

# Service for Third Sunday of Easter



**St Laurence Church, Downton**

# *Preparation*

## The Easter Acclamation

Alleluia. Christ is risen.

**He is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

Jesus is the resurrection and the life.

**Those who believe in him shall never die. Alleluia.**

*The Team Rector introduces the service*

Music: Alleluia (*Taizé*)

Responsory:

Awake, O sleeper, and arise from the dead.

**And Christ shall give you light.**

You have died, and your life is hid with Christ in God.

**Awake, O sleeper, and arise from the dead.**

Set your mind on things that are above,  
not on things that are on the earth.

**And Christ shall give you light.**

When Christ our life appears  
you will appear with him in glory.

**Awake, O sleeper, and arise from the dead.  
and Christ shall give you light.**

*Silence is kept*

As we rejoice in the gift of this new day,  
so may the light of your presence, O God,  
set our hearts on fire with love for you;  
now and for ever. **Amen.**

## Canticle: Psalm 100

Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth.

**Worship the Lord with gladness;  
come into his presence with singing.**

Know that the Lord is God.

**It is he that made us, and we are his;  
we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.**

Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise.

**Give thanks to him, bless his name.**

For the Lord is good; his steadfast love endures for ever,  
**and his faithfulness to all generations.**

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son:  
and to the Holy Spirit;  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be:  
world without end. Amen.**

## *The Liturgy of the Word*

### Readings:

Acts 2:14a,36-41

Luke 24:13-35

### *After each reading:*

This is the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**



### Reflection

Music: Teach Me O Lord (*Clare College Chapel Choir*)

# *Prayers*

*We are led in a time of prayer*

*The Lord's Prayer is said:*

Gathering our prayers and praises into one,  
let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us

**Our Father, who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy name;  
thy kingdom come;  
thy will be done;  
on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread.  
And forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those who trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation;  
but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory  
for ever and ever. Amen.**

## *Conclusion*

*The Collect*

Let us pray that we may walk the risen life of Christ in glory.

Almighty Father,  
who in your great mercy gladdened the disciples  
with the sight of the risen Lord:  
give us such knowledge of his presence with us,  
that we may be strengthened and sustained by his risen life  
and serve you continually in righteousness and truth;  
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,  
who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.  
**Amen.**

**Blessing:**

May Christ,  
who out of defeat brings new hope and a new future,  
fill you with his new life;  
and the blessing of God almighty,  
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,  
be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

We are raised to new life with Christ.  
Go in his peace. Alleluia, alleluia.  
**Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.**

*Alleluia!*