

*He is  
Risen*

**WORTHING  
CHRIST CHURCH**  
Grafton Road BN11 1QY

**ORDER  
OF SERVICE**

**EASTER DAY**

**4<sup>th</sup> April 2021**

**10.30am**

**Holy Communion**

**with**

**The Revd Roger Walker**



**The Organ Voluntary following  
our service today is:**

*Batalla de 6 Tono no. 15 by Jose Ximenez  
ca. 1602-72, Zaragoza cathedral*

***There is socially distanced prayer in the west  
porch every Sunday at 10 am for 15 minutes  
before the service  
and you are welcome to join at any time***

**TODAY**

**Epistle: Acts 10: 34 - 43**

**Gospel: John 20: 1 - 18**

**read by Tony S**

**Intercessions led by Janine H**

In order that we can stay open for worship, please may we remind you that to protect us all:

- **there is a one-way system within the church for your safety, please stay in your pew and refrain from wandering around the church**
- **entry is via the north door only**
- **exit via the west door; if you cannot walk down steps, please stay seated until the churchwardens assist you in leaving safely via the north door**
- **your nose and mouth must be covered at all times whilst in the church.**

# A Service of Holy Communion

## The Greeting *[Stand]*

The Lord be with you

***All*** and also with you.

Alleluia. Christ is risen.

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

## Hymn [147] *[Sit] Sung by the choir only*

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,  
sinners 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!

# Prayer of Preparation

**All** Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open,  
all desires known,  
and from whom no secrets are hidden:  
cleanse the thoughts of our hearts  
by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,  
that we may perfectly love you,  
and worthily magnify your holy name;  
through Christ our Lord.  
Amen.

## Prayers of Penitence *[Sit or kneel]*

### Summary of the Law

Our Lord Jesus Christ said:

The first commandment is this:

‘Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God is the only Lord.

You shall love the Lord your God

with all your heart, with all your soul,

with all your mind, and with all your strength.’

The second is this:

‘Love your neighbour as yourself.’

There is no other commandment

greater than these.

On these two commandments

hang all the law and the prophets.

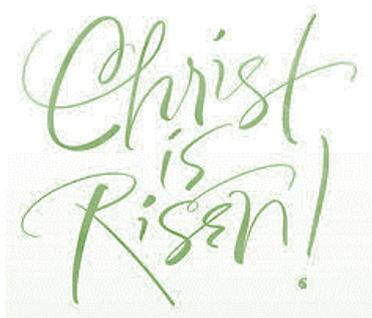
**All** Amen. Lord, have mercy.

## Invitation to confession

God so loved the world  
that he gave his only Son Jesus Christ  
to save us from our sins,  
to be our advocate in heaven,  
and to bring us to eternal life.

Let us confess our sins in penitence and faith,  
firmly resolved to keep God's commandments  
and to live in love and peace with all.

***All*** **Almighty God, our heavenly Father,  
we have sinned against you  
and against our neighbour  
in thought and word and deed,  
through negligence, through weakness,  
through our own deliberate fault.  
We are truly sorry and repent of all our sins.  
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,  
who died for us, forgive us all that is past  
and grant that we may serve you  
in newness of life  
to the glory of your name.  
Amen.**



Christ  
is  
Risen!

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 life eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**All** Amen.

## **Gloria in Excelsis** [Stand]

**All** 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 Collect**

Lord of all life and power, who through the mighty resurrection of your Son overcame the old order of sin and death to make all things new in him: grant that we, being dead to sin and alive to you in Jesus Christ, may reign with him in glory; to whom with you and the Holy Spirit be praise and honour, glory and might, now and in all eternity.  
**All Amen.**



# The Liturgy of the Word

**Epistle** *[Sit]*

**Acts 10: 34 – 43**

Then Peter began to speak: 'I now realise how true it is that God does not show favouritism but accepts men from every nation who fear him and do what is right. You know the message God sent to the people of Israel, telling the good news of peace through Jesus Christ, who is Lord of all. You know what has happened throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John preached – how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and power, and how he went around doing good and healing all who were under the power of the devil, because God was with him.

'We are witnesses of everything he did in the country of the Jews and in Jerusalem. They killed him by hanging him on a tree, but God raised him from the dead on the third day and caused him to be seen. He was not seen by all the people, but by witnesses whom God had already chosen – by us who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one whom God appointed as judge of the living and the dead. All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.'

*At the end the reader may say*

This is the word of the Lord.

**All Thanks be to God.**

## **WORSHIP SONGS**

*Sung by one or two singers and the choir only*

See, what a morning, gloriously bright,  
with the dawning of hope in Jerusalem;  
folded the grave clothes, tomb filled with light,  
as the angels announce Christ is risen!

- See God's salvation plan,  
wrought in love, borne in pain, paid in sacrifice,  
- fulfilled in Christ the Man,  
for He lives: Christ is risen from the dead!

See Mary weeping, 'Where is He laid?'  
as in sorrow she turns from the empty tomb;  
hears a voice speaking, calling her name;  
it's the Master, the Lord raised to life again!

- The voice that spans the years,  
speaking life, stirring hope, bringing peace to us,  
- will sound till He appears,  
for He lives: Christ is risen from the dead!

One with the Father, Ancient of days,  
through the Spirit, who clothes faith with certainty,  
honour and blessing, glory and praise  
to the King crowned with power and authority!

- And we are raised with Him,  
death is dead, love has won, Christ has conquered;  
- and we shall reign with Him,  
for He lives: Christ is risen from the dead!

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## **SONG 2**

***Sung by one or two singers and the choir only***

There is a Redeemer,  
Jesus, God's own Son,  
precious Lamb of God, Messiah,  
Holy One.

*Thank you, O my Father,  
for giving us your Son,  
and leaving your Spirit  
till the work on earth is done.*

Jesus, my Redeemer,  
Name above all names,  
precious Lamb of God, Messiah,  
O for sinners slain. *Refrain*

When I stand in glory,  
I will see his face.  
And there I'll serve my King for ever,  
in that Holy Place. *Refrain*

## **Gospel Reading** *[Please stand]*

*When the Gospel is announced the reader says*

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to  
**John 20: 1 – 18**

*All say* **Glory to you O Lord.**

Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene went to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the entrance. So she came running to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one Jesus loved, and said, 'They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we don't know where they have put him!'

So Peter and the other disciple started for the tomb. Both were running, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. He bent over and looked in at the strips of linen lying there but did not go in. Then Simon Peter who was behind him, arrived and went into the tomb. He saw the strips of linen lying there, as well as the burial cloth that had been around Jesus' head. The cloth was folded up by itself, separate from the linen. Finally the other disciple, who had reached the tomb first, also went inside. He saw and believed. (They still did not understand from Scripture that Jesus had to rise from the dead.)

Then the disciples went back to their homes, but Mary stood outside the tomb crying. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb and saw two angels in white, seated where Jesus' body had been, one at the head and the other at the foot.

They asked her, 'Woman, why are you crying?'

'They have taken my Lord away,' she said, 'and I don't know where they have put him.' At this, she turned round and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not realise that it was Jesus.

'Woman, he said, 'why are you crying? Who is it you are looking for?'

Thinking he was the gardener, she said, 'Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have put him, and I will get him.'

Jesus said to her, 'Mary.'

She turned towards him and cried out in Aramaic, 'Rabboni!' (which means 'Teacher').

Jesus said, 'Do not hold on to me, for I have not returned to the Father. Go instead to my brothers and tell them, "I am returning to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God."' "

Mary Magdalene went to the disciples with the news: 'I have seen the Lord!' And she told them that he had said these things to her.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**All say Praise to you, O Christ.**

## **Sermon**     *[Sit]*

*After which a short period of silence is kept.*

Let us declare our faith in God, Father,  
Son and Holy Spirit.

## **The Creed**             *[Stand]*

*All*     **We believe in one God,  
the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.  
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made,  
of one Being with the Father;  
through him all things were made.  
For us and for our salvation  
he came down from heaven,  
was incarnate from the Holy Spirit  
and the Virgin Mary and was made man.  
For our sake he was crucified  
under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried.**

**On the third day he rose again  
in accordance with the Scriptures;  
he ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again in glory  
to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.**

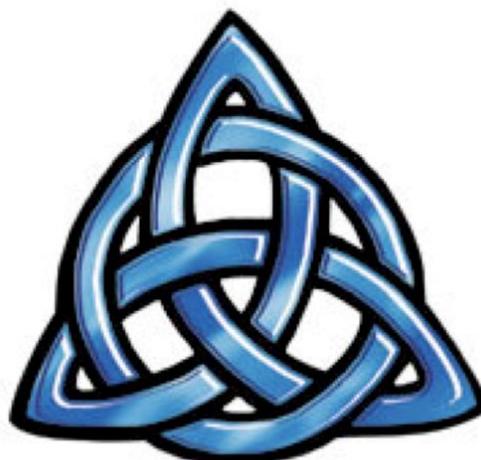
**We believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son  
is worshipped and glorified,  
who has spoken through the prophets.**

**We believe in one holy catholic  
and apostolic Church.**

**We acknowledge one baptism  
for the forgiveness of sins.**

**We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come.**

**Amen.**



## Prayers of Intercession *[Sit]*

*And at the end after a short period of silence*

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



## The Liturgy of the Sacrament

### The Peace

*The Peace - using suitable seasonal words.*

*All* The peace of the Lord be always with you  
**and also with you.**

**HYMN [137] *[Sit]* Sung by the choir only – please omit V2**

Alleluia, Alleluia!

Hearts to heaven and voices raise:  
sing to God a hymn of gladness,  
sing to God a hymn of praise;  
he who on the cross a victim  
for the world's salvation bled  
Jesus Christ, the King of glory,  
now is risen from the dead.

Christ is risen, we are risen!  
shed upon our heavenly grace,  
rain and dew and gleams of glory  
from the brightness of thy face;  
that we with our hearts in heaven  
here on earth may fruitful be,  
and by angel-hands be gathered,  
and be ever Lord with thee.

Alleluia, Alleluia!  
Glory be to God on high:  
Alleluia to the Saviour  
who has gained the victory;  
Alleluia to the Spirit,  
fount of love and sanctity:  
Alleluia, Alleluia  
to the Triune Majesty!

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## **Preparation of the Table**

### **Taking of the Bread and Wine**

Yours, Lord, is the greatness, the  
power, the glory, the splendour, and  
the majesty; for everything in heaven  
and on earth is yours.

***All*** **All things come from you,  
and of your own do we give you.**

# The Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord is here.

**All His Spirit is with us.**

Lift up your hearts.

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

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

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.

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 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.**

***[Sit or Kneel]***

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.

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.

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.

Great is the mystery of faith: *[Spoken]*

**Christ has died:**

**Christ is risen:**

**Christ will come again.**

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.

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: *[Spoken]*

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

# The Lord's Prayer

As our Saviour taught us, so we pray:

**All** 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.  
For thine is the kingdom,  
the power and the glory,  
for ever and ever.  
Amen.



## Breaking of the Bread

***The president breaks the consecrated bread.***

We break this bread  
to share in the body of Christ.

**All** Though we are many, we are one body,  
because we all share in one bread.

## **Giving of Communion**

Jesus is the Lamb of God  
who takes away the sin of the world.  
Blessed are those who are called to his supper.

***All*** Lord, I am not worthy to receive you,  
but only say the word, and I shall be healed.

### ***The words of invitation to communion***

Draw near with faith.  
Receive the body of our Lord Jesus Christ  
which he gave for you,  
and his blood which he shed for you.  
Eat and drink  
in remembrance that he died for you,  
and feed on him in your hearts  
by faith with thanksgiving.

***Priest:*** The Body of Christ

***All: Amen***

***Priest:*** The Blood of Christ

***All: Amen***

***Please remain in your pews, the priest will  
come to you to administer the bread  
into your outstretched hand only***

***Please remember no words are spoken  
for your safety and that of the priest.***

## **Prayers after Communion** *[Sit or Kneel]*

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**

***Silence is kept.***

***All*** **Almighty God, we thank you for feeding us with the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Through him we offer you our souls and bodies to be a living sacrifice. Send us out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory. Amen.**

## **The Dismissal**

## Hymn [160]

*Sung by the choir only*

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, 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, risen, conquering Son;  
endless is the victory thou o'er death hast won!*

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 to Jordan to thy home above:

*Thine be the glory, risen, conquering Son;  
endless is the victory thou o'er death hast won!*

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# Blessing

The peace of God, which passes all understanding,  
keep your hearts and minds  
in the knowledge and love of God,  
and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord;  
and the blessing of God almighty,  
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,  
be among you and remain with you always.

**All** Amen.

***The Minister says***

Go in the peace of Christ. Alleluia, Alleluia.

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

*Our thanks to The Revd Roger Walker for leading our  
service of Holy Communion today.*

***Thank you for joining with us today.***

***Stay well, stay safe.***

***Please be aware of social distancing, and we  
are advised not to gather to chat when in the  
church***

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Our thoughts and prayers are with him at this time.*

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All those working in the NHS who are striving to save lives at this time; the sick and the lonely, the recently bereaved and all those in local nursing & care homes.



# Services in April

**8<sup>th</sup> 10.30am BCP Holy Communion –**  
with The Revd George Butterworth

**11<sup>th</sup> 10.30am Morning Prayer**  
with The Revd Canon Muriel Pargeter

**18<sup>th</sup> 10.30am Holy Communion**  
with The Revd Roger Walker

**22<sup>nd</sup> 10.30am BCP Holy Communion –**  
with The Revd George Butterworth

**25<sup>th</sup> 10.30am Morning Prayer with Derek Hansen**  
**followed by the Annual Parochial Church Meeting**





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Matthew 28:1-10