

# Easter Sunday

9am & 11am | Sunday, March 31st 2024 | Easter Day

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**Welcome:** Matthew Lawes (Curate)

Hallelujah! Christ is risen:

**All: He is risen indeed. Hallelujah!**

## Song: Come People Of The Risen King

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”!

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## **Confession**

O 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.**

**Lift our minds above earthly things, set them on things above; show us your glory and your power, that we may serve you gladly all our days. Amen**

## 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

## All - Age slot

### Song: Jesus My Friend And King

Jesus my friend and King,  
master of everything,  
You knew me, you loved me  
before I loved you.  
Jesus my friend and King,  
master of everything,  
You suffered and died  
so that I could love you.

Living for ever the King over all,  
dying to save me, the friend I adore.  
Risen and ruling, the King all will see,  
greatest of all friends daily with me.  
My friend and King,  
my friend and King.

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## Children leave for their groups

## Church Family News

**Prayers:** 9am Bill Thomas  
11am Felicité Dodd

**Reading:** John 20:1-18 (p.724)  
9am Penny Simons  
11am Matt Holden

This is the Word of the Lord  
**Thanks be to God**

**Sermon:** 'Journey to the Cross: The Empty Tomb'  
Jonny Dyer (Vicar)

## Song: Where O Grave Is Your Victory

Through all life's sorrows and despairs,  
I will not be moved.  
When facing death, I need not fear;  
I have this hope secure:

Because Christ died at Calvary,  
sin has on me no claim;  
because He overcame the grave,  
with Him I will be raised.

**Where, O grave, is your victory?  
Where, O death, is your sting?**

**Eternity is won for me  
by heaven's eternal King.**

On that glorious final day,  
I will not sleep or fade,  
but gazing on His nail-pierced hands,  
I'll instantly be changed.

Robed with immortality,  
before His throne we'll sing,  
at last reflecting perfectly  
the glory of our King.

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**Livestream ends**

**Communion**

**Prayer of Humble Access**

**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.**

**Take Communion**

## **Songs During Communion:**

**Song: You led me to the cross**

You led me to the cross,  
and I saw Your face of mercy  
in that place of love.  
You opened up my eyes  
to believe Your sweet salvation,  
where I'd been so blind.  
Now that I'm living in Your all-forgiving love,  
my every road leads to the cross.

Jesus, keep me near the cross,  
I won't forget the love You've shown.  
Saviour, teach me of the cross,  
I won't forget the love,  
I won't forget the love You've shown.

And there's an empty tomb,  
that tells me of Your resurrection  
and my life in You.  
The stone lies rolled away,  
nothing but those folded grave clothes  
where Your body lay.  
Now that I'm living as a risen child of God,  
my every road leads to the cross.

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## **Song: O Lord My Rock And My Redeemer**

O Lord, my Rock and my Redeemer,  
greatest treasure of my longing soul,  
my God, like You there is no other.  
True delight is found in You alone.  
Your grace, a well too deep to fathom,  
Your love exceeds the heavens' reach;  
Your truth, a fount of perfect wisdom,  
my highest good, and my unending need.

O Lord, my Rock and my Redeemer,  
strong defender of my weary heart,  
my sword to fight the cruel deceiver,  
and my shield against his hateful darts,  
my song when enemies surround me,  
my hope when tides of sorrow rise,  
my joy when trials are abounding,  
Your faithfulness, my refuge in the night.

O Lord, my Rock and my Redeemer,  
gracious Saviour of my ruined life;  
my guilt and cross laid on Your shoulders,  
in my place You suffered, bled, and died.  
You rose, the grave and death are  
conquered.  
You broke my bonds of sin and shame.  
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O Lord, my Rock and my Redeemer,  
may all my days bring glory to Your Name,  
may all my days bring glory to Your Name.

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## **Response Prayer**

**God of Life, who for our redemption gave your only-begotten Son to the death of the cross, and by his glorious resurrection have delivered us from the power of our enemy: grant us so to die daily to sin, that we may evermore live with him in the joy of his risen life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## **Hymn: Jesus Christ Is Risen Today**

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

Hymns of joy then let us sing, Alleluia,  
praising Christ our heavenly king, Alleluia,  
who endured the cross and grave, Alleluia,  
sinners to redeem and save! Alleluia!

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!

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## **Closing Prayer**