

Lorgues with Fayence in the Var
Part of the Anglican Mission of the Diocese in Europe



HE IS RISEN

You are very welcome to our online worship this EASTER morning, we hope you enjoy it and feel part of our church family, Click below to hear about this mornings worship.

<https://youtu.be/GEz4S1qBR1A>

Hymn Jesus Christ is risen today

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_6sj9ljVsfk

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 pain which He endured, Alleluia!
Our salvation hath procured, Alleluia!
Now above the sky He's king, Alleluia!
Where the angels ever sing, Alleluia!



Introduction and todays collect prayer

CHRIST IS RISEN, he is risen indeed Alleluia

<https://youtu.be/uXxLwNqJRI0>

On this Easter morning we gather and we celebrate. What are we to make of this day? When graves are opened... When the dead awaken... When life refuses to be contained... Then nothing is impossible! Hope is never extinguished and love is never conquered. We celebrate You today, Jesus, because You have made it clear that death does not have the last word; Because You have filled us again with hope and faith; Because You have given us a vision of new possibilities, new realities, and new ways of being.

Open our minds to believe what we cannot explain;
Open our hearts to hope for what we cannot see;
Open our lives to live and to love in the midst of death and despair;
Let resurrection happen again in us today. Amen

Dear Lord, I come humbly before You asking You to heal me in every area of my life. I give You my heart in faith that You can make me whole praise, I believe that You are my healer and redeemer! in Jesus' Name I pray. Amen

Our prayer for self-reflection

We can approach God with our prayers and praises because the Lord Jesus has opened the way for us in his death and resurrection. We do so, however, as those who continue to sin, and need to seek God's forgiveness and help to serve him more faithfully. So, in the words of Hebrews 4:16, 'Let us approach God's throne of grace with confidence, so that we may receive mercy, and find grace to help us in our time of need.'

*Most merciful God,
we humbly admit that we need your help.
We confess that we have wandered from your way:
we have done wrong, and we have failed to do what is right.
You alone can save us.
Have mercy on us:
wipe out our sins and teach us to forgive others.
Bring forth in us the fruit of the Spirit
that we may live as disciples of Christ.
This we ask in the name of Jesus our Saviour. Amen.*

Assurance of forgiveness:

Merciful Lord,
grant to your faithful people pardon and peace,
that we may be cleansed from all our sins,
and able to serve you with a quiet mind;
We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

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As we realise that more than ever we need to be mindful of each other as we are confined to our homes, on this Easter Day when we celebrate that Jesus was raised up from the grave we can pray for each other and keep in touch in other ways and show we care. This day of resurrection gives us a new opportunity to both be renewed and refreshed, because, the resurrection was not a miracle with no purpose, it was God's plan for our individual salvation as death was overcome. And as we wonder will life ever return to the way it was, it is good to look back and reflect on just where we have come from, the good bits and the not so good bits. I hope the next song will help you realise you are raised up because of Jesus' life and death.

Song

You Raise Me Up

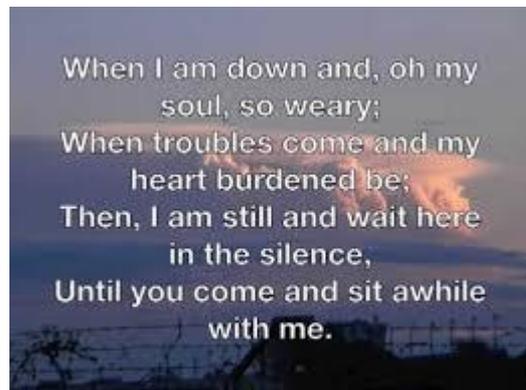
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sza4rh1YzsM>

When I am down, and, oh, my soul, so weary
When troubles come, and my heart burdened be
Then, I am still and wait here in the silence
Until you come and sit awhile with me

You raise me up, so I can stand on mountains
You raise me up to walk on stormy seas
I am strong when I am on your shoulders
You raise me up to more than I can be

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The Word

As we come to read our Bible and learn from God's word, let us ask God to give us understanding and the will to obey him:

We thank you heavenly Father, for inspiring all Scripture by the Holy Spirit. Help us by your Spirit so to hear your holy word that we may be equipped for every good work, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Bible Readings

This mornings readings are read by Alison Walley and Chris is sharing an Easter reflection with us.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eo-M9uy33U&feature=youtu.be>

Reflection Chris

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KWqQeQN69Tk&t=7s>



<https://youtu.be/eBpF8zwXQOQ>

Our beliefs

We believe and trust in God the Father,
source of all being and life,
the one for whom we exist
We believe and trust in him.

We believe and trust in God the Son,
who took our human nature,
died for us and rose again
We believe and trust in him.

We believe and trust in God the Holy Spirit,
who gives life to the people of God
and makes Christ known in the world
We believe and trust in him.

**This is the faith of the Church.
This is our faith.
We believe and trust in one God,
Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.**

Prayer and Thanksgiving.

Our Gracious God, we pray that you will help us to proclaim our Saviour, the Lord Jesus Christ, so that everyone around us will hear his call to repent, trust and serve Christ in love, and be established in the fellowship of his disciples while we await his return. May we continue to pray, to depend on your Holy Spirit, and to glorify you. **Amen.**



Take a few moments for your own prayers

This prayer was sent to Lindsay Phillips by an Italian priest friend who is self-isolating at the moment and very sadly lost his brother to the Coronavirus



I'm staying at home, Lord!

I'm staying at home, Lord! And today, I realise, you taught me this, remaining obedient to the Father, for thirty years in the house of Nazareth, waiting for the great mission.

I stay at home, Lord, and in Joseph's studio, your keeper and mine, I learn to work, to obey, to round the corners of my life and prepare you a work of art.

I'm staying at home, Lord! And I know that I am not alone because Mary, like any mother, is in the next room, doing chores and preparing lunch for all of us, God's family.

I'm staying at home, Lord! And I do it responsibly for my own good, for the health of my city, for my loved ones, and for the good of my brother, whom you have put beside me, asking me to take care of him in the garden of life.



I'm staying at home, Lord! And in the silence of Nazareth, I pledge to pray, to read, study, meditate, be useful for small jobs, in order to make our home more beautiful and more welcoming.

I'm staying at home, Lord! And in the morning, I thank you for the new day you give me, trying not to spoil it and welcome it with wonder, as a gift and an Easter surprise.

I'm staying at home, Lord! And at noon I will receive the greeting of the angel, I will make myself useful for love, in communion with you who have made you flesh to live among us; and, tired of the journey, thirsty, I will meet you at Jacob's well, and thirsty for love on the Cross.

I'm staying at home, Lord! And if the evening takes me melancholy, I will invoke you like the disciples of Emmaus: stay with us, the evening has arrived and the sun sets.

I'm staying at home, Lord! And in the night, in communion of prayer with the many sick, the lonely and all the caregivers, I will wait for the dawn to sing your mercy again and tell everyone that, in the storms, you have been my refuge.

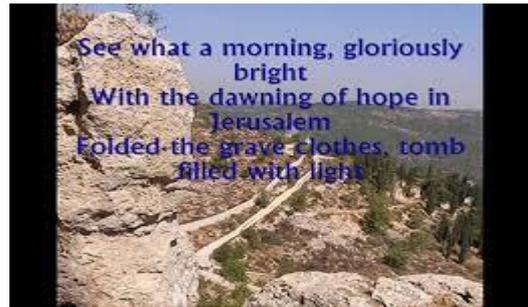
I'm staying at home, Lord! And I don't feel alone and abandoned, because you told me: I'm with you every day. yes, and especially in these days of confusion, O Lord, in which, if my presence is not necessary, I will reach everyone, only with the wings of prayer.

Amen

Song

See What a Morning

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6xM-fpXayUg>



We break bread together and share wine in Remembrance as Jesus commanded us.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MI1qV1TBaj4>

We Feast at the Lord's Table for Christ is risen! Let's celebrate this irrepressible life; let's open our hearts to the joy and wonder of infinite possibility, of unquenched hope, of eternal resurrection.

We celebrate, we raise our voices and our hearts in worship and thanksgiving to the God who lives. Resurrection happened because Christ was first prepared to die. Defying death, He refused to release His hold on life and love. So now, as He encouraged us, we choose to remember so that we too can truly live.



At supper on the night before He died Jesus took bread and blessed it. Then He broke it and gave it to His disciples saying: This is my body, broken so that you may know life. Eat it and remember Me.

After the meal Jesus took wine and blessed it. Then He gave it to His disciples saying: This is my blood, shed so that you may know life. Drink it and remember Me.

So, now, Lord of Life, we share in this meal, we celebrate together, and we remember You .
And we will continue to do this until resurrection has flooded the whole creation.
May this bread and this wine become for us in this moment your life-giving body and blood,
And may we who share this meal, be joined with you, and with one another,
as one body united in resurrection life,
and sharing with all of creation in your eternal salvation. .



As we break this bread, we receive Christ's life in all our diversity, and in all our individuality, wherever we may be today, and as we share this celebration we are one with you.

**We now share this meal together,
each in our own homes.**

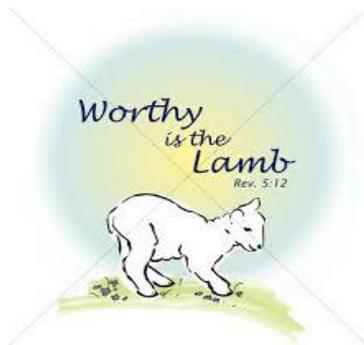
We Give Thanks to You, O God, for Your life, pulsing in creation revealed in Jesus renewed in resurrection and available to us now. Thank You for touching us again with Your life through bread and wine; For joining our lives with Yours through Jesus; And for renewing resurrection in our hearts through your Holy Spirit. Filled with life, we now offer ourselves to be life-bringers in the world. Touched by resurrection we pledge to resist death wherever we find it. Filled with hope we embrace the promise of eternity, and the call to make it known at every opportunity. Amen.

A Blessing as we go back to our daily lives

*Loving God, we thank you for hearing our prayers,
feeding us with your word, and your Spirit this Eastertide and encouraging us in our meeting together.*

*Take us, use us and bless us to love and serve you, and all people,
in the power of your Spirit and in the name of your Son,
Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

Thine be the Glory <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GaoV5w2Ofag>



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