

Worship in Song

Your grace that leads this sinner home

Welcome & Easter Greeting

Hallelujah! Christ is risen.

He is risen indeed. Hallelujah

Shout of Praise (based on Psalm 100)

Shout with joy to the Lord.

Worship the Lord with gladness.

Come before him, singing with joy.

Know that the Lord is God.

He made us, and we are his.

We are his people, the sheep of his pasture.

Enter his gates with thanksgiving;

Go into his courts with praise.

Give thanks to him and bless his name.

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The King of Love is my delight,

His eyes are fire, his face is light,

The First and Last, the Living One, his name is Jesus.

And from his mouth there comes a sound
That shakes the earth and splits the ground,
And yet this voice is life to me, the voice of Jesus.

And I will sing my songs of love,

Calling out across the earth;

The King has come, the King of love has come.

And troubled minds can know His peace,

Captive hearts can be released;

The King has come, the King of love has come.

My Lover's breath is sweetest wine,

I am His prize, and he is mine;

How can a sinner know such joy? Because of Jesus.

The wounds of love are in His hands,

The price is paid for sinful man;

Accepted child, forgiven son, because of Jesus.

And my desire is to have you near;

Lord you know that you are welcome here.

Before such love, before such grace

I will let the walls come down (*repeat*)

Confession

God so loved the world that he gave his only Son Jesus Christ to save us from our sins, to be our advocate in heaven, and to bring us to eternal life. Let us confess our sins in penitence and faith, firmly resolved to keep God's commandments and to live in love and peace with all.

Most merciful God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, we confess that we have sinned in thought, word and deed. We have not loved you with our whole heart. We have not loved our neighbours as ourselves. In your mercy forgive what we have been, help us to amend what we are, and direct what we shall be; that we may do justly, love mercy, and walk humbly with you, our God. Amen.

God's Assurance of Forgiveness

Almighty God, who forgives all who truly repent, have mercy upon us, pardon and deliver us from all our sins, confirm and strengthen us in all goodness, and keep us in life eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Special Prayer for Today

Almighty God, whose Son Jesus Christ is the resurrection and the life: raise us, who trust in him, from the death of sin to the life of righteousness, that we may seek those things which are above, where he reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Bible Reading

Acts 4.5-22 (*Church Bible page 912*)

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

Sermon

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What gift of grace is Jesus my redeemer
There is no more for heaven now to give
He is my joy my righteousness and freedom
My steadfast love my deep and boundless peace
To this I hold my hope is only Jesus
For my life is wholly bound to his
Oh how strange and divine I can sing all is mine
Yet not I but through Christ in me

The night is dark but I am not forsaken
For by my side the Saviour he will stay
I labour on in weakness and rejoicing
For in my need his power is displayed
To this I hold my Shepherd will defend me
Through the deepest valley he will lead
Oh the night has been won and I shall overcome
Yet not I but through Christ in me

No fate I dread I know I am forgiven
The future sure the price it has been paid
For Jesus bled and suffered for my pardon
And he was raised to overthrow the grave
To this I hold my sin has been defeated
Jesus now and ever is my plea
Oh the chains are released I can sing I am free
Yet not I but through Christ in me

With every breath I long to follow Jesus
For he has said that he will bring me home
And day by day I know he will renew me
Until I stand with joy before the throne
To this I hold my hope is only Jesus
All the glory evermore to him
When the race is complete still my lips shall repeat
Yet not I but through Christ in me

Creed

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

Christ died for our sins in accordance with the
scriptures; he was buried; he was raised to life on
the third day in accordance with the scriptures;
afterwards he appeared to his followers, and to
all the apostles: this we have received, and this
we believe. Amen.

Prayers

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

The Peace

Once we were far off, but now in union with
Christ Jesus we have been brought near
through the shedding of Christ's blood, for he
is our peace.

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

Hymn played to conclude The Peace

Abba Father, let me be yours and yours alone.
May my will for ever be evermore your own.
Never let my heart grow cold, never let me go,
Abba Father, let me be yours and yours alone.

Offertory Prayer

Heavenly Father, your love for us is beyond
measure. Here we offer for your work a due
proportion of what we have, in gratitude for
what you have given us. This we pray in Jesus
name who gave his very life for us. Amen.

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:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. 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.

Great is 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

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

Every time we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

Giving of Communion

Draw near with faith. Receive the body of our Lord Jesus Christ which he gave for you, and his blood which he shed for you. Eat and drink in remembrance that he died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

We receive communion

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Your grace that leads this sinner home
From death to life forever
And sings the song of righteousness
By blood and not by merit

Your grace that reaches far and wide
To every tribe and nation
Has called my heart to enter in
The joy of Your salvation

By grace I am redeemed
By grace I am restored
And now I freely walk
Into the arms of Christ my Lord

Your grace that I cannot explain
Not by my earthly wisdom
The prince of life, without a stain
Was traded for this sinner

Let praise rise up and overflow
My song resound forever
For grace will see me welcomed home
To walk beside my Saviour

Worship in Song - during communion

The Lord's my Shepherd I'll not want
He makes me lie in pastures green
He leads me by the still still waters
His goodness restores my soul

And I will trust in You alone
And I will trust in You alone
For Your endless mercy follows me
Your goodness will lead me home

He guides my ways in righteousness
And He anoints my head with oil
And my cup it overflows with joy
I feast on His pure delights

And though I walk the darkest path
I will not fear the evil one
For You are with me
And Your rod and staff
Are the comfort I need to know

Prayer after Communion

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.

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In days of peace and days of rest
In times of loss and loneliness
Though rich or poor your word is true
That all my ways are known to you

No trial has come beyond your hand
No step I walk beyond your plan
The path is dark outside my view
Still all my ways are known to you

And O what peace that I have found
Wherever I may be
For all my ways are known to you
Hallelujah they are known to you

I do not fear the final night
For death will be the door to life
You take my hand and lead me through
For all my ways are known to you

Bridge

Open up my eyes so I may see
That you have made these ways for me
Open up my eyes so I may see
That you my God will walk with me

Blessing

Go forth into the world in peace; be of good
courage; hold fast that which is good; render
to no one evil for evil; strengthen the
fainthearted; support the weak; help the
afflicted; honour everyone; love and serve the
Lord, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit;
and the blessing of God almighty, the Father,
the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and
remain with you always. Amen.

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