

**The Parish of Cowbridge**  
**Worship for the Third Sunday of Easter**  
**18th April 2021**

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

Welcome to our service this evening.

*Ye choirs of new Jerusalem*

Ye choirs of new Jerusalem,  
Your sweetest notes employ,  
The Paschal victory to hymn  
In strains of holy joy.

How Judah's Lion burst his chains,  
And crushed the serpent's head;  
And brought with him, from death's domains,  
The long-imprisoned dead.

From hell's devouring jaws the prey  
Alone our Leader bore;  
His ransomed hosts pursue their way  
Where he hath gone before.

Triumphant in his glory now  
His sceptre ruleth all,  
Earth, heaven, and hell before him bow,  
And at his footstool fall.

While joyful thus his praise we sing,  
His mercy we implore,  
Into his palace bright to bring  
And keep us evermore.

All glory to the Father be,  
All glory to the Son,  
All glory, Holy Ghost, to thee,  
While endless ages run. Alleluya! Amen.

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*Introduction*

When it was evening on that day,  
the first day of the week,  
and the doors of the house  
where the disciples had met  
were locked for fear of the Jews,  
Jesus came and stood among them and said,  
'Peace be with you.'  
John 20.19

Beloved in Christ,  
we are here in the presence  
of the living God  
and of the whole company of heaven,  
to offer to him,  
through our Lord Jesus Christ,  
our worship and praise  
and thanksgiving;  
that we may know more truly  
the greatness of his love,  
and that his grace  
may bear fruit in our lives.

We have come to hear and receive  
God's holy Word,  
to seek the strengthening power  
of the Holy Spirit,  
and to pray for ourselves  
and all humankind  
that we may be given those things  
which are necessary  
for our true well-being.  
But first let us confess our sins,  
and seek our Father's pardon and peace:

Evening Prayer 02 - Confession

We confess to God Almighty,  
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,  
that we have sinned in thought,  
word and deed.  
We have left undone those things

which we ought to have done;  
and we have done those things  
which we ought not to have done.  
Wherefore we pray God  
to have mercy upon us.

Almighty God have mercy upon us,  
forgive us all our sins  
and deliver us from evil,  
confirm and strengthen us  
in all goodness,  
and bring us to life everlasting. Amen.

Evening Prayer 03 - Absolution/Prayer for  
forgiveness

*The Minister (if a Priest) says:*

Almighty God,  
who forgives all who truly repent,  
have mercy upon you,  
pardon and deliver you  
from all your sins,  
confirm and strengthen you  
in all goodness,  
and keep you in eternal life;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*Or (if a Deacon or a Lay person) says:*

Grant, we beseech thee,  
merciful Lord,  
to thy faithful people pardon and peace,  
that they may be cleansed  
from all their sins,  
and serve thee with a quiet mind;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*The Office*

O Lord, open thou our lips;  
And our mouth shall show forth thy Praise.

O God, make speed to save us;  
O Lord, make haste to help us.

Glory be to the Father,  
and to the Son:  
and to the Holy Spirit;  
As it was in the beginning,  
is now, and ever shall be:  
world without end. Amen.

Praise ye the Lord;  
The Lord's Name be praised.

[Sunday Evening Prayer Psalms 142.pdf](#)

[Sunday Readings Evening Prayer - OT Deut 7 7  
13.pdf](#)

[The Magnificat](#)

My soul doth magnify the Lord:  
and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour.

For he hath regarded:  
the lowliness of his handmaiden.

For behold, from henceforth:  
all generations shall call me blessed.

For he that is mighty hath magnified me:  
and holy is his name.

And his mercy is on them that fear him:  
throughout all generations,

He hath showed strength with his arm:  
he hath scattered the proud  
in the imagination of their hearts.

He hath put down the mighty from their seat:  
and hath exalted the humble and meek.

He hath filled the hungry with good things:  
and the rich he hath sent empty away.

He remembering his mercy:  
hath helped his servant Israel;

As he promised to our forefathers:  
Abraham and his seed, for ever.

Glory be to the Father,  
and to the Son:  
and to the Holy Spirit;  
As it was in the beginning,  
is now, and ever shall be:  
world without end. Amen.

[Sunday Evening Prayer NT Revelation 2 1 11.pdf](#)

#### [The Nunc Dimittis](#)

Lord, now lettest thou thy servant  
depart in peace:  
according to thy word.

For mine eyes have seen  
thy salvation:  
which thou hast prepared  
before the face of all peoples.

To be a light to lighten the Gentiles:  
and to be the glory of thy people Israel.

Glory be to the Father,  
and to the Son:  
and to the Holy Spirit;  
As it was in the beginning,  
is now, and ever shall be:  
world without end. Amen.

#### [The Apostles Creed](#)

I believe in God the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth:

And 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, dead, and buried.  
He descended into hell.

The third day he rose again  
from the dead,  
he ascended into heaven,  
and is seated at the right hand of God  
the Father Almighty;  
from thence he shall come  
to judge the quick 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.

Evening Prayer 07 - The lesser litany

The Lord be with you.  
And with your spirit.

Let us pray.

Lord, have mercy upon us.  
Christ, have mercy upon us.  
Lord, have mercy upon us.

#### [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. Amen.

#### [The responses](#)

O Lord, show thy mercy upon us;  
And grant us thy salvation.

Endue thy ministers with righteousness;  
And make thy chosen people joyful.

O Lord, save thy people;  
And bless thine inheritance.

O Lord, save the Queen;  
And give her counsellors wisdom.

Give peace in our time, O Lord;  
And evermore mightily defend us.

Make clean our hearts, O God;  
And renew a right spirit within us.

*Collect for The Third Sunday of Easter*

Almighty Father,  
in your great mercy you 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 and the Holy  
Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever. Amen.

*The Second Collect, for Peace*

Almighty God,  
from whom all holy desires,  
all good counsels,  
and all just works do proceed:  
give unto thy servants  
that peace which the world cannot give;  
that our hearts may be set  
to obey thy commandments,  
and that, being defended by thee  
from the fear of our enemies,  
we may pass our time in rest and quietness;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*The Third Collect, for aid against all perils*

Lighten our darkness,  
we beseech thee, O Lord;  
and by thy great mercy  
defend us from all perils  
and dangers of this night;  
for the love of thy only Son,  
our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

*Word that formed creation*

Word that formed creation,  
earth and sea and sky;  
Word that bring salvation,  
Word that will not die;  
speak now in us  
that we might hear your call;  
Living Word of Jesus,  
sound within us all.

Love that formed and named us,  
fill this clay with breath;  
Love that seeks and claims us,  
Love beyond all death;  
come now and fire  
the life that flow from you;  
Love that raised up Jesus,  
raise us up anew.

Song of joy and wonder,  
sound so wild and free;  
voice of wind and thunder,  
boundless as the sea;  
Music of God,  
the love that casts out fear;  
Song that sang in Jesus,  
sing within us here.

God of all creation,  
form our hearts anew;  
God of our salvation,  
lead us home to you;  
Spirit, inspire  
our hearts to hear your call;  
living God of Jesus,

come renew us all!

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## The Sermon

## Intercessions

From the Porvoo Diary we pray for:  
Church of England: Diocese of Blackburn,  
Bishop Julian Henderson, Bishop Jill Duff, Bishop  
Philip North

Scottish Episcopal Church: Diocese of Brechin,  
Bishop Andrew Swift

The Lutheran Church in Great Britain:  
Bishop Tor Berger Jørgensen

In Anglican Cycle of Prayer: Pray for  
The Church of Ireland

In the Diocese we pray for:  
RHONDDA MINISTRY AREA

Ministry Area Leader : Philip Leyshon  
Lay Chair: Nicola Free.

We pray for all who are in need and have asked  
for our prayers,  
particularly Dawn Conrad, Maureen Dixon,  
Charlotte Carpenter, Helen Saunders, William  
Watkins,  
Grayson Finn, Margaret Launder, Crispin Clay,  
Leah, Chris Langdon, Joanna Cory,  
Wyn and Pam Jones (London),  
Steve and Andrea Shotton, Anthony, Lucy and  
William Dunseath,  
Liz Larby, Roe Orange, Sharon Grainger, Eric Cooke  
and Ashley Burris.

Those who have recently departed this life,  
Terry Mayor, William Isaac, Charlotte Dunseath  
and Ralph Thomas

Those whose 'years mind' fall during the coming  
week,

Sun:

Mon: Fredrick Williams

Tue: Mary Margaret Wood and Mary Llewellyn.

Wed:

Thurs: Edith Mary Williams.

Fri: Peter William Harper and Fredrick Hume  
Anderson.

Sat:

May they rest in peace and rise in glory.

## *Now is eternal life*

Now is eternal life

If risen with Christ we stand

In Him to life re-born

And holden in His hand

No more we fear death's ancient dread

In Christ arisen from the dead

For God the living God

Stooped down to share our state

By death destroying death

Christ opened wide life's gate

He lives who died He reigns on high

Who live in Him shall never die

Unfathomed love divine

Reign thou within my heart

From thee nor depth nor height

Nor life nor death can part

My life is hid in God with thee

Now and through all eternity

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## The Grace

Lord God,

whose Son our Saviour Jesus Christ

triumphed over the powers of death

and prepared for us our place

in the new Jerusalem:

grant that we,  
who have this day  
given thanks for his resurrection,  
may praise you in that City  
of which he is the light,  
and where he lives and reigns  
for ever and ever. Amen.

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
the love of God  
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit  
be with us all, evermore. Amen.