

**A morning service during the Covid-19 restrictions
Seventh Sunday of Easter - May 17, 2020**

49 Alleluia! Sing to Jesus

Alleluia! Sing to Jesus! His the sceptre, his the throne;
alleluia! His the triumph, his the victory alone.
Hark! The songs of peaceful Sion thunder like a mighty flood.
Jesus out of every nation has redeemed us by his blood.



Alleluia! Not as orphans are we left in sorrow now;
alleluia! He is near us, faith believes, nor questions how.
Though the cloud from sight received him when the forty days were o'er,
shall our hearts forget his promise, 'I am with you evermore?'

Alleluia! King eternal, thee the Lord of lords we own;
alleluia! Born of Mary, earth thy footstool, heaven thy throne.
Thou within the veil hast entered, robed in flesh the great High Priest;
thou on earth both Priest and Victim in the Eucharistic feast.

William Chatterton Dix 1837-1898

Alleluia! The Lord is risen indeed: O come, let us worship

Christ our Passover

1 Corinthians 5:7-8; Romans 6:9-11; 1 Corinthians 15:20-22

Alleluia! Christ our Passover has been sacrificed for us; *
 therefore let us keep the feast.
Not with the old leaven, the leaven of malice and evil, *
but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth. Alleluia!

Christ being raised from the dead will never die again; *
 death no longer has dominion over him.
The death that he died, he died to sin, once for all; *
 but the life he lives, he lives to God.
So also consider yourselves dead to sin, *
 and alive to God in Jesus Christ our Lord. Alleluia!

Christ has been raised from the dead, *
 the first fruits of those who have fallen asleep.
For since by man came death, *
 by a man has come also the resurrection of the dead.
For as in Adam all die, *
 so also in Christ shall all be made alive. Alleluia!

The Psalm for the day

Psalm 68:1-10; 33-36

The Readings for the day:

Acts 1:6-14, 1 Peter 4:12-14; 5:6-11, John 17:1-11

A reflection on the readings

337 We Hail Thee Now, O Jesus

We hail thee now, O Jesus, thy presence here we own,
though sight and touch have failed us, and faith perceives alone.
Thy love has veiled thy glory, and hid thy power divine,
in mercy to our weakness, beneath an earthly sign.



We hail thee now, O Jesus, in silence has thou come,
for all the hosts of heaven with wonderment are dumb -
so great a condescension, so marvellous the love,
which for our sakes, O Saviour, have drawn thee from above.

We hail thee now, O Jesus, for law and type have ceased,
and thou in each communion art sacrifice and priest;
we make this great memorial in union, Lord, with thee,
and plead thy death and passion to cleanse and set us free.

We hail thee now, O Jesus, for death is ever near,
and in thy presence only its terrors disappear;
dwell with us, living Saviour, and guide us through the night,
till shadows end in glory, and faith is lost in sight.

Federick George Scott 1861-1944

Hear, O Israel

Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God, the Lord is one.
Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul,
with all your mind, and with all your strength.
This is the first and the great commandment, the second is like it:
Love your neighbour as you love yourself.
There is no commandment greater than these.

Prayers

Please remember Karen, Geri, Doe, Thelma, the Anzil household, nursing homes coping with a Covid-19 outbreak, and let us give thanks for the health care and emergency response workers in our city (see below for a form of prayer)

The Collect for the day

Almighty God, you have exalted your only Son Jesus Christ with great triumph to your kingdom in heaven. Mercifully give us grace to know that, as he promised, he abides with us on earth to the end of time; who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen..

The Lord's Prayer

37 To the name of our salvation

To the name of our salvation laud and honour let us pay,
which for many a generation hid in God's foreknowledge lay.
But with holy exultation, we may sing aloud today.



Jesus is the name exalted over every other name;
in this name, whene'er assaulted, we can put our foes to shame;
strength to them who else had halted, eyes to blind, and feet to lame.

Tis the name that whoso preaches finds its music in his ear;
who in prayer that name beseeches finds its comforts ever near;
who its perfect wisdom reaches heavenly joy possesses here.

Praise and honour to the Father, praise and honour to the Son,
praise and honour to the Spirit, ever three and ever one;
one in might and one in glory, while unending ages run.

translated by John Mason Neale 1818-1866 from the Antwerp Breviary 15th century

Dismissal

Then may be said or sung,

Officiant Let us bless the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God, Alleluia!**

A form of prayer which can be used during the Easter season

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(In joy and hope let us pray to the source of all life, saying, "Hear us, Lord of glory!")

That our risen Saviour may fill us with the joy of his holy and life-giving resurrection, let us pray to the Lord. **Hear us, Lord of glory!**

That isolated and persecuted churches may find fresh strength in the Easter gospel, let us pray to the Lord.

Hear us, Lord of glory!

That he may grant us humility to be subject to one another in Christian love, let us pray to the Lord.

Hear us, Lord of glory!

That he may provide for those who lack food, work, or shelter, let us pray to the Lord.

Hear us, Lord of glory!

That by his power wars and famine may cease through all the earth, let us pray to the Lord.

Hear us, Lord of glory!

That he may reveal the light of his presence to the sick, the weak, and the dying, that they may be comforted and strengthened, let us pray to the Lord. **Hear us, Lord of glory!**

That he may send the fire of the Holy Spirit upon his people, that we may bear faithful witness to his resurrection, let us pray to the Lord. **Hear us, Lord of glory!**

General Thanksgiving Prayers

Almighty God, Father of all mercies, we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks for all your goodness and loving-kindness to us and all whom you have made.

We bless you for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all for your immeasurable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ; for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory.

And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies, that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives, by giving up ourselves to your service, and by walking before you in holiness and righteousness all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom with you and the Holy Spirit, be honour and glory throughout all ages. **Amen.**