



## 21<sup>st</sup> April 4<sup>th</sup> 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

*Alleluia, alleluia, give thanks to the risen Lord;  
alleluia, alleluia, give praise to his name.*

Jesus is Lord of all the earth,  
He is the King of creation

*Alleluia, alleluia ....*

Spread the good news o'er all the earth,  
Jesus has died and has risen

*Alleluia, alleluia ....*

God has proclaimed the just reward,  
live for all men alleluia

*Alleluia, alleluia ....*

Come let us praise the living God,  
joyfully sing to our Saviour

*Alleluia, alleluia ....*

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.**

Alleluia. Christ is risen.

**He is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

Blessed are those who have not seen him and yet have believed.

**He is our Lord and our God.**

We have seen his glory,

**the glory which he had as the Father's only Son, full of grace and truth.**

The Lord says to us, 'Do you love me?'

**Our hearts reply, 'You know that we love you.'**

Jesus says, 'Whoever comes to me shall never hunger.'

**Whoever believes in me shall never thirst.'**

This is the Lamb of God

**who takes away the sins of the world.**

Jesus is the resurrection and the life:

**those who believe in him shall never die.**

Yes! Christ is risen.

**He is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

Song

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

Let us hear God's word

Bible Readings  
Acts 4:5-12  
John 10:11-18

Talk

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.**

## Song

The Lord's my shepherd, I'll not want;  
He makes me lie in pastures green.  
He leads me by the still, still waters,  
His goodness restores my soul.  
*And I will trust in You alone,  
And I will trust in You alone,  
For Your endless mercy follows me,  
Your goodness will lead me home.*

He guides my ways in righteousness,  
And He anoints my head with oil,  
And my cup, it overflows with joy,  
I feast on His pure delights.  
*And I will trust....*

And though I walk the darkest path,  
I will not fear the evil one,  
For You are with me, and Your rod and staff  
Are the comfort I need to know.  
*And I will trust....*

Let us turn to God in prayer

## The Collect

Risen Christ,  
faithful shepherd of your Father's sheep:  
teach us to hear your voice  
and to follow your command,  
that all your people may be gathered into one flock,  
to the glory of God the Father. **Amen.**

## Prayers of intercessions

**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

The King of love my shepherd is,  
whose goodness faileth never.  
I nothing lack if I am his,  
and he is mine forever.

Where streams of living water flow,  
my ransomed soul he leadeth;  
and where the verdant pastures grow,  
with food celestial feedeth.

Perverse and foolish, oft I strayed,  
but yet in love he sought me;  
and on his shoulder gently laid,  
and home, rejoicing, brought me.

In death's dark vale I fear no ill,  
with thee, dear Lord, beside me;  
thy rod and staff my comfort still,  
thy cross before to guide me.

Thou spreadst a table in my sight;  
thy unction grace bestoweth;  
and oh, what transport of delight  
from thy pure chalice floweth!

And so through all the length of days,  
thy goodness faileth never;  
Good Shepherd, may I sing thy praise  
within thy house forever.

## 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 us 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.**

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

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21<sup>st</sup> April 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter

9.00 am Holy Communion Acts 4:5-12 and John 10:11-18

10.30 am Morning Worship Acts 4:5-12 and John 10:11-18

Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> April 10.00 am Holy Communion at St Peter's

Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> April 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter

9.00 am Holy Communion Acts 8:26-end and John 15:1-8

10.30 am Morning Worship John 21:1-22 *this will be a special all age service with plenty of music and a picnic in church*

6.00 pm Evensong Isaiah 60:1-14 and Revelation 3:1-13

Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> May 10.00 am Holy Communion at St Andrew's

### **Ascension Day**

Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> May – there will be a communion service at 7.30 pm at St Peter's

### **Coffee morning update**

An additional £100 has been raised at the Coffee Morning on 22<sup>nd</sup> March making the total £500; our thanks to Pauline and Café Tuesday for all their hard work in putting this event on.

### **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)

## **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.

## **The Life Centre Debt Advice**

The team in Stourbridge offer a free and confidential Money Management and Debt Advice service in a client-focused rather than a target-driven environment. We are looking to employ someone with a heart to help those struggling with their finances.

Hours: Up to 16 hours/week, flexible contract options

Hourly Rate: £12/hr

Benefits: Workplace pension & flexible working hours

Holidays: 28 days inclusive of 8 bank holidays per year pro rata

Applications to be submitted by 30<sup>th</sup> April 2024

Your initial role will be to support the existing debt advice team. Ideally you will have worked in a client facing environment with members of the public.

We are looking for applicants willing to be trained in household finances, such as budgeting, money management and debt solutions. It is anticipated that the successful applicant, if not already so, will progress to become a qualified Debt Advisor with us within 12 months, and to this end fully supported training and development will be provided.

If you are a good listener, empathetic and a non-judgemental people-person, confident when speaking on the telephone, methodical and competent with IT devices / computers, then you are the sort of person we are looking for.

Interested? If so contact Elaine Reveley on 01384 739757 for an informal chat or send your request for an application form and job description to [Info@lifecentredebtadvice.org.uk](mailto:Info@lifecentredebtadvice.org.uk)

We may be required to apply for a DBS for the successful applicant. As a Christian-based organisation, this role is subject to a Genuine Occupational Requirement.