



## Easter Sunrise Service

"Why do you look for the living among the dead?  
He is not here, He has risen!"

### LIGHTING OF BONFIRE

### EASTER ACCLAMATIONS

Hallelujah, Christ is Risen!

**He is risen indeed, Hallelujah!**

### JESUS CHRIST IS RISEN TODAY; ALLELUIA,

Our triumphant holy day; alleluia,  
Who did once upon the cross; alleluia,  
Suffer to redeem our loss; alleluia!

Hymns of praise then let us sing; alleluia,  
Unto Christ our heavenly king; alleluia,  
Who endured the cross and grave;  
alleluia,  
Sinners to redeem and save: alleluia!

But the pains which he endured; alleluia,  
Our salvation have procured; alleluia,  
Now above the sky he's King; alleluia,  
Where the angels ever sing: alleluia!

From "Surrexit Christus hodie", anon., C14, trans. John Baptist Walsh in  
Lyra Davidica, 1708

### OPENING PRAYER

Our God and Father,  
as this new morning breaks, and there  
dawns the full light of another  
Resurrection day, we have come to  
worship You. In Your presence we begin  
to understand the energy of your Spirit  
and the power of your love. Our hearts  
are warmed again, and you renew our  
confidence.

Heavenly Father, on this Easter Day:

**We praise and adore you.**

Lord Jesus, Easter morning tells us that  
you are alive; that nothing can separate  
us from your love. We join the countless  
numbers in heaven and on earth who  
proclaim your victory. Risen Lord Jesus,  
nothing can hold you now from fulfilling

your work on earth through your church.  
Lord Jesus, on this Easter Day:

**We praise and adore you.**

Holy Spirit of God, we come to renew our  
hearts and minds so that in daily contact  
with those who know our friendship, or  
share our place of employment, or live in  
our street, or dwell with us in the intimacy  
of our homes, we may realise our  
partnership with you: meeting the needs  
of our community and world with the  
power of Jesus' resurrection.

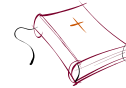
Holy Spirit of God, on this Easter Day:

**We praise and adore you.**

**O Lord our God,  
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,  
Yours is the kingdom, the power, and the  
glory, for ever and ever. Amen.**

### BIBLE READING

John 20 v 1-9



This is the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

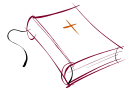
### ALL HEAVEN DECLARES

The glory of the risen Lord.  
Who can compare  
With the beauty of the Lord?  
For ever He will be  
The Lamb upon the throne;  
I gladly bow the knee  
And worship Him alone.

I will proclaim  
The glory of the risen Lord,  
Who once was slain  
To reconcile us to God.  
For ever You will be  
The Lamb upon the throne;  
I gladly bow the knee  
And worship You alone.

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## BIBLE READING



John 20 v 10-18

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## TIME OF OPEN PRAYER

### 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.  
YES!**

## LIGHTING OF CANDLES



### PRAYER

God has delivered us from the  
dominion of darkness and has given us a  
place with the saints in light. You have  
received the light of Christ, walk in this  
light all the days of your life.

**Let us shine as lights in the world to the  
glory of God the Father.  
Amen.**



### THINE BE THE GLORY

*Risen, conquering Son;  
Endless is the victory,  
Thou o'er death hast won;*

Angels in bright raiment  
Rolled the stone away,  
Kept the folded grave clothes  
Where Thy body lay.

Lo! Jesus meets us,  
Risen from the tomb;  
Lovingly He greets us,  
Scatters fear and gloom;  
Let the church with gladness,  
Hymns of triumph sing;  
For her Lord now liveth,  
Death hath lost its sting.

No more we doubt Thee,  
Glorious Prince of life;  
Life is naught without Thee;  
Aid us in our strife;  
Make us more than conquerors,  
Through Thy deathless love:  
Bring us safe through Jordan  
To Thy home above.

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## THE EASTER BLESSING

Now may the God of peace,  
who through the blood of the eternal  
covenant brought back from the dead  
our Lord Jesus, that great Shepherd of  
the sheep, equip you with everything  
good for doing His will,  
and may He work in you what is pleasing  
to Him, through Jesus Christ,  
to whom be glory for ever and ever.

**Amen.**

## THE DISMISSAL

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