



Parish of Mundeford

Easter Day Communion Celebration

Welcome and Welcoming proclamation as we light the Paschal candle:

Alleluia. Christ is risen.

He is risen indeed. Alleluia.

Praise the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ:

**he has given us new life and hope
by raising Jesus from the dead.**

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Hymn: 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.*

sinner to redeem and save. *Alleluia.*

But the pains that he endured, *Alleluia.*

our salvation have procured; *Alleluia.*

now above the sky he's King, *Alleluia.*

where the angels ever sing. *Alleluia.*

Opening Prayer

**Faithful one, whose word is life: come with saving power
to free our praise, inspire our prayer and shape our lives
for the kingdom of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

We say sorry

Jesus Christ, risen Saviour and triumphant Lord, we come to you to confess to you our weakness and unbelief.

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

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

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

May the God of love and power forgive *you* and free *you* from *your* sins, heal and strengthen *you* by his Spirit, and raise *you* to new life in Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Baptismal vows

As we celebrate the resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ from the dead, we remember that through the paschal mystery we have died and been buried with him in baptism. To follow Christ means dying to sin and rising to new life with him.

Do you reject the devil and all rebellion against God?

I reject them.

Do you renounce the deceit and corruption of evil?

I renounce them.

Do you repent of the sins that separate us from God and neighbour?

I repent of them.

Do you turn to Christ as Saviour? **I turn to Christ.**

Do you submit to Christ as Lord? **I submit to Christ.**

Do you come to Christ, the way, the truth and the life?

I come to Christ.

Almighty God, we thank you for our fellowship in the household of faith with all who have been baptised in your name. Keep us faithful to our baptism, and so make us ready for that day when the whole of creation shall be made perfect in your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen

The Gloria

**Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to his people on earth.
Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:
receive our prayer.
For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

The Easter Collect

**God of glory, by the raising of your Son you have broken the
chains of death and hell: fill your Church with faith and hope;
for a new day has dawned and the way to life stands open in
our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen**

Reading from Acts 10: 34-43

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

Gradual Hymn:

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| All Heaven declares | I will proclaim |
| The glory of the risen Lord | The glory of the risen Lord |
| Who can compare | Who once was slain |
| With the beauty of the Lord | To reconcile us all to God |
| <i>Forever He will be</i> | <i>Forever You will be</i> |
| <i>The lamb upon the throne</i> | <i>The lamb upon the throne</i> |
| <i>I gladly bow to Thee</i> | <i>I gladly bow to Thee</i> |
| <i>And worship Him alone</i> | <i>And worship Him alone</i> |

The Gospel Reading: John 20:1-18

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to *John*.
Glory to you, O Lord.

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

The Talk

Prayer Activity

Creed

Brothers and sisters let us declare together our faith in God

**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 God the Son,
who took our human nature, died for us and rose again.**

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

This is the faith of the Church. This is our faith.

**We believe and trust in one God,
Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.**

The Peace

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.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you. Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

Offertory hymn:

To God be the glory, great things He hath done,

So loved He the world that He gave us His Son,

Who yielded His life our redemption to win.

And opened the life-gate that all may go in.

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, Let the earth hear His voice;

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, Let the people rejoice;

Oh, come to the Father, through Jesus the Son,

And give Him the glory; great things He hath done.

Oh, perfect redemption, the purchase of blood,

To every believer the promise of God;

The vilest offender who truly believes,

That moment from Jesus a pardon receives. *Praise the Lord ...*

Great things He hath taught us, great things He hath done,
And great our rejoicing through Jesus the Son;
But purer, and higher, and greater will be
Our wonder, our transport when Jesus we see. *Praise the Lord ...*

The Eucharistic Prayer

**Lord of life, with unbounded joy we offer you our sacrifice of
praise. As we are fed with the bread of heaven may we know your
resurrection power; through Christ our risen Lord.**

The Lord be with you,

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give him thanks and praise.

It is always right to give you thanks,

God our Creator, loving and faithful, holy and strong.

You made us and the whole universe,

and filled your world with life.

You sent your Son to live among us, Jesus our Saviour, Mary's

child. He suffered on the cross;

he died to save us from our sins;

he rose in glory from the dead.

You send your Spirit to bring new life to the world,

and clothe us with power from on high.

And so we join all the angels

and saints to celebrate and say:

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.

Father, on the night before he died,

Jesus shared a meal with his friends.

He took the bread, and thanked you.

He broke it, and gave it to them, saying:
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
Do this to remember me.

After the meal, Jesus took the cup of wine.
He thanked you, and gave it to them, saying:
Drink this, all of you.
This is my blood, the new promise of God's unfailing love.
Do this to remember me.

Great is the mystery of faith:
Christ has died. Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.

Father, as we bring this bread and wine,
and remember his death and resurrection,
send your Holy Spirit,
that we who share these gifts
may be fed by Christ's body and his blood.

Pour your Holy Spirit on us
that we may love one another,
work for the healing of the earth,
and share the good news of Jesus,
as we wait for his coming in glory.

For honour and praise belong to you, Father,
with Jesus your Son, and the Holy Spirit:
one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

We pray the Lord's Prayer

Rejoicing in God's new creation,
as our Saviour has 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. Amen.

We break bread

Jesus says, I am the bread of life,
whoever eats this bread will live for ever.
**Lord, our hearts hunger for you;
give us this bread always.**

The Agnus Dei is said:

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world:
grant us peace.**

We receive Communion

Jesus is the Lamb of God
who takes away the sin of the world.
Blessed are those who are called to his supper.
**Lord, I am not worthy to receive you,
but only say the word, and I shall be healed.**

We share bread and wine and a blessing.

After Communion

Lord Jesus Christ,
you humbled yourself in taking the form of a servant,
and in obedience died on the cross for our salvation:
give us hearts and minds
to follow you and to proclaim you
as Lord and King,
to the glory of God the Father. **Amen**

**Faithful Heavenly Father,
may we who share this banquet
glory in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ,
our salvation, life and hope,
who reigns as Lord now and for ever. Amen**

Blessing

May our 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 our Almighty God, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit be among you and remain with you always. Amen

Final Hymn: Thine be the glory

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.

*Thine be the glory,
Risen conquering Son,
Endless is the victory,
Thou o'er death hast won.*

Lo! Jesus meets us,
Risen from the tomb;
Lovingly He greets us,

With the risen life
of Christ within you,
go in the peace of Christ.
Alleluia, alleluia.
Thanks be to God.
Alleluia, alleluia.

Scatters fear and gloom;
Let the church with gladness,
Hymns of triumph sing;
For her Lord now liveth,
Death hath lost its sting.

Thine be the glory ...

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.

Thine be the glory ...

