



St. John's Chapeltown

Morning Prayer

from Easter to Pentecost

Gathering to pray

A Scripture sentence may be said:

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 by the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead.

1 Peter 1.3

Christ once raised from the dead dies no more; death has no more dominion over him. In dying he died to sin once for all, in living he lives to God. See yourselves therefore as dead to sin and alive to God in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Romans 6.9-11

Since we have a great high priest who has passed into the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us with confidence draw near to the throne of grace.

Hebrews 4.14, 16

**O Lord, open our lips
and our mouth
shall proclaim your praise.**

**In your resurrection, O Christ,
let heaven and earth rejoice. Alleluia.**

**Blessèd are you, Lord God of our salvation,
to you be praise and glory for ever!
As once you freed your people
from slavery in Egypt,**

now you have delivered us and brought us into the kingdom of your beloved Son. Rising from death, he has destroyed death and opened to us the gate of everlasting life. May we, the first fruits of your new creation, rejoice in this new day you have made and praise you for your mighty acts. Blessèd be God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit:
Blessèd be God for ever!

Listening to God

The Psalm of the day

ending with

**Glory to the Father and to the Son
and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning
is now and shall be for ever.
Amen.**

*Scripture Readings:
Old and New Testament*

A song or these responses may follow

Death is swallowed up in victory.
Where, O death, is your sting?

Christ is risen from the dead,
the first fruits of those who have fallen asleep.
Death is swallowed up in victory.

The trumpet will sound
and the dead shall be raised.
Where, O death, is your sting?

We shall not all sleep,
but we shall be changed.
**Death is swallowed up in victory.
Where, O death, is your sting?**

from 1 Corinthians 15

One of the following may be said:

THE SONG OF MOSES & MIRIAM

- 1 I will sing to the Lord,
who has triumphed gloriously,
the horse and his rider
he has thrown into the sea.
- 2 The Lord is my strength and my song
and has become my salvation.
- 3 This is my God whom I will praise,
the God of my forebears
whom I will exalt.
- 4 The Lord is a warrior, the Lord is his name.
- 5 Your right hand, O Lord,
is glorious in power:
your right hand, O Lord,
shatters the enemy.
- 6 At the blast of your nostrils,
the sea covered them;
they sank as lead in the mighty waters.
- 7 In your unfailing love, O Lord,
you lead the people
whom you have redeemed.
- 8 And by your invincible strength
you will guide them to your holy dwelling.
- 9 You will bring them in and plant them,
O Lord, in the sanctuary
which your hands have established.

Exodus 15.1b-3,6,10,13,17

BENEDICTUS – THE SONG OF ZECHARIAH

- 1 Blessèd be the Lord the God of Israel,
who has come to his people
and set them free.

- 2 He has raised up for us a mighty Saviour,
born of the house of his servant David.
- 3 Through his holy prophets
God promised of old
to save us from our enemies,
from the hands of all that hate us,
- 4 To show mercy to our ancestors,
and to remember his holy covenant.
- 5 This was the oath
God swore to our father Abraham:
to set us free
from the hands of our enemies,
- 6 Free to worship him without fear,
holy and righteous in his sight
all the days of our life.
- 7 And you, child, shall be called
the prophet of the Most High,
for you will go before the Lord
to prepare his way,
- 8 To give his people knowledge of salvation
by the forgiveness of all their sins.
- 9 In the tender compassion of our God
the dawn from on high
shall break upon us,
- 10 To shine on those who dwell in darkness
and the shadow of death,
and to guide our feet
into the way of peace.

Luke 1.68-79

**Glory to the Father and to the Son
and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning is now
and shall be for ever. Amen.**

The Apostles' Creed

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

Prayers

Incl. the prayer for the day (Collect), and one of these:

God of glory, by the raising of your Son
you have broken the chains of death and hell:
fill your Church with faith and hope;
for a new day has dawned
and the way to life stands open
in our Saviour Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

God of life, who for our redemption
gave your only-begotten Son
to the death of the cross,
and by his glorious resurrection
have delivered us

from the power of our enemy:
grant us so to die daily to sin,
that we may evermore live with him
in the joy of his risen life;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

O God the King of glory,
you have exalted your only Son Jesus Christ
with great triumph
to your kingdom in heaven:
we beseech you, leave us not comfortless,
but send your Holy Spirit to strengthen us
and exalt us to the place
where our Saviour Christ is gone before,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Christ be with me, Christ within me,
Christ behind me, Christ before me,
Christ beside me, Christ to win me,
Christ to comfort and restore me.
Christ beneath me, Christ above me,
Christ in quiet, Christ in danger,
Christ in hearts of all that love me,
Christ in mouth of friend and stranger.
Amen.

The Lord's Prayer is said

Rejoicing in God's new creation,
as our Saviour has taught us, so we pray
Our Father in heaven . . .

The Conclusion

May the risen Christ
grant us the joy of eternal life.
Amen.

Let us bless the Lord: Alleluia, Alleluia!
Thanks be to God: Alleluia, Alleluia!