



# The Parish of Peasedown St John

## JOINT SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION WITH SOUL FOOD

10.30am - Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> April 2018- Easter Sunday

**“Don't be alarmed,” he said. “You are looking for Jesus the Nazarene, who was crucified. He has risen! He is not here.” Mark 16:6**

### Welcome/Notices

**Worship in Song** (*At the end of the first song children leave for an Easter Egg hunt and other activities and will return during the closing hymn*)

**He lives, He lives,**  
Christ Jesus lives today!

He lives, He lives,  
Salvation to impart!

He walks with me and talks with me  
along life's narrow way.

You ask me how I know He lives?  
He lives within my heart. *(Repeat)*

Tune: Easter Hymn

1 Jesus Christ is risen today, Alleluia.  
our triumphant holy day, Alleluia.  
who did once, upon the cross, Alleluia.  
suffer to redeem our loss. Alleluia.

3 But the pains that he endured  
our salvation have procured;  
now above the sky he's King,  
where the angels ever sing.

2 Hymns of praise then let us sing  
unto Christ, our heavenly King,  
who endured the Cross and grave,  
sinners to redeem and save.

4 Sing we to our God above  
praise eternal as his love;  
praise him all the heavenly host,  
Father, Son and Holy Ghost.

### 1 Jesus Christ, I think upon Your sacrifice,

you became nothing, poured out to death.  
Many times I've wondered at Your gift of life,  
and I'm in that place once again.  
And I'm in that place once again.  
*And once again I look upon  
the cross where You died,  
I'm humbled by Your mercy  
and I'm broken inside.  
Once again I thank You,  
once again I pour out my life.*

2 Now You are exalted to the highest place,  
King of the heavens, where one day I'll bow.  
But for now, I marvel at this saving grace,  
and I'm full of praise once again.  
I'm full of praise once again. *Refrain*

Thank You for the cross,  
thank You for the cross,  
thank You for the cross, my Friend. *(Repeat)*

### Prayers of Intercession

Our Lord Jesus Christ, risen from death, we praise you for changed lives and new hopes at Easter: You came to Mary in the garden, and turned her tears into joy. For your love and your mercy: **we give you thanks, o Lord.**

You came to the disciples in the upper room, and turned their fear into courage. For your love and your mercy: **we give you thanks, o Lord.**

You came to the disciples by the lakeside, and turned their failure into faith. For your love and your mercy: **we give you thanks, o Lord.**

You came to the disciples on the Emmaus road, and turned their despair into hope. For your love and your mercy: **we give you thanks, o Lord.**

You come to us in our unworthiness and shame, and turn our weakness into triumph. For your love and your mercy: **we give you thanks, o Lord.**

Lord Jesus, wherever there are tears, or fear, or failure, or despair, or weakness: come, reveal to us your love, your mercy, and your risen power; for the glory of your name. **Alleluia! Amen.**

Merciful Father, **accept these prayers for the sake of your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen**

### Hymn

1 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.

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

3 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;  
Lead us in Thy triumph  
To Thy home above.

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

2 Lo, Jesus meets us,  
Risen from the tomb!

### Dismissal

**Let us return now to the world, for Christ is there, waiting to meet us and greet us. Let us go back with eyes open to see him, ears open to hear him, and a mind open to receive him, and a heart open to serve him, for his name's sake. Amen.**

**You are most welcome to stay for coffee after the end of service**

**Wishing you a very Happy Easter**

**Confession**

**Almighty God, our heavenly Father, we have sinned against you through our own fault in thought, and word, and deed, and in what we have left undone. We are heartily sorry and repent of all our sins. For your Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, forgive us all that is past; and grant that we may serve you in newness of life to the glory of your name. Amen.**

**Communion**

Gratitude, praise, hearts lifted high voices full and joyful; these you deserve. For when we were nothing, you made us something; when we had no name and no faith and no future, you called us your children; when we lost our way or turned away, you did not abandon us; when we came back to you, your arms opened wide in welcome. And, look, you prepare a table for us offering not just bread, not just wine, but your very self so that we may be filled, forgiven, healed, blessed, and made new again. You are worthy to receive all our praise. So we join our voices to those of the Church on earth and in heaven;

**Holy, holy, holy, God of power and might, Heaven and earth are full of your glory, Hosanna in the highest.**

Lord Jesus Christ, present with us now, for all that you have done and all that you have promised what have we to offer?

**Our hands are empty, our hearts are sometimes full of wrong things. we are not fit to gather up the crumbs from under your table. But with you is mercy and the power to remake us. So as we do in this place what you did in an upstairs room, send down your Holy Spirit on us and on these gifts of bread and wine that they may be to us your body and your blood, healing, forgiving and making us whole; And grant that we may become, for you, your body, loving and caring in the world until your kingdom comes. Amen**

**Song**

You laid aside Your majesty,  
Gave up everything for me,  
Suffered at the hands of  
those you have created.  
You took all my guilt and shame,  
When You died and rose again;  
Now today You reign,  
in heav'n and earth exalted.

*I really want to worship You, my Lord,  
You have won my heart  
and I am Yours  
For ever and ever; I will love You.  
You are the only one who died for me,  
Gave Your life to set me free,  
So I lift my voice to You, in adoration*

**Reading - 1 Corinthians 11:23-26**

The Lord Jesus, on the night he was betrayed, took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, "This is my body, which is for you; do this in remembrance of me." In the same way, after supper he took the cup, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood; do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me." For whenever you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

**O Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us. O Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, grant us your peace.**

*Bread & Wine is shared*

Lord Jesus Christ, you have put your life in our hands. Now we put our lives in yours.

**Take us, shake us, remake us; no longer is what we have been important; it is what, with you, we can be, starting now. Amen.**

**Hymn**

1 In Christ alone my hope is found  
He is my light, my strength, my song;  
This Cornerstone, this solid Ground,  
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm.  
What heights of love, what depths of peace,  
When fears are stilled, when strivings cease!  
My Comforter, my All in All,  
Here in the love of Christ I stand.

3 There in the ground His body lay,  
Light of the world by darkness slain:  
Then bursting forth in glorious Day  
Up from the grave He rose again!  
And as He stands in victory,  
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me,  
For I am His and He is mine -  
Bought with the precious blood of Christ.

2 In Christ alone! - who took on flesh,  
Fullness of God in helpless babe!  
This gift of love and righteousness,  
Scorned by the ones He came to save:  
Till on that cross as Jesus died,  
The wrath of God was satisfied -  
For every sin on Him was laid;  
Here in the death of Christ I live.

4 No guilt in life, no fear in death,  
This is the power of Christ in me;  
From life's first cry to final breath,  
Jesus commands my destiny.  
No power of hell, no scheme of man,  
Can ever pluck me from His hand;  
Till He returns or calls me home,  
Here in the power of Christ I'll stand!

**Second Reading - Mark 16:1-8**

[1] When the Sabbath was over, Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices so that they might go to anoint Jesus' body. [2] Very early on the first day of the week, just after sunrise, they were on their way to the tomb [3] and they asked each other, "Who will roll the stone away from the entrance of the tomb?" [4] But when they looked up, they saw that the stone, which was very large, had been rolled away. [5] As they entered the tomb, they saw a young man dressed in a white robe sitting on the right side, and they were alarmed. [6] "Don't be alarmed," he said. "You are looking for Jesus the Nazarene, who was crucified. He has risen! He is not here. See the place where they laid him. [7] But go, tell his disciples and Peter, 'He is going ahead of you into Galilee. There you will see him, just as he told you.'" [8] Trembling and bewildered, the women went out and fled from the tomb. They said nothing to anyone, because they were afraid. This is the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**Talk - 'Sharing the good news' - Tom Benyon**