

Sunday 10am Service (O2T1 with Easter Liturgy)

20 April 2025

Welcome (Sue lead, Wayne music)

Call to Worship

On this glorious Easter Day, we have come to celebrate
the greatness of Jesus Christ our Lord and Saviour.

On this great day, we proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord.

My sisters and brothers, let us rejoice: Alleluia!

Alleluia, alleluia,

Jesus is Lord of all the earth, He is the King of creation

On this most holy of days,
the One whom people had thought to destroy
has risen triumphant from the tomb!

My sisters and brothers, let us rejoice: Alleluia!

Alleluia, alleluia,

Jesus has died and is risen.

On this holy day,
we celebrate our New Life in the Risen Christ;
through the death of Jesus,
the weight of our sin has been lifted from us;
through His glorious resurrection,
we have become sons and daughters of God.

My sisters and brothers, let us rejoice: Alleluia!

Alleluia, alleluia,

come, let us praise the living God, joyfully sing to our Saviour.

Song: How Great Thou Art

O Lord my God when I in awesome wonder
Consider all the worlds your hands have made
I see the stars I hear the mighty thunder
Thy pow'r throughout the universe displayed

Then sings my soul my Savior God to Thee

How great Thou art, how great Thou art

Then sings my soul my Savior God to Thee How great Thou art how great Thou art

When through the woods and forest glades I wander
And hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees
When I look down from lofty mountain grandeur
And hear the brook and feel the gentle breeze

And when I think that God His Son not sparing
Sent Him to die I scarce can take it in
That on the Cross my burden gladly bearing
He bled and died to take away my sin

When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation
And take me home what joy shall fill my heart
Then shall I bow in humble adoration
And there proclaim my God how great Thou art

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Puppets

The Best Thing About Easter (Jesus Is Alive)

What's the best thing about Easter
The very best thing about Easter
Well the best thing about Easter's
What the Bible has to say

Not the eggs
Or the chocolate
Or the buns (hot cross buns)
Not the eggs
Or the chocolate
Or the buns (hot cross buns)
Jesus is risen
Sins are forgiven
The best thing about Easter
Jesus is alive

He's alive He's alive

He's alive He's alive
He died upon the cross and
He's alive He's alive
Death is defeated
Salvation completed
The best thing about Easter
Jesus is alive
He's alive He's alive
He's alive He's alive
The best thing about Easter
Jesus is alive

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Song: The angel rolled the stone away

The angel rolled the stone away,
The angel rolled the stone away,
It was early Easter Sunday morning,
The angel rolled the stone away.

Mary came a running
About the break of day,
Looking for the Lord Jesus;
The stone was rolled away

She sadly walked the garden,
A shadow barred her way;
Please tell me Mr Gardener,
Who rolled the stone away?

She waited for an answer,
"Mary" he did say.
Teacher! Oh Master,
You have rolled the stone away.

He's returned from darkness,
And He's here to stay;
Fear no more my friends,
The angels rolled the stone away.

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It was early Easter Sunday morning,
The angel rolled the stone away.

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Prayer for Children (Sue)

Bible Reading: Mark 16.1-8 (Ingrid)

16 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. ²And very early on the first day of the week, when the sun had risen, they went to the tomb. ³They had been saying to one another, “Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance to the tomb?” ⁴When they looked up, they saw that the stone, which was very large, had already been rolled back. ⁵As they entered the tomb, they saw a young man dressed in a white robe sitting on the right side, and they were alarmed. ⁶But 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. ⁷But 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.” ⁸So they went out and fled from the tomb, for terror and amazement had seized them, and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.^[a]

Message (Sue)

Offering Song: King of Kings

In the darkness we were waiting without hope, without light
'Til from Heaven You came running there was mercy in Your eyes
To fulfill the law and prophets, to a virgin came the word
From a throne of endless glory to a cradle in the dirt

**Praise the Father, praise the Son, praise the Spirit, three in one
God of glory, Majesty, praise forever to the King of Kings**

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

And the morning that You rose all of Heaven held its breath
'Til 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

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

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Thanks for the Offering

We give in grateful thanksgiving for all that God has given us.
In the upside-down world of the gospel,
we measure our wealth not by what we have,
but what we can give away.
Let us give away generously, in this offering,
To bless your church, your people, your creation.

Prayer of Confession

Christ our Passover Lamb has been offered for us,
Therefore, we come to celebrate the festival.

Silence may be kept...

Let us confess our sins in penitence and faith, with a sincere and true heart.

Merciful God, our maker and our judge,

We have sinned against you in thought, word and deed,

And in what we have failed to do:

We have not loved you with our whole heart,

We have not loved our neighbours as ourselves;

We repent and are sorry for all our sins.

Father, forgive us.

Strengthen us to love and obey you in newness of life;

Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Declaration of forgiveness

Almighty God,
who has promised forgiveness to all
who turn to him in faith,
pardon us and set us free from all our sins,
strengthen us to do his will,
and keep us in eternal life;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Prayers for the Church and our World (Jaqueline)

Song: Above All

Above all powers, above all kings,
Above all nature and all created things
Above all wisdom and all the ways of man
You were here before the world began
Above all kingdoms, above all thrones
Above all wonders the world has ever known
Above all wealth and treasures of the earth
There's no way to measure what you're worth

Crucified, laid behind the stone
You lived to die, rejected and alone
Like a rose trampled on the ground
You took the fall, and thought of me, Above all

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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.
Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil
For the kingdom, the power and the glory
Are yours now and forever. Amen.**

The Great Thanksgiving (Julia with Jaq and Soula)

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

All glory and honour be yours
always and everywhere,
mighty creator, ever-living God.

We give you thanks and praise
for our Saviour Jesus Christ,
who by the power of your Spirit
was born of Mary and lived as one of us.
By his death on the cross and rising to new life,
He offered the one true sacrifice for sin
And obtained an eternal deliverance for his people.

And now we give you thanks
that you raised him to life
triumphant and exalted him in glory.
By his victory over death
the reign of sin is ended,
a new day has dawned,
a broken world is restored
and we are made whole once more.

Therefore, with angels and archangels,
And with all the company of heaven,
we proclaim your great and glorious name,
forever praising you and saying:
**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.**

Merciful God, we thank you for these gifts of your creation,
This bread and wine

and we pray that by your Word and Holy Spirit,
we who eat and drink them may be
partakers of Christ's body and blood.
On the night he was betrayed,
Jesus took bread and when he had given you thanks
he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying,
"Take, eat. This is my body given for you.
Do this in remembrance of me".
After supper, he took the cup,
and again giving you thanks
he gave it to his disciples, saying,
"Drink from this, all of you.
This is my blood of the new covenant
shed for you and for many
for the forgiveness of sins.
Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me."
Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.

Therefore, we do as our Saviour has commanded:
proclaiming his offering of himself
made once for all upon the cross,
His mighty resurrection and glorious ascension,
and looking for his coming again,
we celebrate, with this bread and this cup,
His one perfect and sufficient sacrifice
for the sins of the whole world.
Renew us by your Holy Spirit,
unite us in the body of your Son,
and bring us with all your people
into the joy of your eternal kingdom;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
with whom, and in whom,
in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit,
we worship you, Father,

in songs of never-ending praise:
**Blessing and honour and glory and power
are yours forever and ever. Amen.**

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.
We who are many are one body.
For we all share in the one bread

The gifts of God for the people of God.
Come let us take this holy sacrament
of the body and blood of Christ
in remembrance that he died for us,
and feed on him in our hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

Prayer

Most glorious Lord of life,
we thank you that you nourish us
in these Easter mysteries.
Fill us with the Spirit of love
and unite us in faith,
that we may witness to the resurrection
and show your glory to all the world

Father,
**we offer ourselves to you as a living sacrifice
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Send us out in the power of your Spirit
to live and work to your praise and glory.**

Notices

Song: In Christ Alone

In Christ alone my hope is found
He is my light my strength my song
This Cornerstone this solid Ground
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm
What heights of love what depths of peace
When fears are stilled when strivings cease
My Comforter my All in All

Here in the love of Christ I stand

In Christ alone who took on flesh
Fullness of God in helpless babe
This gift of love and righteousness
Scorned by the ones He came to save
Till on that cross as Jesus died
The wrath of God was satisfied
For every sin on Him was laid
Here in the death of Christ I live

There in the ground His body lay
Light of the world by darkness slain
Then bursting forth in glorious Day
Up from the grave He rose again
And as He stands in victory
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me
For I am His and He is mine
Bought with the precious blood of Christ

No guilt in life no fear in death
This is the power of Christ in me
From life's first cry to final breath
Jesus commands my destiny
No power of hell no scheme of man
Can ever pluck me from His hand
Till He returns or calls me home
Here in the power of Christ I'll stand

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Blessing

Almighty God,
who redeemed us through
the resurrection of Christ,
who raised us to newness of life
through the waters of baptism,
and has brought us out of slavery
into everlasting freedom,
give you joy and peace in faith

and bring you to your eternal inheritance;
and the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, Son and Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

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