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Preparation

O Lord, open our lips

All and our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

In your resurrection, O Christ,

All let heaven and earth rejoice. Alleluia.

The following is said:

Blessed are you, Lord God of our salvation, to you be praise and glory for ever.

As once you ransomed your people from Egypt and led them to freedom in the promised land, so now you have delivered us from the dominion of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of your risen Son.

May we, the first fruits of your new creation, rejoice in this new day you have made, and praise you for your mighty acts.

All Blessed be God for ever.

The Easter Anthems

1 Christ our passover has been sacrificed for us: • so let us celebrate the feast,

Blessed be God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

2 not with the old leaven of corruption and wickedness: • but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth.

1 Corinthians 5.7b, 8

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

Romans 6.9-11

- 6 Christ has been raised from the dead: ♦ the first fruits of those who sleep.
- 7 For as by man came death: ◆
 by man has come also the resurrection of the dead;
- 8 for as in Adam all die: even so in Christ shall all be made alive.

1 Corinthians 15.20-22

All 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.

This opening prayer may be said

The night has passed, and the day lies open before us; let us pray with one heart and mind.

Silence is kept.

As we rejoice in the gift of this new day, so may the light of your presence, O God, set our hearts on fire with love for you; now and for ever.

All Amen.

The Word of God

Psalmody

The appointed psalm is said.

Each psalm or group of psalms may end with

All 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.

Canticle

The Song of Moses and Miriam, is said Refrain:

- All In your unfailing love, O Lord, you lead the people whom you have redeemed. Alleluia.
- 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
- All 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.
- All In your unfailing love, O Lord, you lead the people whom you have redeemed.
 Alleluia.

Scripture Reading

The appointed reading for the day is read.
The reading ends with:
For the gift of His Holy Word

All Thanks be to God

The reading may be followed by a homily, short reflection or time of silence.

The following responsory is said

Death is swallowed up in victory.

All Where, O death, is your sting?

Christ is risen from the dead, the first fruits of those who have fallen asleep.

All Death is swallowed up in victory.

The trumpet will sound and the dead shall be raised.

All Where, O death, is your sting?

We shall not all sleep, but we shall be changed.

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

from 1 Corinthians 15

Gospel Canticle

The Benedictus (The Song of Zechariah) is said, Refrain:

- All The Lord is risen from the tomb who for our sakes hung upon the tree. Alleluia.
- Blessed 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

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Prayers

Intercessions are offered

These responses may be used Lord, in your mercy

hear our prayer.

(or)

Lord, hear us.

Lord, graciously hear us.

Silence may be kept.

The Collect of the day or the following is said

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.

All Amen.

The Lord's Prayer is said

Rejoicing in God's new creation, let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us

All 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.

The Conclusion

May the risen Christ grant us the joys of eternal life.

All Amen.

Let us bless the Lord. Alleluia, alleluia.

All Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

