



Christ is Risen

A Service of the Word in Eastertide

We say together the words printed in bold.

Music may play before the service.

The Greeting

The minister greets the people and says

Alleluia. Christ is risen.

All He is risen indeed. Alleluia.

Praise the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

All He has given us new life and hope.

He has raised Jesus from the dead.

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Opening Prayer

All Faithful one, whose word is life:
come with saving power
to free our praise,
inspire our prayer
and shape our lives
for the kingdom of your Son,
Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Prayers of Penitence

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.

All 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.

All Lord, hear us and help us.

We have lived for this world alone,
and doubted our home in heaven.

In your mercy, forgive us.

All Lord, hear us and help us.

May the God of love and power
forgive *you* and free *you* from *your* sins,
heal and strengthen *you* by his Spirit,
and raise *you* to new life in Christ our Lord.

All Amen.

The Collect

Let us pray.

Lord of all life and power,
who through the mighty resurrection of your Son
overcame the old order of sin and death
to make all things new in him:
grant that we, being dead to sin
and alive to you in Jesus Christ,
may reign with him in glory;
to whom with you and the Holy Spirit
be praise and honour, glory and might,
now and in all eternity.

All Amen.

Psalm 105

¹ O give thanks to the Lord, call on his name,
make known his deeds among the peoples.

² **Sing to him, sing praises to him;
tell of all his wonderful works.**

³ Glory in his holy name;
let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice.

⁴ **Seek the Lord and his strength;
seek his presence continually.**

⁵ Remember the wonderful works he has done,
his miracles, and the judgments he has uttered,

⁶ **O offspring of his servant Abraham,
children of Jacob, his chosen ones.**

⁷ He is the Lord our God;
his judgments are in all the earth.

⁸ **He is mindful of his covenant forever,
of the word that he commanded, for a thousand generations,**

⁹ the covenant that he made with Abraham,
his sworn promise to Isaac,

¹⁰ **which he confirmed to Jacob as a statute,
to Israel as an everlasting covenant,**

¹¹ saying, "To you I will give the land of Canaan
as your portion for an inheritance."

***All* Glory to the Father and to the Son
and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning is now
and shall be for ever. Amen.**

Silence is kept.

Matthew 28:16-end

Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. When they saw him, they worshiped him; but some doubted. And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptising them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

This is the word of the Lord.

***All* Thanks be to God.**

Silence is kept.

Affirmation of Faith

Let us declare our faith in the resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ.

***All* 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 of Intercession

This response is used

Jesus, Lord of life:

All in your mercy, hear us.

Silence is kept.

The Lord's Prayer

Gathering our prayers and praise into one, let us pray with confidence as our Saviour taught us

**All 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.**

Gloria in Excelsis

This song is said

All Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to his people on earth.
Lord God, heavenly King,
almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:
receive our prayer.
For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father.
Amen.

Praise

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He has raised Jesus from the dead.

God has claimed us as his own.

All He has brought us out of darkness.

He has made us light to the world.

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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. Alleluia.

The peace of the Lord be always with you

All and also with you.

All may exchange a sign of peace (a wave).

Our service ends. Music may follow.