

Lord, you have come to the seashore,  
neither searching for the rich nor the wise,  
desiring only that I should follow.

*O, Lord, with your eyes set upon me,  
gently smiling, you have spoken my name;  
all I longed for I have found by the water,  
at your side, I will seek other shores.*

Lord, see my goods, my possessions;  
in my boat you find no power, no wealth.  
Will you accept, then, my nets and labour?

*O, Lord, with your eyes set upon me,  
gently smiling, you have spoken my name;  
all I longed for I have found by the water,  
at your side, I will seek other shores.*

Lord, take my hands and direct them.  
Help me spend myself in seeking the lost,  
returning love for the love you gave me.

*O, Lord, with your eyes set upon me,  
gently smiling, you have spoken my name;  
all I longed for I have found by the water,  
at your side, I will seek other shores.*

Lord, as I drift on the waters,  
be the resting place of my restless heart,  
my life's companion, my friend and refuge.

*O, Lord, with your eyes set upon me,  
gently smiling, you have spoken my name;  
all I longed for I have found by the water,  
at your side, I will seek other shores.*

# The Cotteridge Church

**Easter 3** Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> May 2022



## Bible Readings

Acts 9:1-6, (7-20)

Psalm 30

Revelation 5:11-14

John 21:1-19

## Collect for Easter 3

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

## Easter 3

Some years ago the London Daily Telegraph carried a letter written by an eleven-year-old boy to his mother while he was on vacation in Switzerland. He wrote this: "Dear Mom, yesterday the instructor took eight of us to the slopes to teach us to ski. I was not very good at it, so I broke a leg. Thank goodness, it wasn't mine! Love, Billy." Now, that mother had only a limited insight into what actually happened on the ski slopes of Switzerland that day. And you and I have only a limited insight into what happened on the shore of the Sea of Galilee that day. But one thing we know. Jesus asked Simon Peter "Do you love me?" three times. Why did he badger him so? Was it because Peter had denied his Lord three times and wanted to give him three opportunities to affirm his love and thus wipe the slate clean? I think that is so.