

North Kent Circuit Service
Easter Sunday 17th April 2022 10.30am
Rev Robin Selmes

*The Broadcast will commence at 10.15am on Sunday morning with music, the service will begin at 10.30am
Throughout the service, music will be broadcast, and the words will appear on the screen.*

Pre-service Music

Call to worship

Hymn: Christ The Lord is Risen today

Christ the Lord is ris'n today, Alleluia!
Sons of men and angels say, Alleluia!
Raise your joys and triumphs high, Alleluia!
Sing, ye heav'ns, and earth reply, Alleluia!

Lives again our glorious King, Alleluia!
Where, O death, is now thy sting? Alleluia!
Dying once, He all doth save, Alleluia!
Where thy victory, O grave? Alleluia!

Love's redeeming work is done, Alleluia!
Fought the fight, the battle won, Alleluia!
Death in vain forbids Him rise, Alleluia
Jesus' agony is o'er, Alleluia!
Christ has opened paradise, Alleluia!

Soar we now where Christ has led, Alleluia!
Following our exalted Head; Alleluia!
Made like him, like him we rise; Alleluia!
Ours the cross, the grave, the skies: Alleluia!

Charles Wesley, 1707–1788

Welcome & Opening Prayers

Reading: John 20:1-31 - Fran Shepherd

Hymn: See what a morning

See, what a morning, gloriously bright
With the dawning of hope in Jerusalem
Folded the grave-clothes,
tomb filled with light
As the angels announce, "Christ is risen!"

See God's salvation plan
Wrought in love, borne in pain,
paid in sacrifice
Fulfilled in Christ, the Man
For He lives,
Christ is risen from the dead!

See Mary weeping, "Where is He laid?"
As in sorrow, she turns from the empty tomb
Hears a voice speaking,
calling her name
It's the Master,
the Lord raised to life again!

The voice that spans the years
Speaking life, stirring hope,
bringing peace to us
Will sound 'til He appears
For He lives, Christ is risen from the dead!

One with the Father, Ancient of Days
Through the Spirit who clothes faith
with certainty
Honour and blessing,
Glory and praise
To the King crowned
with pow'r and authority!

And we are raised with Him
Death is dead, love has won,
Christ has conquered
And we shall reign with Him
For He lives,
Christ is risen from the dead!

Keith Getty / Stuart Townend

Message – Revd Robin Selmes

Hymn: In Christ Alone

In Christ alone my hope is found
He is my light, my strength, my song
This cornerstone, this solid ground
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm
What heights of love, what depths of peace
When fears are stilled, when strivings cease
My comforter, my all in all
Here in the love of Christ I stand

In Christ alone! - who took on flesh
Fullness of God in helpless babe
This gift of love and righteousness
Scorned by the ones He came to save
Till on that cross as Jesus died
The wrath of God was satisfied
For every sin on Him was laid
Here in the death of Christ I live

There in the ground His body lay
Light of the world by darkness slain
Then bursting forth in glorious day
Up from the grave He rose again
And as He stands in victory
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me
For I am His and He is mine
Bought with the precious blood of Christ

No guilt in life, no fear in death
This is the power of Christ in me
From life's first cry to final breath
Jesus commands my destiny
No power of hell, no scheme of man
Can ever pluck me from His hand
Till He returns or calls me home
Here in the power of Christ I'll stand

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Prayers of intercession – Derek Gallagher

Prayer Response “Thanks be to God”

Lord’s prayer

Hymn: Thine be the glory

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

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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 hath lost its sting

No more we doubt Thee, glorious Prince of life
Life is naught without Thee: Aid us in our strife
Make us more than conquerors
Through Thy deathless love
Lead us in Thy triumph To Thy home above

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George Frideric Handel / Peter Miller

Blessing

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