



The **Scottish Episcopal Church**

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United Diocese of Glasgow & Galloway



# Easter Season

Sunday 26 April 2020



The Eucharist for  
3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Easter  
Scottish Episcopal Church

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**Opening Hymn:** Alleluia alleluia! Hearts to heaven and voices raise  
from <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PsD3ImMZ4iM>

Alleluia! The Lord is risen!  
**He is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

Grace and peace to you from God our Father  
and the Lord Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

*The theme for the service is introduced*

## **COLLECT FOR PURITY**

**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.**

## **KYRIE** *sung using The Salisbury Setting*

Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**  
Christ, have mercy. **Christ, have mercy.**  
Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

## **CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION**

God is love and we are God's children.  
There is no room for fear in love.  
We love because God loved us first.

Let us confess our sins in penitence and faith.

**God our Father, we confess to you  
and to our fellow members in the Body of Christ  
that we have sinned in thought, word and deed,  
and in what we have failed to do.**

**We are truly sorry.**

**Forgive us our sins,  
and deliver us from the power of evil,  
for the sake of your Son who died for us,  
Jesus Christ, our Lord.**

God, who is both power and love,  
forgive you and free you from your sins,  
heal and strengthen you by the Holy Spirit,  
and raise you to new life in Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

**GLORIA** - *a setting to enjoy listening to from Kathleen Deignan*  
from <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Q46DM1psRLM>

### **COLLECT OF THE DAY**

**O God,  
your Son made himself known  
to his disciples in the breaking of bread.  
Open the eyes of our faith,  
that we may see him in his redeeming work,  
who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever. Amen.**

# THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

## FIRST READING - Acts 2.14a, 36-41



A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

On the day of Pentecost, 14 Peter, standing

with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd, 36

'Let the entire house of Israel know with certainty that God has made him both Lord and Messiah, this Jesus whom you crucified.'

37 Now when they heard this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and to the other apostles, 'Brothers, what should we

do?' 38 Peter said to them, 'Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ so that your sins may be

forgiven; and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. 39 For the promise is for you, for your children, and for all who are far away, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to him.'

40 And he testified with many other arguments and exhorted them, saying, 'Save yourselves from this corrupt generation.'

41 So those who welcomed his message were baptized, and that day about three thousand persons were added to their number.

For the word of the Lord **THANKS BE TO GOD**

**PSALM** Psalm 116.1-3, 10-17

**Response: Gracious is the Lord and righteous;**

1 I love the Lord, because he has heard the voice of my supplication, because he has inclined his ear to me whenever I called upon him. **Gracious is the Lord and righteous;**

2 The cords of death entangled me; the grip of the grave took

hold of me; I came to grief and sorrow. 3 Then I called upon the name of the Lord: 'O Lord, I pray you, save my life.' **Gracious is the Lord and righteous;**

10 How shall I repay the Lord for all the good things he has done for me? 11 I will lift up the cup of salvation and call upon the name of the Lord. 12 I will fulfil my vows to the Lord in the presence of all his people. **Gracious is the Lord and righteous;**

13 Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of his servants. 14 O Lord, I am your servant; I am your servant and the child of your handmaid; you have freed me from my bonds. **Gracious is the Lord and righteous;**

15 I will offer you the sacrifice of thanksgiving and call upon the name of the Lord. 16 I will fulfil my vows to the Lord in the presence of all his people. 17 In the courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Jerusalem. Alleluia **Gracious is the Lord and righteous;**

## **SECOND READING** 1 Peter 1.17–23

A reading from the first letter of Peter.

If you invoke as Father the one who judges all people impartially according to their deeds, live in reverent fear during the time of your exile. 18 You know that you were ransomed from the futile ways inherited from your ancestors, not with perishable things like silver or gold, 19 but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without defect or blemish. 20 He was destined before the foundation of the world, but was revealed at the end

of the ages for your sake. 21 Through him you have come to trust in God, who raised him from the dead and gave him glory, so that your faith and hope are set on God. 22 Now that you have purified your souls by your obedience to the truth so that you have genuine mutual love, love one another deeply from the heart. 23 You have been born anew, not of perishable but of imperishable seed, through the living and enduring word of God.

For the word of the Lord **THANKS BE TO GOD**

**Gradual Hymn: From heaven you came**

from <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4Amyb7vqAU0>

**GOSPEL Luke 24.13–35**

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke

**Glory to Christ our Saviour**

On that same day, two of the disciples were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, 14 and talking with each other about all these things that had happened. 15 While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them, 16 but their eyes were kept from recognizing him. 17 And he said to them, 'What are you discussing with each other while you walk along?' They stood still, looking sad. 18 Then one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answered him, 'Are you the only stranger in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have taken place there in these days?' 19 Jesus asked them, 'What things?' They replied, 'The things about Jesus of Nazareth, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, 20 and how our

chief priests and leaders handed him over to be condemned to death and crucified him. 21 But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things took place. 22 Moreover, some women of our group astounded us. They were at the tomb early this morning, 23 and when they did not find his body there, they came back and told us that they had indeed seen a vision of angels who said that he was alive. 24 Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said; but they did not see Jesus.' 25 Then he said to them, 'Oh, how foolish you are, and how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have declared! 26 Was it not necessary that the Messiah should suffer these things and then enter into his glory?' 27 Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them the things about himself in all the scriptures. 28 As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if he were going on. 29 But they urged him strongly, saying, 'Stay with us, because it is almost evening and the day is now nearly over.' So he went in to stay with them. 30 When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. 31 Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized Jesus; and he vanished from their sight. 32 They said to each other, 'Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?' 33 That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem; and they found the eleven and their companions gathered together. 34 They were saying, 'The Lord has risen indeed, and he has appeared to Simon!' 35 Then they told what

had happened on the road, and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

Give thanks to the Lord for his glorious Gospel.

**Praise to Christ our Lord.**

## **SERMON**

### **NICENE CREED**

**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 substance with the Father.  
Through him all things were made.  
For us and for our salvation  
he came down from heaven;  
by the power of the Holy Spirit  
he became incarnate of 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.  
With the Father and the Son, he is worshipped and glorified.  
He 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.**

## **INTERCESSIONS**

*Prayer is offered for the world and its people, for those who suffer and those in need, and for the Church and its members.*

*At the end of the intercessions we may say:*

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

## **PEACE**

We meet in Christ's name  
**let us share his peace.**

Alleluia alleluia! The peace of the Lord be always with you  
**And also with you Alleluia Alleluia!**

# THE LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT

## The Taking of the Bread and the Wine

**Offertory hymn** Lord enthroned in heavenly splendour  
*from <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OV9wUIZJFAA>*

### OFFERING

Let us present our offerings to the Lord.

**Yours, Lord, is the greatness,  
the power, the glory,  
the splendour, and the majesty;  
for everything in heaven and on earth  
is yours. All things come from you,  
and of your own we give you.**

### The Great Thanksgiving EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

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 God thanks and praise.**

Worship and praise belong to you, Author of all being.  
Your power sustains, your love restores, our broken world.  
You are unceasingly at work,  
from chaos bringing order  
and filling emptiness with life.

Christ, raised from the dead,  
proclaims the dawn of hope.  
He lives in us that we may walk in light.

Your Spirit is fire in us,  
your breath is power  
to purge our sin  
and warm our hearts to love.  
As children of your redeeming purpose,  
freed by him who burst from the tomb  
and opened the gate of life,  
we offer you our praise,  
with angels and archangels  
and the whole company of heaven,  
singing the hymn of your unending glory:

***we sing Holy, Holy, Holy .....*** *sung using The Salisbury Setting*

Praise and thanksgiving be to you, Lord of all,  
for by the Cross eternal life is ours  
and death is swallowed up in victory.

In the first light of Easter  
glory broke from the tomb  
and changed the women's sorrow into joy.

From the Garden the mystery dawned  
that he whom they had loved and lost  
is with us now  
in every place for ever.

Making himself known in the breaking of the bread,  
speaking peace to the fearful disciples,  
welcoming weary fishermen on the shore,  
he renewed the promise of his presence  
and of new birth in the Spirit  
who sets the seal of freedom on your sons and daughters.  
Before he was given up to suffering and death,  
recalling the night of Israel's release,  
the night in which slaves walked free,  
at supper with his disciples  
he took bread and offered you thanks.  
He broke the bread,  
and gave it to them, saying:

*"Take, eat.  
This is my Body: it is broken for you."*

After supper, he took the cup, he offered you thanks,  
and gave it to them saying:

*"Drink this, all of you.  
This is my Blood of the new covenant;  
it is poured out for you, and for all,  
that sins may be forgiven.  
Do this in remembrance of me."*

**We now obey your Son's command.  
We recall his blessed passion and death,  
his glorious resurrection and ascension;  
and we look for the coming of his Kingdom.  
Made one with him, we offer you these gifts  
and with them ourselves,  
a single, holy, living sacrifice.**

Hear us, most merciful Father,  
and send your Holy Spirit upon us  
and upon this bread and this wine,  
that, overshadowed by his life-giving power,  
they may be the Body and Blood of your Son,  
and we may be kindled with the fire of your love  
and renewed for the service of your Kingdom.

**Help us, who are baptised into  
the fellowship of Christ's Body  
to live and work to your praise and glory;  
may we grow together in unity and love  
until at last, in your new creation,  
we enter into our heritage  
in the company of the Virgin Mary,  
the apostles and prophets,  
and of all our brothers and sisters living and departed.**

Through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
with whom, and in whom,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
all honour and glory be to you,  
Lord of all ages,  
world without end.

**Amen.**

## **BREAKING OF THE BREAD**

The living bread is broken for the life of the world.  
**Lord, unite us in this sign.**

## **LORD'S PRAYER** *sung using 546 Weiner setting in our church hymn books*

As our Saviour has taught *or*  
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.  
Do not bring us  
to the time of trial  
but deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the  
power  
and the glory are yours,  
now and for ever. Amen.**

As our Saviour Christ has  
commanded and taught us,  
we are bold to say:

**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.**

## **COMMUNION SONG**

**Lamb of God** *sung using The Salisbury Setting*

Behold 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.**

## **Our Spiritual Communion prayer**

*We make our Spiritual Communion as we pray privately*

God of unending love,  
you are present to us in Word and Sacrament.  
With all around the world who gather to worship,  
I offer you my praise and thanksgiving;  
and though I cannot eat the bread of God,  
or drink the royal wine of heaven,  
I pray that I may know the fountain of your love drench my heart  
and your Incarnate presence encompass me behind and before,  
that through the power of your Spirit,  
I may rejoice in the sure and certain hope  
that I abide in your wondrous love now and for all eternity,  
in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen..

*followed by the **St. John's Virtual Choir - Easter 2020 - Mozart Alleluia** – I chose this because it is a sister Episcopal Church in the USA trying to celebrate Easter in this lockdown time as well – Thank you for making this video and posting it on YouTube for us to share from <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-5b6W4ZA8ZM&t=4s>*

## **THANKSGIVING AND SENDING OUT**

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is gracious.  
**And his mercy endures for ever.**

### **Post Communion Prayer of the day**

Author of life divine,  
in the breaking of bread we know the risen Lord.  
Feed us always in these mysteries,  
that we may show your glory to all the world.  
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

## General Thanksgiving Prayer

Father,

**your steadfast purpose is the completion of all things in your Son.**

**May we who have received the pledges of the kingdom, live by faith, walk in hope and be renewed in love, until the world reflects your glory**

**and you are all in all;**

**through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## Notices — *shout-outs and messages*

### BLESSING

The God of peace,  
who brought again from the dead our Lord  
Jesus, that great shepherd of the sheep,  
through the blood of the eternal covenant,  
make you perfect in every good work to do his will,  
working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight;  
and the blessing of God almighty,  
+ the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit,  
be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**



### Closing hymn : Praise him on the trumpet

from [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bBQTBS\\_C-bE](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bBQTBS_C-bE)

### CLAPPING COMPULSORY!



### DISMISSAL

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

**In the name of Christ. Alleluia alleluia!.**

**Closing music ROYAL CHORAL SOCIETY Hallelujah Chorus in Isolation Messiah2020 RoyalAlbertHome**  
from [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v= PQYVbd1Gwg&t=193s](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PQYVbd1Gwg&t=193s)

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Thanks to YouTube advertising all music artists whose work was used will receive royalties through the YouTube system for their contribution to this service.

**Happy Easter Season 2020**  
**Stay home - Celebrate on the phone & online**  
**Keep safe**

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