

PARISH of WORTHING - CHRIST CHURCH



# EASTER DAY

## EASTER CANDLE & RENEWAL of BAPTISMAL VOWS

### The Service of Light

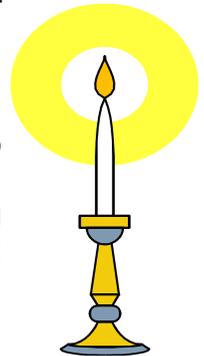
*All stand and face the Easter Candle. The Minister says:-*

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ, on this most holy dawn, when our Lord Jesus Christ passed from death to life, the Church invites her children throughout the world to come together in vigil and prayer. This is the Passover of the Lord. We remember his death and resurrection by hearing his word and celebrating his mysteries, confident that we shall share his victory over death and live with him for ever in God.

*The prayer of blessing is said as a light is struck.*

Eternal God, who made this most holy dawn to shine with the brightness of your one true light; set us aflame with the fire of your love, and bring us to the radiance of your heavenly glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

*All* **Amen.**



Eternal God, who made this most holy day to shine with the brightness of your one true light; set us aflame with the fire of your love, and bring us to the radiance of your heavenly glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

May the light of Christ, rising in glory, banish all darkness from our hearts and minds.

### Hymn



## EASTER GREETING

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

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

*After the Sermon and a time of silence the minister will go to the font.*

## LITURGY OF INITIATION

### RENEWAL OF BAPTISMAL VOWS

*Please Stand and face the font*

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, so that we may rise with him to a new life within the family of his Church. Now that we have completed our observance of Lent, we renew the promises made at our baptism, affirming our allegiance to Christ, and our rejection of all that is evil

Therefore I ask these questions:

Do you turn to Christ?  
**All I turn to Christ.**

Do you repent of your sins?  
**All I repent of my sins.**

Do you renounce evil?  
**All I renounce evil.**

And now I ask you to make the profession of Christian faith into which you were baptised, and in which you live and grow.

Do you believe and trust in God the Father, who made the world?  
**All I believe and trust in him.**

Do you believe and trust in his Son Jesus Christ, who redeemed mankind?  
**All I believe and trust in him.**



Do you believe and trust in his Holy Spirit, who gives life to the people of God?

**All I believe and trust in him.**

This is the faith of the Church.

**All This is our faith.  
We believe and trust in one God,  
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.**

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

## LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

### The Peace

*Stand*

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

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

*The president says*

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

*and all may exchange a sign of peace, greeting one another with these words*

*Answer* The Lord is risen  
**He is risen indeed.**

**Offertory Hymn is Sung**



**Eucharistic Prayer follows in  
our service books**

## Additional Easter invitation

Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

**All Alleluia! Let us keep the feast.**

## AFTER COMMUNION

Jesus said, He who eats my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life, and I will raise him up at the last day.

*John 6.54*

*Silence is kept.*

God of Life, who for our redemption gave your only-begotten Son to the death of the cross, and by his glorious resurrection have delivered us from the power of our enemy: grant us so to die daily to sin, that we may evermore live with him in the joy of his risen life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## Hymn

### BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

#### BLESSING

Followed by this Dismissal

Go in the peace of Christ, Alleluia, alleluia

**All Thanks be to God, Alleluia, alleluia**



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