

Virtual Service 220522

In the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit

**Amen**

The Lord be with you

**And also with you**

Alleluia Christ is risen.

**He is risen indeed, alleluia!**

*Words of welcome*

You are the king of glory

You are the prince of peace

You are the Lord of heaven and earth

You're the son of righteousness

Angels bow down before you

Worship and adore, for

You have the words of eternal life

You are Jesus Christ the Lord

Hosanna to the son of David

Hosanna to the king of kings

Glory in the highest heaven

For Jesus the Messiah reigns

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*Gathering words*

And so we pray today's collect:

Risen Christ,

by the lakeside you renewed your call to your disciples:

help your Church to obey your command

and draw the nations to the fire of your love,

to the glory of God the Father.

**Amen**

God shows his love for us

in that, while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

Let us then show our love for him

by confessing our sins in penitence and faith.

Lord Jesus, you raise us to new life: Lord, have mercy.

**Lord, have mercy.**

Lord Jesus, you forgive us our sins: Christ, have mercy.

**Christ, have mercy.**

Lord Jesus, you feed us with the living bread: Lord, have mercy.

**Lord, have mercy.**

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.**

Acts 16.9–15

During the night Paul had a vision: there stood a man of Macedonia pleading with him and saying, 'Come over to Macedonia and help us.' When he had seen the vision, we immediately tried to cross over to Macedonia, being convinced that God had called us to proclaim the good news to them.

We set sail from Troas and took a straight course to Samothrace, the following day to Neapolis, and from there to Philippi, which is a leading city of the district of Macedonia and a Roman colony. We remained in this city for some days. On the sabbath day we went outside the gate by the river, where we supposed there was a place of prayer; and we sat down and spoke to the women who had gathered there. A certain woman named Lydia, a worshipper of God, was listening to us; she was from the city of Thyatira and a dealer in purple cloth. The Lord opened her heart to listen eagerly to what was said by Paul. When she and her household were baptized, she urged us, saying, 'If you have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come and stay at my home.' And she prevailed upon us.

Psalms 67

May God be gracious to us and bless us  
and make his face to shine upon us,  
that your way may be known upon earth,  
your saving power among all nations.

Let the peoples praise you, O God;  
let all the peoples praise you.

Let the nations be glad and sing for joy,  
for you judge the peoples with equity  
and guide the nations upon earth.

Let the peoples praise you, O God;  
let all the peoples praise you.

The earth has yielded its increase;  
God, our God, has blessed us.  
May God continue to bless us;  
let all the ends of the earth revere him.

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John

**Glory to you, O Lord**

John 14.23–29

Jesus answered him, ‘Those who love me will keep my word, and my Father will love them, and we will come to them and make our home with them. Whoever does not love me does not keep my words; and the word that you hear is not mine, but is from the Father who sent me.

‘I have said these things to you while I am still with you. But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything, and remind you of all that I have said to you. Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid. You heard me say to you, “I am going away, and I am coming to you.” If you loved me, you would rejoice that I am going to the Father, because the Father is greater than I. And now I have told you this before it occurs, so that when it does occur, you may believe.

This is the gospel of the Lord

**Praise to you, O Christ**

*Homily*

*Creed*

Do you believe and trust in God the Father,  
source of all being and life,  
the one for whom we exist?

**We believe and trust in him.**

Do you believe and trust in God the Son,  
who took our human nature,  
died for us and rose again?

**We believe and trust in him.**

Do you believe and trust in God the Holy Spirit,  
who gives life to the people of God  
and makes Christ known in the world?

**We believe and trust in him.**

This is the faith of the Church.

**This is our faith.**

**We believe and trust in one God,  
Father, Son and Holy Spirit.  
Amen.**

Intercessions

The peace of the Lord be always with you  
**And also with you**

The Lord be with you  
**And also with you**

Gracious God we give you thanks  
for all the many blessings in our lives  
and ask that you would bless us now  
as we share your good gifts in Jesus' name.

Loving God, you provide enough for everyone:  
this earth is fertile, fruitful and abundant,  
but we are sometimes greedy, wasteful and selfish.

Many go hungry despite our plenty,  
many are left outside while we enjoy a feast.  
But on the hillside, in the wilderness,  
with five thousand and more hungry people,  
Jesus took the bread that they had,  
broke it and gave thanks to you.

He shared the bread,  
so that no one should be left out,  
and they all ate and were satisfied.

**Blessed be God forever!**

Hurting God, you hurt with our pains,  
you weep with our tears;  
when you see how we struggle and suffer.  
You long for our peace, yet we so often make war.  
You long for our healing and wholeness,  
yet we so often turn away from you.

But at a wedding in Cana when the wine ran out,  
Jesus asked them to fill the empty jars with water,  
and by your grace, water became wine,  
sadness was turned to joy,  
and all were able to share in the best wine of all.

**Blessed be God forever!**

Dreaming God,  
you long for us to dream your dream,  
of a world at peace, a people made one,  
a feast for all;  
where bread is broken and shared with  
companions on the road,  
where wine is blessed  
and shared with all who are hurting,  
and all are caught up together  
in the Kingdom of your Son,  
Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

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 for ever.  
Amen.**

We all receive

The love of the Lord Jesus  
draw you to himself,  
the power of the Lord Jesus  
strengthen you in his service,  
the joy of the Lord Jesus fill your hearts;  
and the blessing of God almighty,  
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,  
be among you and remain with you always.  
**Amen.**

How lovely on the mountains are the feet of him  
Who brings good news, good news,

Proclaiming peace, announcing news of happiness,  
Our God reigns, our God reigns.

Our God reigns, our God reigns,  
Our God reigns, our God reigns.

You watchmen lift your voices joyfully as one,  
Shout for your King, your King.  
See eye to eye the Lord restoring Zion:  
Your God reigns, your God reigns.

Your God reigns, your God reigns  
Your God reigns, your God reigns.

Waste places of Jerusalem break forth with joy,  
We are redeemed, redeemed.  
The Lord has saved and comforted his people:  
Your God reigns, your God reigns.

Your God reigns, your God reigns,  
Your God reigns, your God reigns.

Ends of the earth, see the salvation of your God,  
Jesus is Lord, is Lord.  
Before the nations he has bared his holy arm:  
Your God reigns, your God reigns.

Your God reigns, your God reigns,  
Your God reigns, your God reigns.

*Reflection*