



# Easter: Morning Worship - 19/4/20

## The Greeting

Alleluia. Christ is risen.  
**He is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

Praise the God and Father of  
our Lord Jesus Christ:  
**he has given us new life  
and hope  
by raising Jesus  
from the dead.**

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*The service leader introduces  
the theme of the service*

*Hymn: Jesus Christ is risen  
today*

## Confession and Absolution

*We keep silence to recall our  
need for God's forgiveness.*

Let us return to the Lord our  
God and say to him:

**Father,  
we have sinned against  
heaven and against you.  
We are not worthy to be  
called your children.  
We turn to you again.  
Have mercy on us,  
bring us back to yourself  
as those who once  
were dead  
but now have life through  
Christ our Lord.  
Amen.**

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.**

## The Collect of the Day

Risen Christ,  
for whom no door is locked,  
no entrance barred:  
open the doors of our hearts,  
that we may seek  
the good of others  
and walk the joyful road of  
sacrifice and peace,  
to the praise of God  
the Father.  
**Amen.**

## Readings

Acts 2:14a, 22-32

John 20:19-end

*After each reading we use  
these words:*

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

## **Sermon**

## The Creed

Let us declare our faith in God  
Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

**I believe in God,  
the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ,  
his only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the  
Holy Spirit,  
born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under  
Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified,  
died, and was buried;  
he descended to the dead.  
On the third day  
he rose again;  
he ascended into heaven,  
he is seated at the right  
hand of the Father,  
and he will come to judge  
the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting.  
Amen.**

## The Intercessions

*Prayers of Intercession using  
this or another response*

Lord, in your mercy  
**Hear our prayer**

*Intercessions may end with*  
**Merciful Father, accept  
these prayers for the sake of  
your Son, our Saviour,  
Jesus Christ. Amen.**

## The Lord's Prayer

Jesus taught us  
to call God our Father,  
so in faith and trust 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.**

## Praise and Thanks

*Hymn: **All heaven declares***

We thank you, O God,  
for you are gracious.  
You have loved us from the  
beginning of time  
and you remember us in times  
of trouble and of joy.  
**Your mercy endures for ever.**

We thank you, O God,  
for you came to us in  
Jesus Christ,  
who has redeemed the world  
and saves us from our sins.  
**Your mercy endures for ever.**

We thank you, O God,  
for you have sent your  
Holy Spirit,  
who comforts us and leads us  
into all truth.  
**Your mercy endures for ever.  
Amen.**

## The Blessing

May God keep us in all  
our days.

May Christ shield us in all  
our ways.

May the Spirit bring us healing  
and peace.

May God the Holy Trinity drive  
all darkness from us  
and pour upon us  
blessing and light.

Amen.