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Easter Day

31st March 2024

“In their fright the women bowed down with their faces to the ground, but the men said to them, “Why do you look for the living among the dead?

He is not here; He has risen!”

Luke 24:5-6

We meet in the name of God.
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit

Hallelujah, Christ is risen,
He is risen indeed. Hallelujah.

HYMN

JESUS CHRIST IS RISEN TODAY; HALLELUJAH!

Our triumphant holy day; Hallelujah!
Who did once upon the cross; Hallelujah!
Suffer to redeem our loss; Hallelujah!

Hymns of praise then let us sing; Hallelujah!
Unto Christ our heavenly King; Hallelujah!
Who endured the cross and grave; Hallelujah!
Sinners to redeem and save: Hallelujah!

But the pains which He endured; Hallelujah!
Our salvation have procured; Hallelujah!
Now in heaven above He's King; Hallelujah!
Where the angels ever sing: Hallelujah!

PRAYER

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.

THE EASTER READING

Luke 24:1-12 P, 1061

HE'S THE KING OF KINGS

*He's the Lord of lords
He can heal the sick
He can calm the storm
He's the Son of God
He can save us from sin
And He calls us to follow Him*

Jesus met a man covered in disease
Knew he needed to be clean
Jesus just touched him
The disease was gone
Only God can do that
Who is this man?

Song Continued overleaf...

Jesus and his friends caught in a storm.
Lookin' like they're gonna drown.
Jesus yelled: "QUIET!"
and the storm was calm.
Only God can do that!
Who is this man?

Jesus on a cross was crucified
Darkness covered all the land
After three days
Jesus rose again
Only God can do that
Who is this man?

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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

EASTER TALK

Rev. Joe Dent

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

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

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

HYMN

SEE HIM IN JERUSALEM

Walking where the crowds are
Once these streets had sung to Him
Now they cry for murder
Such a frail and lonely Man
Holding up the heavy cross
See Him walking in Jerusalem
On the road to save us

See Him there upon the hill
Hear the scorn and laughter
Silent as a lamb He waits
Praying to the Father
See the King who made the sun
And the moon and shining stars
Let the soldiers hold and nail Him down
So that He could save them

See Him there upon the cross
Now no longer breathing
Dust that formed the watching crowds
Takes the blood of Jesus
Feel the earth is shaking now
See the veil is split in two
And He stood before the wrath of God
Shielding sinners with His blood

Song Continued overleaf...

See the empty tomb today
Death could not contain Him
Once the Servant of the world
Now in vict'ry reigning
Lift your voices to the One
Who is seated on the throne
See Him in the New Jerusalem
Praise the One who saved us

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CONFESSION

The minister invites the congregation to confess their sins.

Jesus Christ, risen Master and triumphant Lord,
we come to you in sorrow for our sins,
and confess to you our weakness and unbelief.

We have lived by our own strength,
and not by the power of your resurrection.
In your mercy, forgive us.
Lord, hear us and help us.

We have lived by the light of our own eyes,
as faithless and not believing.
In your mercy, forgive us.
Lord, hear us and help us.

We have lived for this world alone,
and doubted our home in the new creation.
In your mercy, forgive us.
Lord, hear us and help us.

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

COMMUNION

We do not presume to come to this your table, merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in your manifold and great mercies.
We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under your table, but you are the same Lord whose nature is always to have mercy.
Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ and to drink his blood, that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body, and our souls washed through his most precious blood, and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

The Lord Jesus, on the night he was betrayed, took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, "This is my body, which is for you; do this in remembrance of me." In the same way, after supper he took the cup, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood; do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

Father, as we bring this bread and wine, and remember his death and resurrection, send your Holy Spirit on us, that we who share these gifts may be fed by Christ's body and his blood.

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

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.

Please come forward to receive communion as directed by the stewards.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

The disciples were filled with joy when they saw the Lord; and He said to them again: Peace be with you. Hallelujah.

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.

HYMN

THINE BE THE GLORY,

Risen, conquering Son;
Endless is the victory
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, conquering Son;
Endless is the victory
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.

Thine be the glory...

No more we doubt Thee,
Glorious Prince of life;
Life is naught without Thee:
Aid us in our strife;
Make us more than conquerors,
Through Thy deathless love;
Lead us in Thy triumph
To Thy home above.

Thine be the glory...

BLESSING

Go in the peace of Christ. Hallelujah.
Thanks be to God. Hallelujah!

Sunday Services

Sunday 7th April 9:30am, 11:15am and 6:30pm

Sunday 14rd April 9:30am, 11:15am and 6:30pm

Sunday 21st April 9:30am, 11:15am and 6:30pm

Sunday 28th April 10am Joint Service followed by
the APCM

Evening services at 6:30pm

*Hope
for
Life*

An evening of music and stories of changed lives.

Saturday 4th May at 7:30pm

Tickets £5 in aid of Sunflower women's Centre from the
Church Office