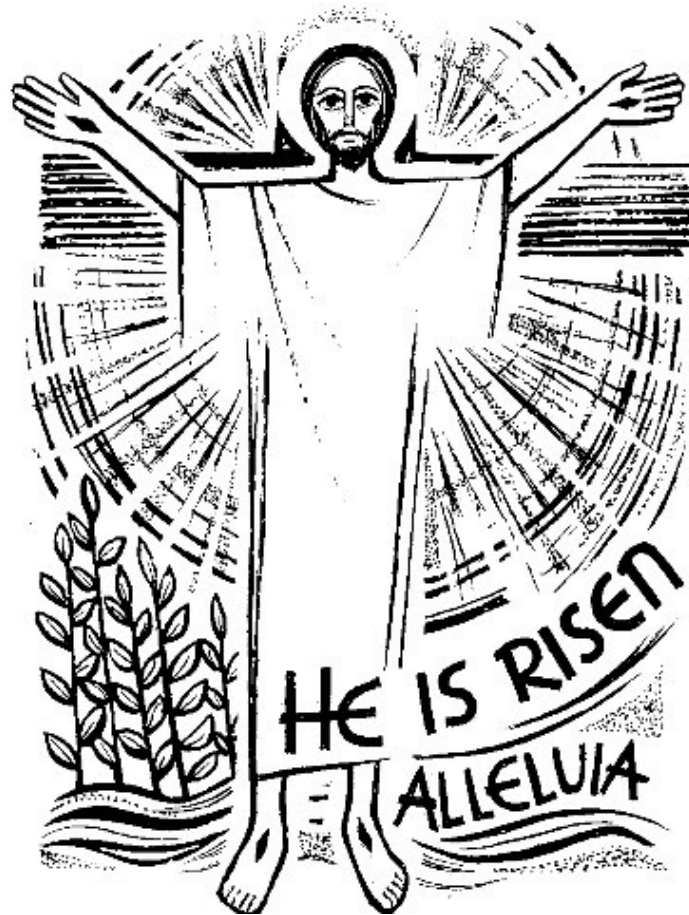




St Mary's Church Guildford



**Festival Communion
for Easter Day**

4th April 2021

Organ music before the service

Easter Song (Lasst uns erfreuen)

Prelude on "St Albinus," Alec Rowley

Three Versets on "O filii et filiae," P A Vidal

O death, where is thy sting? (from Messiah), G F Handel (arr. Friedrich Silcher)

Jesus, meine Zuversicht, Op 135a No 13, Max Reger

Wir danken dir, Herr Jesu Christ, BuxWV 224, Dieterich Buxtehude

Welcome and Easter Acclamation

Alleluia. Christ is risen.

All He is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Hymn - Christ the Lord is risen today *sung by St. Martin's Voices*

Please sit or kneel.

The Prayer of Preparation

**All Living God,
nothing can separate us from your love in Jesus,
our risen Lord.
Open our eyes
that we may see him in his glory,
and praise you with thankful hearts,
now and for ever. Amen.**

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

All Lord, have mercy.

Like the disciples behind locked doors,
we are afraid to be seen as your followers.
Christ, have mercy.

All Christ, have mercy.

Like Thomas in the upper room,
we are slow to believe.
Lord, have mercy.

All Lord, have mercy.

The president pronounces the Absolution.

The 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.**

The Collect for Easter Day

The Gospel

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.

All **Alleluia, Alleluia**

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

All **Glory to you, O Lord.**

At the end of the Gospel, the reader says

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Hymn See what a morning, Chet Valley

Sermon – The Rev'd Allan Taylor

Prayers of Intercession

This response is used

Jesus, Lord of life,
All **in your mercy, hear us.**

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

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.

The peace of the Lord be always with you
All **and also with you.**

Hymn *Love's redeeming work is done* played on the organ

The Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord be with you
All **and also with you.**

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

Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.
All **It is right to give thanks and praise.**

...while angels and archangels and the powers of all creation
sing for ever the hymn of your glory:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord God of hosts,
heaven and earth are full of thy glory
glory be to thee, O Lord most high.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

...Bringing before you the bread of life and cup of salvation,
we proclaim his death and resurrection
until he comes in glory.

**Lord, by your cross and resurrection you have set us free.
You are the Saviour of the world.**

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.**

Breaking of the Bread

Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

All Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!

Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world, grant us peace.

Communion Hymn Now the green blade riseth *sung by St. Martin's Voices*

Post-Communion Prayer

All **God of Glory,
by the raising of your Son
you have broken the chains of death and hell:
fill your church with faith and hope;
for a new day has dawned
and the way to life stands open
in our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.**

Hymn Thine be the glory *sung by St. Martin's voices*

The Blessing

God, the Lord of time and space,
by whose glory Christ was raised from the dead,
strengthen you to walk with him in his risen life;
and the blessing of God Almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be amongst you, and remain with you always.
Amen.

Go in the peace of the risen Christ. Alleluia. Alleluia.

All **Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia.**

Organ Voluntary *Erstanden ist der heilige Christ*, BWV 628, J S Bach

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With Easter blessings from all of us at Holy
Trinity and St. Mary's.