hope and promise

**of your ongoing work of transformation in our lives,
now and every day.**

Amen.

What's On This Week

Wed 4 May at 10.00: Coffee Morning

The Coffee Morning on 4 May will be at the Red Lion Oakford. Please contact Sally Mundy (01884 254378) or Dawn Williams (01398 324035) if you would like to come or if you need a lift.

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