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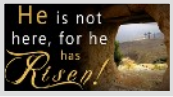
You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you so that you might go and bear fruit—fruit that will last—and so that whatever you ask in my name the Father will give you.

John 15-16

**Heart & Anchor Church**

## SERVICE ORDER

Sunday Worship, 09<sup>th</sup> May 2021



## The Gathering

**Opening Hymn:** [Vision Choir - What a friend we have in Jesus](#)

Alleluia. Christ is risen.

**All** He is risen indeed. Alleluia.

## Welcome and introduction

### Opening prayer

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.

### Confession

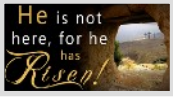
Like Mary at the empty tomb,  
we fail to grasp the wonder of your presence.  
Lord, have mercy.  
**Lord, have mercy.**

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.**

### Absolution

May the God of love and power  
forgive *you* and free *you* from *your* sins,  
heal and strengthen *you* by his Spirit,  
and raise *you* to new life in Christ our Lord.  
**Amen.**



## The Collect

*Silence is kept.*

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.**

## New Testament Reading

### **Acts 10:44-end**

#### *Gentiles Receive the Holy Spirit*

While Peter was still speaking, the Holy Spirit fell upon all who heard the word. The circumcised believers who had come with Peter were astounded that the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out even on the Gentiles, for they heard them speaking in tongues and extolling God. Then Peter said, 'Can anyone withhold the water for baptizing these people who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?' So he ordered them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they invited him to stay for several days.

This is the word of the Lord

**Thanks be to God**

## Gospel Reading

Alleluia, alleluia.

I am the first and the last, says the Lord, and the living one;  
I was dead, and behold I am alive for evermore.

**Alleluia.**

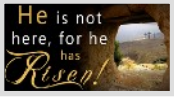
*When the Gospel is announced the reader says*

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

### **John 15:9-17**

As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete.



'This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another.

*At the end*

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

**Talk by Rosy Fairhurst**

Do you believe and trust in God the Father?

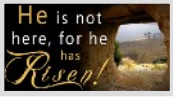
**All I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.**

Do you believe and trust in his Son Jesus Christ?

**All 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.**

Do you believe and trust in the Holy Spirit?

**All 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.**



## Prayers

### The Peace

The risen Christ came and stood among his disciples and said  
'Peace be with you.'

Then were they glad when they saw the Lord. Alleluia  
Alleluia! The Peace of the risen Christ be always with you  
**And also with you. Alleluia!**

*Let us offer one another a sign of God's peace*

**Song: [All Souls Orchestra - Love Divine All Loves Excelling \(PROM PRAISE OFFICIAL\)](#)**

1 Love divine, all  
loves excelling,  
joy of heav'n, to  
earth come down,  
fix in us thy humble  
dwelling,  
all thy faithful  
mercies crown.  
Jesus, thou art all  
compassion,  
pure, unbounded  
love thou art.  
Visit us with thy  
salvation;  
enter ev'ry  
trembling heart.

2 Breathe, O  
breathe thy loving  
Spirit  
into ev'ry troubled  
breast.  
Let us all in thee  
inherit,  
let us find the  
promised rest.  
Take away the love  
of sinning;  
Alpha and Omega  
be.  
End of faith, as its  
beginning,  
set our hearts at  
liberty.

3 Come, Almighty,  
to deliver,  
let us all thy life  
receive.  
Suddenly return,  
and never,  
nevermore they  
temples leave.  
Thee we would be  
always blessing,  
serve thee as thy  
hosts above,  
pray, and praise  
thee without  
ceasing,  
glory in thy perfect  
love.

4 Finish, then, thy  
new creation;  
true and spotless  
let us be.  
Let us see thy  
great salvation  
perfectly restored  
in thee.  
Changed from  
glory into glory,  
till in heav'n we  
take our place,  
till we cast our  
crowns before  
thee,  
lost in wonder, love  
and praise.

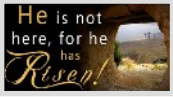
### The Communion

The Lord is here.

**All His Spirit is with us.**

Lift up your hearts.

**All We lift them to the Lord.**



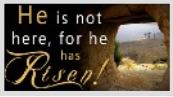
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**All It is right to give thanks and praise.**

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,  
always and everywhere to give you thanks,  
almighty and eternal Father,  
and in these days of Easter  
to celebrate with joyful hearts  
the memory of your wonderful works.  
For by the mystery of his passion  
Jesus Christ, your risen Son,  
has conquered the powers of death and hell  
and restored in men and women the image of your glory.  
He has placed them once more in paradise  
and opened to them the gate of life eternal.  
And so, in the joy of this Passover,  
earth and heaven resound with gladness,  
while angels and archangels and the powers of all creation  
sing for ever the hymn of your glory.

**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.

Great is the mystery of faith:

**All 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 Mary, Clement, Augustine, Cornelius and 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,  
all honour and glory be yours, almighty Father,  
for ever and ever.

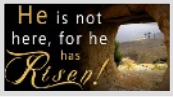
**All Amen.**

*As our Saviour taught us, so we pray*

**All 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.**

### **Breaking of the Bread**

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

### **The invitation**

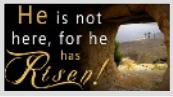
Jesus is the Lamb of God  
who takes away the sin of the world.  
Blessed are those who are called to his supper.  
**All** Lord, I am not worthy to receive you,  
but only say the word, and I shall be healed.

*During communion we hear: [You are the vine, we are the branches | Lyrics](#)*

### **Post Communion Prayer**

Father of all,  
**We give you thanks and praise,  
That when we were still far off  
You met us in your Son and brought us home.  
Dying and living, he declared your love,  
Gave us grace, and opened the gate of glory.  
May we who share Christ's body live his risen life;  
We who drink his cup bring life to others;  
We whom the Spirit lights give light to the world.  
Keep us firm in the hope you have set before us,  
So we and all your children shall be free,**





**And the whole earth live to praise your name;  
Through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

### **The Blessing**

God, who through the resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ  
Has given us the victory,  
Give you joy and peace in your faith;  
And the blessing of God Almighty,  
The Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit  
Be among you and remain with you always.  
**Amen.**

### **Notices**

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

**Final Song: [Sent by the Lord am I | Lyrics](#)**