

Liturgy and Prayers for Easter 5: At Home

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The Fifth Sunday of Easter

with Rev Gareth Erlandson

(liturgy from Church In Wales Daily Prayer 2009, the Hope4All service and
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Our Opening Prayers

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

He is risen indeed. Alleluia!

We gather together now as the family of God,
In our Father's presence,
To offer him praise and thanksgiving,
To hear and receive his holy word,
To bring before him the needs of the world,
And to seek his grace,
That through his Son Jesus Christ
We may give ourselves to his service.

A new week lies open before us;
Let us pray with one heart and mind.

Silence

As we rejoice in the gift of this new week,
So may the light of your presence, O God,
Set our hearts on fire with love for you,
Now and forever. **Amen.**

We take a moment of quiet and stillness now to call to mind and lay before God those things that stand between us and him – the ways in which we have failed to love him and to love others as he would want.

We say to God:

Healing God,

Take from us what we need to carry no longer

So that we may be free again

To choose to serve you

And to be served by each other. Amen.

And because we know we have a loving and merciful God, who through the death and resurrection of Jesus has paid the price for our sin, we can boldly say together:

May God forgive us

Christ come alongside us

And the Holy Spirit renew and better our lives.

Amen.

Hymn of Praise

1. God is our strength and refuge,
our present help in trouble,
and we therefore will not fear,
though the earth should change!
Though mountains shake and tremble,
though swirling floods are raging,
God the Lord of hosts is with us evermore!

2. There is a flowing river
within God's holy city;
God is in the midst of her-
she shall not be moved!
God's help is swiftly given,
thrones vanish at his presence-
God the Lord of hosts is with us evermore!

3. Come, see the works of our maker,
learn of his deeds all-powerful:
wars will cease across the world
when he shatters the spear!
Be still and know your creator,
uplift him in the nations-
God the Lord of hosts is with us evermore!

After Psalm 46, Richard Bewes (born 1934)
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(<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SW5yAqxF810>)

The Gospel Reading from Matthew 28:16-20 NIV(UK)
(from www.biblegateway.com)

The Great Commission

¹⁶Then the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain where Jesus had told them to go. ¹⁷When they saw him, they worshiped him; but some doubted. ¹⁸Then Jesus came to them and said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. ¹⁹Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy

Spirit,²⁰ and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.”

A Thought for the Week from Rev Gareth Erlandson

We affirm our faith

**I believe and trust in God the Father,
source of all being and life,
the one for whom we exist.**

**I believe and trust in God the Son,
who took our human nature,
died for us and rose again.**

**I 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 the faith of the Church.

This is our faith.

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

The Intercessions

Gareth leads us in prayers of intercession and concludes

**Merciful Father,
Accept these prayers for the sake of your Son,
our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.**

A Collect Prayer for the Fifth Sunday of Easter

Eternal God,
whose Son Jesus Christ is the way,
the truth, and the life,
grant us to walk in his way,
to rejoice in his truth,
and to share his risen life;
who is alive and reigns with you, now and forever.
Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

As our Saviour taught us, we boldly pray:
**Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come, thy will be done
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses
as we forgive those who 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.**

Our Closing Prayers

As God sent Jesus;
Jesus sends us.

To bring hope and healing;
Jesus sends us.

To care for our neighbours;
Jesus sends us.

To work for justice;
Jesus sends us.

With the gift of the Holy Spirit;
Jesus sends us.
Jesus sends us with love.

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia!
Alleluia!
In the name of Christ. Alleluia! Alleluia!

The Grace

**The Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,
the love of God,
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with us all
evermore.
Amen.**

A final song for today – please either copy the YouTube link from here –

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2gZ2LeFTQ4I> - or click on the link that Kirsty will pop into the comments if you'd like to sing along at home...

Strength will rise as we wait upon the Lord
We will wait upon the Lord, we will wait upon the Lord
Strength will rise as we wait upon the Lord
We will wait upon the Lord, we will wait upon the Lord

Our God, You reign forever
Our hope, our Strong Deliverer
You are the everlasting God
The everlasting God
You do not faint
You won't grow weary

Strength will rise as we wait upon the Lord
We will wait upon the Lord, we will wait upon the Lord
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The everlasting God
You do not faint
You won't grow weary

You're the defender of the weak
You comfort those in need

You lift us up on the wings
Like eagles
Our God, You reign forever
Our hope, our Strong Deliverer
'Cause You are, You are the everlasting God
The everlasting God
You do not faint
You won't grow weary

You're the defender of the weak
You comfort those in need
You lift us up on the wings
Like eagles
From everlasting to everlasting
God, You are everlasting

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Everlasting God - Low Key Performance Track Without Background

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