

# **EASTER 3 26 APRIL 2019**

WELCOME to St Peter's Church – whether you are a regular member of the church or if you have never been in person. If you are new to our church I pray you will join us when we are able to meet together again.

Due to the threat of the Coronavirus, we are unable to meet as the church in public services. This service sheet is to accompany the video to be found at <a href="https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC1lijXcNGCFieJLoEBv5vPg">https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC1lijXcNGCFieJLoEBv5vPg</a>; on our Facebook page (St Peter's Anglican Church, Cremorne); website (stpeterscremorne.org.au).

During this time we are seeking to provide Bible and prayer resources, and other ways to connect with one another, in order to continue to encourage each other in our faith – please contact the church office to be added to the distribution list.

Perhaps after this service, in lieu of our usual morning tea, why not consider telephoning someone else from St Peter's, or another friend, to share something you found encouraging?

If you have any needs from St Peter's you can contact the parish office on 9953 1050 or info@stpeterscremorne.org.au between 9am and midday on Tuesdays and Thursdays or contact the rector, Rev'd Tim St Quintin on 0401 289 919 or rector@stpeterscremorne.org.au .

Please continue to care for one another, telephone each other, and identify anyone with particular needs. Please let the rector, the pastoral care team, or the church office know if you yourself are sick or have particular needs.

With every blessing in Christ, Tim St Quintin, Rector

#### GREETING IN GOD'S NAME

Alleluia! Christ is Risen.

#### Christ is Risen indeed! Alleluia

#### **SENTENCE**

Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In his great mercy he has given us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, and into an inheritance that can never perish, spoil or fade.

1 Peter 1:3-4

# **HYMN** 10,000 Reasons (Bless The Lord)

Chorus
Bless the Lord O my soul
O my soul
Worship His holy name
Sing like never before
O my soul
I'll worship Your holy name

The sun comes up it's a new day dawning It's time to sing Your song again Whatever may pass and whatever lies before me Let me be singing when the evening comes

You're rich in love and You're slow to anger Your name is great and Your heart is kind For all Your goodness I will keep on singing Ten thousand reasons for my heart to find

And on that day when my strength is failing The end draws near and my time has come Still my soul will sing Your praise unending Ten thousand years and then forevermore

Worship Your holy name, Lord I'll worship Your holy name

CCLI Song # 6016351 Jonas Myrin | Matt Redman

# THE CONFESSION

The Bible tells us to approach God confidently, through our Lord Jesus Christ. As we do so, we must confess our sins, seeking forgiveness through God's boundless goodness and mercy.

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, we have gone our own way, not loving you as we should, nor loving others as much as ourselves.

We have sinned against you in thought, word and deed and in what we have failed to do. Only you can save us. Father, forgive us.

Help us to love you and all people, and to live for your honour and glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

# **ABSOLUTION**

God desires that none should perish, but that all should turn to Christ, and live. In response to his call we acknowledge our sins. God pardons those who humbly repent and truly believe the gospel. Therefore we have peace with God, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.** 

## **GLORIA IN EXCELSIS**

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's 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.

## **COLLECT OF THE DAY**

Gracious Father, who in your great mercy made glad the disciples with the sight of the risen Lord: give us such awareness 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 our Lord. **Amen.** 

# THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD

## FIRST READING

A reading from the book of Acts 2:14, 36-41

- <sup>14</sup> Then Peter stood up with the Eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd: "Fellow Jews and all of you who live in Jerusalem, let me explain this to you; listen carefully to what I say.
- <sup>36</sup> "Therefore let all Israel be assured of this: God has made this Jesus, whom you crucified, both Lord and Messiah."
- <sup>37</sup>When the people heard this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and the other apostles, "Brothers, what shall we do?"
- <sup>38</sup> Peter replied, "Repent and be baptized, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins. And you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. <sup>39</sup> The promise is for you and your children and for all who are far off—for all whom the Lord our God will call."
- <sup>40</sup> With many other words he warned them; and he pleaded with them, "Save yourselves from this corrupt generation." <sup>41</sup> Those who accepted his message were baptized, and about three thousand were added to their number that day.

Hear the Word of the Lord, thanks be to God.

# PSALM 116:1-4,11-18

- I love the LORD because he hears my voice and my prayer for mercy.
- Because he bends down to listen,
  I will pray as long as I have breath!
- Death wrapped its ropes around me; the terrors of the grave overtook me. I saw only trouble and sorrow.
- Then I called on the name of the LORD: "Please, LORD, save me!"
- In my anxiety I cried out to you, "These people are all liars!"
- What can I offer the LORD for all he has done for me?
- I will lift up the cup of salvation and praise the LORD's name for saving me.
- I will keep my promises to the LORD in the presence of all his people.
- The LORD cares deeply when his loved ones die.
- O LORD, I am your servant; yes, I am your servant, born into your household; you have freed me from my chains.
- I will offer you a sacrifice of thanksgiving and call on the name of the LORD.
- I will fulfil my vows to the LORD in the presence of all his people

#### SECOND READING

A reading from the first letter of Peter 1:13-25

<sup>13</sup> So prepare your minds for action and exercise self-control. Put all your hope in the gracious salvation that will come to you when Jesus Christ is revealed to the world. <sup>14</sup> So you must live as God's obedient children. Don't slip back into your old ways of living to satisfy your own desires. You didn't know any better then. <sup>15</sup> But now you must be holy in everything you do, just as God who chose you is holy. <sup>16</sup> For the Scriptures say, "You must be holy because I am holy."

<sup>17</sup> And remember that the heavenly Father to whom you pray has no favourites. He will judge or reward you according to what you do. So you must live in reverent fear of him during your time here as "temporary residents." <sup>18</sup> For you know that God paid a ransom to save you from the empty life you inherited from your ancestors. And it was not paid with mere gold or silver, which lose their value. <sup>19</sup> It was the precious blood of Christ, the sinless, spotless Lamb of God. <sup>20</sup> God chose him as your ransom long before the world began, but now in these last days he has been revealed for your sake.

<sup>21</sup> Through Christ you have come to trust in God. And you have placed your faith and hope in God because he raised Christ from the dead and gave him great glory. <sup>22</sup> You were cleansed from your sins when you obeyed the truth, so now you must show sincere love to each other as brothers and sisters. Love each other deeply with all your heart.

<sup>23</sup> For you have been born again, but not to a life that will quickly end. Your new life will last forever because it comes from the eternal, living word of God. <sup>24</sup> As the Scriptures say,

"People are like grass; their beauty is like a flower in the field. The grass withers and the flower fades. <sup>25</sup> But the word of the Lord remains forever."

And that word is the Good News that was preached to you.

Hear the Word of the Lord, thanks be to God.

#### **GOSPEL READING**

A reading from the holy gospel according to Luke 24:13-35 **★ Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ** 

<sup>13</sup> Now that same day two of them were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem. <sup>14</sup> They were talking with each other about everything that had happened. <sup>15</sup> As they talked and discussed these things with each other, Jesus himself came up and walked along with them; <sup>16</sup> but they were kept from recognizing him. <sup>17</sup> He asked them, "What are you discussing together as you walk along?" They stood still, their faces downcast. <sup>18</sup> One of them, named Cleopas, asked him, "Are you the only one visiting Jerusalem who does not know the things that have happened there in these days?" <sup>19</sup> "What things?" he asked.

"About Jesus of Nazareth," they replied. "He was a prophet, powerful in word and deed before God and all the people. <sup>20</sup> The chief priests and our rulers handed him over to be sentenced to death, and they crucified him: <sup>21</sup> but we had hoped that he was the one who was going to redeem Israel. And what is more, it is the third day since all this took place. <sup>22</sup> In addition, some of our women amazed us. They went to the tomb early this morning <sup>23</sup> but didn't find his body. They came and told us that they had seen a vision of angels, who said he was alive. <sup>24</sup> Then some of our companions went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said, but they did not see Jesus." <sup>25</sup> He said to them, "How foolish you are, and how slow to believe all that the prophets have spoken! <sup>26</sup> Did not the Messiah have to suffer these things and then enter his glory?" 27 And beginning with Moses and all the Prophets, he explained to them what was said in all the Scriptures concerning himself. <sup>28</sup> As they approached the village to which they were going, Jesus continued on as if he were going farther. <sup>29</sup> But they urged him strongly, "Stay with us, for it is nearly evening; the day is almost over." So he went in to stay with them. 30 When he was at the table with them, he took bread, gave thanks, broke it and began to give it to them. 31 Then their eyes were opened and they recognized him, and he disappeared from their sight. 32 They asked each other, "Were not our hearts burning within us while he talked with us on the road and opened the Scriptures to us?" <sup>33</sup> They got up and returned at once to Jerusalem. There they found the Eleven and those with them, assembled together <sup>34</sup> and saying, "It is true! The Lord has risen and has appeared to Simon." <sup>35</sup> Then the two told what had happened on the way, and how Jesus was recognized by them when he broke the bread.

This is the Gospel of the Lord, Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

## **SERMON**

# **HYMN – Jesus lives! Your terrors now**

Tune St Albinus

Jesus lives! Your terrors now can, O death, no more appal us; Jesus lives! By this we know now the grave cannot enthral us.

Halleluiah!

Jesus lives! For us he died; then may we, for Jesus living, pure in heart, in him abide, glory to our Saviour giving. Hallelujah!

Jesus lives! Our hearts know well naught from his love shall sever: fame, or hurt, or powers of hell tear us from his keeping never.

Hallelujah!

Jesus lives! Henceforth is death not for us a gloomy portal when we take our final breath, but the gate to life immortal.

Halleluiah!

Jesus lives! To him the throne over all the world is given: may we go where he is gone, rest and reign with him in heaven.

Hallelujah!

# THE APOSTLES CREED

Let us together affirm the faith of the Church:

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,

suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose again from the dead;

he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father;

from there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,

the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

### THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Please use the prayers listed at the end of the service sheet.

Accept our prayers through Jesus Christ our Lord, who taught us to 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.

Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ever. Amen

# **GOD'S BLESSING**

The God of Peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you what is pleasing in his sight; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit be among you and remain with you always.

Amen.

## **DISMISSAL**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord: In the name of Christ. Amen.

# THE PRAYERS

Below are some set prayers to guide you, as well as our weekly prayer points that you may use to shape your own prayers. The Family Prayers are intended to be accessible for all ages, and other prayers are included.

# **FAMILY PRAYER**

Dear God,
Thank you that we can celebrate Jesus
Thank you for all He did for us
And all that He continues to do
Help us to trust in you
Even when we don't understand what's happening
We know you work things for good
Thank you for your love
We love you, God!
In Jesus name, Amen!

#### **THANKSGIVING**

Gracious and generous God, thank you for providing all our needs.

Make us truly grateful, Lord.
For families and friends,
we give you thanks.
For enjoyment of all that is good,
we give you thanks.
For the love of Jesus our Saviour,
we give you thanks.
For his life poured out in sacrifice for us,
we give you thanks.

Other thanksgivings may be added here.

Lord, keep us mindful of those in need, that as we pray for them, we may be generous to them, as you are to us.

We ask this in the name of Jesus, who alone gives us life eternal. Amen.

## INTERCESSORY PRAYERS

Almighty God, we praise you for your creation, and all you richly provide. Enable us to live in such a way that your majesty and mercy are seen by all. Father hear our prayer, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All governments rule under your authority. May they work for the good of those they rule, seeking your justice and peace in every law and action. Father hear our prayer,

through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Enable those who are engaged in industry and commerce, the media and education, sport and the arts, to fulfil their responsibilities with integrity and an attitude of service. Father hear our prayer,

through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Comfort and strengthen those who are gripped by poverty. weakened by illness, or oppressed by cruelty. May they know your love and experience your care. Father hear our prayer, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Inspire your church here on earth to proclaim the gospel of your love in the death and resurrection of your Son. May all people hear the call to trust you. Father hear our prayer,

through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Help your people to display your compassion to all those in need. May the poor and the lost of this world find in you their true wealth and sure destiny. Refresh and equip us, O God,

to be your faithful and obedient people, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

# **WEEKLY PRAYER POINTS**

To request public or private prayer, please email prayer@stpeterscremorne.org.au

# THE ANGLICAN COMMUNION

We pray for the Anglican Communion, for Justin of Canterbury, Philip our Primate, Glenn our Archbishop, Chris our Bishop and the Northern Region. Give thanks for the work and witness of the Anglican Church of Japan, the Nippon Sei Ko Kai.

# ST PETER'S PARISH AND LOCAL CHURCHES

For our Rector Rev'd Tim St Quintin and Mak Miyashita Miyashita, our Ministry Assistant. For our parish groups during this time when they are unable to meet in person. For the parishioners of the Neutral Bay Uniting and Mosman Uniting as they continue their search for a new minister.

#### THE WIDER WORLD AND LOCAL COMMUNITY

For world peace and for all world leaders in their responsibility to those under their care. For our Governor General, our State Governor, Prime Minister and Premier, and all who have responsibility for government administration. For students returning to school this week as they continue on-line learning and physical distance from their friends, teachers and regular learning environment and especially for Year 12 students who are experiencing disrupted preparation for their final exams later this year. For parents who are trying to support the learning environment for their children, often while continuing to work.

## **OUR PARISHIONERS**

Lyn; Navindiee and Tharindu; Naomi and Philip; Peter; Gill; James, Gretchen, Noah and Hannah; Lizzie and Graham; Sarah, Will, Callum and Kate; Brendon, Kristina and Tatiana; Nadine; Kate; Dalvern; Stan and Jan

# THE SICK

The immediate sick Ingrid, Rein, Malcolm, Peter, Mitsunobu, Jane, Janne, Moses, Pamela, Helen, Peter, Tim, Maryanne Those requiring on-going prayer Rev'd Greg, Sharon, Bobbie Dee, Christine, Roger, Inga, Geoff, Joy, Penelope, Anne, Elizabeth, Vatche, Richard, Di, Noel, Howard, Max, Tom, Gigi, Frank, Judith, Jenny, Sally.

Those in residential care
Peter and Patricia; Glenyth; Ros; Jeremy.

## **FAITHFUL DEPARTED**

We praise God for his faithful servants in every age. We pray that we, with all who have died in the faith of Christ, may be brought to a joyful resurrection and the fulfilment of God's eternal kingdom. We remember the recently deceased and those whose anniversary occurs at this time, especially Joyce Swan, Joyce Lloyd and Greig Brooks.

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