

Christ Church (✠) North Adelaide



## The Vigil of Easter

The Blessing of the New Fire, and the First Eucharist of Easter

7:00pm

Saturday 3 April 2021



## *The Rector Writes*

Welcome to Christ Church for Holy Saturday and our Easter Vigil, a special welcome to any visitors with us today.

Because this liturgy is celebrated only once a year, and because it is unlike any other, The Great Vigil consists of four parts: the Service of Light; the Ministry of the Word; the renewal of Baptismal promises; and the celebration of the Easter Eucharist.

The Service of Light begins outside the building. The fire is kindled, the Paschal candle lit and carried into the darkened building, the peoples' candles are lit and the Easter Proclamation (Exsultet) sung. The Paschal candle is new every year, it is a symbol of the resurrection and so reminds us of it for the whole year.

We follow the Paschal candle into the church and light our own candles from it. Each of our own candles represents our own discipleship, our own witnessing to the Resurrection of Jesus. It for this reason also that we renew our baptismal vows, we again place our trust in Christ and turn to him.

As we praise God this evening we again turn to Jesus, as our saviour, and we celebrate his victory over the grave. It is not just his victory as it becomes ours as well.

*Death is swallowed up in victory. O death, where is thy sting? O grave, where is thy victory? The sting of death is sin; and the strength of sin is the law. But thanks be to God, which giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.*

May you celebrate Jesus' victory for us this Easter, knowing that we are his prize as the Church.

Blessings,

Stephen

### COLLECTION GIVING

Due to COVID-19 regulations, the normal routine of circulating collection bags is not undertaken. Instead, a collection bowl is located adjacent the centre aisle at the rear of the church.

### HEARING AID USERS

This church is fitted with a hearing aid loop (Tele coil system). If your hearing aid is fitted with a tele coil setting you may wish to try this feature.


### The Blessing of the New Fire

*The Priest, Sanctuary Party and People gather together in the forecourt of the church, where the new fire is lighted.*

The Lord be with you.

**And with thy spirit.**


Let us pray

 GOD, who through thy Son, who is the true cornerstone, hast bestowed upon thy faithful people the fire of thy brightness: we beseech thee that thou wouldest sanctify this new fire, now struck by us from the flintstone, to be profitable to our service: and grant unto us that by this paschal feast we may be so inflamed with heavenly desires, that we may with pure hearts and minds attain unto the feast of thy eternal brightness.

Through the same Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

### The Blessing of the Paschal Candle

*The paschal candle is brought into the midst before the Priest. The Priest says:*

 HRIST yesterday and today, the Beginning and the End, Alpha and Omega; His are all times, and all ages, to him be glory and dominion, through all the ages of eternity. **Amen.**

BY his holy and glorious wounds, Christ our Lord guard us and preserve us.  
**Amen.**

*The Priest lights the paschal candle, saying:*



HE Light of Christ, who riseth gloriously, drive out all darkness from each heart and mind.

*The Priest then blesses the lighted paschal candle, saying:*

The Lord be with you.

**And with thy spirit.**

Let us pray.



E beseech thee, almighty God, to pour down on this lighted candle the abundance of thy blessing: and as thou, thyself unseen, art the regenerator of all mankind, so now we pray thee kindle a light to lighten our darkness; that both our sacrifice to be offered on this night may be made bright by the inward presence of thy holy light, and that all places wheresoever light shall be brought from this mystery here sanctified by us, may by the same be relieved from the crafts and assaults of the devil, and filled with the mighty power of thy heavenly majesty. Through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

*The candles held by Servers and members of the congregation are then lighted.*

**The Solemn Procession**  
**and the Paschal Proclamation**

*The Priest, Sanctuary Party and People then process, in that order, into the church, which is in darkness. When the Deacon has entered the church, he raises the blessed paschal candle upright, and sings:*

The light of Christ.

**Thanks be to God.**

*This versicle and response is then repeated twice more in the course of the procession: once in the middle of the church, and at the chancel step:*

The light of Christ.

**Thanks be to God.**

*When the Priest and Sanctuary Party arrive in the chancel, the paschal candle is placed on a stand in their midst.*

*The beginning of the Paschal Proclamation is then sung by the Deacon beside the paschal candle.*



Rejoice now, heavenly hosts and choirs of angels,  
and let your trumpets shout Salvation  
for the great victory of our mighty King.

Rejoice and sing now, all the round earth,  
bright with a glorious splendour,  
for darkness has been vanquished by our eternal King.

Rejoice and be glad now, Mother Church,  
and let your holy courts in radiant light  
resound with the praises of your people.

*The Deacon continues:*

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give him thanks and praise.**



It is truly right and good, always and everywhere, with our whole heart  
and mind and voice, to praise you, the invisible, almighty, and eternal  
God, and your only begotten Son, our Lord Jesus Christ: for He is the  
true Paschal Lamb, who at the feast of the Passover paid for us the debt of sin,  
and by his blood delivered your faithful people.

This is the night, when you brought our fathers, the children of Israel, out of  
bondage in Egypt, and led them through the Red Sea on dry land. This is the  
night, when all who believe in Christ are delivered from the gloom of sin, and  
are restored to grace and holiness of life. This is the night when Christ broke the  
bonds of death and hell, and rose victorious from the grave.

How wonderful and beyond our knowing, O God, is your mercy and loving-  
kindness to us, that to redeem a slave, you gave your Son. How holy is this night,  
when wickedness is put to flight, and sin is washed away. It restores innocence  
to the fallen, and joy to those who mourn. It casts out pride and hatred, and  
brings peace and concord. How blessed is this night, when earth and heaven are  
joined, and man is reconciled to God!

Holy Father, accept our celebration, and the offering of this candle in your

honour. May it shine continually to drive away all darkness. May Christ the Morning Star who knows no setting, find it ever burning - He who gives his light to all creation, and who lives and reigns for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Christ is risen. Alleluia!

**He is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

*The lights are switched on, and the candles extinguished during the Organ Fanfare.*

*Then shall the people stand as the Choir sings the Gloria.*

[Mass setting: Missa Brevis in C, K.220 "Spatzenmesse" Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart ]



LORY be to God on high, and in earth peace, good will towards men. We praise thee, we bless thee, we worship thee, we glorify thee, we give thanks to thee for thy great glory, O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty.

O LORD, the only-begotten Son, Jesu Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sins of the world, receive our prayer. Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us.

FOR thou only art holy; thou only art the Lord; thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, are most high ✠ in the glory of God the Father. **Amen.**

*Then shall be sung the Collect of the Day.*

Let us pray.



RANT, O Lord, that as we are baptized into the death of thy blessed Son our Saviour Jesus Christ, so by continual mortifying our corrupt affections we may be buried with him; and that, through the grave, and gate of death, we may pass to our joyful resurrection; for his merits, who died, and was buried, and rose again for us, thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

*Then the People sit for the Epistle.*

The Epistle is written in the third Chapter of the Apostle Peter's first Epistle beginning at the seventeenth verse

**E**ITHER it is better, if it is the will of God, to suffer for doing good than for doing evil. For Christ also suffered once for sins, the just for the unjust, that He might bring us to God, being put to death in the flesh but made alive by the Spirit, by whom also He went and preached to the spirits in prison, who formerly were disobedient, when once the Divine longsuffering waited in the days of Noah, while the ark was being prepared, in which a few, that is, eight souls, were saved through water. There is also an antitype which now saves us—baptism (not the removal of the filth of the flesh, but the answer of a good conscience toward God), through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, angels and authorities and powers having been made subject to Him.

Here endeth the Epistle.

*Then shall be sung Psalm 130 for the Gradual:*

from Purcell



**Out of the deep have I called unto | thee O | Lord :  
Lord, | hear | my | voice.**

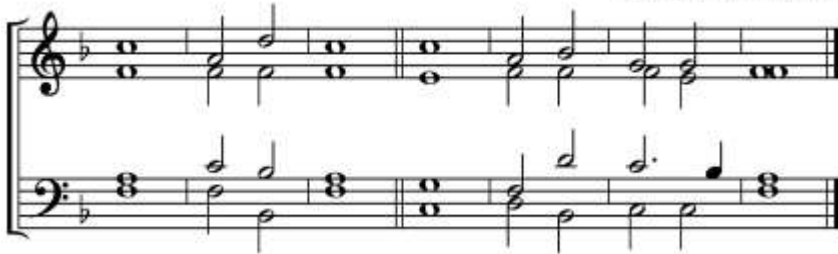
**2.\* O let thine ears con|sider | well || the | voice of | my com|plaint.**

**3. If thou Lord wilt be extreme to mark what is | done a|miss :  
O | Lord | who may a|bide it?**

**4. For there is | mercy with | thee :  
therefore | shalt | thou be | feared.**

**5. I look for the Lord, my | soul doth | wait for him :  
in his | word is | my | trust.**

**6. My soul fleeth | unto the | Lord :  
before the morning watch, I say, be|fore the | morning | watch.**



7. O Israel trust in the Lord, for with the Lord | there is | mercy :  
and with | him is | plenteous re|demption.

\*8. And he shall re|deem | Israel || from | all | his | sins.

Glory be to the Father, and | to the | Son:  
and | to the | Holy | Ghost;  
As it was in the beginning, is now and | ever | shall be:  
world without | end | A|men.

*At the beginning of the Gospel:*

#### CELTIC ALLELUIA

Fintan O'Carroll and Christopher Walker



Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

Christ our Passover has been sacrificed for us,  
Therefore let us celebrate the feast.

**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

The Holy Gospel is written in the twenty-eighth Chapter of Saint Matthew  
beginning at the first verse.

**Glory be to thee, O Lord.**





OW after the Sabbath, as the first day of the week began to dawn, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary came to see the tomb. And behold, there was a great earthquake; for an angel of the Lord descended from heaven, and came and rolled back the stone from the door, and sat on it. His countenance was like lightning, and his clothing as white as snow. And the guards shook for fear of him, and became like dead men. But the angel answered and said to the women, 'Do not be afraid, for I know that you seek Jesus who was crucified. He is not here; for He is risen, as He said. Come, see the place where the Lord lay. And go quickly and tell His disciples that He is risen from the dead, and indeed He is going before you into Galilee; there you will see Him. Behold, I have told you.' So they went out quickly from the tomb with fear and great joy, and ran to bring His disciples word. And as they went to tell His disciples, behold, Jesus met them, saying, 'Rejoice!' So they came and held Him by the feet and worshipped Him. Then Jesus said to them, 'Do not be afraid. Go and tell My brethren to go to Galilee, and there they will see Me.'

**Praise be to thee, O Christ.**

*The Sermon*

Reaffirmation of Baptismal Vows

*The Priest and the Sanctuary Party move to the Font*

*The Priest, standing, says:*



AS we celebrate the resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ from the dead, we remember that through the paschal mystery we have died and been buried with him in baptism, so that we may rise with him to a new life within the family of his Church. Now that we have completed our observance of Lent, we renew the promises made at our baptism, affirming our allegiance to Christ, and our rejection of all that is evil.

Therefore I ask these questions:

Do you turn to Christ?

**I turn to Christ.**

Do you repent of your sins?

**I repent of my sins.**

Do you renounce evil?

**I renounce evil.**

And now I ask you to make the profession of Christian faith into which you were baptized, and in which you live and grow.

Do you believe and trust in God the Father,  
who made the world?

**I believe and trust in him.**

Do you believe and trust in his Son Jesus Christ,  
who redeemed mankind?

**I believe and trust in him.**

Do you believe and trust in his Holy Spirit,  
who gives life to the people of God?

**I believe and trust in him.**

This is the faith of the Church.

**This is our faith:**

**We believe and trust in one God,**

**Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.**



Almighty God, we thank you for our fellowship in the household of faith with all those who have been baptized in your name. Keep us faithful to our baptism, and so make us ready for that day when the whole creation shall be made perfect in your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ.  
**Amen.**

*Then shall the people stand to sing the Hymn for the Offertory:*

*The Priest will Sprinkle the congregation with water to remind them of their baptisms, while the Sanctuary party returns to the Chancel.*

## 296 Lord, enthroned in heavenly splendour *St Helen*

ST HELEN

George Martin



Lord, enthroned in heavenly splendour,  
first-begotten from the dead,  
thou alone, our strong defender,  
liftest up thy people's head.  
Alleluya, alleluya,  
Jesu, true and living Bread!

Here our humblest homage pay we;  
here in loving reverence bow;  
here for Faith's discernment pray we,  
lest we fail to know thee now.  
Alleluya, alleluya,  
thou art here, we ask not how.

Though the lowliest form doth veil thee  
as of old in Bethlehem,  
here as there thine angels hail thee,  
Branch and Flower of Jesse's stem.  
Alleluya, alleluya,  
we in worship join with them.

Paschal Lamb, thine Offering, finished  
once for all when thou wast slain,  
in its fullness undiminished  
shall for evermore remain,  
Alleluya, alleluya,  
cleansing souls from every stain.



Life-imparting heavenly Manna,  
 stricken Rock with streaming side,  
 heaven and earth with loud hosanna  
 worship thee, the Lamb who died,  
 Alleluya, alleluya,  
 risen, ascended, glorified!

*G. H. Bourne (1840–1925)*

## PRAYER POINTS

*Wider Church:*

*The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion)* Bp Musa Mwin Tula

*National Church:*

Armidale: Rick Lewers

*Adelaide:*

Warradale: Michael Rogers, Barbara Paull-Hunt, Marian Giles

*The Sick:*

Penny Howell, Wayne Butler, David Presgrave, Jean Yuen, John Harley, Rosemary Bourne, Joseph Danes, Petula Columbus, Richard, Henry Nicholls, Fr Frank Kernot, Bp David McCall and (wife) Marion, Nikki Bowden, Ann Sergeant, Kaye Upward

*Continuing Prayers for:*

Heather Denholm, Andrew Pavy, Natasha Horn, John Pfitzner, Fr John Edwards, Ruth Gallasch, Michael & Emma Boundy, Geraldine, Ray, Barry,

Patsy Sellars, Beverley, Tara, Milo, Ralph Archbold, Juliana, Barbara Talbot, Pamela Terry, Margaret Whittle, Kay Gill, David Gill, Patrick Swan, Barry Black

*Years' Mind:*

Richard Lippett, Horace Arthur Ledger, Mary Hope Hamilton, Jean Fowler White, Heather Maureen Donaldson, Walter Ernst Venz , Eric Emil Von Schramek, Freda Briggs, Kylie Russell, Hew O'Halloran Giles, Douglas Gordon McKay, Vivien Shirley Martin

✠ Rest eternal grant unto them, O Lord.

✠ **And let light perpetual shine upon them.**

Let us pray for the whole state of Christ's Church militant here in earth.



ALMIGHTY and everliving God, who by thy holy Apostle hast taught us to make prayers, and supplications, and to give thanks for all men; We humbly beseech thee most mercifully to accept our alms and oblations, and to receive these our prayers, which we offer unto thy Divine Majesty; beseeching thee to inspire continually the Universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity, and concord: And grant, that all they that do confess thy holy Name may agree in the truth of thy holy Word, and live in unity, and godly love. We beseech thee also to save and defend all Christian Kings, Princes, and Governors; and specially thy Servant *ELIZABETH* our Queen;

THAT under her we may be godly and quietly governed: And grant unto her whole Council, and to all that are put in authority under her, that they may truly and indifferently minister justice, to the punishment of wickedness and vice, and to the maintenance of thy true religion, and virtue.

GIVE grace, O heavenly Father, to all Bishops and Curates, that they may both by their life and doctrine set forth thy true and lively Word, and rightly and duly administer thy holy Sacraments.

AND to all thy people give thy heavenly grace; and especially to this congregation here present; that, with meek heart and due reverence, they may hear, and receive thy holy Word; truly serving thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of their life. And we most humbly beseech thee,

of thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succour all them, who in this transitory life, are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity. And we also bless thy holy Name for all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear; beseeching thee to give us grace so to follow their good examples, that with them we may be partakers of thy heavenly kingdom. Grant this, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate. **Amen.**

*Then shall the Priest say:*



**W**E that do truly and earnestly repent you of your sins, and are in love and charity with your neighbours, and intend to lead a new life, following the commandments of God, and walking from henceforth in his holy ways; Draw near with faith, and take this holy Sacrament to your comfort; and make your humble confession to Almighty God, meekly kneeling upon your knees.

*Then shall this general Confession be made.*



**A**Lmighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Maker of all things, judge of all men; We acknowledge and bewail our manifold sins and wickedness, Which we, from time to time, most grievously have committed, By thought, word, and deed, Against thy Divine Majesty, Provoking most justly thy wrath and indignation against us. We do earnestly repent, And are heartily sorry for these our misdoings; The remembrance of them is grievous unto us; The burden of them is intolerable. Have mercy upon us, Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; For thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, Forgive us all that is past; And grant that we may ever hereafter Serve and please thee In newness of life, To the honour and glory of thy Name; Through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

*Then shall the Priest, standing up and turning himself to the people, pronounce the Absolution.*



**A**Lmighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all them that with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him; Have mercy upon you; ✠

pardon and deliver you from all your sins; confirm and strengthen you in all goodness; and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
**Amen.**

*Then shall the Priest say:*



HEAR what comfortable words our Saviour Christ saith unto all that truly turn to him.

COME unto me all that travail and are heavy laden, and I will refresh you.  
*Mtt 11:28*

SO God loved the world, that he gave his only-begotten Son, to the end that all that believe in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.  
*Jn 3:16*

Hear also what Saint Paul saith:

THIS is a true saying, and worthy of all men to be received, That Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners.  
*1 Tm 1:15*

Hear also what Saint John saith:

IF any man sin, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; and he is the propitiation for our sins.  
*1 Jn 2:1*

*After which the Priest shall proceed, singing:*

℣ The Lord be with you

℟ **And with thy spirit.**

℣ Lift up your hearts.

℟ **We lift them up unto the Lord.**

℣ Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

℟ **It is meet and right so to do.**

*Then shall the Priest turn to the Lord's Table, and say:*



It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, Holy Father, Almighty, Everlasting God.

BUT chiefly are we bound to praise thee for the glorious Resurrection of thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord: for he is the very Paschal Lamb, which was offered for us, and hath taken away the sin of the world; who by his death hath destroyed death, and by his rising to life again hath restored to us everlasting life.

THEREFORE with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying:

*Then shall be sung:*

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of hosts, heaven and earth are full of thy glory: Glory be to thee, O Lord most High.

✠Blessed is He that cometh in the name of the Lord, Hosanna in the Highest.

*Then shall be said this Prayer:*



**WE do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord, whose property is always to have mercy: Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body, and our souls washed through his most precious blood, and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.**

*Then the Priest, standing before the Table, shall say the Prayer of Consecration.*



**ALMIGHTY God, our heavenly Father, who of thy tender mercy didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to suffer death upon the Cross for our redemption; who made there (by his one oblation of himself once offered) a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and**



satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death, until his coming again.

HEAR us, O merciful Father, we most humbly beseech thee; and grant that we receiving these thy creatures of bread and wine, according to thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed Body and Blood: who, in the same night that he was betrayed, took Bread; and, when he had given thanks, he brake it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, TAKE, EAT, THIS IS MY BODY WHICH IS GIVEN FOR YOU: DO THIS IN REMEMBRANCE OF ME. ✠

LIKEWISE after supper he took the Cup; and, when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying,

DRINK YE ALL OF THIS; FOR THIS IS MY BLOOD OF THE NEW TESTAMENT, WHICH IS SHED FOR YOU AND FOR MANY FOR THE REMISSION OF SINS: DO THIS, AS OFT AS YE SHALL DRINK IT, IN REMEMBRANCE OF ME. ✠



HEREFORE, O Lord and heavenly Father, we thy humble servants entirely desire thy fatherly goodness mercifully to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving.

MOST humbly beseeching thee to grant, that by the merits and death of thy son Jesus Christ, and through faith in his blood, we and all thy whole Church may obtain remission of our sins, and all other benefits of his passion.

AND here we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, ourselves, our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy, and lively sacrifice unto thee; humbly beseeching thee, that all we, who are partakers of this holy Communion, may be fulfilled with thy grace and heavenly benediction.

AND although we be unworthy, through our manifold sins, to offer unto thee any sacrifice, yet we beseech thee to accept this our bounden duty and service; not weighing our merits, but pardoning our offences.

THROUGH Jesus Christ our Lord; by whom, and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, all honour and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. **Amen.**

*Then shall the Priest sing the Lord's Prayer, together with the People.*

As our Saviour Christ hath commanded and taught us, we are bold to pray:



**OUR Father, which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, in earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, The power, and the glory, For ever and ever. Amen.**

✠ The peace of the Lord be alway with you.

✠ **And with thy spirit.**

*Then shall be sung the Agnus Dei.*

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,  
have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,  
have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,  
grant us thy peace.

✠ Behold the Lamb of God, behold him that takest away the sins of the world; happy are they that are called to his supper.

✠ **Lord, I am not worthy that thou shouldest come under my roof but speak the word only and thy servant shall be healed.**

*And after that shall the people, meekly kneeling, receive communion.*

*Then shall the choir sing the Motet:*

Now the green blade riseth *French, arr. Simon Lindley*

Now the green blade riseth from the buried grain.

Wheat that in dark earth many days has lain;

Love lives again, that with the dead has been:

Love is come again, like wheat that springeth green.

In the grave they laid him, Love whom men had slain,  
Thinking that never he would awake again,  
Laid in the earth like grain that sleeps unseen:  
Love is come again, like wheat that springeth green.

Forth he came at Easter, like the risen grain,  
He that for three days in the grave had lain.  
Quick from the dead my risen Lord is seen:  
Love is come again, like wheat that springeth green.

When our hearts are wintry, grieving, or in pain,  
Thy touch can call us back to life again,  
Fields of our hearts that dead and bare have been:  
Love is come again, like wheat that springeth green.

*John Macleod Campbell Crum (1872–1958)*

*Then shall be sung the Communion Hymn*

### **113 Love's redeeming work is done Savannah**

SAVANNAH

Melody from Herrnhut collection c.1740



**Love's redeeming work is done;  
fought the fight, the battle won:  
lo, our Sun's eclipse is o'er!  
lo, he sets in blood no more!**

**Vain the stone, the watch, the seal,  
Christ has burst the gates of hell;  
death in vain forbids his rise;  
Christ has opened Paradise.**



Lives again our glorious King;  
 where, O Death, is now thy sting?  
 Dying once, he all doth save;  
 where thy victory, O grave?

Soar we now where Christ has led,  
 following our exalted Head;  
 made like him, like him we rise;  
 ours the cross, the grave, the skies.

Hail the Lord of earth and heaven!  
 Praise to thee by both be given:  
 thee we greet triumphant now;  
 hail, the Resurrection thou!

*Charles Wesley (1707–1788)*

∇ The Lord be with you.

✠ And with thy Spirit.

*After shall be said as followeth*

**A**LMIGHTY and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee, for that thou dost vouchsafe to feed us, who have duly received these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favour and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, which is the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs through hope of thy everlasting kingdom, by the merits of the most precious death and passion of thy dear Son.

AND we most humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honour and glory, world without end. **Amen.**

*Then the Priest shall give this Blessing. Please kneel.*

**T**HE peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his son Jesus Christ our Lord: and the blessing of God Almighty, ✠ the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

*Then shall the people sing the Final Hymn.*

### 117 The Day of Resurrection *Ellacombe*

ELLACOMBE

German melody



**The Day of Resurrection!  
Earth, tell it out abroad;  
the Passover of gladness,  
the Passover of God!  
From death to life eternal,  
from earth unto the sky,  
our Christ hath brought us over  
with hymns of victory.**



Our hearts be pure from evil,  
that we may see aright  
the Lord in rays eternal  
of resurrection-light;  
and, listening to his accents,  
may hear so calm and plain  
his own 'All hail,' and, hearing,  
may raise the victor strain.

Now let the heavens be joyful,  
and earth her song begin,  
the round world keep high triumph,  
and all that is therein;  
let all things seen and unseen  
their notes in gladness blend,  
for Christ the Lord hath risen,  
our joy that hath no end.

*Greek, St John of Damascus (d. c.754), trans. J. M. Neale (1816–1866), alt.*

*Then shall be played the Postlude for the recession of the Sanctuary Party:*

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### **ABM PEW REFLECTIONS**

- Dear God, who promised to be with us always, help us today and always to have faith in you, to be confident in your presence in the face of overwhelming absence, that we may come, with Jesus, to enter your heavenly embrace.
- Give thanks for the work and witness of all those who prepare our churches today for Easter worship.

*Daily Readings—March*

	<i>Morning Prayer</i>	<i>Evening Prayer</i>
5 Monday	Exod 12.14-36 Col 3.1-11	Isa 25.1-8 Lk 24.1-12
6 Tuesday	Exod 12.37-end Mtt 28.1-15	Isa 26.1-19 Phil 1.19-26
7 Wednesday	Exod 13.1-16 Mtt 28.16-end	Isa 61 1 Thess 4.13-end
8 Thursday	Exod 13.17-14.14 Rev 7.9-end	Song of S 2.8-end Mk 16
9 Friday	Exod 14.15-end Lk 8.41-56	Zeph 3.14-end Acts 17.16-31
10 Saturday	Exod 15.1-21 Lk 16.19-31	Zech 2.1-8 Acts 26.1-23



# NOTICES

## BRING & BUY EVENT

The dates for the next Two (2) Bring & Buy Events are

June 6/6/21 (1st Sunday)

July 4/7/21 (1st Sunday)

Please deliver items to the parish office (open Wednesday, Thursday, Friday) by **Friday** of that week. It is requested that you ensure any unsold items are taken home by the giver.

## THE CHRIST CHURCH COVID MARSHALS

The Marshals are Andrew Georg, Neil and Rosemary Woolman, Brian Morgan, Helen Swan, Mary McLeod, Jeremy Pearce, Naomi Guerin and Bin Irwin

## NAME TAGS

As a courtesy, please wear your name tags to assist Fr Stephen and Deborah to get to know your name. Also, it is very helpful for people new to the parish, and visitors, if name tags are worn by parishioners. If you do not have one, please contact the parish office on 8267 2673.

Please stay in touch:

Name .....

Address .....

Email .....

Phone .....

*Please hand to a sidesperson or deliver to the office.*



## THIS WEEK

<b>Saturday 3rd</b>	<b>Holy Saturday</b>
7.00pm	Lighting of the New Fire and the First Eucharist of Easter
<b>Sunday 4th</b>	<b>Easter Day</b>
8:00am	Holy Eucharist
10.00am	Choral Eucharist
	<i>No Litany or Choral Evensong</i>
<b>Monday 5th</b>	<b>Easter Monday (<i>Public Holiday</i>)</b>
<b>Tuesday 6th</b>	
11.00am	Holy Eucharist—Helping Hand
<b>Thursday 8th</b>	
11.00am	Holy Eucharist
1.30pm	Staff Meeting
<b>Friday 9th</b>	
10.00am	Play Group
<b>Sunday 11th</b>	<b>First Sunday after Easter</b>
8:00am	Holy Eucharist
10:00am	Choral Eucharist
5:45pm	Litany
6:00pm	Choral Evensong

