



**ST. LAURENCE CHURCH,  
HAWKHURST**

**FAMILY COMMUNION  
1<sup>ST</sup> MAY 2022**

**THE THIRD SUNDAY OF  
EASTER**

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**ZOOM DETAILS:**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/4572440784?pwd=Yjgwc2pUd1ZPSkpYjT3E4UVBsNS9HQQT09>

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Alleluia, Christ is Risen  
**He is risen indeed. Alleluia**

**WELCOME**

*The Vicar welcomes the congregation*

**HYMN** (PLEASE STAND IF YOU ARE ABLE)

***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.  
***Refrain.***

2. Spread the good news o'er all the earth.

Jesus has died and has risen.  
***Refrain.***

3. We have been crucified with Christ.  
Now we shall live forever.  
***Refrain.***

4. God has proclaimed the just reward:  
Life for all men, alleluia! ***Refrain.***

5. Come, let us praise the living God,  
Joyfully sing to our Saviour.  
***Refrain.***

**CONFESSION**

Jesus Christ, risen master and triumphant Lord, we come to you in sorrow for our sins, and confess to you our weakness and unbelief. We have lived by our own strength, and not by the power of your resurrection.  
In your mercy, forgive us.  
**Lord, hear us and help us.**

We have lived by the light of our own eyes, as faithless and not believing.  
In your mercy, forgive us.  
**Lord, hear us and help us.**

We have lived for this world alone, and doubted our home in heaven.  
In your mercy, forgive us.  
**Lord, hear us and help us.**

May the Father forgive us by the death and resurrection of his Son, and strengthen us to live in the power of the Spirit all our days.  
**Amen**

### **COLLECT FOR THE DAY**

We pray together:

**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.**

### **HYMN** (PLEASE STAND IF YOU ARE ABLE)

He is Lord, He is Lord,  
He has risen from the dead  
And He is Lord,  
Every knee shall bow,  
Every tongue confess,  
That Jesus Christ is Lord

He's my Lord, He's my Lord,  
He has risen from the dead  
And He's my Lord,  
Every knee shall bow,  
Every tongue confess,  
That Jesus Christ is Lord

### **THE GOSPEL READING**

The Lord be with you

**And also with you.**

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to John, Chapter 21 beginning at the first verse

**Glory to you O Lord**

At that time, Jesus revealed himself again to his disciples at the Sea of Tiberias. He revealed himself in this way. Together were Simon Peter, Thomas called Didymus, Nathanael from Cana in Galilee, Zebedee's sons, and two others of his disciples. Simon Peter said to them, "I am going fishing." They said to him, "We also will come with you." So they went out and got into the boat, but that night they caught nothing. When it was already dawn, Jesus was standing on the shore; but the disciples did not realize that it was Jesus. Jesus said to them, "Children, have you caught anything to eat?" They answered him, "No." So he said to them, "Cast the net over the right side of the boat and you will find something." So they cast it, and were not able to pull it in because of the number of fish. So the disciple whom Jesus loved said to Peter, "It is the Lord."

When Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he tucked in his garment, for he was lightly clad,

and jumped into the sea. The other disciples came in the boat, for they were not far from shore, only about a hundred yards, dragging the net with the fish. When they climbed out on shore, they saw a charcoal fire with fish on it and bread. Jesus said to them, "Bring some of the fish you just caught." So Simon Peter went over and dragged the net ashore full of one hundred fifty-three large fish. Even though there were so many, the net was not torn. Jesus said to them, "Come, have breakfast." And none of the disciples dared to ask him, "Who are you?" because they realized it was the Lord. Jesus came over and took the bread and gave it to them, and in like manner the fish. This was now the third time Jesus was revealed to his disciples after being raised from the dead.

When they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, "Simon, son of John, do you love me more than these?" Simon Peter answered him, "Yes, Lord, you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my lambs." He then said to Simon Peter a second time, "Simon, son of John, do you love me?" Simon Peter answered him, "Yes, Lord, you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Tend my sheep." Jesus said to him the third time, "Simon, son of John, do you love

me?" Peter was distressed that Jesus had said to him a third time, "Do you love me?" and he said to him, "Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my sheep. Amen, amen, I say to you, when you were younger, you used to dress yourself and go where you wanted; but when you grow old, you will stretch out your hands, and someone else will dress you and lead you where you do not want to go." He said this signifying by what kind of death he would glorify God. And when he had said this, he said to him, "Follow me."

This is the Gospel of the Lord,  
**Praise to you, O Christ.**

## REFLECTION

### THE CREED

Father, we adore You,  
lay our lives before You,  
how we love You.

Jesus we adore You,  
lay our lives before You,  
how we love You.

Spirit, we adore You,  
lay our lives before You,  
how we love You.

## PRAYERS

Mighty God, your Son revealed himself again and again and convinced his disciples of his glorious resurrection. Help us to feel his risen presence, so that we can lovingly feed his sheep, and care for the lambs of his flock here in our church and parish community

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

Creator God, we thank you for the example of leadership given to us by your Son, Jesus Christ, in his life on earth and how, in a very practical sense, he showed his followers a new way to fish. We pray for the peoples of the world who are learning to do new things with their lives, and we continue to pray that such changes will hasten the day when all of your world has enough of the basic essentials and comforts of life.

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

Loving God, we pray for the peoples of Ukraine, Yemen, Afghanistan, and all places in your world where there is war and suffering. May they know your justice and your peace.

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

Almighty God, you have called us to follow in the way of your risen Son, and to care for those who are our companions, not only with words, but with acts of love. As we seek to be true friends of all, we pray for our families, our friends and our neighbours, especially in areas where there are problems with our relationships. Let us always be the ones to make the first steps towards reconciliation.

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

Gracious God, we remember this morning those who are sick, sad or lonely and those who are brave and patient when things are going wrong. We pray that they may be aware of your comforting presence and know that in your hands they are safe and loved. We pray for Robbie Robinson, Gillian Robinson, Eleanor Ash, Ivor Hatcher

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

Creator God, through the glorious resurrection of your son Jesus Christ, you have freed us from the grip of the tomb. We pray for those who have departed this life and ask You, through your loving kindness, to have mercy on their souls. We pray too for those bereaved by their passing. We

pray for those whose years mind occur this month

Simon Edwards, Davis Cutmore, Stella Keane, Alfred Scrivener, Anthony Smith, Sheila Pope, Thomas Weguelin, Henry Husey, Joscelyn Thompson, Grace Parsons, Albert Richard, Mark Webber, Heather Murphy, David Wood, Robert Botha, Vera Boulton, Ione McEwen, Sylvia Parkinson.

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

Lord, at the start of this new week, help us to be an example to others. Show us, as you did with your fishermen friends, the practical steps we need to take so that we can change the ways in which we do things and so develop consistency and integrity in all that we do in our lives.

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

### **WE SHARE GOD'S PEACE**

*We stand to sing*

Shalom, Shalom,  
May peace be with you,  
Throughout your days;  
In all that you do,  
May peace be with you,  
Shalom, Shalom.

*(Repeat)*

### **HYMN** (PLEASE STAND IF YOU ARE ABLE)

*A collection will be made during the singing of this hymn*

Through all the changing scenes of life,  
in trouble and in joy,  
the praises of my God shall still my heart and tongue employ.  
Of his deliv'rance I will boast,  
till all that are distressed,  
from my example comfort take  
and lay their griefs to rest.

O magnify the LORD with me,  
exalt his holy name;  
when in distress to him I called,  
he to my rescue came.  
The hosts of God encamp around  
the dwellings of the just;  
deliv'rance he affords to all  
who in his promise trust.

O taste and see that he is good;  
experience will decide  
how blest are they, and only they  
who in the LORD confide.  
Fear him, you saints, and you will  
then  
have nothing else to fear;  
make serving him your sole  
delight,  
your wants shall be his care.

### **THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER**

The Lord be with you

## **And also with you**

Lift up your hearts

**We lift them to the Lord**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God

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

Why do we give thanks and praise at this table?

**We give thanks for all that God has done for us.**

God the Father created the heavens, the earth and everything in them; and created us in his own image.

**Let us give thanks and praise**

Christ our Lord became human like us, and died to save us.

**Let us give thanks and praise**

God sent the Holy Spirit to gather us together as the people of God

**Let us give thanks and praise**

So come let us join together to worship this God who loves

*We sing:*

Holy, holy, holy Lord,  
God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest.

*Please sit*

We praise you Father that before Jesus our Saviour suffered and died, he gave us this holy meal to share and told us to continue it until he comes again.

**Why do we eat bread together at this table?**

On the night before he died, Jesus took bread. After giving thanks, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples saying, "Take, eat. This is my body, given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

**Why do we drink from the cup together at this table?**

In the same way after supper Jesus took the cup, saying. "This cup is God's new covenant sealed with my blood, poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this in remembrance of me"

**What do we remember at this table?**

We remember the Father's gracious love for us, Christ's death and resurrection for us, and the Spirit's tender care for us.

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

*We sing:*

Christ has died,  
Christ is risen,  
Christ will come again.

Merciful Father, pour out your Holy Spirit on us and on these gifts of bread and wine. In eating and drinking together may we be made one with Christ and with one another. **Amen.**

### **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

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.**

This is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world  
**Lord, I am not worthy to receive you but only say the word and I shall be healed.**

### **A Prayer for those joining us on Zoom who are making their Spiritual Communion**

**My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the most Blessed**

**Sacrament. I love You above all things and I desire to receive you into my soul. Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there, and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.**

### **POST-COMMUNION HYMN**

Sweet Sacrament divine,  
hid in thine earthly home,  
lo, round thy lowly shrine,  
with suppliant hearts we come;  
Jesus, to thee our voice we raise  
in songs of love and heartfelt  
praise:  
sweet Sacrament divine.

Sweet Sacrament of peace,  
dear home for every heart,  
where restless yearnings cease  
and sorrows all depart;  
there in thine ear all trustfully  
we tell our tale of misery:  
sweet Sacrament of peace.

Sweet Sacrament of rest,  
ark from the ocean's roar,  
within thy shelter blest  
soon may we reach the shore;  
save us, for still the tempest  
raves,

save, lest we sink beneath the waves:  
sweet Sacrament of rest.

Sweet Sacrament divine,  
earth's light and jubilee,  
in thy far depths doth shine  
thy Godhead's majesty;  
sweet light, so shine on us, we pray,  
that earthly joys may fade away:  
sweet Sacrament divine.

### **THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER.**

Living God, your Son made himself known to his disciples in the breaking of bread: open the eyes of our faith, that we may see him in all his redeeming work; who is alive and reigns, now and for ever. **Amen**

### **THE BLESSING**

The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the eternal covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight; and the blessing ...**Amen**

**HYMN (PLEASE STAND IF YOU ARE ABLE)**

The day of resurrection!  
Earth, tell it out abroad;  
the passover of gladness,  
the passover of God.  
From death to life eternal,  
from earth unto the sky,  
our Christ hath brought us over,  
with hymns of victory.

Our hearts be pure from evil,  
that we may see aright  
the Lord in rays eternal  
of resurrection light;  
and listening to his accents,  
may hear, so calm and plain,  
his own "All hail!" and, hearing,  
may raise the victor strain.

Now let the heavens be joyful!  
Let earth the song begin!  
Let the round world keep triumph,  
and all that is therein!  
Let all things seen and unseen  
their notes in gladness blend,  
for Christ the Lord hath risen,  
our joy that hath no end.

The Lord be with you  
**And also with you.**

Let us bless the Lord  
**Thanks be to God**

May the divine assistance remain  
with us always.  
**And with all our brothers and sisters in Christ.**



May the souls of the faithful departed through the mercy of God, rest in peace. **And rise in glory. Amen.**

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

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We listen to the Organ Voluntary

## NOTICES

**Wednesday Eucharist at Bowles Lodge at 10.00a.m.** Please do join us.

**Coffee After Church** - If possible, please bring your own coffee cups/mugs to church on Sundays.

**Village Fete** - We at St Laurence Church will be running the Tea Stall at the Village Summer Fete, (in celebration of the Queen's Platinum Jubilee) on

**Saturday 4th June.** We need volunteers to serve the tea as well as donations of cakes, please. We will need 2/3 people all the time, from 12noon to 5pm. A sign-up sheet is available on the notice table - please sign if you are able to help and indicate if you are able to donate cake. **For further details speak to Sandra 754459**

## AT YOUR SERVICE

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