

## Easter 3 – May 04, 2025 (non-communion)

### WELCOME

The Lord be with you  
And also with you.

Let us pray:

### PRAYER OF PREPARATION

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open all desires know 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 Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Amen

### **Psalm 30:1 - 5; 10 - 12**

<sup>1</sup> I will exalt you, Lord,  
for you lifted me out of the depths  
and did not let my enemies gloat over me.

<sup>2</sup> Lord my God, I called to you for help,  
and you healed me.

<sup>3</sup> You, Lord, brought me up from the realm of the dead;  
you spared me from going down to the pit.

<sup>4</sup> Sing the praises of the Lord, you his faithful people; praise his holy name.

<sup>5</sup> For his anger lasts only a moment,  
but his favour lasts a lifetime;  
weeping may stay for the night,  
but rejoicing comes in the morning.

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<sup>10</sup> Hear, Lord, and be merciful to me;  
Lord, be my help."

<sup>11</sup> You turned my wailing into dancing;  
you removed my sackcloth and clothed me with joy,

<sup>12</sup> that my heart may sing your praises and not be silent. Lord my God, I will praise you forever.

***Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit, as it was in the beginning is now and shall be forever. Amen***

### SONG

Come let us join our cheerful songs -- 70

### CONFESSION

If we say we have no sin we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. (1 John 1:9)

Lord, we pray to you for the forgiveness of our sins...

### *Silence*

Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; in your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone; and so uphold us by your Spirit that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honour and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### ABSOLUTION:

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

### **SONGS: This is amazing love (YouTube)**

Who breaks the power of sin and darkness?  
Whose love is mighty and so much stronger?  
The King of glory, the King above all kings  
Who shakes the whole earth with holy thunder?  
And leaves us breathless in awe and wonder?  
The King of glory, the King above all kings

*This is amazing grace  
This is unfailing love  
That You would take my place  
That You would bear my cross  
You laid down Your life  
That I would be set free  
Oh, Jesus, I sing for  
All that You've done for me.*

Who brings our chaos back into order?  
Who makes the orphan a son and daughter?  
The King of glory, the King of glory.  
Who rules the nations with truth and justice  
Shines like the sun in all of its brilliance  
The King of glory, the King above all kings

Worthy is the Lamb who was slain  
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Worthy is the King who conquered the grave  
Worthy is the Lamb who was slain  
Worthy, worthy, worthy

### **READING: Acts 9:1 – 6; Rev. 5:11 – 14**

*This is the word of the Lord:  
Thanks be to God.*

### **COLLECT:**

Almighty Father,  
who in your great mercy gladdened the  
disciples with the sight of the risen Lord: give  
us such knowledge of his presence with us,  
that we may be strengthened and sustained by  
his risen life and serve you continually in  
righteousness and truth; through Jesus Christ  
your Son our Lord,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever. Amen

### **SONG**

Led like a lamb --322

### **GOSPEL: John 21:1 – 19**

*Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ  
according to ...*

**Glory to you, O Lord**

*This is the Gospel of the Lord;  
Praise to you O Christ.*

### **DISMISS CHILDREN**

**SERMON:** Do you love me more than these?

### **SONG**

Tis so sweet to trust in Jesus  
Just to take Him at His Word,  
Just to rest upon His promise,  
Just to know, "Thus saith the Lord."

*Jesus, Jesus, how I trust Him  
How I've proved Him o'er and o'er!  
Jesus, Jesus, precious Jesus!  
O for grace to trust Him more!*

O how sweet to trust in Jesus  
Just to trust His cleansing blood,  
Just in simple faith to plunge me  
'Neath the healing, cleansing flood!

Yes, 'tis sweet to trust in Jesus,  
Just from sin and self to cease,  
Just from Jesus simply taking  
Life and rest and joy and peace.

I'm so glad I learned to trust Thee  
Precious Jesus, Saviour, Friend  
And I know that Thou art with me  
Will be with me to the end.

### **CREED:**

Let us declare our faith in the resurrection of our  
Lord Jesus Christ:

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

### **INTERCESSION:**

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

### **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.  
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.

### **PEACE**

The Risen Christ came among his disciples and  
said: "Peace be with you". And they were  
overjoyed when they saw the Lord. **Alleluia**

The peace of the Lord be always with you;  
**And also with you**

**OFFERING:** *If you prefer to contribute  
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Saviour's Parochial Church Council. If you  
prefer, we also accept **card** and **contactless**  
offering.*

### **PRAYER**

**Gracious God, for all you have given us,  
all you will give us and all you give us  
here and now, we offer you our thanks and  
praise. Bless this offering of our money  
and of ourselves to be used in your  
service, through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Amen**

### **BIRTHDAYS AND NOTICES**

### **FINAL SONG**

And he shall reign -655

### **PRAYER AND BLESSING**

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

**Lord Jesus Christ, you are the Lamb that was  
slain and is alive forever. You are worthy to  
receive power and wealth and wisdom and  
strength and honour and glory and praise,  
now and forever. Amen**

May the God of peace, who brought again from  
the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, 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;

May the blessing...  
Go and live for Christ in the power of his  
resurrection.

**Thanks be to God. Amen**

### NOTICES

1. **Thanks to all those who have been  
contributing to the FOOD BANK** with food  
and money. It is very appreciated.

2. **Please take a copy of the Good News**



Newspaper. It is a  
good read.

3. **Annual General Meeting – Sunday May 11**  
at 12noon. Reports are ready. Please take a  
copy of the reports to read and inwardly  
digest but remember to bring it back next  
week for the meeting.

4. **Young Christians Together meet Friday  
May 2<sup>nd</sup>, at 7:30pm.** Please continue to pray  
for this fellowship.

5. **Summer Parish Outing --- Clacton-on-Sea**  
--- Sat. June 28<sup>th</sup>. Cost: £20

6. **Confirmation with Bishop Lynn – July 13<sup>th</sup>**  
at 10:30

7. **Women's meeting after this service.**

8. **We are hoping to replace our boiler  
this summer.** The total cost for this is  
almost £8000. If you are able to help  
with this cost, we would be very  
grateful. Thanks

9. Please remember to **subscribe and use**



**the bell** if you use  
YouTube to help



**Friday fortnight BIBLE STUDY on zoom every  
other Friday from 7:30 Meeting**



**Tuesday evening BIBLE STUDY  
each week on zoom from 8pm.**

**ALL ARE INVITED**

- Church of England daily prayer:  
<https://www.churchofengland.org/prayer-and-worship/join-us-service-daily-prayer>

### PRAYERS FOR THE WORLD

God of peace and justice, we pray for peace in  
our world. We pray for all people who are caught  
up in war and conflicts and violence. We pray for  
peace and the laying down of weapons of war.  
We pray that you will break all the weapons of  
war and frustrate all the plans and schemes of  
those who seek war. We pray that you will hasten  
the day when you will judge between the nations  
and will settle all disputes among peoples. We  
pray for the day when they will beat their swords  
into ploughshares and their spears into pruning  
hooks. We pray for the day when nation will not  
take up sword or guns or bombs against nation  
nor will they train for war anymore. We pray for  
the day when the earth will be filled with the  
knowledge of the glory of God as the waters  
cover the sea. Hasten this day O God we pray, in  
Jesus' name. Amen

### ST. PATRICK'S PRAYER

*I arise today,  
through God's strength to pilot me,  
God's might to uphold me,  
God's wisdom to guide me,  
God's eye to look before me,  
God's ear to hear me,  
God's word to speak for me,  
God's hand to guard me,  
God's shield to protect me,  
God's host to save me  
From snares of devils,  
From temptation of vices,  
From everyone who shall wish me ill,  
afar and near.*

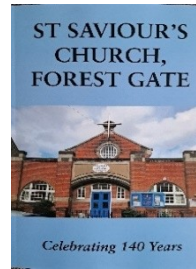
*Christ with me, Christ before me,  
Christ behind me, Christ in me,  
Christ beneath me, Christ above me,  
Christ on my right, Christ on my left,  
Christ when I lie down, Christ when I sit down, Christ  
when I arise, Christ in the heart of everyone who  
thinks of me, Christ in the mouth of everyone who  
speaks of me, Christ in every eye that sees me, Christ  
in every ear that hears me. Amen*

## **PRAYERS FOR THE CHURCH**

**God of mission**, who alone brings growth to your church, send your Holy Spirit to give vision to our planning, wisdom to our actions, and power to our witness. Help our church to grow in numbers, in spiritual commitment to You, and in service to our local community, through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
**Amen**

**Lord God our heavenly Father**, may we never forget that the Church exists in the world not so much of her own sake but for your glory and the service of mankind.

Save us as church people from getting wrapped up in our own affairs and the mundane things that absorb so much of our time and money and energy. Help us to get our priorities right: to seek first your kingdom and the hallowing of your name; to obey our Lord's command to preach the gospel everywhere and to everyone; to minister for his sake to the poor, the afflicted, and the oppressed; and to practice the royal law by loving our neighbour as ourselves. Give us a new vision of what the Church should be, and of your purpose for her, here and in every place, through Jesus Christ our Lord and our Saviour. **Amen**



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