

The Profession of Faith

Brothers and sisters, I ask you to profess the faith of the Church.

Do you believe and trust in God the Father?
**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

Do you believe and trust in his Son Jesus Christ?
**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.**

Do you believe and trust in the Holy Spirit?
**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.**

The people are sprinkled with water.

Almighty God,
we thank you for our fellowship
in the household of faith with all who have been
baptized into 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.

May Christ dwell in your hearts through faith,
that you may be rooted and grounded in love
and bring forth the fruit of the Spirit.
Amen.

*The service continues with The Peace
We greet each other with the words: "Christ is Risen!"*

Easter Day



*Welcoming the Easter Candle into the Church.
(Please stand)*

Christ yesterday and today
the beginning and the end,
Alpha and Omega,
all time belongs to him,
and all ages;
**to him be glory and power,
through every age and for ever. Amen.**

This is the day when our Lord Jesus Christ was raised
gloriously from the dead, crushing the power of sin
and destroying the sting of death.
Throughout the world Christians celebrate the mighty
power of God as Christ calls us out of darkness to
share in his marvelous light. May we and all Christ's
people, shine as lights in the world to the glory of
God the Father.

The light of Christ
Thanks be to God.
Sung three times

Hymn 205
Jesus Christ is risen today.

The candles in church are lit.

The Easter Acclamation.
Alleluia, Christ is risen.
He is risen indeed. Alleluia.

Gloria in Excelsis

(Tune Woodlands)

Glory to God, we give you thanks and praise;
Of heavenly joy and earthly peace we sing.
We worship you, to you our hearts we raise,
Lord God, almighty Father, heavenly King.

Lord Jesus Christ, the Father's only Son,
You bore for us the load of this world's sin.
O Lamb of God, your glorious victory won,
Receive our prayer, grant us your peace within.

Alone, O Christ, you only are the Lord,
At God's right hand in majesty most high;
Who with the Spirit worshipped and adored;
With all the heavenly host we glorify.

The Collect

After the readings...

Gradual Hymn 209

Love's redeeming work is done.
Please stand

The Easter Gospel

Hymn 196

Alleluia, alleluia. Alleluia, alleluia.
Alleluia, alleluia. Alleluia, alleluia.
Now he is living the Christ.
Out of the tomb he is risen;
he has conquered death,
opened heaven to all believers
Alleluia, alleluia. Alleluia, alleluia.

At the end

Alleluia, alleluia. Alleluia, alleluia.

After the homily

Hymn 216

The day of resurrection!

Renewal of Baptism

In baptism, God calls us out of darkness
into his marvellous light.
To follow Christ means dying to sin
and rising to new life with him.
Therefore, I ask:

Do you reject the devil
and all rebellion against God?

I reject them.

Do you renounce the deceit and corruption of evil?

I renounce them.

Do you repent of the sins that separate us from God
and neighbour?

I repent of them.

Do you turn to Christ as Saviour?

I turn to Christ.

Do you submit to Christ as Lord?

I submit to Christ.

Do you come to Christ, the way, the truth and the
life?

I come to Christ.

May almighty God who has given you the desire to
follow Christ give you the strength to continue in the
way.

The Blessing of the Water

