



**Highland  
International  
Church  
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**Easter Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> April 2021**

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# Highland International Church

## *Welcome & Notices*

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Welcome to our YouTube live-stream service:

<https://youtu.be/X5rqbLE7cJw>

**HIC 10.00 am YouTube service (direct link):**

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- **Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> April (today)**

10.00am – **Morning Service** – YouTube live-stream

**7.00pm** – **Evening Service** in Smithton Church,  
Murray Road, Smithton, IV2 7YU.

43 folk have signed up to come to our second in-person 2021 Easter Sunday service tonight. We need to keep a record of everyone coming for Covid-19 “*track and trace*” purposes. Please don’t arrive before 6.50pm. Please bring your own Bible. Please wear a face mask the whole time you are in the church building. We look forward to seeing you and for us to be together again worshipping the Lord.

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- **Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> April**

7.30pm – We meet as a church family by Zoom for  
**Bible study** and **prayer**.

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- **Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> April (next Sunday)**

10.00am – **Morning Service** – YouTube live-stream

**7.00pm** – **Evening Service & the Lord’s Supper**  
in Smithton Church, Murray Road,  
Smithton, IV2 7YU.

Please let us know if plan to be at next Sunday evening’s service by this Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> April. Thanks!

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## Order of today's 10.00 am service

EASTER SUNDAY 2021

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**Leader: Hallelujah, Christ is risen!**

**All: *He is risen indeed, Hallelujah!***

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**All: *He is risen indeed, Hallelujah!***

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### **1. COME, PEOPLE OF THE RISEN KING,**

who delight to bring him praise;  
come, all, and tune your hearts to sing  
to the morning star of grace.

From the shifting shadows of the earth  
we will lift our eyes to him,  
where steady arms of mercy reach  
to gather children in.

***Rejoice! Rejoice! Let every tongue rejoice!  
One heart, one voice; O church of Christ, rejoice!***

**2. Come, those whose joy is morning sun,  
and those weeping through the night;  
come, those who tell of battles won,  
and those struggling in the fight.**

For his perfect love will never change,  
and his mercies never cease,  
but follow us through all our days  
with the certain hope of peace.

***Rejoice! Rejoice! Let every tongue rejoice!  
One heart, one voice; O church of Christ, rejoice!***

3. Come, young and old from every land —  
men and women of the faith;  
come, those with full or empty hands —  
find the riches of his grace.

Over all the world, his people sing —  
shore to shore we hear them call  
the Truth that cries through every age:  
‘Our God is all in all!’

***Rejoice! Rejoice! Let every tongue rejoice!  
One heart, one voice; O church of Christ, rejoice!  
Rejoice! Rejoice! Let every tongue rejoice!  
One heart, one voice; O church of Christ, rejoice!***

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## **Prayer and the Lord’s Prayer (said together)**

[MATTHEW CH.6, V.9-13, NEW INTERNATIONAL VERSION © 2011]

*Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come, your will be done  
on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
And forgive us our debts,  
as we also have forgiven our debtors.*

*And lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from the evil one.  
For yours is the kingdom  
and the power and the glory forever.  
Amen.*

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## **1<sup>st</sup> Bible reading (New International Version)**

### **Matthew 27:50-54**

<sup>50</sup> And when Jesus had cried out again in a loud voice, he gave up his spirit.

<sup>51</sup> At that moment the curtain of the temple was torn in two from top to bottom. The earth shook, the rocks split <sup>52</sup> and the tombs broke open. The bodies of many holy people who had died were raised to life. <sup>53</sup> They came out of the tombs after Jesus' resurrection and went into the holy city and appeared to many people.

<sup>54</sup> When the centurion and those with him who were guarding Jesus saw the earthquake and all that had happened, they were terrified, and exclaimed, '*Surely he was the Son of God!*'

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***The Day the Earth Shook* (Video)**

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## 2<sup>nd</sup> Bible reading (New International Version)

### Luke 24:1-12

<sup>1</sup> On the first day of the week, very early in the morning, the women took the spices they had prepared and went to the tomb. <sup>2</sup> They found the stone rolled away from the tomb, <sup>3</sup> but when they entered, they did not find the body of the Lord Jesus. <sup>4</sup> While they were wondering about this, suddenly two men in clothes that gleamed like lightning stood beside them. <sup>5</sup> In their fright the women bowed down with their faces to the ground, but the men said to them, ‘*Why do you look for the living among the dead?*’ <sup>6</sup> *He is not here; he has risen! Remember how he told you, while he was still with you in Galilee:* <sup>7</sup> “*The Son of Man must be delivered over to the hands of sinners, be crucified and on the third day be raised again.*” <sup>8</sup> Then they remembered his words.

<sup>9</sup> When they came back from the tomb, they told all these things to the Eleven and to all the others. <sup>10</sup> It was Mary Magdalene, Joanna, Mary the mother of James, and the others with them who told this to the apostles. <sup>11</sup> But they did not believe the women, because their words seemed to them like nonsense. <sup>12</sup> Peter, however, got up and ran to the tomb. Bending over, he saw the strips of linen lying by themselves, and he went away, wondering to himself what had happened.

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**1. SEE, WHAT A MORNING, GLORIOUSLY BRIGHT,**  
with the dawning of hope in Jerusalem;  
folded the grave clothes, tomb filled with light,  
as the angels announce, ‘Christ is risen!’

See God's salvation plan, wrought in love,  
borne in pain, paid in sacrifice,  
fulfilled in Christ, the man, for he lives,  
Christ is risen from the dead!

2. See Mary weeping: 'Where is he laid?'  
as in sorrow she turns from the empty tomb;  
hears a voice speaking, calling her name:  
it's the Master, the Lord raised to life again!  
The voice that spans the years, speaking life,  
stirring hope, bringing peace to us,  
will sound till he appears, for he lives,  
Christ is risen from the dead!

3. One with the Father, Ancient of Days,  
through the Spirit who clothes faith with certainty,  
honour and blessing, glory and praise  
to the King crowned with power and authority!  
And we are raised with him, death is dead,  
love has won, Christ has conquered;  
and we shall reign with him, for he lives,  
Christ is risen from the dead!

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and we shall reign with him, for he lives,  
Christ is risen from the dead!***

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[PRAISE 1271]

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## 3<sup>rd</sup> Bible reading (New International Version)

### Acts 2:22-32

<sup>22</sup> ‘Fellow Israelites, listen to this: Jesus of Nazareth was a man accredited by God to you by miracles, wonders and signs, which God did among you through him, as you yourselves know. <sup>23</sup> This man was handed over to you by God’s deliberate plan and foreknowledge; and you, with the help of wicked men, put him to death by nailing him to the cross. <sup>24</sup> But God raised him from the dead, freeing him from the agony of death, because it was impossible for death to keep its hold on him. <sup>25</sup> David said about him:

*“I saw the Lord always before me.  
Because he is at my right hand,  
I will not be shaken.*

<sup>26</sup> *Therefore my heart is glad and my tongue rejoices;  
my body also will rest in hope,*

<sup>27</sup> *because you will not abandon me to the realm of the  
dead,*

*you will not let your holy one see decay.*

<sup>28</sup> *You have made known to me the paths of life;  
you will fill me with joy in your presence.”*

<sup>29</sup> ‘Fellow Israelites, I can tell you confidently that the patriarch David died and was buried, and his tomb is here to this day. <sup>30</sup> But he was a prophet and knew that God had promised him on oath that he would place one of his descendants on his throne. <sup>31</sup> Seeing what was to come, he spoke of the resurrection of the Messiah, that he was not abandoned to the realm of the dead, nor did his body see decay. <sup>32</sup> God has raised this Jesus to life, and we are all witnesses of it.

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## **Jesus is alive (Video)**

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### **1. CHRIST THE LORD IS RISEN TODAY, ALLELUIA!**

Sons of men and angels say, Alleluia!  
Raise your joys and triumphs high, Alleluia!  
Sing, ye heav'ns, and earth reply, Alleluia!

2. Lives again our glorious King, Alleluia!  
Where, O death, is now thy sting? Alleluia!  
Once he died our souls to save, Alleluia!  
Where thy victory, O grave? Alleluia!

***O, praise the dawning of that day,  
When sin and death were rolled away.  
As Christ emerges from the grave,  
The risen Son of God***

3. Soar we now where Christ has led, Alleluia!  
Following our exalted Head, Alleluia!  
Made like him, like him we rise, Alleluia!  
Ours the cross, the grave, the skies, Alleluia!

***O, praise the dawning of that day,  
When sin and death were rolled away,  
As Christ emerges from the grave,  
The risen Son of God***

[REPEAT CHORUS]

CHARLES WESLEY  
KESWICK LIVE RECORDING  
[PRAISE 458]

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## 4<sup>th</sup> Bible reading (New International Version)

### Hebrews 2:14-17

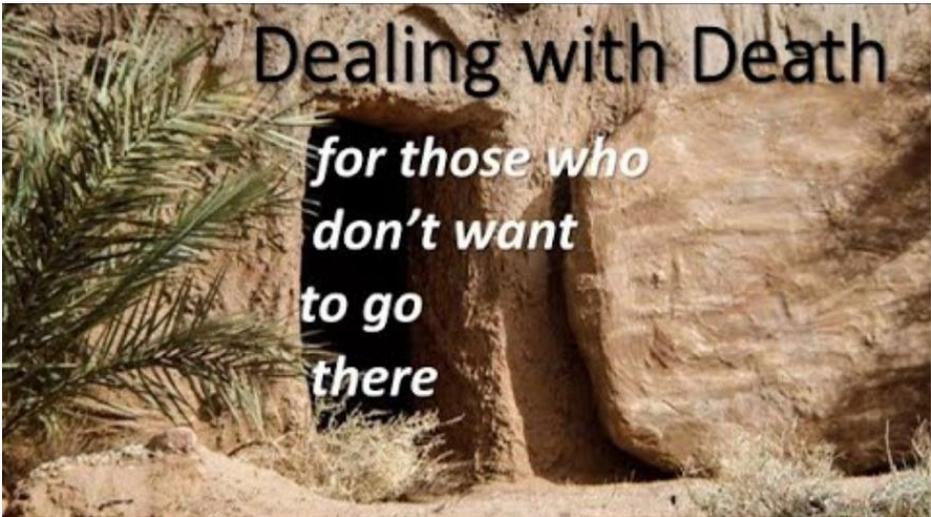
<sup>14</sup> Since the children have flesh and blood, he too shared in their humanity so that by his death he might break the power of him who holds the power of death – that is, the devil – <sup>15</sup> and free those who all their lives were held in slavery by their fear of death. <sup>16</sup> For surely it is not angels he helps, but Abraham’s descendants. <sup>17</sup> For this reason he had to be made like them, fully human in every way, in order that he might become a merciful and faithful high priest in service to God, and that he might make atonement for the sins of the people.

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## Bible Message



***Breaking free (Video)***

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## THE APOSTLES' CREED

I BELIEVE IN GOD,  
THE FATHER ALMIGHTY,  
CREATOR OF HEAVEN AND EARTH,

AND 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 INTO HELL;  
ON THE THIRD DAY HE ROSE AGAIN FROM THE DEAD;  
HE ASCENDED INTO HEAVEN,  
AND IS SEATED AT THE RIGHT HAND  
OF GOD THE FATHER ALMIGHTY;  
FROM THERE 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 LIFE EVERLASTING.

*AMEN.*

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**1. THINE BE THE GLORY, RISEN, CONQUERING SON,**

endless is the victory thou o'er death hast won;  
angels in bright raiment rolled the stone away,  
kept the folded grave-clothes where thy body lay.

***Thine be the glory, risen, conquering Son,  
endless is the victory thou o'er death hast won.***

2. Lo! Jesus meets us, risen from the tomb;  
lovingly he greets us, scatters fear and gloom;  
let the church with gladness hymns of triumph sing,  
for her Lord now liveth; death hath lost its sting.

***Thine be the glory, risen, conquering Son,  
endless is the victory thou o'er death hast won.***

3. No more we doubt thee, glorious Prince of life;  
life is nought without thee: aid us in our strife;  
make us more than conquerors,  
through thy deathless love:  
bring us safe through Jordan to thy home above.

***Thine be the glory, risen, conquering Son,  
endless is the victory thou o'er death hast won.***

EDMOND LOUIS BUDRY  
KESWICK LIVE RECORDING

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## Closing Benediction

*The grace of the **Lord Jesus Christ**  
and the love of **God**  
and the fellowship of the **Holy Spirit**  
be with us all.  
Amen.*

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## Bible verses

**Hebrews 9 v 26, 27:** Just as people are destined to die once, and after that to face judgment, so Christ was sacrificed once to take away the sins of many; and he will appear a second time, not to bear sin, but to bring salvation to those who are waiting for him.

**Isaiah 43 v 1 – 3:** Do not fear, for I have redeemed you; I have summoned you by name; you are mine. When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and when you pass through the rivers, they will not sweep over you. When you walk through the fire, you will not be burned; the flames will not set you ablaze. For I am the LORD your God, the Holy One of Israel, your Saviour.

**John 14 v 1 – 6:** *‘Do not let your hearts be troubled. You believe in God; believe also in me. My Father’s house has many rooms; if that were not so, would I have told you that I am going there to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back and take you to be with me that you also may be where I am. You know the way to the place where I am going.’* Thomas said to him, *‘Lord, we don’t know where you are going, so how can we know the way?’* I answered, *‘I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.’*

**John 11 v 25, 26:** Jesus said to her, *‘I am the resurrection and the life. The one who believes in me will live, even though they die; and whoever lives by believing in me will never die. Do you believe this?’*

**John 6 v 37:** *‘All those the Father gives me will come to me, and whoever comes to me I will never drive away.’*

## Quotation

**Oswald Chambers:** *“The remarkable thing about fearing God is that, when you fear God, you fear nothing else; whereas if you do not fear God, you fear everything else.”*