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

Opening Prayer:

**Faithful One, whose Word is life,
Come with saving power
To free our praise,
Inspire our prayer
And shape our lives
For the kingdom of your Son,
Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Opening Song: Be Still for the Presence of the Lord

**Be still for the presence of the Lord, the holy one is here.
Come bow before him now, with reverence and fear.
In him no sin is found, we stand on holy ground.
Be still for the presence of the Lord, the holy one is here.**

**Be still for the glory of the Lord is shining all around;
He burns with holy fire, with splendour he is crowned.
How awesome is the sight, our radiant king of light!
Be still for the glory of the Lord is shining all around.**

**Be still for the power of the Lord is moving in this place;
He comes to cleanse and heal, to minister his grace.
No work too hard for him, in faith receive from him.
Be still for the power of the Lord is moving in this place.**

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Confession & Absolution

For the things we have done that we regret,
Lord, forgive us.

For the things we have failed to do that we regret,
Lord, forgive us.

For all the times we have acted without love,
Lord, forgive us.

For all the times we have reacted without thought.
Lord, forgive us.

For all the times we have failed to care,
Lord, forgive us.

For all the times we have failed to forgive.
Lord, forgive us.

For hurtful words said, and helpful words unsaid,
Lord, forgive us.

We receive God's forgiveness

May Almighty God,
who sent his Son into the world to save sinners,
bring us his pardon and his peace,
now and for ever.

Amen

All Age Focus – James Bond

Reading Luke 24: 36-48 (Leigh)

³⁶ While they were still talking about this, Jesus himself stood among them and said to them, 'Peace be with you.'

³⁷ They were startled and frightened, thinking they saw a ghost. ³⁸ He said to them, 'Why are you troubled, and why do doubts rise in your minds? ³⁹ Look at my hands and my feet. It is I myself! Touch me and see; a ghost does not have flesh and bones, as you see I have.'

⁴⁰ When he had said this, he showed them his hands and feet. ⁴¹ And while they still did not believe it because of joy and amazement, he asked them, 'Do you have anything here to eat?' ⁴² They gave him a piece of broiled fish, ⁴³ and he took it and ate it in their presence.

⁴⁴ He said to them, 'This is what I told you while I was still with you: everything must be fulfilled that is written about me in the Law of Moses, the Prophets and the Psalms.'

⁴⁵ Then he opened their minds so they could understand the Scriptures. ⁴⁶ He told them, 'This is what is written: the Messiah will suffer and rise from the dead on the third day, ⁴⁷ and repentance for the forgiveness of sins will be preached in his name to all nations, beginning at Jerusalem. ⁴⁸ You are witnesses of these things.

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Reflection

Song: All I Once Held Dear

**All I once held dear, built my life upon
All this world reveres, and wars to own
All I once thought gain I have counted loss
Spent and worthless now, compared to this**

*Knowing you, Jesus
Knowing you, there is no greater thing
You're my all, you're the best
You're my joy, my righteousness
And I love you, Lord*

**Now my heart's desire is to know you more
To be found in you and known as yours
To possess by faith what I could not earn
All-surpassing gift of righteousness**

*Knowing you, Jesus
Knowing you, there is no greater thing
You're my all, you're the best
You're my joy, my righteousness
And I love you, Lord*

**Oh, to know the power of your risen life
And to know you in your sufferings
To become like you in your death, my Lord
So with you to live and never die**

***Knowing you, Jesus
Knowing you, there is no greater thing
You're my all, you're the best
You're my joy, my righteousness
And I love you, Lord
Love you, Lord***

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Creed

Let us declare our faith in the resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ.

**Christ died for our sins
In accordance with the Scriptures;
He was buried;
He was raised to life on the third day
In accordance with the Scriptures;
Afterwards he appeared to his followers,
And to all the apostles:
This we have received,
And this we believe.
Amen.**

Intercessions, Collect and Lord's Prayer: (Andrew)

Responses:

Lord, in your mercy
Hear our prayer.

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

Collect for 3rd Sunday of Easter

Almighty Father,

Who in your great mercy gladdened the disciples with the sight of the risen Lord: give us such knowledge of his presence with us, that we may be strengthened and sustained by his risen life and serve you continually in righteousness and truth; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen

The Lord's Prayer

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**

Offertory Hymn: Jesus is the name we honour

**Jesus is the name we honour;
Jesus is the name we praise.
Majestic name above all other names,
the highest Heaven and Earth proclaim
that Jesus is our God.**

***We will glorify, we will lift him high,
we will give him honour and praise,
we will glorify, we will lift him high,
we will give him honour and praise.***

**Jesus is the name we worship;
Jesus is the name we trust.
He is the King above all other kings,
let all creation stand and sing
that Jesus is our God.**

***We will glorify, we will lift him high,
we will give him honour and praise,
we will glorify, we will lift him high,
we will give him honour and praise.***

**Jesus is the Father's splendour;
Jesus is the Father's joy.
He will return to reign in majesty,
and every eye at last will see
that Jesus is our God.**

***We will glorify, we will lift him high,
we will give him honour and praise,
we will glorify, we will lift him high,
we will give him honour and praise.***

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Offertory Prayer

Yours, Lord, is the greatness,
the power, the glory,
the splendour, and the majesty;
for everything in heaven and on earth is yours.
**All things come from you,
and of your own do we give you. Amen**

The Peace

The peace of the risen Lord,
The peace of Christ the King,
The peace of the Conqueror of death,
The peace of the Lord be always with you
And also with you.

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

Opportunity for Sharing

Closing Prayer:

We praise you and we bless you, our risen Lord Jesus, King of glory, for you are with us, even when our eyes are closed to your companionship. Walk this day alongside the disconsolate and the despairing, open their eyes to your gentle illumination, and let their hearts burn within them at your invisible presence. To you, Lord Jesus, walking by our side, be honour and glory, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Praise to you, Lord Jesus:

Dying you destroyed our death,

rising you restored our life:

Lord Jesus, come in glory. Amen.

Blessing:

May the blessing of God almighty,
Father, Son and Holy Spirit,
be upon us and remain with us always.

Amen.

Final Song: There is a redeemer

**There is a redeemer
Jesus, God's own Son
Precious Lamb of God, Messiah
Holy One**

***Thank you, oh my father
For giving us your Son
And leaving your Spirit
Till the work on earth is done***

**Jesus my redeemer
Name above all names
Precious Lamb of God, Messiah
Oh, for sinners slain**

***Thank you, oh my father
For giving us your Son
And leaving your Spirit
Till the work on earth is done***

**When I stand in glory
I will see his face
And there I'll serve my King forever
In that Holy Place**

***Thank you, oh my father
For giving us your Son
And leaving your Spirit
Till the work on earth is done***

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The Grace

**May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit
be with us all ever more. Amen**

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