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3. On the third morn he rose again  
glorious in majesty to reign;  
O let us swell the joyful strain: Alleluia.

4. Lord, by the stripes which wounded thee  
from death's dread sting thy servants free,  
that we may live, and sing to thee: Alleluia.

*(words: Latin hymn [17th century], trans Francis Pott;  
music: Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina, adapt William Henry Monk)*

*We acclaim:*

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

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.  
**In the name of Christ, Amen.**

*The Annual Parochial Church Meeting begins in church shortly.*

*The VE Day exhibition is open 2-4pm this afternoon*

5. Thine for ever! thou our guide,  
all our wants by thee supplied,  
all our sins by thee forgiv'n,  
lead us, Lord, from earth to heav'n.

*(words: Mary Fawler Maude; music: William Dalrymple MacLagan)*

1. Such love, pure as the whitest snow;  
such love weeps for the shame I know;  
such love, paying the debt I owe;  
O Jesus, such love.

2. Such love, stilling my restlessness;  
such love, filling my emptiness;  
such love, showing me holiness;  
O Jesus, such love.

3. Such love springs from eternity;  
such love, streaming through history;  
such love, fountain of life to me;  
O Jesus, such love.

## We are sent out

**Almighty God, we thank you for feeding us with your Word and with the body and blood of Christ. Send us out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory. Amen.**

### THE BLESSING

Christ who out of defeat brings new hope and a new future, fill you with his new life; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

### HYMN

1. The strife is o'er, the battle done;  
now is the Victor's triumph won;  
O let the song of praise be sung: Alleluia.

2. Death's mightiest pow'rs have done their worst,  
and Jesus hath his foes dispersed;  
let shouts of praise and joy outburst: Alleluia.

Christ our Lord, by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory be yours, almighty father, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

### THE LORD'S PRAYER

Deacon: 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.**

Priest: We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.  
**All: Though we are many, we are one body.  
For we all share in one bread.**

Draw near with faith. Receive the body of our Lord Jesus Christ which he gave for you. Eat in remembrance that he died and now lives for you, and feed on him in your heart by faith with thanksgiving.

*We sing:* **Jesus, Lamb of God, have mercy on us.  
Jesus, bearer of our sins, have mercy on us.  
Jesus, Redeemer of the world, give us your peace. (x2)**

### *SONGS during Communion*

1. Thine for ever! God of love,  
hear us from thy throne above;  
thine for ever may we be  
here and in eternity.

2. Thine for ever! Lord of life,  
shield us through our earthly strife;  
thou the life, the truth, the way,  
guide us to the realms of day.

3. Thine for ever! O how blest  
they who find in thee their rest!  
Saviour, guardian, heav'nly friend,  
O defend us to the end.

4. Thine for ever! Shepherd, keep  
us thy frail and trembling sheep;  
safe within thy tender care,  
let us all thy goodness share.

We have been crucified with Christ, and live his risen life, to praise you for ever with angels and archangels singing:

*(repeat after cantor)*

**Holy, holy, holy Lord!  
God of power and God of might.  
Heav'n and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest!**

**Blessed is he who comes  
in the name of the Lord most high.  
Hosanna.  
Hosanna.  
Hosanna in the highest.**

Lord, you are holy indeed, the source of all holiness; grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit, and according to your holy will, these gifts of bread and wine may be to us the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ; who, in the same night that he was betrayed, took bread and gave you thanks; he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me.

*A bell is rung.*

In the same way after supper he took the cup and gave you thanks; he gave it to them, saying: Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

*A bell is rung.*

Deacon: Great is the mystery of faith.

**Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.**

And so, Father, calling to mind his death on the cross, his perfect sacrifice made once for the sins of the whole world, rejoicing in his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension, and looking for his coming in glory, we celebrate this memorial of our redemption. As we offer you this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, we bring before you this bread and this cup and we thank you for counting us worthy to stand in your presence and serve you. Send the Holy Spirit on your people and gather into one in your kingdom all who share this one bread and one cup, that we, in the company of all the saints, may praise and glorify you for ever, through Jesus

3. Perverse and foolish oft I strayed,  
But yet in love he sought me,  
And on his shoulder gently laid,  
And home rejoicing brought me.

4. In death's dark vale I fear no ill  
With thee, dear Lord, beside me;  
Thy rod and staff my comfort still,  
Thy cross before to guide me.

5. Thou spread'st a table in my sight;  
Thy unction grace bestoweth;  
And O what transport of delight  
From thy pure chalice floweth!

6. And so through all the length of days  
Thy goodness faileth never:  
Good Shepherd, may I sing thy praise  
Within thy house for ever.

*(words: Henry Williams Baker, based on Psalm 23; music: John Bacchus Dykes)*

## We tell the story of salvation

Priest:

The Lord is here.

All:

**God's Spirit is with us.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give thanks and praise.**

We give you thanks and praise for the gospel we have received.

Christ died for our sins. Alleluia.

**He is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

Death comes through Adam, and sin reigns for a time. New life without end comes through Christ, and he reigns for ever. Alleluia.

**He is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

Death, where is your victory? Death, where is your sting? Death is swallowed up in victory, the victory you give us in Christ. Alleluia.

**He is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

# We affirm our faith

## APOSTLES' CREED

Deacon: Brothers and sisters, I invite you to stand, if able, as we affirm our faith in God:

**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.**

## INTERCESSIONS

### THE PEACE

Deacon: Alleluia. Christ has been raised from the dead. The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**All: And also with you.**

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

### HYMN

1. The King of love my shepherd is,  
Whose goodness faileth never;  
I nothing lack if I am his  
And he is mine for ever.

2. Where streams of living water flow  
My ransomed soul he leadeth,  
And where the verdant pastures grow  
With food celestial feedeth.

## THE COLLECT for the Fourth Sunday of Easter

Almighty God whose Son Jesus Christ is the resurrection and the life: raise us, who trust in him, from the death of sin to the life of righteousness, that we may seek those things which are above, where he reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

READING Acts 9:36-end

HYMN *Alleluia, alleluia, give thanks to the risen Lord,  
alleluia, alleluia, give praise to his name.*

1. Jesus is Lord of all the earth.  
He is the King of creation.
2. Spread the good news o'er all the earth.  
Jesus has died and is risen.
3. We have been crucified with Christ.  
Now we shall live for ever.
4. God has proclaimed the just reward:  
"Life for us all, alleluia!"
5. Come, let us praise the living God,  
joyfully sing to our Saviour.

*(words & music: Donald Fishel alt, arr Andrew Moore)*

*We remain standing for the* GOSPEL READING John 10:22-30

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

**All: Glory to you, O Lord.**

*At the end* This is the Gospel of the Lord

**All: Praise to you, O Christ.**

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

**He is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

SERMON in Church is from John Wallace-Howell

# We seek forgiveness

CONFESSION this 80<sup>th</sup> year after the end of WWII in Europe.

*We keep silence*

Deacon: For forgetfulness that allows mistakes to be repeated,  
Lord, have mercy.  
**Lord, have mercy.**

For selective memory that justifies superiority and prejudice,  
Christ, have mercy.  
**Christ, have mercy.**

For bitter memory that perpetuates conflict,  
Lord, have mercy.  
**Lord, have mercy.**

**FORGIVENESS** *is declared:*

The almighty and merciful Lord grant *us* pardon and forgiveness of all *our* sins, time for amendment of life and the grace and strength of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

*We stand to give thanks for forgiveness, singing* THE GLORIA

1. Glory be to God in heaven,  
songs of praise and joy we bring;  
thankful hearts and voices raising,  
to creation's Lord we sing.  
Lord we thank you:  
Lord we bless you:  
glory be to God our King;  
glory be to God our King.

2. Lamb of God who on your  
shoulders  
bore the load of this world's sin:  
only Son of God the Father  
you have brought us peace within.  
Lord have mercy,  
Christ have mercy,  
now your glorious reign begin;  
now your glorious reign begin.

3. You O Son of God are holy,  
you we praise with one accord:  
none in heaven or earth is like you,  
only you are Christ the Lord:  
with the Father  
and the Spirit  
ever worshipped and adored;  
ever worshipped and adored.

2. Praise him for his grace and favour  
to our fathers in distress;  
praise him still the same as ever,  
slow to chide and swift to bless.  
Praise him! Praise him! Praise him! Praise him!  
Glorious in his faithfulness!

3. Father-like, he tends and spares us;  
well our feeble frame he knows;  
in his hands he gently bears us,  
rescues us from all our foes.  
Praise him! Praise him! Praise him! Praise him!  
Widely as his mercy flows!

4. Angels, help us to adore him;  
ye behold him face to face;  
sun and moon, bow down before him,  
dwellers all in time and space.  
Praise him! Praise him! Praise him! Praise him!  
Praise with us the God of grace!

*(words: Henry Frances Lyte, based on Psalm 103; music: John Goss;  
descant: Leonard James Blake alt)*

*We acclaim:*

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

Grace, mercy and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus  
Christ be with us all. **Amen.**

WELCOME and NOTICES

*We pray:* **Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known  
and from whom no secrets are hidden: cleanse the thoughts  
of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we  
may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name;  
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

# We gather

*Music as we gather:*

1. Jesus is risen, alleluia!  
Worship and praise him, alleluia!  
Now our redeemer bursts from the grave;  
lost to the tomb, Christ rises to save.

*Come, let us worship him, endlessly sing;  
Christ is alive and death loses its sting.  
Sins are forgiven, alleluia!  
Jesus is risen, alleluia!*

2. Buried for three days, destined for death,  
now he returns to breathe with our breath.  
Blest are the ears alert to his voice,  
blest are the hearts which for him rejoice.

3. "Don't be afraid!" the angel had said.  
"Why seek the living here with the dead?  
Look, where he lay, his body is gone,  
risen and vibrant, warm with the sun."

4. "Go and tell others, Christ is alive."  
Love is eternal, faith and hope thrive.  
What God intended, Jesus fulfilled;  
what God conceives can never be killed.

5. Let heaven echo, let the earth sing:  
Jesus is saviour of everything,  
all those who trust him, Christ will receive;  
therefore rejoice, obey and believe!

*(words: Bernard Kyamanywa, English version by John L Bell;  
music: Haya [Tanzanian] melody, arr John L Bell)*

*When the song finishes we stand in silence. We sing:*

HYMN 1. Praise, my soul, the King of heaven!  
To his feet thy tribute bring;  
ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven,  
who like me his praise should sing?  
Praise him! Praise him! Praise him! Praise him!  
Praise the everlasting King!

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*Farmer Aurelia, Guatemala, faces daily the damaging consequences of climate change threatening her crops, but she holds hope in her hands.*

## Local and Global

Holy Communion  
At the beginning of Christian Aid Week  
Easter IV, Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> May 2025