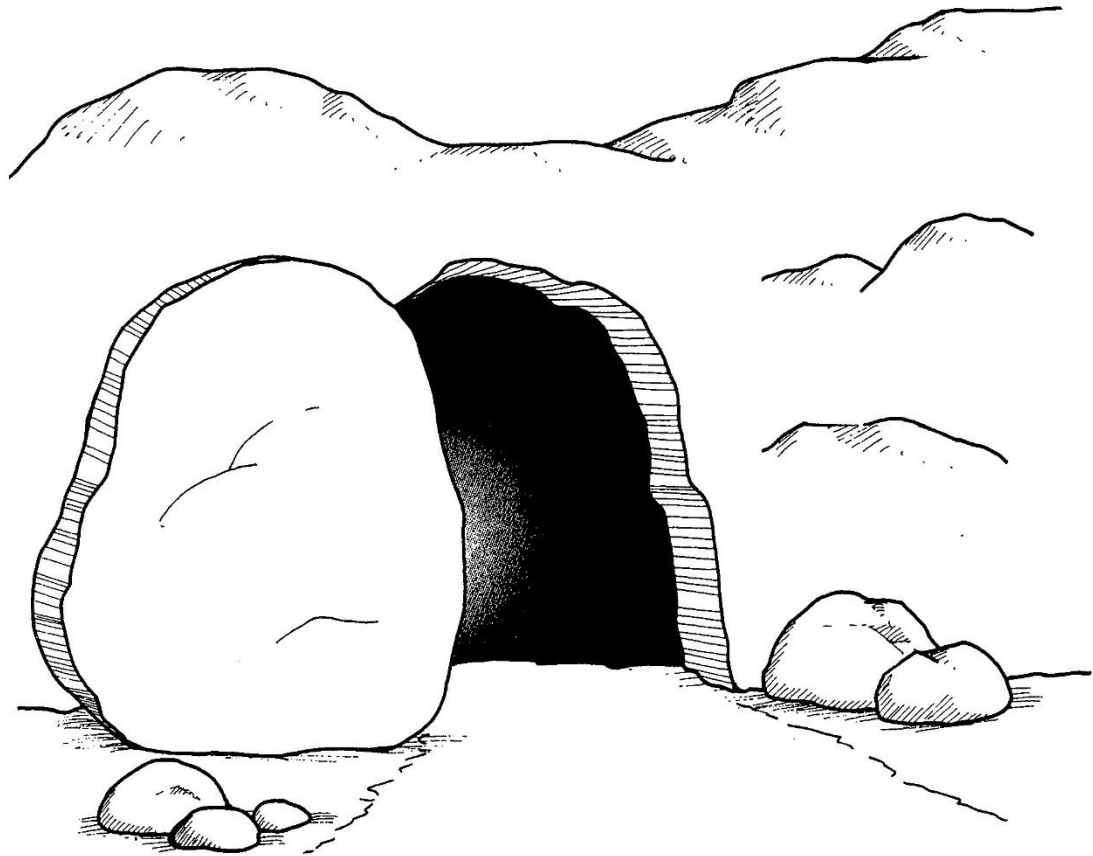


Good Shepherd with St. Peter's, Lee



Easter Sunday Celebration Service

20<sup>th</sup> April 2025, 10.30am

# EASTER SUNDAY CELEBRATION SERVICE

## Opening Words

Alleluia. Christ is risen.

**He is risen indeed. Alleluia:**

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*The Easter 'Paschal Candle' is lit*

## **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 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*.

But the pains that he endured *Alleluia*,  
our salvation have procured; *Alleluia*,  
now above the sky he's King, *Alleluia*,  
where the angels ever sing *Alleluia*.

### Prayer of 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 God of love and power  
forgive us and free us from our sins,  
heal and strengthen us by his Spirit,  
and raise us to new life in Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

### Collect for Easter Sunday

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.**

## Opening Activity

### **HYMN Here is Love**

Here is love, vast as the ocean,  
loving kindness as the flood,  
when the Prince of life, our ransom,  
shed for us his precious blood.

Who his love will not remember?

Who can cease to sing his praise?

He can never be forgotten  
throughout heaven's eternal days.

On the mount of crucifixion  
fountains opened deep and wide;  
through the floodgates of God's mercy  
flowed a vast and gracious tide.

Grace and love, like mighty rivers,  
poured incessant from above,  
and heaven's peace and perfect justice  
kissed a guilty world in love.

*We remain standing for our Gospel Reading*

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke

**Glory to you O Lord**

Luke 24:1-12 p.1061 of the Church Bibles

This is the Gospel of the Lord

**Praise to you O Christ**

## **Short Talk – Revd Chris Henriette**

### Prayers

*You will need your chocolate for the prayers!*

### **HYMN Love Divine, All Loves Excelling**

Love divine, all loves excelling,  
joy of heaven, to earth come down,  
fix in us thy humble dwelling,  
all thy faithful mercies crown.  
Jesu, thou art all compassion,  
pure unbounded love thou art;  
visit us with thy salvation,  
enter every trembling heart.

Come, almighty to deliver,  
let us all thy grace receive;  
suddenly return, and never,  
never more thy temples leave.  
Thee we would be always blessing,  
serve thee as thy hosts above;  
pray, and praise thee, without ceasing,  
glory in thy perfect love.

Finish then thy new creation:  
pure and spotless let us be;  
let us see thy great salvation  
perfectly restored in thee;

Changed from glory into glory  
till in heaven we take our place,  
till we cast our crowns before thee,  
lost in wonder, love, and praise.

### Communion Prayer

The Lord is here  
**His Spirit is with us.**

Lift up your hearts.  
**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
**It is right to give thanks and praise.**

It is right to praise you, Father, Lord of all creation;  
in your love you made us for yourself.

When we turned away  
you did not reject us,  
but came to meet us in your Son.  
**You embraced us as your children  
and welcomed us to sit and eat with you.**

In Christ you shared our life  
that we might live in him and he in us.  
**He opened his arms of love upon the cross  
and made for all the perfect sacrifice for sin.**

On the night he was betrayed,  
at supper with his friends

he took bread, and gave you thanks;  
he broke it and gave it to them, saying:  
Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;  
do this in remembrance of me.

**Father, we do this in remembrance of him:  
his body is the bread of life.**

At the end of supper, taking the cup of wine,  
he gave you thanks, and said:  
Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant,  
which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins;  
do this in remembrance of me.

**Father, we do this in remembrance of him:  
his blood is shed for all.**

As we proclaim his death and celebrate his rising in glory,  
send your Holy Spirit that this bread and this wine  
may be to us the body and blood of your dear Son.

**As we eat and drink these holy gifts  
make us one in Christ, our risen Lord.**

With your whole Church throughout the world  
we offer you this sacrifice of praise  
and lift our voice to join the eternal song of heaven:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord,  
God of power and might,  
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.**

### Lord's Prayer

As our Saviour 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 forever.**

**Amen.**

### Breaking of the Bread

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

**Though we are many, we are one body,  
because we all share in one bread.**

Alleluia. Christ our passover is sacrificed for us.

**Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

*Everyone is invited to receive Holy Communion or a prayer of blessing. Please follow the instructions from the stewards. If you'd like to receive wine from the shared cup, please come to the front.*



Prayer After Communion

**God of truth,  
we have seen with our eyes  
and touched with our hands the bread of life:  
strengthen our faith  
that we may grow in love for you and for each other;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Amen.**

Notices

**Would you like to join our mailing list?** Keep in touch with what's happening by signing up for our weekly email: [www.goodpeter.org.uk/whats-on](http://www.goodpeter.org.uk/whats-on)

**HYMN Thine Be the Glory**

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;  
bring us safe through Jordan to thy home above:

*Thine be the glory...*

### Closing Words

All our problems  
**we send to the cross of Christ.**

All our difficulties  
**we send to the cross of Christ.**

All our hopes  
**we set on the risen Christ.**

And the blessing...

### Sending Out

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord  
**In the name of Christ.**

**Amen**

*Do join us after the service for a glass of sparkling wine,  
and for a children's Easter egg hunt in the garden!*



# RESURRECTION DAY WORD FIND



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