

EASTER SUNDAY

April 4, 2021



Alleluia! Christ is risen.

The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!

May his grace and peace be with you.

May he fill our hearts with joy.

Almighty God,

to you all hearts are open,

all desires known,

and from you no secrets are hidden.

Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts

by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,

that we may perfectly love you,

and worthily magnify your holy name;

through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Alleluia! The Lord is risen indeed: O come, let us worship.

Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24

118:1 O give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; his steadfast love endures forever!

118:2 Let Israel say, "His steadfast love endures forever."

118:14 The LORD is my strength and my might; he has become my salvation.

118:15 There are glad songs of victory in the tents of the righteous: "The right hand of the LORD does valiantly;

118:16 the right hand of the LORD is exalted; the right hand of the LORD does valiantly."

118:17 I shall not die, but I shall live, and recount the deeds of the LORD.

118:18 The LORD has punished me severely, but he did not give me over to death.

118:19 Open to me the gates of righteousness, that I may enter through them and give thanks to the LORD.

118:20 This is the gate of the LORD; the righteous shall enter through it.

118:21 I thank you that you have answered me and have become my salvation.

118:22 The stone that the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone.

118:23 This is the Lord's doing; it is marvelous in our eyes.

118:24 This is the day that the LORD has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.

A Reading from Isaiah 25:6-9

25:6 On this mountain the LORD of hosts will make for all peoples a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wines, of rich food filled with marrow, of well-aged wines strained clear.

25:7 And he will destroy on this mountain the shroud that is cast over all peoples, the sheet that is spread over all nations; he will swallow up death forever.

25:8 Then the Lord GOD will wipe away the tears from all faces, and the disgrace of his people he will take away from all the earth, for the LORD has spoken.

25:9 It will be said on that day, Lo, this is our God; we have waited for him, so that he might save us. This is the LORD for whom we have waited; let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

CP 230 The Tomb is Empty Come and See

1 The tomb is empty!
Come and see where once the body lay.
Can it be true that Jesus Christ
Is raised to life today?

2 The tomb is empty!
Come and hear these words of life and
peace:
"He is not here. He lives again
In all your Galilees"

3 The tomb is empty!
Come and touch the stone and folded
shroud.
Christ lives indeed. Alleluia!
Believers, shout aloud!

4 The tomb is empty!
Come and meet the risen Christ our Lord
In whom we have our victory
In whom is life restored.

A Reading from Acts 10:34-43

10:34 Then Peter began to speak to them: "I truly understand that God shows no partiality,

10:35 but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him.

10:36 You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ--he is Lord of all.

10:37 That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced:

10:38 how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him.

10:39 We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree;

10:40 but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear,

10:41 not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead.

10:42 He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead.

10:43 All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name."

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

CCLI 7127647 King of Kings

1. 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

Chorus

Praise the Father
Praise the Son
Praise the Spirit three in one
God of Glory
Majesty
Praise forever to the King of kings

2. 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

Chorus

Praise the Father
Praise the Son
Praise the Spirit three in one
God of Glory
Majesty
Praise forever to the King of kings

3. 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

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

Chorus

Praise the Father
Praise the Son
Praise the Spirit three in one
God of Glory
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The Gospel

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark
Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Mark 16:1-8

16:1 When the sabbath was over, Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices, so that they might go and anoint him.

16:2 And very early on the first day of the week, when the sun had risen, they went to the tomb.

16:3 They had been saying to one another, "Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance to the tomb?"

16:4 When they looked up, they saw that the stone, which was very large, had already been rolled back.

16:5 As they entered the tomb, they saw a young man, dressed in a white robe, sitting

on the right side; and they were alarmed.

16:6 But he said to them, "Do not be alarmed; you are looking for Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has been raised; he is not here. Look, there is the place they laid him.

16:7 But go, tell his disciples and Peter that he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him, just as he told you."

16:8 So they went out and fled from the tomb, for terror and amazement had seized them; and they said nothing to any one, for they were afraid.

The Gospel of Christ

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

CP 203 Jesus Christ is Risen Today

1 Jesus Christ is risen today, alleluia!
our triumphant holy day, alleluia!
who did once, upon the cross, alleluia!
suffer to redeem our loss. Alleluia!

2 Hymns of praise then let us sing, alleluia!
unto Christ our heavenly King, alleluia!
who endured the cross and grave, alleluia!
sinners to redeem and save. Alleluia!

3 But the pains which he endured, alleluia!
our salvation have procured; alleluia!
now above the sky he's king, alleluia!
where the angels ever sing. Alleluia!

Sermon by the Rev. Heather Liddell

CCLI #7007289 Alleluia Love is Alive

1. People of God see the morning is new
Rise from your sleeping and run to the tomb
Come and see come and see He is alive
A grave that is empty a promise fulfilled
God who was with us is here with us still
He is here He is here He is alive

Chorus

Alleluia love is alive
Conquered the grave and defeated the night
Alleluia love is alive
The Son has arisen for all
Your people sing alleluia

2. People of God let your fear fall away
Your chains have been broken abandon your shame
Lift your hearts lift your hearts He is alive
Here now is mercy embracing your soul
Here the fulfillment that once was foretold
It is true it is true He is alive

Chorus

Alleluia love is alive
Conquered the grave and defeated the night
Alleluia love is alive
The Son has arisen for all
Your people sing alleluia

3. People of God now rejoicing in Christ
Carry your joy to the darkness of night
Tell the world tell the world He is alive
Hear the good news of this glorious day
Every heart singing as heaven proclaims
He is Lord He is Lord He is alive

Chorus

Alleluia love is alive
Conquered the grave and defeated the night
Alleluia love is alive
The Son has arisen for all
Your people sing alleluia

The Renewal of Baptismal Vows

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

We thank you, Almighty God, for the gift of water. Over water the Holy Spirit moved in the beginning of creation. Through water you led the children of Israel out of their bondage in Egypt into the land of promise. In water your Son Jesus received the baptism of John and was anointed by the Holy Spirit as the Messiah, the Christ, to lead us, through his death and resurrection, from the bondage of sin into everlasting life.

We thank you, Father, for the water of baptism. In it we are buried with Christ in his death. By it we share in his resurrection. Through it we are reborn by the Holy Spirit. Therefore in joyful obedience to your Son, we celebrate our fellowship in him in faith. We pray that all who have passed through the water of baptism may continue for ever in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Saviour.

To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be all honour and glory, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Dear friends,
through the paschal mystery
we have been buried with Christ in baptism,
so that we may rise with him to a new life.
Now that our Lenten observance is ended,
let us renew the promises we made in baptism,
when we rejected Satan and all his works,
and promised to serve God faithfully
in his holy catholic Church.

Do you reaffirm your renunciation of evil and renew your commitment to Jesus Christ?

People: **I do.**

Do you believe in God the Father?

People: **I believe in God,
the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

People: **I believe in Jesus Christ,
his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the Virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again
to judge the living and the dead.**

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

People: **I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting.**

Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?

People: **I will, with God's help.**

Will you persevere in resisting evil and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

People: **I will, with God's help.**

Will you proclaim by word and example the good news of God in Christ?

People: **I will, with God's help.**

Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbour as yourself?

People: **I will, with God's help.**

Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?

People: **I will, with God's help.**

Will you strive to safeguard the integrity of God's creation, and respect, sustain and renew the life of the Earth?

People **I will, with God's help.**

God the creator, the rock of our salvation,
has given us new birth by water and the Holy Spirit,
and bestowed upon us the forgiveness of sins,
through our Lord Jesus Christ.
May he keep us faithful to our calling,
now and for ever. **Amen.**

Easter Prayers of the People compiled and led by the Rev. Alison Westervelt

Alleluia! What was dead shall live; what was dark shall shine; what was forgotten shall be remembered; for the Lord is risen and walks among us. Let us confidently bring before God the needs of all our world, asking God for renewal, saying, Christ is risen,

Christ is risen indeed.

God of life, in gratitude and great joy we praise you for the gift of Christ's resurrection. On this day give us hope, for Christ is risen,

Christ is risen indeed.

On this feast day which brings joy to all Christian believers, we pray:

- for the peace of Jerusalem
- for the Diocese of Rupert's Land and her Bishop the Rt. Rev. Geoffrey Woodcroft.
- for St. Saviour, Vermilion and her Rector, Elizabeth Metcalfe and the Honorary Assistant, Aubrey Bell
- for all lay people in parishes through the Diocese of Buyé.
- for our brothers and sisters of the Montana First Nation.
- for our Diocese of Edmonton, our Bishop Jane as she nears the end of her journey as Bishop of Edmonton to embark on a new journey in God's service. As we prepare to say good-bye to a beloved leader, we pray for a smooth transition as we search for a new Bishop.
- for the search committee, dedicated to the search for a new bishop.
- for our parish of St. Peter's and our surrounding community of Inglewood/Westmount and all who work to bring the love of Christ to all.

-for Canterbury Foundation residence and staff as they search for new board members from the Anglican community.

May we commit ourselves to work toward the unity of the church, that Christ's body may be one, for Christ is risen,

Christ is risen indeed.

Honouring the gift of Christ's risen body, may we rise to serve all those whose needs keep them from seeing themselves as the image of God; for Christ is risen,

Christ is risen indeed.

For all who journey from illness to health, from despair to hope, from grief to consolation, from loneliness to love. We especially bring before you:

Sandra; Merle; Mona; Nicole; Lois; Ray; Evelyn; Irene and Sandy; Joyce; Jaclyn; Jim and Par; Kathryn; Joan; Trevor; Mary; Helen; Brent; Cathy; Jenifer; Gavin, Ginnie, and Niall; Jordan and Simone, Judy and Tony.

For all our brothers and sisters, that death may have no more power over us; for Christ is risen,

Christ is risen indeed.

For all who suffer and all who mourn, that today the Lord God will wipe away all tears, for Christ is risen,

Christ is risen indeed.

May we have the persistent faith of Mary Magdalene and the surprised belief of Peter and John. May we long to be God's sign of life and light in our world, for Christ is risen,

Christ is risen indeed.

May we be one in faith with all who have died in Christ, following their example of love and service to God, for Christ is risen,

Christ is risen indeed.

Compassionate Father, it has been a long while since we have been able to gather as one body in your presence to worship you in fellowship and community. We long for the time that we can gather again in our beloved St. Peter's and experience the joy and fellowship of shared worship in a shared space. We ask for trust and for patience, not only for ourselves, but for all worshipping communities, so that when the time is right, we can open our doors and once again, carefully and with the safety of all in our minds and hearts, come together again in love and fellowship.

Until that time, we thank you for the many opportunities you have granted us to worship in different ways and we ask that you make us always mindful that the church is not the building where worship happens but that the church lives in us as you live in us, for Christ is risen,

Christ is risen indeed.

God of life, we thank you for the mystery planted in us, the paradox of life from death, and community from scattered disciples. We praise you for the dying which saves us from death and for the rising which brings us life. We pray, as we live, through Jesus, the risen one, in the power of the Holy Spirit, now and forever. **Amen**

Collect

Lord of life and power,
through the mighty resurrection of your Son,
you have overcome the old order of sin and death
and have made all things new in him.
May we, being dead to sin
and alive to you in Jesus Christ,
reign with him in glory,
who with you and the Holy Spirit is alive,
one God, now and for ever.

And now, as our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,
**Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

CP 405 Alleluia #1

*Alleluia, Alleluia, give thanks to the risen Lord,
Alleluia, alleluia, give praise to His name.*

Jesus is Lord of all the earth.
He is the King of creation. *Refrain.*

We have been crucified with Christ.
Now we shall live forever. *Refrain.*

Spread the good news o'er all the earth.
Jesus has died and has risen. *Refrain.*

Come, let us praise the living God,
Joyfully sing to our Saviour. *Refrain.*

The Dismissal

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Let us bless the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

May the God of peace enable us to do His will in every kind of goodness working in us what pleases Him, through Jesus Christ, to whom be the glory for ever and ever, Amen.

Thanks be to God.

With the power that raised Jesus from the dead at work within you, go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia, alleluia.

In the name of Christ. Amen. Alleluia, alleluia.