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Introduction: Come, people of the Risen King

Come, people of the Risen King who delight to bring Him praise. Come all and tune your hearts to sing to the Morning Star of grace. From the shifting shadows of the earth we will lift our eyes to Him, where steady arms of mercy reach to gather children in.

Rejoice, rejoice! Let every tongue rejoice! One heart, one voice; O Church of Christ, rejoice!



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Come, those whose joy is morning sun and those weeping through the night. Come, those who tell of battles won and those struggling in the fight. For His perfect love will never change and His mercies never cease, but follow us through all our days with the certain hope of peace.

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Come, young and old from every land men and women of the faith. Come, those with full or empty hands find the riches of His grace. Over all the world, His people sing shore to shore we hear them call. The truth that cries through every age: "Our God is all in all"!

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Keith Getty





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Welcome and Opening Prayer

This is the day that the Lord has made.All Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Blessed Assurance

Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine!
 Oh, what a foretaste of glory divine!
 Heir of salvation, purchase of God,
 born of his Spirit, washed in his blood.

This is my story, this is my song, praising my Saviour all the day long. This is my story, this is my song, praising my Saviour all the day long.



Blessed Assurance

 Perfect communion, perfect delight, visions of rapture now burst on my sight. Angels descending bring from above echoes of mercy, whispers of love.

> This is my story, this is my song, praising my Saviour all the day long. This is my story, this is my song, praising my Saviour all the day long.



Blessed Assurance

3. Perfect submission, all is at rest.
I in my Saviour am happy and blessed, watching and waiting, looking above, filled with his goodness, lost in his love.

This is my story, this is my song, praising my Saviour all the day long. This is my story, this is my song, praising my Saviour all the day long.

Frances Jane van Alstyne [1820-1915]



Collect (a prayer for the day)

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.

All Amen



HEARING GOD'S WORD

Reading

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles (NSRV Acts 3:12-20a, 26).

Peter addressed the people, 'You Israelites, why do you wonder at this, or why do you stare at us, as though by our own power or piety we had made him walk? ¹³The God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, the God of our ancestors has glorified his servant Jesus, whom you handed over and rejected in the presence of Pilate, though he had decided to release him. ¹⁴But you rejected the Holy and Righteous One and asked to have a murderer given to you, ¹⁵and you killed the Author of life, whom God raised from the dead. To this we are witnesses. ¹⁶And by faith in his name, his name itself has made this man strong, whom you see and know; and the faith that is through Jesus has given him this perfect health in the presence of all of you.

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'And now, friends, I know that you acted in ignorance, as did also your rulers. ¹⁸In this way God fulfilled what he had foretold through all the prophets, that his Messiah would suffer. ¹⁹Repent therefore, and turn to God so that your sins may be wiped out, so that times of refreshing may come from the presence of the Lord.

This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.





Reflection

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The Creed

We believe in God the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named.

We believe in God the Son, who lives in our hearts through faith, and fills us with his love.

We believe in God the Holy Spirit, who strengthens us with power from on high.

We believe in one God; Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.





Prayers

All

This response may be used:

God of love,

All hear our prayer.

Merciful Father,

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



We say sorry to God

In baptism we died with Christ, so that as Christ was raised from the dead, we might walk in newness of life. Let us receive new life in him as we confess our sins in penitence and faith.

We say sorry to God

Lord Jesus, you raise us to new life. Lord, have mercy.

All Lord, have mercy.

Lord Jesus, you forgive us our sins. Christ, have mercy.

All Christ, have mercy.

Lord Jesus, you feed us with the living bread. Lord, have mercy.

All Lord, have mercy.



We say sorry to God

May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins, and bring us to everlasting life, through Jesus Christ our Lord

All 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. Alleluia.

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



 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 Son of man was glorified. For every sin on him was laid here in the death of Christ I live.



3.

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.

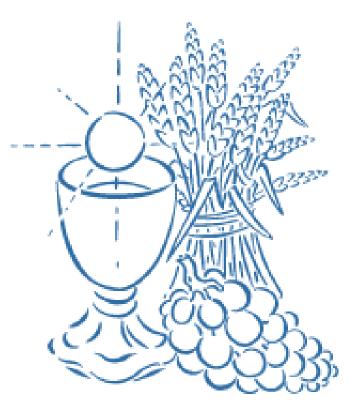


4. No guilt in life, no fear in death, this is the power of Christ in me. From life's first cry to final breath, Jesus commands my destiny. No power of hell, no scheme of man, can ever pluck me from his hand. Till He returns or calls me home here in the power of Christ I'll stand.

[Keith Getty & Stuart Townend]



The Preparation of the Table





The Prayer of Communion

Wise and gracious God, you spread a table before us; nourish your people with the word of life and the bread of heaven.

All Amen.

The Lord is here

All His Spirit is with us.

Lift up your hearts.

All We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All It is right to give thanks and praise.



It is right to praise you, Father, Lord of all creation; in your love you made us for yourself. When we turned away you did not reject us, but came to meet us in your Son.

All You embraced us as your children and welcomed us to sit and eat with you.

In Christ you shared our life that we might live in him and he in us.

All He opened his arms of love upon the cross and made for all the perfect sacrifice for sin.



On the night he was betrayed, at supper with his friends he took bread, and gave you thanks; he broke it and gave it to them, saying: Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me.

All Father, we do this in remembrance of him: his body is the bread of life.

> At the end of supper, taking the cup of wine, he gave you thanks, and said: Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins; do this in remembrance of me.

All Father, we do this in remembrance of him: his blood is shed for all.



As we proclaim his death and celebrate his rising in glory, send your Holy Spirit that this bread and this wine may be to us the body and blood of your dear Son.

All As we eat and drink these holy gifts make us one in Christ, our risen Lord.

With your whole Church throughout the world lift our voice to join the eternal song of heaven:

 All Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.



As our Saviour taught us, so we pray:

All 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

Risen Lord Jesus Christ, we believe you, and all we have heard is true. When you break bread may we recognize you as the fire that burns within us, that we may bring light to your world. **Amen.**



Giving of Communion

This is the Lord's table. The Lord invites us to share this joyful feast. From east and west, from north and south, people will come and take their places at the banquet in the kingdom of God.



As the president receives all may say individually:

Thanks be to you, Lord Jesus Christ, for all the benefits you have given me, for all the pains and insults you have borne for me. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, I ask you to come spiritually into my heart. O most merciful redeemer, friend and brother, may I know you more clearly, love you more dearly, and follow you more nearly, day by day. Amen.





Prayer after Communion

All We thank you, Lord, that you have fed us in this sacrament, united us with Christ, and given us a foretaste of the heavenly banquet prepared for all peoples. Amen.





Notices

 I danced in the morning when the world was begun, and I danced in the moon and the stars and the sun, and I came down from heaven and I danced on the earth; at Bethlehem I had my birth.



I danced for the scribe and the Pharisee,
but they would not dance, and they wouldn't follow me;
I danced for the fishermen, for James and for John;
they came with me and the dance went on.



I danced on the Sabbath and I cured the lame:
The holy people said it was a shame.
They whipped and they stripped and they hung me on high, and they left me there on a cross to die.



I danced on a Friday when the sky turned black;
it's hard to dance with the devil on your back.
They buried my body and they thought I'd gone;
but I am the dance and I still go on.



5. They cut me down and I leapt up high;
I am the life that'll never, never die;
I'll live in you if you'll live in me:
I am the Lord of the Dance, said he.

Dance, then, wherever you may be; I am the Lord of the Dance, said he, I'll lead you all, wherever you may be, and I'll lead you all in the dance, said he.

Sydney Carter [1915 - 2004]



Blessing

God, who through the resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ has given us the victory, give you joy and peace in your faith; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.

All Amen.

All

Go in the peace of Christ. Alleluia, Alleluia. Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia.



