

THE EUCHARIST ('THANKSGIVING') ON EASTER DAY 2021

*All say/ sing the words in **bold type***

Christ yesterday and today,
the beginning and the end,

Alpha and Omega,
all time belongs to him,
and all ages;
**to him be glory and power,
through every age and for ever. Amen.**

Alleluia. Christ is risen.
He is risen indeed. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

This is the day when our Lord Jesus Christ was raised gloriously from the dead, crushing the power of sin and destroying the sting of death. Throughout the world Christians celebrate the mighty power of God as Christ calls us out of darkness to share in his marvellous light. May we, and all Christ's people, shine as lights in the world to the glory of God the Father.

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.*

Surrexit Christus hodie
Anonymous Latin, Lyra Davidica (1708), Compleat Psalmodist (1749 Arnold),
Charles Wesley (1707-88)

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

**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.**

THE COLLECT

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. **Amen.**

NEW TESTAMENT READING- ACTS 10: 34- 43

This is the word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

THE GOSPEL READING- JOHN 20: 1- 18

Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.
Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.
Glory to you, O Lord.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ.

HOMILY

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.

Alleluia.

The peace of the risen Christ be always with you
and also with you. Alleluia.

PREPARATION OF THE TABLE

The Berakah (blessing) prayers are said.

The response to each is:

Blessed be God for ever.

Risen Lord Jesus Christ,
we believe you, and all we have heard is true.
When you break bread
may we recognize you as the fire that burns within us,
that we may bring light to your world.

Amen.

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

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 thanks and praise.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,
always and everywhere to give you thanks,
almighty and eternal Father,
and in these days of Easter
to celebrate with joyful hearts
the memory of your wonderful works.
For by the mystery of his passion
Jesus Christ, your risen Son,
has conquered the powers of death and hell
and restored in men and women the image of your glory.
He has placed them once more in paradise
and opened to them the gate of life eternal.
And so, in the joy of this Passover,
earth and heaven resound with gladness,
while angels and archangels and the powers of all creation
sing for ever the hymn of your glory.

**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.**

The Eucharistic Prayer continues.

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

The Eucharistic Prayer concludes and all respond boldly:

Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Rejoicing in God's new creation,
Let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us.
**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed by 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.**

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Every time we eat this bread and drink this cup,
we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

AGNUS DEI

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, grant us peace.

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.
Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

As the priest receives

The Body of Christ keep you in eternal life.

Amen.

The Blood of Christ keep you in eternal life.

Amen.

NOW THE GREEN BLADE RISES

Now the green blade rises from the buried grain,
wheat that in the dark earth many days has lain;
love lives again, that with the dead has been:
Love is come again, like wheat that springs up green.

In the grave they laid him, Love whom men had slain,
thinking that he never would awake again,
laid in the earth like grain that sleeps unseen:
Love is come again, like wheat that springs up green.

Forth he came at Easter, like the risen grain,
he that for the three days in the grave had lain,
back from the dead my risen Lord is seen:
Love is come again, like wheat that springs up green.

When our hearts are wintry, grieving, or in pain,
then your touch can call us back to life again,
fields of our hearts that dead and bare have been:
Love is come again, like wheat that springs up green.

John Macleod Campbell Crum (1872-1958)
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PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray

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.

THE BLESSING

Alleluia. Christ is risen.

He is risen indeed. Alleluia.

God the Father,
by whose love Christ was raised from the dead,
open to you who believe the gates of everlasting life.

Amen.

God the Son,
who in bursting from the grave has won a glorious victory,
give you joy as you share the Easter faith.

Amen.

God the Holy Spirit,
who filled the disciples with the life of the risen Lord,
empower you and fill you with Christ's peace.

Amen.

And the blessing of God almighty,
The Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit,
Come upon you and remain with you always.

Amen.

The peace of the Risen Christ be with you. Alleluia, alleluia!

Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!

HYMN

Thine be the glory,
Risen, conqu'ring 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,
Risen conquering Son,
Endless is the victory,
Thou o'er death hast won.*

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,
Risen conquering Son,
Endless is the victory,
Thou o'er death hast won.*

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