

Morning Prayer Easter Season

Monday, 6 April 2026 - Monday of Easter Week

Preparation

O Lord, open our lips

All: and our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

In your resurrection, O Christ,

All: 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.

All

Blessed be God for ever.

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.

1 Corinthians 5.7b, 8

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.

Romans 6.9-11

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.

1 Corinthians 15.20-22

All

**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 is kept.

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.

All: Amen.

The Word of God

Psalm 146

Refrain:

The Lord shall reign for ever.

1

Alleluia.

Praise the Lord, O my soul:
while I live will I praise the Lord; ◆

as long as I have any being,
I will sing praises to my God.

2

Put not your trust in princes,
nor in any human power, ◆
for there is no help in them.

3

When their breath goes forth, they return to the earth; ◆
on that day all their thoughts perish. *R*

4

Happy are those who have the God of Jacob for their
help, ◆
whose hope is in the Lord their God;

5

Who made heaven and earth,
the sea and all that is in them; ◆
who keeps his promise for ever;

6

Who gives justice to those that suffer wrong ◆
and bread to those who hunger. *R*

7

The Lord looses those that are bound; ♦
the Lord opens the eyes of the blind;

8

The Lord lifts up those who are bowed down; ♦
the Lord loves the righteous;

9

The Lord watches over the stranger in the land;
he upholds the orphan and widow; ♦
but the way of the wicked he turns upside down.

10

The Lord shall reign for ever, ♦
your God, O Zion, throughout all generations.
Alleluia.

Refrain:

The Lord shall reign for ever.

Lord of all,

*our breath and being come from you,
yet our earthly end is dust;
as you loose the bound and feed the hungry,
so bring us in your mercy through the grave and
gate of death
to the feast of eternal life,
where you reign for evermore.*

All

**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.**

Exodus 12.1-14

The Lord said to Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt: This month shall mark for you the beginning of months; it shall be the first month of the year for you. Tell the whole congregation of Israel that on the tenth of this month they are to take a lamb for each family, a lamb for each household. If a household is too small for a whole lamb, it shall join its closest neighbour in obtaining one; the lamb shall be divided in proportion to the number of people who eat of it. Your lamb shall be without blemish, a year-old male; you may take it from the sheep or from the goats. You shall keep it until the fourteenth day of this month; then the whole assembled congregation of Israel shall slaughter it at twilight. They shall take some of the blood and put it on the two doorposts and the lintel of the houses in which they eat it. They shall eat the lamb that same night; they shall eat it roasted over the fire with unleavened bread and bitter herbs. Do not eat any of it raw or boiled in water, but roasted over the fire, with its head, legs, and inner organs. You shall let none of it remain until the morning; anything that remains until the morning you shall burn. This is how you shall eat it: your loins girded, your sandals on your feet, and your staff in your hand; and you shall eat it hurriedly. It is the passover

of the Lord. For I will pass through the land of Egypt that night, and I will strike down every firstborn in the land of Egypt, both human beings and animals; on all the gods of Egypt I will execute judgements: I am the Lord. The blood shall be a sign for you on the houses where you live: when I see the blood, I will pass over you, and no plague shall destroy you when I strike the land of Egypt.

This day shall be a day of remembrance for you. You shall celebrate it as a festival to the Lord; throughout your generations you shall observe it as a perpetual ordinance.

Refrain:

All

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

1 Corinthians 15.1-11

Now I should remind you, brothers and sisters, of the good news that I proclaimed to you, which you in turn received, in which also you stand, through which also you are being saved, if you hold firmly to the message that I proclaimed to you—unless you have come to believe in vain.

For I handed on to you as of first importance what I in turn had received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures, and that he was buried, and that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures, and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the

twelve. Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers and sisters at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died. Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. Last of all, as to someone untimely born, he appeared also to me. For I am the least of the apostles, unfit to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace towards me has not been in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them—though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me. Whether then it was I or they, so we proclaim and so you have come to believe.

from 1 Corinthians 15

All

Where, O death, is your sting?

Christ is risen from the dead,
the first fruits of those who have fallen asleep.

All

Death is swallowed up in victory.

The trumpet will sound
and the dead shall be raised.

All

Where, O death, is your sting?

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

All

**Death is swallowed up in victory.
Where, O death, is your sting?**

All

**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.**

Refrain:

All

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

Prayers

Let us pray for the Church and for the world, and let us thank God for his goodness.

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, you promised through your Son Jesus Christ to hear us when we pray in faith.

As we continue through this season of Easter and into Easter Week may we discipline ourselves and devote our time to you, and place you our risen Lord at the centre of our lives. Let us strive to measure our words and cultivate kindness and respect in our families, among our friends, at work, on social media, in political debates, in the media and in our communities.

Bless this combined benefice of KC-HD and the Lent study group on Wednesday evenings.

Bless Sarah Mullally our new Archbishop of Canterbury, Bishop Rose, Estella our new Archdeacon, Simon our Area Dean, Paula our Rector, Jim our Associate Priest, and our Readers Caroline and Pim, and all the laity leading our services. We pray especially for our PCCs, bless and prosper the plans for Mission in our combined benefice.

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

Dear Lord we pray for our divided and troubled world, We pray for a fair and just peace between Ukraine and Russia, and within the most recent troubles in the Middle East - most especially in Iran, Lebanon and the Middle Eastern region, we ask for your blessing on all those who are brokering a peace deal or trying to bring stability.

We ask for your grace upon those who are refugees and seeking asylum.

We pray for all the world's leaders, that may they exercise wisdom and make the right decisions for the benefit of all. Especially pray for healing of the divisions that occur. As we consider the climate crisis - the storms, floods, rising temperatures and melting glaciers, may the world's leaders commit to the transition to renewable energy and realise that urgent action is required.

Bless and guide Charles our King and the Royal family; give wisdom to all in authority; and direct this and every nation in the ways of justice and of peace; that men may honour one another; and seek the common good.

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

Within our communities we pray for all who are
In poverty, homeless or without employment.

We pray for families struggling with debt - GrowBaby
For the work of our Food banks within Faversham
Give grace to us, our families and friends, and to all our
neighbours; that we may serve Christ in one another, and love
as he loves us.

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

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit,
praying for all those who are sick and especially those with
dementia and those who care for them. Those who are
anxiously waiting for test results or treatments especially if
they have been delayed, those in end-of-life care, those who
are living with disabilities, those who
are depressed, those who are despairing.....;
give them courage and hope in their troubles; and bring them
the joy of your salvation.

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

Hear us as we remember those who have died in the faith of
Christ ; according to your promises, grant us with them a
share in your eternal kingdom. We pray for those with an
anniversary of the death of a loved one
at this time.

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

Lord of mercy and light, at this time of Easter and through this
Easter Week, draw us closer to Your heart. Teach us to walk
humbly, to love deeply, and to forgive freely. Strip away the
noise that distracts us, and open our eyes to the

needs of those around us. Remind us of our dependence on You, may our prayers deepen our trust in You, and our giving reflect Your boundless generosity and new risen life in you.

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

The Collect of the day is said

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.

All

Amen.

The Lord's Prayer is said

Rejoicing in God's new creation,
as our Saviour taught us, so we pray

All

**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.**

The Conclusion

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

All

Amen.

Let us bless the Lord. Alleluia, alleluia.

All

Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.