

10.30_{am} Morning Worship online Sunday 17th May, the 6th Sunday of Easter

Welcome

Service leader: Charles Glenn; Preacher: Sue McWhinney

Welcome

The Order of Service is on the website, but all the words for responses and hymns will be shown on the screen.

Alleluia. Christ is risen.

He is risen indeed. Alleluia.

The Easter Candle is lit.

Lord Jesus Christ we greet you.

The cross has not defeated you, the grave has not kept you silent. At the first dew of the morning, you met our sister Mary and called her by her name. Meet us as you met Mary, with gentleness and resolution. Speak our names quietly in our hearts, that we may proclaim your name boldly on our lips.

Amen.

Hymn 1) Like a mighty river flowing Eileen playing, words will be on the screen

We pray together

Faithful God, whose word is life:
come with saving power to free our praise,
inspire our prayer and shape our lives
for the kingdom of your Son,
Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Prayers of Penitence

Jesus Christ, risen Master and triumphant Lord, we come to you in sorrow for our sins, and confess to you our weakness and unbelief.

We have lived by our own strength, and not by the power of your resurrection. In your mercy, forgive us.

Lord, hear us and help us.

We have lived by the light of our own eyes, as faithless and not believing. In your mercy, forgive us. Lord, hear us and help us.

We have lived for this world alone, and doubted our home in heaven. In your mercy, forgive us.

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The leader declares God's forgiveness, in these or other words: May the God of love and power forgive us and free us from our sins, heal and strengthen us by his Spirit, and raise us to new life in Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Liturgy of the Word

1st Reading

Acts 17.22-31

At the end of the reading the reader may say This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Hymn 2) A new commandment

Eileen playing, words will be on the screen

2nd Reading

John 14.15-21

At the end of the reading the reader may say This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The Sermon: Sue McWhinney

Hymn 3) From life's beginning (Let praise resound), Resound Worship

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yLXnaMQRtUQ&list=PLWJPGkLM1PWbNU4tJua3iaGShaVgekdiB

Affirmation of Faith

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.

Prayers

Intercessions

This response may be used: Lord, in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

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

The Lord's Prayer

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.

The Collect for the 6th Sunday of Easter is said
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.

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.

Hymn 4) May the grace, Resound Worship https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=INPoOfjFJ5s

We pray for our children's groups, our families, and ABC Church.

We give thanks for the offerings we have made this week, in person, in our practical care for others, and in our financial giving for the work of the church, and we ask God to bless it all.

Our costs continue even though the church building is closed.

Our church relies on donations to enable us to continue offering spiritual support and practical help to those in need in our community. Our income has gone down during the Coronavirus Crisis because we have had to close the church buildings, but our work to help people continues.

If you would like to give us a donation online, you can do so at: https://www.stjohnsfarsley.org.uk/donate.php
Thank you.

Notices (if any)

Conclusion

God the Father, by whose love Christ was raised from the dead, open to *us* who believe the gates of everlasting life. **Amen**.

God the Son, who in bursting from the grave has won a glorious victory, give us joy as we share the Easter faith.

God the Holy Spirit, who filled the disciples with the life of the risen Lord, empower *us* and fill *us* with Christ's peace.

Amen.

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And the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, be among *us* and remain with *us* always.

Amen.

The Dismissal

With the power that raised Jesus from the dead at work within you, go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

Alleluia, alleluia. Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

The UK Blessing, sung by churches around the country https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7xtpJ4Q Q-4

We will continue to offer online services from 8.30am every Sunday until the suspension of public worship in churches is lifted and we are able to meet in church.

Do come and join us again!

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