

# Celtic Morning Worship in Easter

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Second Sunday of Easter



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## **Welcome and Announcements**

Almighty God, giver of all good gifts and source of all wisdom and understanding, guide us with your Holy Spirit as we move through this time of transition into new leadership. Be with us on our journey as we work together to discern what is best for our parish.

Sustain us as we face each new challenge and help us to be ambassadors of your love in all we do. We ask this through your Son, Jesus Christ, now and forever. **Amen.**

**Hymn**            “Yours Be the Glory, Risen Conquering Son”

**Yours be the glory, risen, conquering Son,  
endless is the victory over death you've won;  
angels robed in splendour rolled the stone away,  
kept the folded grave-clothes, where your body lay.**

*Refrain:*

**Yours be the glory, risen, conquering Son,  
endless is the victory over death you've won.**

**See, 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 the Lord is living, death has lost its sting.**

*[Refrain]*

**No more we doubt you, glorious Prince of life;  
what is life is without you: aid us in our strife;  
make us more than conquerors through your deathless  
love;  
bring us safe through Jordan to your home above.**

*[Refrain]*

## **Greeting**

The light and peace of Jesus Christ be with you  
**and also with you.**

The glory of the Lord has risen upon us.  
**Let us rejoice and sing God's praise for ever.**

**Hymn /Canticle:** "You are God" bold alternate verses

You are God, we praise you:  
You are the Lord: we acclaim you;  
You are the eternal Father:  
All creation worships you

**To you all angels, all the powers of heaven,  
Cherubim and Seraphim, sing in endless praise:  
Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of power and might, Heaven  
and earth are full of your glory.**

The glorious company of apostles praise you.  
The noble fellowship of prophets praise you.  
The white-robed army of martyrs praise you.

**Throughout the world, the holy Church acclaims you:  
Father of majesty unbounded,  
Your true and only Son, worthy of all worship,  
And the Holy Spirit, advocate and guide**

You, Christ, are the King of Glory  
The eternal Son of the Father.  
When you became man to set us free  
you did not shun the Virgin's womb.

**You overcame the sting of death  
and opened the kingdom of heaven to all believers.**

You are seated at God's right hand in glory.  
We believe that you will come and be our judge.

**Come then, Lord, and help your people,  
bought with the price of your own blood,  
and bring us with your saints  
to glory everlasting.**

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**1<sup>st</sup> Reading**

Acts 3:12-19

When Peter saw it, he addressed the people, ‘You Israelites, why do you wonder at this, or why do you stare at us, as though by our own power or piety we had made him walk? The God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, the God of our ancestors has glorified his servant Jesus, whom you handed over and rejected in the presence of Pilate, though he had decided to release him. But you rejected the Holy and Righteous One and asked to have a murderer given to you, and you killed the Author of life, whom God raised from the dead. To this we are witnesses. And by faith in his name, his name itself has made this man strong, whom you see and know; and the faith that is through Jesus has given him this perfect health in the presence of all of you.

‘And now, friends, I know that you acted in ignorance, as did also your rulers. In this way God fulfilled what he had foretold through all the prophets, that his Messiah would suffer. Repent therefore, and turn to God so that your sins may be wiped out,

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm 4**

Answer me when I call, O God, defender of my cause; \*  
**you set me free when I am hard-pressed; have  
mercy on me and hear my prayer.**

“You mortals, how long will you dishonour my glory; \*  
**how long will you worship dumb idols and run  
after false gods?”**

Know that the Lord does wonders for the faithful; \*  
**when I call upon the Lord, he will hear me.**

Tremble, then, and do not sin; \*  
**speak to your heart in silence upon your bed.**

Offer the appointed sacrifices \*  
**and put your trust in the Lord.**

Many are saying, “Oh, that we might see better times!” \*  
**Lift up the light of your countenance upon us, O  
Lord.**

You have put gladness in my heart, \*  
**more than when grain and wine and oil increase.**

I lie down in peace; at once I fall asleep; \*  
**for only you, Lord, make me dwell in safety.**

Faithful defender, do not let our hearts be troubled, but fill us  
with such confidence and joy that we may sleep in peace  
and rise in your light; through Jesus Christ our Saviour

## **2<sup>nd</sup> Reading**                      Luke 24:36b-48

While they were talking about this, Jesus himself stood among them and said to them, ‘Peace be with you.’ They were startled and terrified, and thought that they were seeing a ghost. He said to them, ‘Why are you frightened, and why do doubts arise in your hearts? Look at my hands and my feet; see that it is I myself. Touch me and see; for a ghost does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have.’ And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. While in their joy they were disbelieving and still

wondering, he said to them, 'Have you anything here to eat?' They gave him a piece of broiled fish, and he took it and ate in their presence.

Then he said to them, 'These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you—that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled.' Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, and he said to them, 'Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**Homily**

**The Rev. Fran Kovar**

**Hymn**

**"Where I Am"**

**Where I am, You are here;  
Hear each prayer, see each tear;  
I will trust and not be afraid.**

**I am weak, You are strong.  
Hold me now in Your arms.  
I will rest and not be afraid.**

**You are with me, Jesus,  
You are with me.  
Nothing separates me from Your endless love.  
You are with me, Jesus,  
You are with me.  
Nothing separates me from Your love.**

**Where I am, You are here;  
I will rest in Your arms.**

**I will trust ---- in Your love ----.  
Amen.**

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## **Prayers of the people**

In joy and hope we pray.  
We pray to the Father.  
**Lord, hear our prayer.**

That our risen Saviour may fill us with the joy of his glorious  
and life-giving resurrection  
we pray to the Father.

**Lord, hear our prayer**  
That isolated and persecuted churches may find fresh  
strength  
in the good news of Easter  
we pray to the Father.  
**Lord, hear our prayer.**

That God may grant us the humility to be subject to one  
another in Christian love  
we pray to the Father.  
**Lord, hear our prayer.**

That he may provide for those who lack food, work or shelter  
we pray to the Father.  
**Lord, hear our prayer.**

That by his power war and famine may cease through all the  
world through all the world ...  
we pray to the Father.  
**Lord, hear our prayer.**

That he may reveal the light of this presence to the sick, the  
weak and the dying to comfort and strengthen them ...  
we pray to the Father.  
**Lord, hear our prayer.**

That he may send the fire of the Holy Spirit upon his people, so that we may bear faithful witness to his resurrection, we pray to the Father.

**Lord, hear our prayer.**

### **The Collect of the Day**

O 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 his redeeming work, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

### **Concluding Prayer**

Gathering all our prayers and praises into one we pray as our Saviour taught us: Our Father,

### **Prayer**

God of our salvation, you have restored us to life, you have brought us back again into your love by the triumphant death and resurrection of Christ. Continue to heal us, as we go to live and work in the power of your Spirit, to your praise and glory. **Amen.**

### **Blessing**

God, by whose glory Christ was raised from the dead, strengthen you to walk with him in his risen life; and the blessing of God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit be with you all, now and for ever. **Amen**

**Hymn**           “Lord of All Hopefulness”

**Lord of all hopefulness,  
Lord of all joy,  
Whose trust, ever child-like,**

**No cares could destroy,  
Be there at our waking,  
And give us, we pray,  
Your bliss in our hearts, Lord,  
At the break of the day.**

**Lord of all eagerness, Lord of all faith,  
Whose strong hands were skilled  
At the plane and the lathe,  
Be there at our labours,  
And give us, we pray,  
Your strength in our hearts, Lord,  
At the noon of the day.**

**Lord of all kindness, Lord of all grace,  
Your hands swift to welcome,  
Your arms to embrace,  
Be there at our homing,  
And give us, we pray,  
Your love in our hearts, Lord,  
At the eve of the day.**

**Lord of all gentleness, Lord of all calm,  
Whose voice is contentment,  
Whose presence is balm,  
Be there at our sleeping,  
And give us, we pray,  
Your peace in our hearts, Lord,  
At the end of the day.**

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## **Dismissal**

**Let us bless the Lord. Alleluia!  
Thanks be to God. Alleluia!**

## **Postlude**

**“May the Peace of the Lord Christ Go with You”**

***The flowers are given to the glory of God***

*.....In memory of loved ones, given by Gloria and Garnet  
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