

***Worship in Song***

There is a hope that burns within my heart

***Welcome***

***Worship in Song***

Come people of the risen King  
Who delight to bring him praise  
Come all and tune your hearts to sing  
To the morning star of grace  
From the shifting shadows of the earth  
We will lift our eyes to him  
Where steady arms of mercy reach  
To gather children in

Rejoice rejoice let every tongue rejoice  
One heart one voice O Church of Christ rejoice

Come those whose joy is morning sun  
And those weeping through the night  
Come those who tell of battles won  
And those struggling in the fight  
For his perfect love will never change  
And his mercies never cease  
But follow us through all our days  
With the certain hope of peace

Come young and old from every land  
Men and women of the faith  
Come those with full or empty hands  
Find the riches of his grace  
Over all the world his people sing  
Shore to shore we hear them call  
The truth that cries through every age  
Our God is all in all

***Confession***

Gracious and merciful God, we confess to you our  
reluctance to get involved in difficult situations, and  
for the times when we are tempted to do what is  
easy rather than what is right:

**Forgive us, O God, and increase our trust in you.**

When we are tempted to use the gifts you give  
us to benefit ourselves at the expense of  
serving others:

**Forgive us, O God, and increase our trust in you.**

When we are tempted to boast, rather than  
being guided by the humility of Christ:  
**Forgive us, O God, and increase our trust in you.**

When we are tempted to use power to  
influence and control others:  
**Forgive us, O God, and increase our trust in you.**

**Merciful God, save us from the time of trial and  
deliver us from evil. Forgive us our sins and fill us  
with the joy and peace of your salvation. So  
strengthen us with your Spirit during this Lenten  
season that we put our whole trust in you as  
confidently as Jesus did. This we pray in the  
name of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

***Special Prayer for Today***

Almighty God, whose Son Jesus Christ fasted  
forty days in the wilderness, and was tempted  
as we are, yet without sin: give us grace to  
discipline ourselves in obedience to your Spirit;  
and, as you know our weakness, so may we  
know your power to save; 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. **Amen.**

***Bible Readings***

Deuteronomy 6.1-9 (*Church Bible page 151*)

John 10.22-33 (*Church Bible page 896*)

***Sermon***

***Worship in Song***

There is a hope that burns within my heart,  
That gives me strength for every passing day  
A glimpse of glory now revealed in meagre part,  
Yet drives all doubt away:

I stand in Christ, with sins forgiven;  
And Christ in me, the hope of heaven.  
My highest calling and my deepest joy,  
To make his will my home.

There is a hope that lifts my weary head,  
A consolation strong against despair,  
That when the world has plunged me in its deepest pit  
I find the Saviour there.

Through present sufferings, future's fear,  
He whispers 'courage' in my ear.  
For I am safe in everlasting arms,  
And they will lead me home.

There is a hope that stands the test of time,  
That lifts my eyes beyond the beckoning grave,  
To see the matchless beauty of a day divine  
When I behold his face.

When sufferings cease and sorrows die,  
And every longing satisfied.  
Then joy unspeakable will flood my soul,  
For I am truly home

### ***Nicene Creed***

**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.**

### ***Prayers***

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

### ***The Peace***

Since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, who has given us access to his grace.

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

### ***Worship in Song***

In the darkness we were waiting  
Without hope without light  
Till from heaven you came running  
There was mercy in your eyes  
To fulfil the law and prophets  
To a virgin came the Word  
From a throne of endless glory  
To a cradle in the dirt

Praise the Father, praise the Son  
Praise the Spirit three in one  
God of glory, majesty  
Praise forever to the King of kings

To reveal the kingdom coming  
And to reconcile the lost  
To redeem the whole creation  
You did not despise the cross  
For even in your suffering  
You saw to the other side  
Knowing this was our salvation  
Jesus for our sake you died

And the morning that you rose  
All of heaven held its breath  
Till that stone was moved for good  
For the Lamb had conquered death  
And the dead rose from their tombs  
And the angels stood in awe  
For the souls of all who'd come  
To the Father are restored

And the Church of Christ was born  
Then the Spirit lit the flame  
Now this gospel truth of old  
Shall not kneel shall not faintZ  
By his blood and in His Name  
In his freedom I am free  
For the love of Jesus Christ  
Who has resurrected me

## ***Offertory Prayer***

In his hour of his temptation, when Jesus hungered, he quoted his Father's words to Israel in the wilderness: "Man does not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of the Lord." Lord, we thank you that you have provided all we need. All that we have is yours. Receive the offering of our hands and the gratitude of our hearts. In the name of our Saviour we pray. **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 and good to give you thanks and praise, almighty God and everlasting Father, through Jesus Christ your Son. For in these forty days you lead us into the desert of repentance that through a pilgrimage of prayer and discipline we may grow in grace and learn to be your people once again. Through fasting, prayer and acts of service you bring us back to your generous heart. Through study of your holy word you open our eyes to your presence in the world and free our hands to welcome others into the radiant splendour of your love. As we prepare to celebrate the Easter feast with joyful hearts and minds we bless you for your mercy and join with saints and angels for ever praising you and saying:

**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...

## ***Breaking of the Bread***

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.  
**Though we are many, we are one body,  
because we all share in one bread.**

## ***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*

***Worship in Song*** - during communion

I cast my mind to Calvary  
Where Jesus bled and died for me  
I see His wounds His hands His feet  
My Saviour on that cursed tree

His body bound and drenched in tears  
They laid Him down in Joseph's tomb  
The entrance sealed by heavy stone  
Messiah still and all alone

O praise the Name of the Lord our God  
O praise His Name forevermore  
For endless days we will sing Your praise  
Oh Lord oh Lord our God

Then on the third at break of dawn  
The Son of heaven rose again  
O trampled death where is your sting  
The angels roar for Christ the King

He shall return in robes of white  
The blazing sun shall pierce the night  
And I will rise among the saints  
My gaze transfixed on Jesus' face

***Worship in Song*** - during communion

Sister let me wipe your tears  
Brother let me bear your fears  
Come on every daughter every son  
Let us walk in love for we are one

Though we walk a long and broken road  
We are here to bear each other's load  
And forgive as you've forgiven us  
Let us walk in love for we are one

We are one in the Father's love  
We of every tribe and every tongue  
We are found in the risen Son  
We are bound together by his blood  
Let us walk in love for we are one

There's a love that conquers all divides  
There's a love that paid the greatest price  
For the battle over death is won  
Now alive in Christ we live as one

On the day you come to call us home  
With the multitude before the throne  
Now with all the saints who've overcome  
For eternity we'll sing as one

***Prayer after Communion***

Lord God, you have renewed us with the living bread from heaven; by it you nourish our faith, increase our hope, and strengthen our love: teach us always to hunger for him who is the true and living bread, and enable us to live by every word that proceeds from out of your mouth; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

***Worship in Song***

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***

The Lord bless you and watch over you, the Lord make his face shine upon you and be gracious to you, the Lord look kindly on you and give you peace And may the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be with you now and always. **Amen.**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.  
**In the name of Christ. Amen.**