

Teign Valley & Haldon Hill Mission Community
Scattered Church: Worship at home on 19/04/26 Easter 3

Hymn

In Christ alone my hope is found,
he is my light, my strength, my song;
this cornerstone, this solid ground,
firm through the fiercest drought and storm.
What heights of love, what depths of peace,
when fears are stilled, when strivings cease!
My comforter, my all in all,
here in the love of Christ I stand.

There in the ground his body lay,
light of the world by darkness slain:
then bursting forth in glorious day
up from the grave he rose again!
And as he stands in victory,
sin's curse has lost its grip on me,
for I am his and he is mine -
bought with the precious blood of Christ.

No guilt in life, no fear in death,
this is the pow'r of Christ in me:
from life's first cry to final breath,
Jesus commands my destiny.
No power of hell, no scheme of man,
can ever pluck me from his hand;
till he returns or calls me home,
here in the pow'r of Christ I'll stand!

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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.**

God has claimed us as his own:

He has made us light to the world.

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John 6.35

Jesus Christ, risen Master and triumphant Lord,
we come to you in sorrow for our sins,
and confess to you our weakness and unbelief.

Like Mary at the empty tomb,
we fail to grasp the wonder of your presence.
Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Like the disciples behind locked doors,
we are afraid to be seen as your followers.

Christ, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy.

Like Thomas in the upper room,
we are slow to believe.
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.**

**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

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 for ever. **Amen.**

Readings

Acts 2:14a,36-41

But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them: 'Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. Therefore let the entire house of Israel know with certainty that God has made him both Lord and Messiah, this Jesus whom you crucified.' Now when they heard this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and to the other apostles, 'Brothers, what should we do?' Peter said to them, 'Repent, and be baptised every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ so that your sins may be forgiven; and you will

receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. For the promise is for you, for your children, and for all who are far away, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to him.' And he testified with many other arguments and exhorted them, saying, 'Save yourselves from this corrupt generation.' So those who welcomed his message were baptised, and that day about three thousand persons were added.

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

1 Peter 1:17-23

If you invoke as Father the one who judges all people impartially according to their deeds, live in reverent fear during the time of your exile. You know that you were ransomed from the futile ways inherited from your ancestors, not with perishable things like silver or gold, but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without defect or blemish. He was destined before the foundation of the world, but was revealed at the end of the ages for your sake. Through him you have come to trust in God, who raised him from the dead and gave him glory, so that your faith and hope are set on God. Now that you have purified your souls by your obedience to the truth so that you have genuine mutual love, love one another deeply from the heart. You have been born anew, not of perishable but of imperishable seed, through the living and enduring word of God.

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Luke 24:13-35

Now on that same day two of them were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, and talking with each other about all these things that had happened. While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them, but their eyes were kept from recognising him. And he said to them, 'What are you discussing with each other while you walk along?'

They stood still, looking sad. Then one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answered him, 'Are you the only stranger in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have taken place there in these days?' He asked them, 'What things?' They replied, 'The things about Jesus of Nazareth, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, and how our chief priests and leaders handed him over to be condemned to death and crucified him. But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things took place. Moreover, some women of our group astounded us. They were at the tomb early this morning, and when they did not find his body there, they came back and told us that they had indeed seen a vision of angels who said that he was alive. Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said; but they did not see him.' Then he said to them, 'Oh, how foolish you are, and how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have declared! Was it not necessary that the Messiah should suffer these things and then enter into his glory?' Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them the things about himself in all the scriptures.

As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if he were going on. But they urged him strongly, saying, 'Stay with us, because it is almost evening and the day is now nearly over.' So he went in to stay with them. When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. Then their eyes were opened, and they recognised him; and he vanished from their sight. They said to each other, 'Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?' That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem; and they found the eleven and their companions gathered together. They were saying, 'The Lord has risen indeed, and he has

appeared to Simon!' Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you O Christ.

Reflection

(Dial 01647 407047 to hear it again during the week)

Affirmation of faith

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.**

cf 1 Corinthians 15.3-7

Intercessions

The Lord's Prayer

Rejoicing in the risen Christ, let us pray as our Saviour 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.**

The Peace

The two disciples told what had happened on the road to Emmaus, and how Jesus had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread. Alleluia!
The peace of the Lord be always with you
and also with you.

Notices

**God of our salvation,
you have restored us to life,
you have brought us back again into your love
by the triumphant death and resurrection of Christ.**

**Continue to heal us,
as we go to live and work
in the power of your Spirit,
to your praise and glory.**

Blessing

God the Father,
by whose glory Christ was raised from the dead,
strengthen you to walk with him in his risen life;
and the blessing of almighty God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Alleluia. Christ is risen.

He is risen indeed. Alleluia.

Hymn

Good Christians all, rejoice and sing.
Now is the triumph of our King.
To all the world glad news we bring:
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

The Lord of life is risen for ay:
bring flow'rs of song to strew his way;
let all the world rejoice and say:
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Praise we in songs of victory
that love, that life, which cannot die;
and sing with hearts uplifted high:
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Your name we bless, O risen Lord,
and sing today with one accord
the life laid down the life restored:
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

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Sundays at 9am: Sunday Worship – a half hour Service of the Word: hymns, readings and prayers

Church Services

Apr 19 Easter 3	10.30am HC St James Christow 10.30am HC St Michael Doddiscombsleigh 10.30am Service of the Word St Mary Dunsford
Apr 25 Messy Church	3.00pm Dunsford Village Hall
Apr 26 Easter 4	10.30am MC HC St Michael & All Angels Dunchideock 10.30am Service of the Word St Mary Dunsford 4.00pm Forest Church Ashton
May 3 Easter 5	10.30am HC St John the Baptist Ashton 10.30am HC St Michael Doddiscombsleigh 10.30am Service of the Word St Mary Dunsford
May 10 Easter 6	10.30am HC St Thomas Becket Bridford 10.30am HC St Michael & All Angels Dunchideock 10.30am Service of the Word St Mary Dunsford
May 14 Ascension	6pm MC HC St John the Baptist Ashton
May 17 Sunday after Ascension	10.30am MC HC St Mary Dunsford with +Moira
May 24 Pentecost	10.30am HC St Thomas Becket Bridford 10.30am HC St James Christow 10.30am Service of the Word St Mary Dunsford
May 31 Trinity	10.30am MC HC St Michael & All Angels Dunchideock 10.30am Service of the Word St Mary Dunsford
June 7 Trinity 1	10.30am HC St Thomas Becket Bridford 10.30am HC St Michael Doddiscombsleigh 10.30am Service of the Word St Mary Dunsford
June 14 Trinity 2	10.30am HC St James Christow 10.30am HC St Michael & All Angels Dunchideock 10.30am Service of the Word St Mary Dunsford
June 21 Trinity 3	10.30am HC St John the Baptist Ashton 10.30am HC St Mary Dunsford
June 28 Trinity 4	10.30am MC HC St James Christow 4.00pm Forest Church Ashton
July 5 Trinity 5	10.30am HC St Thomas Becket Bridford 10.30am HC St Michael & All Angels Dunchideock 10.30am Service of the Word St Mary Dunsford
July 12 Trinity 6	10.30am MC HC St John the Baptist Ashton 10.30am HC St Mary Dunsford
July 19 Trinity 7	10.30am MC HC St Michael & All Angels Dunchideock 10.30am Service of the Word St Mary Dunsford
July 26 St James the Apostle	10.30am MC HC St James Christow 10.30am Service of the Word St Mary Dunsford 4.00pm Forest Church Ashton
Aug 2 Trinity 9	10.30am HC St Thomas Becket Bridford 10.30am HC St Michael Doddiscombsleigh 10.30am Service of the Word St Mary Dunsford
Aug 9 Trinity 10	10.30am HC St James Christow 10.30am HC St Michael & All Angels Dunchideock 10.30am Service of the Word St Mary Dunsford

Aug 16 Trinity 11

10.30am HC St John the Baptist Ashton

10.30am HC St Mary Dunsford

Aug 23 Trinity 12

10.30am MC HC St Michael Doddiscombsleigh

10.30am Service of the Word St Mary Dunsford

Aug 30 Trinity 13

10.30am MC HC St Mary Dunsford

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