



## Morning Worship for the Easter Season

### Greeting

Alleluia. Christ is risen.  
**He is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

Praise the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ:  
**he has given us new life and hope  
by raising Jesus from the dead.**

God has claimed us as his own:  
**He has made us light to the world.**

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### Welcome and Introduction

*We pray together*

**O risen Lord,  
who in your first appearance to Mary was mistaken for the gardener:  
be present with us,  
and show yourself to us all in all our mistakes and uncertainties.**

**O risen Lord,  
who appeared to your dejected disciples on the road to Emmaus,  
and opened to them the scriptures,  
so that their hearts burned within them:  
be present with us and set our hearts on fire with love for you.**

**O risen Lord,  
who gave to your distraught followers  
the assurance of healing and forgiveness:  
be present with us,  
and bring together all Christians in peace and harmony.**

**O risen Lord,  
who mindful of the needs of your disciples,  
prepared a meal by the Sea of Galilee:  
be present with us,  
and make yourself known to us in all acts of hospitality and sharing.**

**O risen Lord,  
who in your final appearance on the Mount of Olives,**

**lifted up hands of blessing on all people:  
be present with us,  
and grant that our prayers today may be taken up into yours  
on behalf of the whole world.**

## **We Say Sorry**

*We use the following prayer or an alternative confession activity*

Jesus Christ, risen master and triumphant lord,  
We come to you in sorrow for our sins,  
And confess to you our weakness and unbelief.  
We have lived by our own strength,  
And not by the power of your resurrection.  
In your mercy forgive us.

**Lord hear us and help us.**

We have lived by the light of our own eyes,  
As faithless and not believing,  
In your mercy forgive us.

Lord hear us and help us.

We have lived for this world alone,  
And doubted our home in heaven.

In your mercy forgive us,

**Lord hear us and help us.**

## **We Receive God's Forgiveness**

May the God of love and power  
Forgive us and free us from our sins,  
Heal us and strengthen us by his spirit,  
And raise us to new life in Christ.

**Amen.**

## **The Gloria**

*We give glory and praise to God with the following words or with an alternative song of praise*

### **Peruvian Gloria**

**Glory to God, glory to God,  
Glory to the Father  
To God, be glory forever  
Alleluia, Amen  
Alleluia, Amen  
Alleluia, Amen**

**Glory to God, glory to God, glory to Christ Jesus...  
Glory to God, glory to God, glory to the Spirit**

**The Collect**

**Bible Readings**

**Talk/Meditation or Discussion Activity**

**We Declare our Faith**

*We join together to declare the faith we have in Jesus*

**We believe and trust in God the Father source of all being and life.**

**We believe and trust in God the Son,**

**who took our human nature died upon a cross and rose again.**

**We believe and trust in God the Holy Spirit who gives life to the people of God  
and makes Christ known in the world.**

**This is our faith, we believe and trust in one God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit . Amen.**

**Time of Prayer**

**Merciful Father,**

**accept these prayers**

**for the sake your Son, our Saviour**

**Jesus Christ**

**Amen**

We pray together:

**Our Father in heaven,**

**hallowed be your name**

**your kingdom come,**

**your will be done,**

**on earth as it is in heaven.**

**Give us this day our daily bread,**

**forgive us our sins,**

**as we forgive those who sin against us.**

**And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil,**

**For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.**

**Notices**

When others dismiss our story as an idle tale,  
who will we be?

**Resurrection people with Easter in our hearts.**

When the world seems to be crumbling around us,  
remember who we are:

**Resurrection people with Easter in our hearts.**

When despair would seem to squelch all hope,  
we will believe in who we have become:

**Resurrection people with Easter in our hearts.**

When it is hard to persevere against all odds,  
trust in God who names us:

**Resurrection people with Easter in our hearts.**

As we follow Christ into the world,  
may God help us remember who we are . . .

**resurrection people with Easter in our hearts.**

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