

# EASTERTIDE EUCHARIST

## Sundays in Eastertide after Easter Sunday

*President* In the name of the Father,  
and of the Son,  
and of the Holy Spirit.

*All* **Amen.**

### The Greeting

*President* The Lord be with you  
*All* **and also with you.**

*President* Alleluia. Christ is risen.

*All* **He is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

*The president may repeat the acclamation, getting louder each time. The president then welcomes the people and sets out the eucharistic theme.*

### Prayers of Penitence

*President* Christ our Passover lamb  
has been sacrificed for us.  
Let us therefore rejoice by putting away  
all malice and evil and confessing our sins  
with a sincere and true heart.

*Silence is kept.*

*President* Like Mary at the empty tomb, we fail  
to grasp the wonder of your presence.  
Lord, have mercy.

*All* **Lord, have mercy.**

*President* Like the disciples behind locked doors,  
we are afraid to be seen as your followers.  
Christ, have mercy.

*All* **Christ, have mercy.**

*President* Like Thomas in the upper room, we are  
slow to believe. Lord, have mercy.

*All* **Lord, have mercy.**

### Absolution

*President* May the God of love and power  
forgive you and free you from your sins,  
heal and strengthen you by his Spirit,

*All* and raise you to new life in Christ our Lord.  
**Amen.**

## **Gloria in Excelsis**

**The Peruvian Gloria is sung by Jim**

Glory to God, glory to God, glory to the Father  
**Glory to God, glory to God, glory to the Father**  
To him be glory forever  
**To him be glory forever**  
Alleluia, Amen!  
**Alleluia, Amen!**  
Alleluia, Amen!  
**Alleluia, Amen!**

Glory to God, glory to God, Son of the Father  
**Glory to God, glory to God, Son of the Father**  
To him be glory forever  
**To him be glory forever**  
Alleluia, Amen  
**Alleluia, Amen**  
Alleluia, Amen  
**Alleluia, Amen**

Glory to God, glory to God, glory to the Spirit  
**Glory to God, glory to God, glory to the Spirit**  
To him be glory forever  
**To him be glory forever**  
Alleluia, Amen  
**Alleluia, Amen**  
Alleluia, Amen  
**Alleluia, Amen**

## **The Collect**

*The president introduces a period of silent prayer.*

Let us pray that we may reign  
with the risen Christ in glory.

*The president then leads the prayer for the day*

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 forever  
**Amen**

## Liturgy of the Word

*Please sit.*

### First Reading

Read for us by Ansai

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them:

'Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. Therefore let the entire house of Israel know with certainty that God has made him both Lord and Messiah, this Jesus whom you crucified.'

Now when they heard this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and to the other apostles, 'Brothers, what should we do?'

Peter said to them, 'Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ so that your sins may be forgiven; and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. For the promise is for you, for your children, and for all who are far away, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to him.'

And he testified with many other arguments and exhorted them, saying, 'Save yourselves from this corrupt generation.'

So those who welcomed his message were baptized, and that day about three thousand persons were added.

*Reader*        This is the word of the Lord.  
*All*             **Thanks be to God.**

### New Testament Reading

Read for us by Patricia

A reading from the first letter of Peter

If you invoke as Father the one who judges all people impartially according to their deeds, live in reverent fear during the time of your exile.

You know that you were ransomed from the futile ways inherited from your ancestors, not with perishable things like silver or gold, but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without defect or blemish.

He was destined before the foundation of the world, but was revealed at the end of the ages for your sake.

Through him you have come to trust in God, who raised him from the dead and gave him glory, so that your faith and hope are set on God.

Now that you have purified your souls by your obedience to the truth so that you have genuine mutual love, love one another deeply from the heart.

You have been born anew, not of perishable but of imperishable seed, through the living and enduring word of God.

*At the end of the reading ...*

*Reader* This is the word of the Lord.  
*All* **Thanks be to God.**

## **Gradual Hymn – Ye Choirs of New Jerusalem**

### **Gospel Reading**

Read for us by Isla

*Reader* Alleluia, alleluia.  
I am the first and the last, says the Lord,  
and the living one; I was dead, and  
behold  
I am alive for evermore.

*All* **Alleluia.**

*Reader* Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus  
Christ according to Luke

*All* **Glory to you, O Christ**

Now on that same day two of them were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, and talking with each other about all these things that had happened. While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them, but their eyes were kept from recognizing him.

And he said to them,

‘What are you discussing with each other while you walk along?’

They stood still, looking sad. Then one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answered him,

‘Are you the only stranger in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have taken place there in these days?’

He asked them, ‘What things?’

They replied, ‘The things about Jesus of Nazareth, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, and how our chief priests and leaders handed him over to be condemned to death and crucified him.

But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel.

Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things took place.

Moreover, some women of our group astounded us.

They were at the tomb early this morning, and when they did not find his body there, they came back and told us that they had indeed seen a vision of angels who said that he was alive.

Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said; but they did not see him.’

Then he said to them,

‘Oh, how foolish you are, and how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have declared!

Was it not necessary that the Messiah should suffer these things and then enter into his glory?’

Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them the things about himself in all the scriptures.

As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if he were going on. But they urged him strongly, saying, ‘Stay with us, because it is almost evening and the day is now nearly over.’

So he went in to stay with them.

When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them.

Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him; and he vanished from their sight.

They said to each other, 'Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?'

That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem; and they found the eleven and their companions gathered together.

They were saying,

'The Lord has risen indeed, and he has appeared to Simon!'

Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

*At the end of the Gospel ..*

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

## **Sermon**

Revd Bennett is preaching today

*After the sermon, there is a short silence*

## **Affirmation of Faith**

*President* Let us declare our faith in the Resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ.

*All* **Christ died for our sins  
in accordance with the Scriptures;  
he was buried;  
he was raised to life on the third day  
in accordance with the Scriptures;  
afterwards he appeared to his followers,  
and to all the apostles:  
this we have received,  
and this we believe.  
Amen.**

## **Intercessions**

*President* In joy and hope let us pray to the Father.

*Liz leads our intercessions*

*After each prayer ...*

*Intercessor* Lord, in your mercy  
**hear our prayer.**

*After the final prayer ...*

*Intercessor* God of mercy,  
**hear our prayer  
and make us one in heart and mind**

to serve you with joy forever.  
Amen.

## Liturgy of the Eucharist

### The Peace

*Please stand.*

*President* The risen Christ came  
and stood among his disciples and said,  
'Peace be with you.' Then were they glad  
when they saw the Lord. Alleluia.

*All* The peace of the risen Christ  
be always with you  
**and also with you. Alleluia.**

*President* Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

*All may exchange a sign of peace, greeting one another with these words* **Christ is risen.**

### Offertory Hymn – All Heaven Declares

### Preparation of the Table

*The gifts of the people are prepared*

*President* Be present, be present,  
Lord Jesus Christ,  
our risen high priest;  
and make yourself known  
in the breaking of bread.

*All* **Amen.**

### The Eucharistic Prayer

*President* The Lord is here.

*All* **His Spirit is with us.**

*President* Lift up your hearts.

*All* **We lift them to the Lord.**

*President* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*All* **It is right to give thanks and praise.**

*President* It is indeed right,  
it is our duty and our joy,  
at all times and in all places  
to give you thanks and praise,  
holy Father, heavenly King,  
almighty and eternal God,  
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord.

For he is your living Word;  
through him you have created all things  
from the beginning,  
and formed us in your own image.

*All* **To you be glory and praise for ever.**

*President* Through him you have freed us from  
the slavery of sin, giving him to be born  
of a woman and to die upon the cross;  
you raised him from the dead  
and exalted him to your right hand on high.

*All* **To you be glory and praise for ever.**

*President* Through him you have sent upon us  
your holy and life-giving Spirit, and made us  
a people for your own possession.

*All* **To you be glory and praise for ever.**

*President* And now we give you thanks  
because in his victory over the grave  
a new age has dawned,  
the long reign of sin is ended,  
a broken world is being renewed  
and humanity is once again made whole.  
Therefore with angels and archangels,  
and with all the company of heaven,  
we proclaim your great and glorious name,  
for ever praising you and *saying*:

*All* **Holy, holy, holy Lord,  
God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is he who comes  
in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.**

*President* Accept our praises, heavenly Father,  
through your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ,  
and as we follow his example  
and obey his command,  
grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit  
these gifts of bread and wine  
may be to us his body and his blood;  
who, in the same night that he was  
betrayed, took bread and gave you thanks;  
he broke it and gave it to his disciples,  
saying:

Take, eat;  
this is my body which is given for you;  
do this in remembrance of me.

*All* **To you be glory and praise for ever.**

*President* In the same way, after supper  
he took the cup and gave you thanks;

he gave it to them, saying:  
Drink this, all of you;  
this is my blood of the new covenant,  
which is shed for you and for many  
for the forgiveness of sins.  
Do this, as often as you drink it,  
in remembrance of me.

*All*           **To you be glory and praise for ever.**

*President*   Therefore, heavenly Father,  
we remember his offering of himself  
made once for all upon the cross;  
we proclaim his mighty Resurrection  
and glorious Ascension;  
we look for the coming of your kingdom,  
and with this bread and this cup we make  
the memorial of Christ your Son our Lord.  
Christ is the bread of life:

*All*           **When we eat this bread  
and drink this cup,  
we proclaim your death, Lord Jesus,  
until you come in glory.**

*President*   Accept through him, our great high priest,  
this our sacrifice of thanks and praise,  
and as we eat and drink these holy gifts  
in the presence of your divine majesty,  
renew us by your Spirit, inspire us  
with your love, and unite us in the body  
of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

*All*           **To you be glory and praise for ever.**

*President*   Through him, and with him, and in him,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
with all who stand before you in earth and  
heaven,  
we worship you, Father almighty,  
in songs of everlasting praise:

*All*           **Blessing and honour  
and glory and power  
be yours for ever and ever.  
Amen.**

## **The Lord's Prayer**

*President*   Rejoicing in God's new creation,  
as our Saviour taught us, so we pray

*All*           **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.  
Amen.

## Breaking of the Bread

*The president breaks the consecrated bread.*

*President* Jesus says, I am the bread of life,  
whoever eats of this bread will live for ever.

*All* **Lord, our hearts hunger for you;  
give us this bread always.**

## Agnus Dei

Jesus, Lamb of God,  
have mercy on us.  
Jesus, bearer of our sins,  
have mercy on us.  
Jesus, redeemer of the world,  
grant us peace.

## Invitation to Communion

*President* The Church of which we are members is not defined by the walls of a building but by the Body of Christ of which we are members. In making our communion spiritually, we are joining with Christians everywhere to be nourished by the one who tells us, 'I am the Bread of Life'.

*President* Alleluia. Christ our Passover  
is sacrificed for us.

*All* **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

*The president receives communion.*

*Panis Angelicus* is sung by Liam and Jim Kinsella

## Prayer after Communion

*Silence is kept.*

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.

*All respond* **Amen.**

## Final Prayer

*President* We say together ...  
*All* **Father of all,  
we give you thanks and praise,  
that when we were still far off  
you met us in your Son  
and brought us home.  
Dying and living,  
he declared your love, gave us grace,  
and opened the gate of glory.  
May we who share Christ's body  
live his risen life;  
we who drink his cup bring life to others;  
we whom the Spirit lights  
give light to the world.  
Keep us firm in the hope  
you have set before us, so we and all  
your children shall be free, and  
the whole earth live to praise your name;  
through Christ our Lord.  
Amen.**

## Blessing and Sending Out

*President* Alleluia. Christ is risen.  
*All* **He is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

*President* God, who through the Resurrection  
of our Lord Jesus Christ  
has given us the victory,  
give you joy and peace in your faith;  
and the blessing of God almighty,  
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,  
be among you and remain with you always.  
*All* **Amen.**

*President* Go in the peace of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia.  
*All* **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.**

**Final Hymn** – Guide Me O Thou Great Redeemer

**NOTICES  
And COFFEE TIME**