



**14th April 2024 3rd Sunday of Easter
St Peter's Pedmore**

Let us gather for worship

Alleluia. Christ is risen.

He is risen indeed. Alleluia.

Jesus Christ is risen from the dead.

Alleluia.

He has defeated the powers of death.

Alleluia.

Jesus turns our sorrow into dancing.

Alleluia.

He has the words of eternal life.

Alleluia.

Song

All heaven declares

The glory of the risen Lord.

Who can compare

With the beauty of the Lord?

Forever He will be

The Lamb upon the throne.

I gladly bow the knee

And worship Him alone.

I will proclaim

The glory of the risen Lord,

Who once was slain

To reconcile man to God.

Forever You will be

The Lamb upon the throne.

I gladly bow the knee

And worship You alone.

Let us say sorry to God

Christ died to sin once for all, and now he lives to God. Let us renew our resolve to have done with all that is evil and confess our sins in penitence and faith.

We have lived by our own strength and not by the power of your resurrection. In your mercy, forgive us

Lord hear us and help us

We have lived by the light of our own eyes, as faithless and not believing. In your mercy, forgive us

Lord hear us and help us.

We have lived for this world alone, and doubted our home in heaven. In your mercy, forgive us

Lord hear us, and help us. Lift our minds above earthly things, set them on things above, show us your glory and your power that we may serve you gladly all our days.

Amen.

Song

God sent His son, they called Him Jesus

He came to love, heal, and forgive.

He lived and died to buy my pardon,

An empty grave is there to prove my Savior lives.

Because He lives, I can face tomorrow.

Because He lives, All fear is gone.

Because I know He holds the future,

And life is worth the living just because He lives.

How sweet to hold a newborn baby,

And feel the pride and joy he gives.

But greater still the calm assurance,

This child can face uncertain days because He lives.

Because He lives....

And then one day I'll cross the river,

I'll fight life's final war with pain.

And then as death gives way to victory,

I'll see the lights of glory and I'll know He lives.

Because He lives....

Let us hear God's word

Bible Readings

Acts 3:12-19

Luke 24:36-48

Talk

Annual Meeting of Parishioners

- (1) Election of churchwardens

APCM

- (1) Apologies for absence
- (2) Minutes of APCM 30th April 2023
- (3) Matters arising
- (4) Rector's report
- (5) Elections
 - (a) Election of members of Deanery Synod
 - (b) Election of PCC members
- (6) Electoral Roll Report 113 members on ER
- (7) Annual report for year ending 31st December 2023
- (8) Appointment of the Independent Examiner for the financial year 2024
- (9) Any other matters of Parochial interest

Song

By faith we see the hand of God
In the light of creation's grand design
In the lives of those who prove His faithfulness
Who walk by faith and not by sight

By faith our fathers roamed the earth
With the power of His promise in their hearts
Of a holy city built by God's own hand
A place where peace and justice reign

Chorus

*We will stand as children of the promise
We will fix our eyes on Him, our soul's reward
Till the race is finished and the work is done
We'll Walk by faith and not by sight*

By faith the prophets saw a day
When the longed for Messiah would appear
With the power to break the chains of sin and death
And rise triumphant from the grave

By faith the church was called to go
In the power of the Spirit to the lost

To deliver captives and to preach good news
In every corner of the earth

By faith this mountain shall be moved
And the power of the gospel shall prevail
For we know in Christ all things are possible
For all who call upon His name

Let us declare our faith
in the resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ.
**Christ died for our sins
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he was buried;
he was raised to life on the third day
in accordance with the Scriptures;
afterwards he appeared to his followers,
and to all the apostles:
this we have received,
and this we believe. Amen.**

Let us turn to God in prayer

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. **Amen.**

Prayers of intercessions

The Lord's Prayer

**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.**

Song

How deep the Father's love for us,
How vast beyond all measure,
That He should give His only Son
To make a wretch His treasure.
How great the pain of searing loss –
The Father turns His face away,
As wounds which mar the Chosen One
Bring many sons to glory.

Behold the man upon a cross,
My sin upon His shoulders;
Ashamed, I hear my mocking voice
Call out among the scoffers.
It was my sin that held Him there
Until it was accomplished;
His dying breath has brought me life –
I know that it is finished.

I will not boast in anything,
No gifts, no power, no wisdom;
But I will boast in Jesus Christ,
His death and resurrection.
Why should I gain from His reward?
I cannot give an answer;
But this I know with all my heart –
His wounds have paid my ransom.

Closing prayer

Merciful Father,
you gave your Son Jesus Christ to be the good shepherd,
and in his love for us to lay down his life and rise again:
keep us always under his protection,
and give us grace to follow in his steps;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

God the Father, 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 among us
and remain with us always. **Amen.**

Jesus Christ, I think upon Your sacrifice
You became nothing
Poured out to death
Many times, I've wondered at your gift of life
I'm in that place once again
I'm in that place once again

And once again I look upon the cross where You died
I'm humbled by Your mercy and I'm broken inside
Once again I thank You,
Once again I pour out my life

Now You are exalted to the highest place
King of the Heavens, where one day I'll bow
But for now, I'll marvel at Your saving grace I'm full of praise once
again
Oh I'm full of praise once again

And once again I look upon the cross where You died
I'm humbled by Your mercy and I'm broken inside
Once again I thank You
Once again I pour out my life

Thank you for the cross
Thank you for the cross
Thank you for the cross, my friend

And once again I look upon the cross where You died
I'm humbled by Your mercy and I'm broken inside
Once again I thank You
Once again I pour out my life

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

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Notices to take home

Sunday 14th April

9.00 am Holy Communion Acts 3:12-19 and Luke 24:36-48

10.30 am Morning Worship with the Annual Meeting *a chance to give thanks for everyone who works so hard to support St Peter's and share in helping to shape the life of St Peter's. We will be looking for people to stand for the PCC – why don't you join us?*

Wednesday 17th April 10.00 am Holy Communion at St Andrew's



Quiz night

Saturday 20th April at 7.00pm

a fun quiz for everyone come as a team of four or join up with others on the night

£5 per person will all go to Christian Aid

Bring your own food and drinks to book - please email

churchoffice@stpeterspedmore.org

Thursday evening home group

We meet fortnightly for bible study, discussion and prayer between 7pm and 9 pm. New members to the group will be warmly welcomed. For details contact Mary Medcraft on 01562720165.

Black Country Food Bank Shortages

The needs are: 1Ltr Cartons Long Life Milk, 1Ltr Cartons Long Life Fruit Juice, Breakfast Cereal – Multipack, Packet Mash Potato, Pasta Sauce/Cooking Sauces, Tinned Soup, Tinned Fish, Meat Free Tinned Ravioli, Chilli, Macaroni Cheese and Tinned Fruit Juice. Shampoo, Toilet Rolls, Roll on Deodorant and Shower Gel.

Hagley Rotary Club

If anyone has crutches or walking sticks the NHS won't accept back please get in touch with me and I will make sure they get to the right person. This is a request from the Rotary Club of Stourbridge who send out vans to Ukraine full of medical aids and includes unopened dressings etc (use by date not important but no medications please) Please contact Pauline if you can help.

An eco tip Recycling at St Peter's Pedmore

Soft plastic in box at the back corner of church and in the porch there is a box for the following:

Old spectacles, Blister packs from pills Used candles (tealights can be left in their aluminium containers)

Dudley Passion Play

It is happening on Friday 19th & Saturday 20th April from 12:30pm – 2pm starting at Duncan Edwards memorial in Dudley Town Centre and ending at Evolve Theatre. For more information, visit thedudleypassionplay2024.org

Safeguarding in the Diocese of Worcester

is being audited by an external organisation. The auditors are asking as many people as possible to share their impressions and experiences of safeguarding through a confidential online survey. Please consider filling this in openly and honestly and letting the audit team know your opinions. Surveys are open now and will close at 11.30 pm on Wednesday 1st May. They can be found at <https://ineqe.com/churchofengland/worcester/> or through the homepage of the diocesan website. Many thanks for your support in this. If you have any questions, please do feel free to get in touch with the safeguarding team.