

*The minister taking the service today  
is Rev Liz Hull*

## 1. Welcome and Greeting

Alleluia, Christ is risen.

**He is risen indeed. Alleluia !**



## 2. Hymn (stand)

The day of resurrection,  
Earth, tell it out abroad!  
the passover of gladness,  
the passover of God!  
From death to life eternal,  
from earth up to the sky,  
our God has brought us over  
with hymns of victory.

Our hearts be pure from evil,  
that we may see aright  
the Lord in rays eternal  
of resurrection light;  
and, listening to his accents,  
may hear, so calm and plain,  
his own 'All hail!' and, hearing  
may raise the victor strain.

Now let the heavens be joyful,  
and earth her song begin,  
the round world keep high triumph,  
and all that is therein;  
let all things seen and unseen  
their notes of gladness blend,  
for Christ the Lord is risen,  
our joy that has no end.

## 3. Call to Penitence (sit or kneel)

In baptism we died with Christ, so that as  
Christ was raised from the dead, we might  
walk in newness of life. Let us receive  
new life in him as we confess our sins in  
penitence and faith *cf Romans 6.4*

*Silence*

Like Mary at the empty tomb, we fail to  
grasp the wonder of your presence.

Lord, have mercy.

**Lord, have mercy.**

Like the disciples behind locked doors,  
we are afraid to be seen as your followers.

Christ, have mercy.

**Christ, have mercy.**

Like Thomas in the upper room,  
we are slow to believe.

Lord, have mercy.

**Lord, have mercy.**

May the Father of all mercies  
cleanse us from our sins,  
and restore us in his image  
to the praise and glory of his name,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

#### 4. Psalm 4

1 Answer me when I call, O God of my righteousness; you set me at liberty when I was in trouble; have mercy on me and hear my prayer.

2 **How long will you nobles dishonour my glory; how long will you love vain things and seek after falsehood?**

3 But know that the Lord has shown me his marvellous kindness; when I call upon the Lord, he will hear me.

4 **Stand in awe, and sin not; commune with your own heart upon your bed, and be still.**

5 Offer the sacrifices of righteousness and put your trust in the Lord.

6 **There are many that say, 'Who will show us any good?' Lord, lift up the light of your countenance upon us.**

7 You have put gladness in my heart, more than when their corn and wine and oil increase.

8 **In peace I will lie down and sleep, for it is you Lord, only, who make me dwell in safety.**

**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.**

#### *Prayer*

Give us today, O God,  
a glad heart and a clear conscience,  
that when we come to this day's end  
we may rest in peace with Christ our Lord.  
**Amen**

#### 5. Reading - see *Rushen News* - (sit)

#### 6. Hymn (*stand*)

It is a thing most wonderful,  
almost too wonderful to be,  
that God's own Son should come from  
heav'n,  
and die to save a child like me.

And yet I know that it is true:  
He chose a poor and humble lot,  
and wept and toiled and mourned and died  
for love of those who loved Him not.

But even could I see Him die,  
I could but see a little part  
of that great love which, like a fire,  
is always burning in His heart.

It is most wonderful to know  
His love for me so free and sure;  
but 'tis more wonderful to see  
my love for Him so faint and poor.

And yet I want to love Thee, Lord;  
O light the flame within my heart,  
and I will love Thee more and more,  
until I see Thee as Thou art.

#### 7. Reading - see *Rushen News* - (sit)

#### 8. Sermon

## 9. Affirmation of Faith *(stand)*

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.**

## 10. Intercessions *(sit or kneel)*

*the prayers may end with*

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

## 11. The Lord's Prayer

Gathering our prayers and praises into one, as our Saviour taught 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.  
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.**

## 12. Prayer for Today

*A period of silent prayer, then the Collect is said and all respond Amen*

## 13. Hymn

Love's redeeming work is done;  
fought the fight, the battle won:  
lo, our Sun's eclipse is o'er!  
lo, he sets in blood no more!

Vain the stone, the watch, the seal!  
Christ has burst the gates of hell;  
death in vain forbids his rise;  
Christ has opened Paradise.

Lives again our glorious King;  
Where, O death, is now thy sting?  
Dying once, he all doth save;  
where thy victory, O grave?

Soar we now where Christ has led,  
following our exalted Head;  
made like him, like him we rise;  
ours the cross, the grave, the skies.

Hail the Lord of earth and heaven!  
Praise to thee by both be given:  
thee we greet triumphant now;  
hail, the Resurrection Thou!

## 14. The Blessing *(stand)*

The Lord bless us, and preserve us from all evil, and keep us in eternal life.  
**Amen.**

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

## 15. Sharing of the Peace *(stand)*

The risen Christ came and stood among his disciples and said, 'Peace be with you.' Then they were glad when they saw the Lord. Alleluia !

The Peace of the Lord be always with you.  
**And also with you !**

