

St George's Barcelona Virtual Church
Sunday 26th April, 3rd Sunday of Easter

WELCOME & INTRODUCTION

I as Chaplain welcome you to the seventh St George's Barcelona and Andorra Virtual Church Service. Easter continues ... days of marvellous stories and joy as Christ accompanies his disciples. During this service, after each hymn being announced, I will allow time for you to change the YouTube link if you choose. Alternatively you can have a session afterwards of listening to the hymns ... and keep doing so during the week.

So, let us pray:

Our Father, as individuals and as a community may we come to know and love you more and more, may we feel your love and care through each other, may we be witnesses to Christ wherever we are, and by the power of your Holy Spirit, may we be attentive to you, to our neighbour and to your world.

The Easter Announcement

Alleluia! Christ is risen

He is risen indeed, Alleluia!

🎵 **CALL TO WORSHIP** 🎵 Jesus, God's righteousness revealed

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FlnBsbSCnWk> (Why not join us in singing along to YouTube)

A song to get our minds and hearts focussed on Jesus

We come together in the name of the Father,
and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Faithful one, 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.**

🎵 **SONG FOR THE SUNDAY SCHOOL** 🎵 A Sunday School favourite!

Our God is a great big God <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eaXPXWBcE3I>

SAYING SORRY

✠ In baptism we died with Christ, so that as Christ was raised from the dead, we might walk in newness of life. Jesus Christ, risen Master and triumphant Lord, we come to you in sorrow for our sins, and confess to you our weakness and unbelief.

a time of silence is kept and then:

**Almighty God, our heavenly Father, we have sinned against you
and against our neighbour in thought and word and deed,
through negligence, through weakness, through our own deliberate fault.**

We are truly sorry and repent of all our sins.

**For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, who died for us,
forgive us all that is past and grant that we may serve you
in newness of life to the glory of your name. Amen.**

ABSOLUTION *is pronounced and all respond:*

✠ The Lord enrich *you* with his grace, and nourish *you* with his blessing; the Lord defend *you* in trouble and keep *you* from all evil; the Lord accept *your* prayers, and absolve *you* from *your* offences, for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Saviour. **Amen.**

In response we join in the words **GLORIA**:

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.
Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God,
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.
For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

♪ **A SONG OF PRAISE** ♪ Lord, I come, I confess (I need you)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gS9e0nxHP-w> Lord, I come, I confess, Bowing here I find
my rest, Without You I fall apart, You're the One that guides my heart

THE COLLECT

✠ 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.

THE WORD OF GOD

✠ **THE PSALM FOR THE DAY is Psalm 116: 1-3, 10-17**

*if you are following this service why not read this antiphonally as we do in church? That means taking turns
... young and old, or male and female, or one and the rest?*

¹ I love the LORD, **for (because)** he heard my voice; he heard my cry for mercy.

² **Because** he turned his ear to me, **I will** call on him as long as I live.

³ The cords of death entangled me, the anguish of the grave came over me; I was overcome by
distress and sorrow.

¹⁰ **I trusted in the LORD when I said**, 'I am greatly afflicted';

¹¹ **in my alarm I said**, 'Everyone is a liar.'

¹² **What shall I return** to the LORD for all his goodness to me?

¹³ **I will lift up** the cup of salvation and call on the name of the LORD.

¹⁴ **I will fulfil my vows** to the LORD in the presence of all his people.

¹⁵ **Precious in the sight of the LORD** is the death of his faithful servants.

¹⁶ Truly I am your servant, LORD; I serve you just as my mother did; you have freed me from my
chains.

¹⁷ **I will sacrifice a thank-offering** to you and call on the name of the LORD.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. Amen

✠ **FIRST READING Acts 2:36-41** *during Eastertide a reading from Acts replaces the Old Testament*

³⁶ 'Therefore let all Israel **be assured of this (know with certainty)**: God has made this Jesus, whom
you crucified, both Lord and Messiah.' ³⁷ When the people heard this, they were **cut to the heart**
and said to Peter and the other apostles, 'Brothers, what shall we do?' ³⁸ Peter replied, '**Repent**
and be baptised, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ **for the** forgiveness of your sins. And
you will **receive** the gift of the Holy Spirit. ³⁹ The promise is for you and your children and for all
who are far off – for all whom the Lord our God will call.' ⁴⁰ **With many other words he warned**
them; and he pleaded with them, 'Save yourselves from this corrupt generation.' ⁴¹ Those who
accepted his message were baptised, and about three thousand were added to their number that
day.

This is the Word of the Lord, Thanks be to God

✠ **SECOND READING 1 Peter 1:17-23**

¹⁷ Since you call on a Father who judges each person's work impartially, live out your time as foreigners here in reverent fear. ¹⁸ For you know that it was not with perishable things such as silver or gold that you were redeemed from the empty way of life handed down to you from your ancestors, ¹⁹ but with the precious blood of Christ, a lamb without blemish or defect. ²⁰ He was chosen before the creation of the world, but was revealed in these last times for your sake. ²¹ Through him you believe in God, who raised him from the dead and glorified him, and so your faith and hope are in God. ²² Now that you have purified yourselves by obeying the truth so that you have sincere love for each other, love one another deeply, from the heart. ²³ For you have been born again, not of perishable seed, but of imperishable, through the living and enduring word of God.

This is the Word of the Lord, Thanks be to God

🎵 **SONG** 🎵 to prepare to listen to the Gospel, the story of our Lord

In the Lord I'll be ever thankful (Taize) <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uAx8gjQrsOY>

In the Lord I'll be ever thankful, In the Lord I'll rejoice. Look to God, do not be afraid,
Lift up your voices, the Lord is near; Lift up your voices the Lord is near.

✠ **THE GOSPEL Luke 24:13-35**

✠ Jesus Christ is the Light of the world: **a light no darkness can quench.**

**Hear the Gospel of the Lord according to St Luke, Alleluia, Alleluia ,
Glory to you O Lord**

¹³ Now that same day two of them were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem. ¹⁴ They were talking with each other about everything that had happened. ¹⁵ As they talked and discussed these things with each other, Jesus himself came up and walked along with them; ¹⁶ but they were kept from recognising him. ¹⁷ He asked them, 'What are you discussing together as you walk along?' They stood still, their faces downcast. ¹⁸ One of them, named Cleopas, asked him, 'Are you the only one visiting Jerusalem who does not know the things that have happened there in these days?' ¹⁹ 'What things?' he asked. 'About Jesus of Nazareth,' they replied. 'He was a prophet, powerful in word and deed before God and all the people. ²⁰ The chief priests and our rulers handed him over to be sentenced to death, and they crucified him; ²¹ but we had hoped that he was the one who was going to redeem Israel. And what is more, it is the third day since all this took place. ²² In addition, some of our women amazed us. They went to the tomb early this morning ²³ but didn't find his body. They came and told us that they had seen a vision of angels, who said he was alive. ²⁴ Then some of our companions went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said, but they did not see Jesus.' ²⁵ He said to them, 'How foolish you are, and how slow to believe all that the prophets have spoken! ²⁶ Did not the Messiah have to suffer these things and then enter his glory?' ²⁷ And beginning with Moses and all the Prophets, he explained to them what was said in all the Scriptures concerning himself. ²⁸ As they approached the village to which they were going, Jesus continued on as if he were going further. ²⁹ But they urged him strongly, 'Stay with us, for it is nearly evening; the day is almost over.' So he went in to stay with them. ³⁰ When he was at the table with them, he took bread, gave thanks, broke it and began to give it to them. ³¹ Then their eyes were opened and they recognised him, and he disappeared from their sight. ³² They asked each other, 'Were not our hearts burning within us while he talked with us on the road and opened the Scriptures to us?' ³³ They got up and returned at once to Jerusalem. There they found the Eleven and those with them, assembled together ³⁴ and saying, 'It is true!

The Lord has risen and has appeared to Simon.' ³⁵ Then the two told what had happened on the way, and how Jesus was recognised by them when he broke the bread.

This is the Gospel of our Lord, Praise you O Christ

SERMON

*May the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be pleasing in your sight,
O LORD, my Rock and my Redeemer.*

INTRODUCTION

So we come to the third week of Easter and the 7th week of being virtual church. We have no idea how long this is going to go on. We give thanks for any signs of improvement and we are really looking forward to our situation being alleviated. I anticipate a great celebration on the day we come together. However, as we do not know when that will be, I want us to try and find some principles from our readings today that we could take with us during this week, and until we come together again.

PRINCIPLE 1 - PSALM 116. LOVE GREATLY!

This is one of my favourite Psalms because it is so realistic. It says we love *because* God has heard us. God is a God who heeds or pays attention to our cry for mercy. **Our love for him is a responsive love.** Notice that it doesn't say that we love him **because** he answers all our prayers or that we love him **because** he is made us rich or **because** he is definitely going to heal us or **because** he is going, in the next two weeks, to remove the situation that we are in. **It simply says we love him because he hears us.**

In the beginning of the book of **Exodus** God heard his people and had compassion on them. Our God is a God who listens, who cares, who stands alongside ... this is the story of the incarnation, of the ministry of Jesus, of the Cross, of his resurrection appearances ... and the one who stands alongside, the *paraclete*, is one of the titles of the Holy Spirit ... as we will see in a few weeks time.

We know from **1 John 4:19** that **we love because he first loved us.** Chapter 7 of the book of **Deuteronomy** tells us that God loved his people – but it goes on to say that he doesn't love them **because** they were great or powerful or numerous but **he loves them because he loves them.** That is true for us, for me and for you ... **he loves us because he loves us.** If we can enter into the mystery of this, our whole view of ourselves and of life will be affected.

This means that we are **to bask in his love** – and how do we show that? V10: **I trusted in the LORD,** v14 **I will fulfil my vows to the Lord** and v17 **I will sacrifice a thank-offering to the Lord.** **Our love is shown in trust, commitment and thanksgiving.** This is the way of all good relationships, including marriage .. **trust, commitment and thanksgiving** – it is a response of loving service. A Hebrew word for worship is the same as a Hebrew word for work – **loving and worshipful service.** Whatever you do, every day, at school, in the home, outside the home ... is to be loving service to God and to others. Interestingly the Greek equivalent of the Hebrew word is *Leiturgia* – from which we get the word *liturgy* – loving worshipful service. That is why we call our gatherings *services*. We come to serve the Lord and to worship the Lord – this is being church. Our first principle for these days is to **Love greatly!**

PRINCIPLE 2 ACTS 2:36-41 KEEP YOUR HEART SENSITIVE TO GOD

Peter comes to the end of his sermon on the day of Pentecost and challenges the **people to respond.** Whenever we hear the words of the Bible, whenever we hear a sermon, whenever we spend time reflecting on Scripture and on God, we always need to be thinking what is going to be our response. The response Peter asks for is repentance and baptism. He gives it as a promise for

them, their children and those who are far off .. which I interpret as *those not yet in the community of Christ*. Historically churches were at key places in communities ... that's where we should be ... at the Crossroads of Life We exist as church not simply for ourselves, but for our children and for others. Our church, as with Peter, is to be looking out and beyond.

And the Holy Spirit promised in the sermon of Peter, came and comes ... but that is not our subject until Pentecost! Peter is saying: yes, all this is really true, how exciting ... **therefore** and the passage says ...**they were cut to the heart!** They took this seriously. Our second principle is let God touch our hearts – **if our hearts are truly sensitive to God they will also be sensitive to our spouse, children, parents, friends, colleagues, pupils. A sensitive heart is open open to being hurt, but anything else is both not Christian and is not life-giving.**

PRINCIPLE 3 1 PETER 1:17-23 LOVE FROM THE HEART

The same man Peter writes these verses in First Peter. He says there that it was the blood of Christ, or the death of Christ, to put it another way, that ensured that God could accept us. The challenge of the Christian message is that there is a God who in his perfection cannot accept us in our imperfection – we need a mediator, someone standing between us, so that his standards of holiness are met and that we can be welcomed. It is Christ's voluntary and loving sacrifice that makes that possible. How we enter into this blessing seems to vary for each person in the Bible ... and probably for us ... but if we belong to Christ , we can say that **we have been born again, not of perishable seed, but of imperishable, through the living and enduring word of God.** We are called to live as people living with mystery. **But it is to be lived** ... not just accepted by our minds. Peter says you have **purified yourselves by obeying the truth** ... again a response ... the challenge is to live in obedience. What does this mean? Peter says: **have sincere love for each other, love one another deeply, from the heart.**

PRINCIPLE 4 LUKE 24:13-35 HEARTS ON FIRE

This is the story of Emmaus. Twice I have visited Emmaus, the first time was in 1975. We were in an old monastery converted into a retreat place called **Beit Shalom** which means House of Peace or House of Rest. I spent time there as it was a centre for the literature work of Operation Mobilization in their outreach to the West Bank. For me this first experience of the Emmaus area was a place of outreach and witness ... the result of the resurrection ... **you shall be my witnesses** ... and more of that on Ascension Day.

Many years later I returned to Emmaus, this time as part of a group of people on pilgrimage. I was asked to celebrate communion in the **Benedictine monastery**. As you know at Saint George's, we use different colours for different seasons of the year. In Emmaus they only use one – white – as the French monk told me, in Emmaus it is always Easter.

This passage could be looked at in different ways and I have at least two books on this. I would love to know what Jesus said in his conversation about the Old Testament but today I want to focus on one aspect of the story.

There were two people on the walk in our reading, one was a man and the other might have been his wife or a friend - we don't know - but we know that it was as Jesus broke the bread and gave thanks, these two all of a sudden realised who he really was – they had been with Jesus. All that he had talked about which *made their hearts burn* was true because he was alive.

I love that phrase **our hearts burned within us**. This for me is passion - and the challenge for me is how often does my heart burn within me? How often are my emotions stirred by the presence of Jesus? How often as I celebrate or receive communion does my heart burn? May we go into this week with hearts on fire with love for him.

It is out of this love that we can have godly compassion for other people. Compassion means that we treat people *with passion*, with care and love. The impression I get these days as people, very movingly, clap and cheer at eight o'clock each evening, is that we have many people, whether of Christ or not, who are showing this compassion in our communities. We pray particularly for those we know who serve with compassion at this time. However, we are all called to be passionate, to show compassion and this week may our hearts burn within us: **on fire with love.**

So four principles:

Principle 1 - Psalm 116.	Love Greatly!
Principle 2 Acts 2:36-41	Keep Your Heart Sensitive To God
Principle 3 1 Peter 1:17-23	Love From The Heart
Principle 4 Luke 24:13-35	Hearts On Fire

Let us pray: Lord, may we live consciously in the light of your resurrection victory. May we know the passion of your fire and celebrate your Gospel. May the light of your presence set our hearts on fire with love for you. Shine into our hearts, O God, and kindle in us the fire of your love.

AND IT IS ALL POSSIBLE BECAUSE JESUS IS ALIVE!

In the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, Amen

*✠ In response to God's Word we join together in the **THE APOSTLES' CREED** –*

This is what we believe.

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead.**

**On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the
Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

A TIME OF PRAYER

*♪ **O Lord, hear my prayer** ♪ *may be sung**

*To the words: Lord, in your mercy the response is: **hear our prayer***

We take time to pray for:

- The world
- Our neighbourhoods
- The wider church
- St George's Andorra and Barcelona

Jesus, our Lord, we praise you that nothing could keep you dead in the grave.

You are stronger than death and the devil.

Help us to remember that there is nothing to be afraid of,
because you are alive and by our side.

Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our Prayer

You come to the disciples by the lakeside,
and turn their failure into faith.
You come to your people now,
and turn our weakness into triumph.
Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our Prayer

Keep us, good Lord, under the shadow of your mercy. Sustain and support the anxious,
be with those who care for the sick, and lift up all who are brought low;
that we may find comfort knowing that nothing can separate us from your love
in Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.
Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our Prayer

Ever present God, be with us in our isolation, be close to us in our distancing,
be healing in our sickness, be joy in our sadness, be light in our darkness,
be wisdom in our confusion, be all that is familiar when all is unfamiliar,
that when the doors reopen we may with the zeal of Pentecost inhabit our communities
and speak of your goodness to an emerging world. For Jesus' sake. Amen.
Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our Prayer

Look in your mercy upon the world you love so much
We pray for those who are in need; for the sick, sorrowful and bereaved,
for those in darkness, in doubt and in despair, in loneliness and in fear,
We pray for all who bring comfort, care and healing.
We give thanks for human love and friendship
and for all that enriches our daily lives.
Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our Prayer

In the quietness bring before God those who are in your heart

Merciful God, we commend into your hands those who have departed this life. You gave them
breath and loved them through their journey of life. Receive them now at the end of that journey
into your eternal presence and may they rest in everlasting peace. *(Short Silence)*
Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our Prayer

Everlasting God, in so many ways you have taught us that you alone can be trusted, even when it
might seem that you are far away from us. Help us to remember this fact and feel your loving
presence as we go from this time of worship and return to our everyday lives walking obediently in
the light of your truth in all that we do this and every day.

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

Minister Almighty and everlasting God,
the comfort of the sad, the strength of those who suffer:
hear the prayers of your children who cry out of any trouble,
and to every distressed soul grant mercy, relief and refreshment,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Holy Communion – The Lord feeds us

THE PEACE

✠ We are the body of Christ.
In the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body.
Let us then pursue all that makes for peace
and builds up our common life.
The peace of the Lord be always with you
and also with you.

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.
All may exchange a sign of peace

AS WE OFFER OURSELVES TO THE LORD AS WE COME TO HIS TABLE

- Normally the gifts of the people are gathered at this time. During this seclusion our giving can be via the Website or by Standing Order ... or TransferWise ... and information on this is also on the website. St George's needs your ongoing support as our costs continue even when we cannot have services here. We are looking at ways to make giving online easier.

🎵 **OFFERTORY HYMN** 🎵 **Guide me O thou great Jehovah**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wT4n1hGjDDg>

Guide me, O Thou great Jehovah, Pilgrim through this barren land;
I am weak, but Thou art mighty, Hold me with Thy pow'ful hand.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

✠ Be present, be present,
Lord Jesus Christ, our risen high priest;
make yourself known in the breaking of bread.
Blessed be God for ever.

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER – #B

When I say **Alleluia** the response is **He is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

The Lord is here	His presence is with us
Lift up your hearts.	We lift them to the Lord.
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.	It is right to give thanks and praise.

We give you thanks and praise for the gospel we have received. Christ died for our sins. Alleluia.	He is risen indeed. Alleluia.
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Death comes to all through Adam, and sin reigns for a time. New life without end comes through Christ, and he reigns for ever. Alleluia.	He is risen indeed. Alleluia.
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Death, where is your victory? Death, where is your sting? Death is swallowed up in victory, the victory you give us in Christ. Alleluia.	He is risen indeed. Alleluia.
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We have been crucified with Christ,
and live his risen life,
to praise you for ever with angels and archangels saying:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
[Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.]**

Lord, you are holy indeed, the source of all holiness;
**grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit,
and according to your holy will,
these gifts of bread and wine
may be to us the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ;**

who, in the same night that he was betrayed,
took bread and gave you thanks;
he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying:
**Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;
do this in remembrance of me.**

In the same way, after supper
he took the cup and gave you thanks;
he gave it to them, saying:
**Drink this, all of you;
this is my blood of the new covenant,
which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins.
Do this, as often as you drink it,
in remembrance of me.**

An acclamations is used
Great is the mystery of faith
**Christ has died:
Christ is risen:
Christ will come again.**

And so, Father, calling to mind his death on the cross,
his perfect sacrifice made once for the sins of the whole world;
rejoicing in his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension,
and looking for his coming in glory,
we celebrate this memorial of our redemption.
As we offer you this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving,
we bring before you this bread and this cup
and we thank you for counting us worthy
to stand in your presence and serve you.

Send the Holy Spirit on your people
and gather into one in your kingdom
all who share this one bread and one cup,
so that we, in the company of all the saints,

may praise and glorify you for ever,
through Jesus Christ our Lord;

by whom, and with whom, and in whom,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

**Blessing and honour and glory and power
be yours for ever and ever.
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 COMMUNION

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.
**Though we are many, we are one body,
because we all share in one bread.**

GIVING OF COMMUNION

Draw near with faith. Receive the body of our Lord Jesus Christ which he gave for you,
and his blood which he shed for you. Eat and drink in remembrance that he died for you, and feed
on him in your hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

Jesus is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world,
blessed are those who are called to his supper.

Lord, I am not worthy to receive you, but only say the word, and I shall be healed.

The body of Christ

The blood of Christ

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION *Together we say:*

Living God, your Son made himself known to his disciples
in the breaking of bread:
open the eyes of our faith,
that we may see him in all his redeeming work;
who is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

**Almighty God,
we thank you for feeding us
with the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ.
Through him we offer you
our souls and bodies to be a living sacrifice.
Send us out in the power of your Spirit
to live and work to your praise and glory. Amen.**

The Dismissal – The Lord sends us out

🎵 **FINAL HYMN** 🎵 **There is a redeemer** <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tUqfdaCLm0Y>

So as we come to the end of our service we go out with our focus on Jesus:

There is a redeemer Jesus, God's own Son Precious Lamb of God, Messiah Holy One

BLESSING

Alleluia. Christ is risen.

He is risen indeed, Alleluia!

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He is risen indeed, Alleluia!

Alleluia. Christ is risen!

He is risen indeed, Alleluia!

May the light of Christ, rising in glory, banish all darkness from your hearts and minds.

May the risen Christ grant you the joy of eternal life.

May Christ the risen one be yours, and be your reality, and your experience.

May you know in your lives the presence of the risen Lord,
the peace of Christ which is eternal, and the power of the resurrection.

and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit
be among you and remain with you always.

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord Alleluia! Alleluia!

In the name of Christ. Alleluia! Alleluia!