

Christ Church, Colchester: Morning Worship Easter 3: 1 May 2022

Greeting and Welcome:

Jesus Christ is risen from the dead; **Alleluia**
He has defeated the powers of death; **Alleluia**
Jesus turns our sorrow into dancing; **Alleluia**
He has the words of eternal life; **Alleluia**

Song: See what a morning

Flames Sunday School: We pray for the children and leaders who go to
Flames

We say sorry to God and to one another:

I will extol you, O Lord, for you have drawn me up, and did not let my foes
rejoice over me. O Lord my God, I cried to you for help, and you have
healed me. (*Psalm 30 vv 1,2*)

We keep a short time of silence

**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.**

**We have lived by the light of our own eyes, as faithless and not
believing.**

**We have lived for this world alone, and doubted our home in
heaven.**

In your mercy, forgive us. Lord, hear us and help us.

May God our Father forgive us our sins, and bring us to the eternal joy of
his kingdom, where death has no dominion. **Amen.**

**Sing praises to the Lord, O you his faithful ones, and give thanks
to his holy name!**

**You have turned my mourning into dancing; You have taken off
my sackcloth and clothed me with joy, so that my soul may praise
you and not be silent. O Lord my God I will give thanks to you
forever. Amen (*Psalm 30 vv 4,11,12*)**

Song: Praise to the Holiest in the height

Collect Prayer:

**Risen Christ, you filled your disciples with boldness and fresh
hope: strengthen us to proclaim your risen life and fill us with
your peace, to the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

First Reading:

Acts 9:1-6

This is the Word of the Lord, **Thanks be to God**

Song: You laid aside your majesty

Second Reading:

John 21:1-19

This is the Word of the Lord, **Thanks be to God**

Talk

Song: Will you come and follow me

Our belief:

Let us declare our faith in God:

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was
conceived by the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary, suffered
under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he
descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again;**

he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Prayers concluding with the Lord's Prayer:

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, and forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. And 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.

Notices

Closing Hymn: Oh, to see the dawn

Closing prayer:

Lord of creation, whose glory is around and within us: open our eyes to your wonders, and open our hearts to your voice, that we may serve you with reverence and joy; for your Kingdom and your glory, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Let us bless the Lord; **Thanks be to God.**