

Morning Prayer - Easter Season

Welcome

O Lord, open our lips

and our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

In your resurrection, O Christ,

let heaven and earth rejoice. Alleluia.

Blessed are you, Lord God of our salvation, to you be praise and glory for ever. As once you ransomed your people from Egypt and led them to freedom in the promised land, so now you have delivered us from the dominion of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of your risen Son. May we, the first fruits of your new creation, rejoice in this new day you have made, and praise you for your mighty acts. Blessed be God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

Blessed be God for ever.

The Easter Anthems

1 Christ our passover has been sacrificed for us:

so let us celebrate the feast,

2 not with the old leaven of corruption and wickedness:

but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth.

3 Christ once raised from the dead dies no more:

death has no more dominion over him.

4 In dying he died to sin once for all:

in living he lives to God.

5 See yourselves therefore as dead to sin:

and alive to God in Jesus Christ our Lord.

6 Christ has been raised from the dead:

the first fruits of those who sleep.

7 For as by man came death:

by man has come also the resurrection of the dead;

8 for as in Adam all die:

even so in Christ shall all be made alive.

Glory to the Father and to the Son

and to the Holy Spirit;

as it was in the beginning is now

and shall be for ever. Amen.

The night has passed, and the day lies open before us;
let us pray with one heart and mind.

Silence

As we rejoice in the gift of this new day,
so may the light of your presence, O God,
set our hearts on fire with love for you;
now and for ever.

Amen.

Scripture reading(s)

A short Sermon may be given

An Easter Hymn may be played

The Song of Moses and Miriam

***Refrain: In your unfailing love, O Lord,
you lead the people whom you have redeemed.
Alleluia.***

1 I will sing to the Lord, who has triumphed gloriously, •
the horse and his rider he has thrown into the sea.

2 The Lord is my strength and my song •
and has become my salvation.

3 This is my God whom I will praise, •
the God of my forebears whom I will exalt.

4 The Lord is a warrior, •
the Lord is his name.

5 Your right hand, O Lord, is glorious in power: •
your right hand, O Lord, shatters the enemy.

6 At the blast of your nostrils, the sea covered them; •
they sank as lead in the mighty waters.

7 In your unfailing love, O Lord, •
you lead the people whom you have redeemed.

8 And by your invincible strength •
you will guide them to your holy dwelling.

9 You will bring them in and plant them, O Lord, •
in the sanctuary which your hands have established.

**Glory to the Father and to the Son
and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning is now
and shall be for ever. Amen.**

**In your unfailing love, O Lord,
you lead the people whom you have redeemed.
Alleluia.**

Responsory

Death is swallowed up in victory.
Where, O death, is your sting?
Christ is risen from the dead,
the first fruits of those who have fallen asleep.

Death is swallowed up in victory.

The trumpet will sound
and the dead shall be raised.

Where, O death, is your sting?

We shall not all sleep,
but we shall be changed.

Death is swallowed up in victory.

Where, O death, is your sting?

The Song of Christ's Glory

At the name of Jesus every knee shall bow.

1 Christ Jesus was in the form of God,
but he did not cling to equality with God.

2 He emptied himself, taking the form of a servant,
and was born in our human likeness.

3 Being found in human form he humbled himself,
and became obedient unto death, even death on a cross.

4 Therefore God has highly exalted him,
and bestowed on him the name above every name,

5 That at the name of Jesus every knee should bow,
in heaven and on earth and under the earth;

6 And every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord,
to the glory of God the Father.

**Glory to the Father and to the Son
and to the Holy Spirit;**

**as it was in the beginning is now
and shall be for ever. Amen.**

At the name of Jesus every knee shall bow.

**The Lord is risen from the tomb
who for our sakes hung upon the tree. Alleluia.**

Prayers

Lord, in your mercy
hear our prayer

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 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 be 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.**

A hymn may be played

The Conclusion

May the risen Christ grant us the joys of eternal life.

Amen.

Let us bless the Lord. Alleluia, alleluia.

Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.