

# St Luke's Mosman

# EASTER DAY SUNG EUCHARIST



### Sunday 9 April 2023 10am

#### The Presentation of the Easter Light

Please stand and face the rear of the Church at the commencement of the Service.

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

Christ yesterday and today. **The beginning and the end.** 

Alpha and Omega, all time belongs to him, and all ages. **To him be glory and power, through every age and for ever. Amen.** 

Dear friends in Christ, on this most holy morning, when our Lord Jesus Christ passed from death to life, the Church invites believers throughout the world to come together in celebration and prayer. This is the Passover of the Lamb, Jesus Christ. We remember his death and celebrate his resurrection, confident that we shall share his victory and live with him forever in God.

The Presider lights the Paschal Candle and presents it to the people, saying:

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

The Presider carrying the Candle raises it on three occasions and sings:

The light of Christ. **Thanks be to God.** 

When the Paschal candle is in place, the people turn on their candles as the Presider then sings the "Exsultet", the Easter Song of Praise. This is then followed by the Congregation singing the Gloria. Please remain standing.

#### The Exsultet

Rejoice, heavenly powers! Sing, choirs of angels! Exult, all creation around God's throne! Jesus Christ, our King, is risen! Sound the trumpet of salvation!

Rejoice, O earth, in shining splendour, radiant in the brightness of your King! Christ has conquered! Glory fills you! Darkness vanishes for ever!

Rejoice, O Mother Church! Exult in glory! The risen Saviour shines upon you! Let this place resound with joy, echoing the mighty song of all God's people!

It is truly right that with full hearts and minds and voices we should praise the unseen God, the all-powerful Father, and his only Son, our Lord Jesus Christ.

For Christ has ransomed us with his blood, and paid for us the price of Adam's sin to our eternal Father!

This is our passover feast, when Christ, the true Lamb, is slain, whose blood consecrates the homes of all believers.

This is the night when first you saved our ancestors: you freed the people of Israel from their slavery and led them dry-shod through the sea.

This is the night when the pillar of fire destroyed the darkness of sin!

This is the night when Christians everywhere, washed clean of sin and freed from all defilement, are restored to grace and grow together in holiness. This is the night when Jesus Christ broke the chains of death and rose triumphant from the grave.

What good would life have been to us, had Christ not come as our Redeemer? Father, how wonderful your care for us! How boundless your merciful love! To ransom a slave you gave away your Son.

O happy fault, O necessary sin of Adam, which gained for us so great a Redeemer!

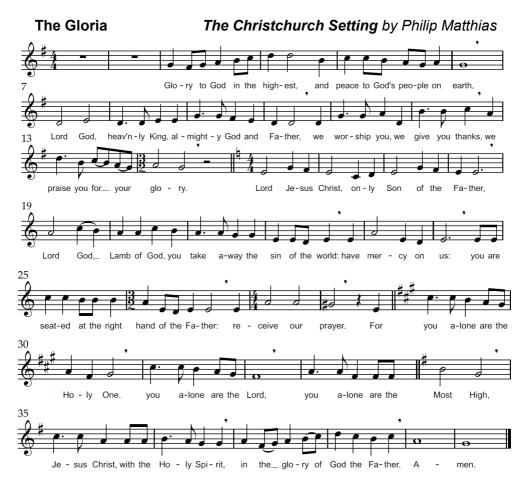
Night truly blessed when heaven is wedded to earth and we are reconciled with God!

Therefore, heavenly Father, in the joy of this day, receive our morning sacrifice of praise, your Church's solemn offering.

Accept this Easter candle, a flame divided but undimmed, a pillar of fire that glows to the honour of God.

Let it mingle with the lights of heaven and continue bravely burning to dispel the darkness of the night!

May the Morning Star which never sets find this flame still burning: Christ, that Morning Star, who came back from the dead, and shed his peaceful light on all of us, your Son, who lives and reigns for ever and ever. **Amen.** 



The Presider continues

#### The Collect

Let us pray.

Almighty God, you have conquered death through your dearly beloved Son Jesus Christ and opened to us the gate of everlasting life: grant us by your grace to set our mind on things above, so that by your continual help our whole life may be transformed; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit in everlasting glory. **Amen.** 

Please turn off your candles and be seated.

#### A reading from the prophet Isaiah

#### Ann Jobson

For I am about to create new heavens and a new earth: the former things shall not be remembered or come to mind. But be glad and rejoice forever in what I am creating; for I am about to create Jerusalem as a joy, and its people as a delight. I will rejoice in Jerusalem, and delight in my people; no more shall the sound of weeping be heard in it, or the cry of distress. No more shall there be in it an infant that lives but a few days, or an old person who does not live out a lifetime; for one who dies at a hundred years will be considered a youth, and one who falls short of a hundred will be considered accursed. They shall build houses and inhabit them; they shall plant vineyards and eat their fruit. They shall not build and another inhabit; they shall not plant and another eat; for like the days of a tree shall the days of my people be, and my chosen shall long eniov the work of their hands. They shall not labour in vain, or bear children for calamity; for they shall be offspring blessed by the Lord and their descendants as well. Before they call I will answer, while they are yet speaking I will hear. The wolf and the lamb shall feed together, the lion shall eat straw like the ox; but the serpent - its food shall be dust! They shall not hurt or destroy on all my holy mountain, says the Lord.

(Isaiah 65.17-25)

For the Word of the Lord **Thanks be to God.** 

Please remain seated. The choir sings

#### Hymn to the Risen Christ

Christ our Passover has been sacrificed for us: so let us celebrate the feast, Not with the old leaven of corruption and wickedness: but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth. Christ once raised from the dead dies no more: Death has no more dominion over him. In dying he died to sin once for all: In living he lives to God. See yourselves therefore as dead to sin: and alive to God in Jesus Christ our Lord. Christ has been raised from the dead: the first fruits of those who sleep. For as by one man came death: by another has come also resurrection of the dead. For as in Adam all die: even so in Christ shall all be made alive.

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#### A reading from the Book of Acts

Then Peter began to speak to them: "I truly understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ - he is Lord of all. That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name."

(Acts 10.34-43)

For the Word of the Lord **Thanks be to God.** 

**Gradual Hymn - Jesus Christ is risen today** (*Tune: Easter Hymn*) *Please stand* 

Jesus Christ is risen today, *alleluia!* our triumphant holy day, *alleluia!* who so lately on the cross, *alleluia!* suffered to redeem our loss, *alleluia!* 

Hymns of praise then let us sing, *alleluia!* unto Christ, our heavenly king, *alleluia!* who endured the cross and grave, *alleluia!* sinners to redeem and save. *alleluia!*  But the pain that he endured, *alleluia!* our salvation has procured; *alleluia!* now exalted he is king, *alleluia!* and the angels ever sing. *alleluia!* 

The Gospel

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia! Christ has become our Paschal sacrifice; let us feast with joy in the Lord. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

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

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Saint John, Chapter 20, beginning at the 1st verse. **⊮Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ** 

Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the tomb. So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, "They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him." Then Peter and the other disciple set out and went toward the tomb. The two were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. He bent down to look in and saw the linen wrappings lying there, but he did not go in. Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen wrappings lying there, and the cloth that had been on Jesus' head, not lying with the linen wrappings but rolled up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; for as yet they did not understand the scripture, that he must rise from the dead. Then the disciples returned to their homes.

But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb; and she saw two angels in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had been lying, one at the head and the other at the feet. They said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping?" She said to them, "They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him." When she had said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping? Whom are you looking for?" Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, "Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away." Jesus said to her, "Mary!" She turned and said to him in Hebrew, "Rabbouni!" (which means Teacher). Jesus said to her, "Do not hold on to me, because I have not yet ascended to the Father. But go to my brothers and say to them, 'I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God."" Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, "I have seen the Lord"; and she told them that he had said these things to her.

(John 20.1-18)

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

#### The Sermon - The Rector

#### The Renewal of Baptismal Promises

**In Water We Grow** (*Tune: Paderborn*) *Please stand* 

In water we grow, secure in the womb, and speechlessly know love's safety and room. Baptising and blessing we publish for good the freeing, caressing safe keeping of God.

In water we dive, and cannot draw breath, then surface alive, rebounding from death. Our old self goes under, in Christ dead and drowned. We rise, washed in wonder, by love clad and crowned.

In water we dwell, for by its deep flow through bloodstream and cell, we live, think, and grow. Praise God, love outflowing, whose well of new birth baptises our knowing, and waters the earth.

Please remain standing. The Presider continues

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

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give our thanks and praise.

#### **Baptismal Prayers**

We give you thanks that at the beginning of creation your Holy Spirit moved upon the waters to bring forth light and life. With water you cleanse and replenish the earth; you nourish and sustain all living things.

#### Thanks be to God.

We give you thanks that through the waters of the Red Sea you led your people out of slavery into freedom, and brought them through the River Jordan to new life in the land of promise. **Thanks be to God.** 

We give you thanks for your Son Jesus Christ: for his baptism by John, for his anointing with the Holy Spirit. **Thanks be to God.** 

We give you thanks that through the deep waters of death, Jesus delivered us from our sins and was raised to new life in triumph. **Thanks be to God.** 

We give you thanks for the grace of the Holy Spirit who forms us in the likeness of Christ and leads us to proclaim your kingdom. **Thanks be to God.** 

#### The Presider continues

And now we give you thanks that we are made one with Christ in his death and resurrection. Pour out your Holy Spirit in blessing and sanctify this water so that it may be a sign of our new birth in Baptism. May we continue for ever in Jesus Christ our Lord, in the unity of the Spirit, now and for ever. **Amen.** 

Dear friends, through the paschal mystery we have been buried with Christ in his baptism, so that we may rise with him to new life. Now that our Lenten observance is ended, let us reaffirm the promises we made in baptism.

Do you turn to Christ? I do.

Do you repent of your sins? I do.

Do you renounce evil? I do.

I ask you to reaffirm as yours the faith of the Church.

We believe in one God, who made and loves all that is. We believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was born, lived, died and rose again, and is coming to call all to account. We believe in the Holy Spirit, who calls, equips and sends God's people, and brings all things to their true end.

This is the faith of the Church!

This is our faith. We believe in one God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Amen.

God our creator, Rock of our salvation, has given us new birth by water and the Spirit, and forgiven our sins through Jesus Christ our Lord. May God keep us faithful to our calling now and for ever. **Amen.** 

The Presider now sprinkles Baptismal water on the congregation

#### The Greeting of Peace

#### The Presider says

The risen Christ came and stood among his disciples and said, 'Peace be with you'. Then were they glad when they saw the Lord.

The peace of the Risen Christ be always with you. Alleluia!

And also with you. Alleluia!

Please do not physically exchange the peace

#### The Offertory

Offertory Hymn The strife is past, the battle done (Tune: Vulpius)

The strife is past, the battle done; now is the victor's triumph won; now let the song of praise be sung: *Alleluia!* 

Death's mightiest powers have done their worst, and Jesus has his foes dispersed; let shouts of praise and joy outburst: *Alleluia!* 

On the third day he rose again glorious in majesty to reign; let us take up the great refrain: *Alleluia!* 

He closed the frowning gates of hell; the bars from heaven's high portals fell; let hymns of praise his triumph tell: *Alleluia!* 

Now by your stripes, our wounded King, your servants free from death's dread sting, that we may live in you, and sing *Alleluia!* 

#### Please remain standing as the Presider says

Blessed are you Lord, God of all creation. Through your goodness we have these gifts to share. Accept and use our offerings for your glory and for the service of your kingdom. **Blessed be God for ever.** 

#### The Great Thanksgiving

#### We sing The Sursum Corda

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

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give our thanks and praise.

All glory and honour be yours always and everywhere, mighty Creator, everliving God. We give you thanks and praise for your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ, who by the power of your Spirit was born of Mary and lived as one of us.

By his death on the cross, he offered the one true sacrifice for sin, and obtained an eternal deliverance for his people.

And now we give you thanks that you raised him to life triumphant, and exalted him in glory. By his victory over death,

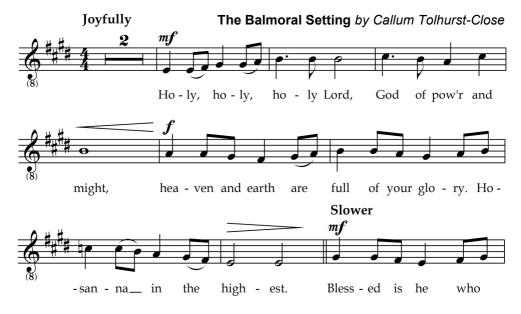
the reign of sin is ended,

a new day has dawned,

a broken world is restored

and we are made whole once more.

Therefore with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we proclaim your great and glorious name, for ever praising you and singing:





comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

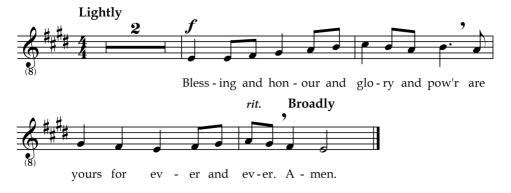
Merciful God, we thank you for these gifts of your creation, this bread and wine, and we pray that by your Word and Holy Spirit, we who eat and drink them may be partakers of Christ's body and blood.

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:



Christ has died. Christ is ris-en. Christ will come a-gain.

Therefore we do as our Saviour has commanded: proclaiming his offering of himself made once for all upon the cross, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension, and looking for his coming again, we celebrate, with this bread and this cup, his one perfect and sufficient sacrifice for the sins of the whole world. ℜRenew us by your Holy Spirit, unite us in the body of your Son, and bring us with all your people into the joy of your eternal kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord, with whom, and in whom, in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, we worship you, Father, in songs of never-ending praise:



As our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are confident to pray,

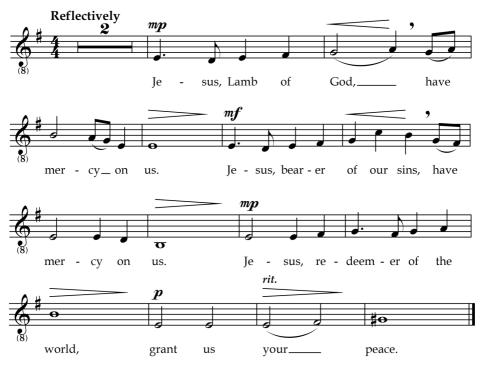
Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your Name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and for ever. Amen.

#### The Breaking of the Bread

Breaking the bread, the Presider says

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ. We who are many are one body: for we all share in the one bread.

Please sit to sing the Agnus Dei:



The Invitation

The gifts of God for the people of God. Come let us take this holy sacrament of the body and blood of Christ in remembrance that he died for us, and feed on him in our hearts by faith with thanksgiving. **Amen.** 

Communion will be administered at the Chancel Steps. Please come forward and form two lines.

All baptised Christians are welcome to receive communion in our Church. If you wish to receive only a blessing, please come forward and keep your hands by your sides.

#### **Communion Anthems**

#### Now the green blade rises

Now the green blade rises from the buried grain, wheat that in the dark earth many days has lain: love lives again, that with the dead has been: **Refrain** Love has come again, like wheat that springs up green.

In the grave they laid him, Love whom hate had slain, thinking that he never would awake again, laid in the earth, like grain that sleeps unseen: **Refrain** 

Up he sprang at Easter, like the risen grain, he who for the three days in the grave had lain, raised from the dead my living Lord is seen: **Re** 

Refrain

When our hearts are wintry, grieving, or in pain, then your touch can call us back to life again fields of our hearts that dead and bare have been: **Refrain** 

#### I know that my Redeemer liveth (G. F. Handel)

I know that my redeemer liveth And that he shall stand At the latter day, upon the earth And though worms destroy this body Yet in my flesh shall I see God Yet in my flesh shall I see God I know that my redeemer liveth For now is Christ risen from the dead The first fruits of them that sleep

#### After Communion

Eternal God, giver of life, in the breaking of the bread we know the risen Lord. May we who celebrate this holy feast walk in his risen light and bring new life to all creation. Father,

we offer ourselves to you as a living sacrifice through Jesus Christ our Lord. Send us out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory. Amen

Final Hymn

Thine be the glory (Tune: Maccabeus)

Thine be the glory, risen, conquering Son, endless is the victory thou o'er death hast won; angels in bright raiment rolled the stone away, kept the folded grave-clothes, where thy body lay. *Thine be the glory, risen, conquering Son, endless is the vict'ry thou o'er death hast won.* 

Lo, Jesus meets us, risen from the tomb; lovingly he greets us, scatters fear and gloom; let the Church with gladness hymns of triumph sing, for her Lord now liveth, death hast lost its sting. *Thine be the glory, risen, conquering Son, endless is the vict'ry thou o'er death hast won.* 

No more we doubt thee, glorious Prince of Life; life is nought without thee: aid us in our strife; make us more than conquerors through thy deathless love; bring us safe through Jordan to thy home above.

Thine be the glory, risen, conquering Son, endless is the vict'ry thou o'er death hast won.

#### The Blessing and Dismissal

The blessing of the Living God, who brings light out of darkness, be upon you now and forever.

The blessing of the risen Christ, who sends you as apostles into all the world be upon you now and for ever.

The blessing of the Holy Spirit, who fills the Church with joy and praise, be upon you now and for ever.

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

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord, Alleluia, Alleluia. **Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia.** 

**Postlude** Chorale on Easter Hymn (Healey Willan)

## **NOTICES**

#### EASTER BRUNCH

Immediately following this service, there will be a continuation of our Easter Day Celebrations as we share Sandwiches and Bubbles together in the Seddon Hall, upstairs in the Parish Centre. All are most welcome to join us for this time of informal fellowship.

#### **MID-WEEK ACTIVITIES**

Our mid-week activities are presently in recess. Our mid-week 10.30am study group, 11.30am Holy Eucharist, followed by lunch for those who wish, will recommence for Term 2 on Thursday 27 April.

#### **MOVIE AFTERNOON**

Next Saturday afternoon at 3pm in the Lower Hall, our monthly Movie Afternoon will take place. As we are heading towards ANZAC Day, we will be watching **Gallipoli**, starring Mel Gibson and Mark Lee. The film observes several young men from Western Australia who enlist in the Australian Army during the First World War. **Gallipoli** offers a faithful portrayal of life in Australia in the 1910s and captures the ideals and character of the Australians who joined up to fight, as well as the conditions they endured on the battlefield. Savouries and ice creams provided. Please BYO beverages.

#### EASTER 2

Next Sunday, 16 April, we will celebrate Easter 2 in our 9am Eucharist.



I am the resurrection and the life. Jn 11:25

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