

Welcome

Easter Greeting

Hallelujah. Christ is risen.

He is risen indeed. Hallelujah!

Worship in Song

Rejoice in the Lord now and always
Sing it again we rejoice
Delight in the love he has shown us
Gratefully lift up your voice
His gentleness among us
Will join our hearts with praise
We gather in his goodness, a family of grace

With each breath he's given praise the Lord
In these times we live in we will praise the Lord
Throughout every season I am sure
We have every reason to praise the Lord

Rejoice and be anxious for nothing
Praying for all that you need
Come with a song of thanksgiving
Lay your requests at his feet
His peace will fall upon us
To guard our hearts and minds
In Christ who reigns eternal, shepherd of our lives

Rejoice in the Lord now and always
Tell of the good he has done
Worship the Lord to remember
All of the joy yet to come
The hope that burns within us
The dark cannot destroy
With praise that's never ending, we say again rejoice

Confession

Lord Jesus Christ, crucified, risen and ascended for us: we have not loved you as our Redeemer, nor obeyed you as our Lord; we have not brought our prayers to you, nor heeded your tears shed over the world. Forgive us, we pray; breathe into us a new spirit of service, and make us joyfully obedient to your will: for your glory's sake. Amen

May almighty God, who sent his Son into the world to save sinners, bring you his pardon and peace, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Special Prayer for Today

Almighty God, who through your only-begotten Son Jesus Christ have overcome death and opened to us the gate of everlasting life: grant that, as by your grace going before us you put into our minds good desires, so by your continual help we may bring them to good effect; through Jesus Christ our risen Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Bible Readings

1 John 4.1-21 (*Church Bible page 1023*)

Luke 10.25-37 (*Church Bible page 869*)

Sermon

Worship in Song

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

The risen Christ came and stood among his
disciples and said, 'Peace be with you.'
Then were they glad when they saw the Lord

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

Worship in Song

Hear the call of the kingdom
Lift your eyes to the King
Let his song rise within you as a fragrant offering
Of how God rich in mercy came in Christ to redeem
All who trust in his unfailing grace

Hear the call of the kingdom
To be children of light
With the mercy of heaven the humility of Christ
Walking justly before him
Loving all that is right
That the life of Christ may shine through us

King of heaven we will answer the call
We will follow bringing hope to the world
Filled with passion filled with power to proclaim
Salvation in Jesus' name

Hear the call of the kingdom
To reach out to the lost
With the Father's compassion
In the wonder of the cross
Bringing peace and forgiveness
And a hope yet to come
Let the nations put their trust in him

Offertory Prayer

**Lord Jesus Christ, for our sake you became
poor. May our lives and gifts enrich the life of
your world. 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.

Father, you made the world and love your
creation. You gave your Son Jesus Christ to be
our Saviour. His dying and rising have set us free
from sin and death. And so we gladly thank you,
with saints and angels 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.**

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.

Christ is the bread of life:

When we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim your death, Lord Jesus, until you come in glory.

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 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

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

Worship in Song during communion

Be still for the presence of the Lord the Holy One is here
Come bow before him now with reverence and fear
In him no sin is found, we stand on holy ground
Be still for the presence of the Lord the Holy One is here

Be still for the glory of the Lord is shining all around
He burns with holy fire, with splendour he is crowned
How awesome is the sight, our radiant King of light
Be still for the glory of the Lord is shining all around

Be still for the power of the Lord is moving in this place
He comes to cleanse and heal to minister his grace
No work too hard for him, in faith receive from him
Be still for the power of the Lord is moving in this place

Worship in Song during communion

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

Prayer after Communion

Father of all, we give you thanks and praise, that when we were still far off you met us in your Son and brought us home. Dying and living, he declared your love, gave us grace, and opened the gate of glory.

May we who share Christ's body live his risen life; we who drink his cup bring life to others; we whom the Spirit lights give light to the world. Keep us firm in the hope you have set before us, so we and all your children shall be free, and the whole earth live to praise your name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Worship in Song

There is good news for the captive
Good news for the shamed
There is good news for the one who walked away
There is good news for the doubter
The one religion failed
For the good Lord has come to seek and save

He's our rescuer, he's our rescuer
We are free from sin forevermore
Oh how sweet the sound
Oh how grace abounds
We will praise the Lord our rescuer

He is beauty for the blind man, riches for the poor
He is friendship for the one the world ignores
He is pasture for the weary
Rest for those who strive
Oh the good Lord is the way the truth the life
Yes the good Lord is the way the truth the life

So come and be chainless
Come and be fearless
Come to the foot of Calvary
There is redemption for every affliction
Here at the foot of Calvary

Blessing

We have eaten together with the risen Christ. Go out then, as witnesses of these things. Attend to your heart, worship with integrity, trust in the Lord. Proclaim forgiveness and healing in his name to all. And may God raise you from death to life; may Christ Jesus cast out your fear and doubt; and may the Holy Spirit give your heart joy, even as the bread and wine give your body life; 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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