



# A Liturgy of the Word Third Sunday of Easter

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As a family, you can use this liturgy from Easter Day to Pentecost. One person is designated to be the leader. Say together the words printed in bold.

## Opening Hymn: To God be the glory

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**1** To God be the glory, great things he has done!  
So loved he the world that he gave us his Son,  
who yielded his life an atonement for sin,  
and opened the life gate that we may go in.

### **Refrain:**

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord,  
let the earth hear his voice!  
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord,  
let the people rejoice!  
O come to the Father thro' Jesus the Son,  
and give him the glory, great things he has done!

**2** O perfect redemption, the purchase of blood!  
To ev'ry believer the promise of God;  
the vilest offender who truly believes,  
that moment from Jesus forgiveness receives. [Refrain]

**3** Great things he has taught us, great things he has 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. [Refrain]

Fanny Crosby (1875)



## *The Greeting*

### **The leader greets the people and says**

Alleluia. Christ is risen.

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

Praise the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

### **All He has given us new life and hope.**

**He has raised Jesus from the dead.**

Alleluia. Christ is risen.

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

## *Introduction*

### **The leader introduces the celebration in these words.**

Once again we gather to be the Church of Christ.

Christ is with us, as he promised:

present in this assembly of his people,

in the proclamation of God's word,

and in the Communion of his body and blood.

as our priest cannot be with us

we are unable to celebrate the Eucharist.

Let us reflect on the word and pray together.

Today we celebrate the Third Sunday of Easter.

Amen



## *Prayers of Penitence*

Jesus Christ, risen Master and triumphant Lord,

we come to you in sorrow for our sins,

and confess to you our weakness and unbelief.

We have lived by our own strength,

and not by the power of your resurrection.

In your mercy, forgive us.

**All Lord, hear us and help us.**

We have lived by the light of our own eyes,

as faithless and not believing.

In your mercy, forgive us.

**All Lord, hear us and help us.**



## *Prayers of Penitence cont....*

We have lived for this world alone,  
and doubted our home in heaven.  
In your mercy, forgive us.

**All Lord, hear us and help us.**

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

**All Amen**

## *The Collect*

Risen Christ  
You revealed yourself to the disciples  
And calmed their fears:  
Meet us in our uncertainties  
And walk with us into the new life you bring;  
For you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit,  
One God, now and forever.  
**Amen**



## *Scripture Readings*

- Acts 2:14a, 36-41
- Psalm 116:1-4, 11-18
- 1 Peter 1:17-23
- Luke 24:13-35

## *Gospel Reading*

[Click here to watch the reading of the Gospel](#)

Sagren Pillai - Luke 24:13-35



## Song: Majesty

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Majesty, worship his majesty  
unto Jesus be glory honour and praise  
majesty, kingdom, authority  
flows from his throne  
unto his own  
his anthem raise

So exalt, lift upon high  
the name of Jesus  
magnify come glorify  
Christ, Jesus the king

Majesty, worship his majesty  
Jesus who died, now glorified  
king of all kings.

Jack Williams Hayford (1934)

## Sermon

[Click here to listen to sermon](#)

Venerable Moses Thabethe - "The Journey to Emmaus : Shattered Dreams and Frayed Hope"

## *Affirmation of Faith*

This Affirmation of Faith or an authorised Creed is used

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



## *Prayers of Intercession*

(You can take time to pray for one another, for the broader church, for the parishioners, the staff, parish ministers, clergy, medical practitioners)

Loving God, we pray the Church throughout the world  
and for church leaders who speak hope to a frightened world,  
and who stand in prayerful solidarity  
with the sick and poor and vulnerable.

Lord, in your mercy,

**Hear our prayer**

We pray for the president and for leaders around the world,  
who must act for the common good of all,  
grant integrity and wisdom to their decision making,  
that we may all realise wholeness and healing and live together in harmony.

Lord, in your mercy,

**Hear our prayer**

We pray for all who are sick with the coronavirus and other illnesses,  
those who are fearful and in great need,  
who feel the added burden of isolation from family and friends.  
Grant them and all of us, healing and wellbeing.

Lord, in your mercy,

**Hear our prayer**

We pray for those around the world who are fearful of the future for  
themselves and their families,  
who have become unemployed,  
who are not entitled to any government assistance,  
who are struggling to pay for food, medicines, and housing.  
Christ, friend of the needy, bring them solace and comfort through the  
work of our hands.

Lord, in your mercy,

**Hear our prayer**

We pray for those who generously live in the service of others,  
for staff in hospitals, nursing homes, detention centres and prisons,  
for police, emergency workers, and the military,  
for pharmacies, supermarkets and food shop staffs and suppliers.  
Keep them safe in their generosity and grant their families security.

Lord, in your mercy,

**Hear our prayer**



## *Prayers of Intercession cont....*

Heavenly Father, you show us the path of life  
through this time of anxiety  
by giving us your Son, Jesus,  
to accompany us as a true friend and companion.  
Sustain our hope and enable us to be generous in love.  
Through Christ our Lord.  
**Amen.**

## *The Lord's Prayer*

[Click here to listen to Only Boys Aloud - The Lord's Prayer](#)

Gathering our prayers and praise into one, let us pray as our Saviour taught us

**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**



## *Gloria in Excelsis*

**This song may be said or sung**

**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.



## *Gloria in Excelsis cont...*

**All** 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

## *Praise*

Alleluia. Christ is risen.

**All He is risen indeed.**

Alleluia. Praise the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

**All He has given us new life and hope.**

**He has raised Jesus from the dead.**

God has claimed us as his own.

**All He has brought us out of darkness.**

**He has made us light to the world.**

Alleluia. Christ is risen.

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

## *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

**All and also with you.**

may exchange a sign of peace by acknowledging each other like bowing.





## *Song: Alleluia, Alleluia, Give Thanks to The Risen Lord*

[Click here to listen to song with lyrics](#)

### Refrain:

Alleluia, alleluia, give thanks to the risen Lord.

Alleluia, alleluia, give praise to his Name.

1. Jesus is Lord of all the earth.

He is the King of creation.

2. Spread the good news o'er all the earth:

Jesus has died and has risen.

3. We have been crucified with Christ.

Now we shall live for ever.

Donald Fishel (1971)

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