

EASTER

Reading

Welcome

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

Praise the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ:

he has given us new life and hope by raising Jesus from the dead.

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[Hymn] Confession

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 heaven. In your mercy, forgive us.

Lord, hear us and help us.

May the Father of all mercies cleanse you from your sins, and restore you in his image to the praise and glory of his name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Collect

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

[Hymn]

Gospel Reading

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to [N].

Glory to you, O Lord.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

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.

> [Hymn] **Prayers**

Rejoicing in God's new creation, as our Saviour has taught us, so we pray:

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.

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. Alleluia.

The peace of the Lord be always with you

and also with you.

We offer a sign of peace to one another [Hymn]

Dismissal

God the Father,

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

Amen.

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

Amen.

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

Amen.

And the blessing...

Let us bless the Lord:

thanks be to God.
Blessing, honour and glory be yours, here and everywhere, now and for ever.
Amen.