

## EASTER 6 17 May 2020

Alleluia! Christ is risen.  
**He is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

### Hymn



I, the Lord of sea and sky,  
I have heard My people cry.  
All who dwell in dark and sin,  
My hand will save.  
I who made the stars of night,  
I will make their darkness bright.  
Who will bear My light to them?  
Whom shall I send?

*Here I am Lord, Is it I, Lord?  
I have heard You calling in the night.  
I will go Lord, if You lead me.  
I will hold Your people in my heart.*

I, the Lord of snow and rain,  
I have borne my people's pain.  
I have wept for love of them, They turn away.  
I will break their hearts of stone,  
Give them hearts for love alone.  
I will speak My word to them  
Whom shall I send?

*Here I am Lord, ...*

I, the Lord of wind and flame  
I will tend the poor and lame.  
I will set a feast for them,  
My hand will save  
Finest bread I will provide,  
Till their hearts be satisfied.  
I will give My life to them,  
Whom shall I send?

*Here I am Lord, ...*

**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.**

### Prayer for the Day

Risen Christ,  
by the lakeside you renewed your call to your disciples:  
help your Church to obey your command  
and draw the nations to the fire of your love,  
to the glory of God the Father. Amen.

### First Reading Acts 17:22 - 31

Paul stood up in the meeting of the Areopagus and said:  
“Men of Athens! I see that in every way you are very religious. For as I walked around and looked carefully at your objects of worship, I even found an altar with this inscription: TO AN UNKNOWN GOD. Now what you worship as something unknown I am going to proclaim to you.

“The God who made the world and everything in it is the Lord of heaven and earth and does not live in temples built by hands. And he is not served by human hands, as if he needed anything, because he himself gives all men life and breath and everything else. From one man he made every nation of men, that they should inhabit the whole earth; and he determined the times set for them and the exact places where they should live. God did this so that men would seek him and perhaps reach out for him and find him, though he is not far from each one of us. ‘For in him we live and move and have our being.’ As some of your own poets have said, ‘We are his offspring.’

“Therefore since we are God’s offspring, we should not think that the divine being is like gold or silver or stone – an image made by man’s design and skill. In the past God overlooked such ignorance, but now he commands all people everywhere to repent. For he has set a day when he will judge the world with justice by the man he has appointed. He has given proof of this to all men by raising him from the dead.”

### Hymn:

Blest are the pure in heart,  
for they shall see our God;  
the secret of the Lord is theirs,  
their soul is Christ’s abode.

The Lord, who left the heavens  
our life and peace to bring,  
to dwell in lowliness with men,  
their pattern and their king;

Still to the lowly soul  
he doth himself impart,  
and for his dwelling and his throne  
chooseth the pure in heart.

Lord, we thy presence seek;  
may ours this blessing be;  
give us a pure and lowly heart,  
a temple meet for thee.

### Gospel Reading John 14: 15 - 21

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.  
**Glory to you, O Lord.**

Jesus said: “If you love me, you will obey what I command. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Counsellor to be with you for ever – the Spirit of truth. The world cannot accept him, because it neither sees him nor knows him. But you know him, for he lives with you

and will be in you. I will not leave you as orphans; I will come to you. Before long, the world will not see me any more, but you will see me. Because I live, you also will live. On that day you will realise that I am in my Father, and you are in me, and I am in you. Whoever has my commands and obeys them, he is the one who loves me. He who loves me will be loved by my Father, and I too will love him and show myself to him.”

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

**Address** - Rev'd Geoff Jaques

**Song:** Loved with everlasting love - The Welbury Trio

**The Creed** (*Live Service will use Nicene Creed on screen*)

*Let us declare our faith in God.*

**We believe in God the Father,  
from whom every family  
in heaven and on earth is named.**

**We believe in God the Son,  
who lives in our hearts through faith,  
and fills us with his love.**

**We believe in God the Holy Spirit,  
who strengthens us  
with power from on high.  
We believe in one God;  
Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.**



**Prayers**

**The Lord's Prayer**

**Penitence**

Jesus says, 'Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is close at hand.'

So let us turn away from sin and turn to the Lord, confessing our sins in penitence and faith.

Remember, Lord, your compassion and love,  
for they are everlasting.  
Lord, have mercy.

**Lord, have mercy.**

Remember not the sins of my youth or my transgressions,  
but think on me in your goodness, O Lord,  
according to your steadfast love.

Christ, have mercy.

**Christ, have mercy.**

O keep my soul and deliver me;  
let me not be put to shame, for I have put my trust in you.  
Lord, have mercy.

**Lord, have mercy**

**Absolution**

**Hymn**

Thou, whose almighty word  
chaos and darkness heard,  
and took their flight;  
hear us, we humbly pray,  
and where the gospel-day  
sheds not its glorious ray,  
let there be light!

Thou, who didst come to bring  
on thy redeeming wing  
healing and sight,  
health to the sick in mind,  
sight to the inly blind,  
O now to all mankind  
let there be light!

Spirit of truth and love,  
life-giving, holy dove,  
speed forth thy flight;  
move on the water's face,  
bearing the lamp of grace,  
and in earth's darkest place  
let there be light!

Holy and blessed three,  
glorious Trinity,  
wisdom, love, might;  
boundless as ocean's tide  
rolling in fullest pride,  
through the earth far and wide  
let there be light!

**Notices**

**Blessing**

Go in the peace of Christ. Alleluia, Alleluia.  
**Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia.**

### **NOTICES**

**CHRISTIAN AID WEEK** Please help support the world's poorest people in this time of international crisis by donating generously to Christian Aid. Click <https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/great-ayton-village>

### **THY KINGDOM COME**

This week sees Ascension Day on Thursday which begins the 10 days leading up to Pentecost.

Tie a Ribbon to your hedge or gate as a prayer

Join Prayer for the Day with guest speakers

Use the interactive Family Adventure Map [HERE](#)

**Pray for** the family of Ann Browne who died last Thursday and had been with us on Zoom just two Sundays ago.