

*The Lord's Prayer*  
**Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come,  
your will be done,  
on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins  
as we forgive those  
who sin against us.  
Lead us not into temptation  
but deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power,  
and the glory are yours  
now and for ever. Amen.**

### **Going to love and serve**

Joining with all creation  
in celebrating your life,  
and anticipating the  
resurrection song  
that all shall sing;  
**may our lives give voice  
to the song of the angels  
and our footsteps find  
their way to the empty tomb:  
rejoicing that all shall be made new,  
and ever anew. Amen.**

*Optional:*

+ In the name of the Father, and of  
the Son, and of the Holy Spirit

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### **Sunday Morning and Easter - Risen Lord An Alternative Daily Office**

#### **Becoming present to God**

*Through a sign of attentiveness  
like lighting a candle or*

+ In the name of the Father,  
and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit

*or*

For as in Adam all die  
**Even so, in Christ,  
all shall be made alive!**

*or*

Christ has been raised from the  
dead,  
**The first fruits  
of those  
who have died.**

*or*

'God raised him up, having freed him  
from death, for it was impossible for  
him to be held in its power.' Acts  
2:24

## **Celebrating the presence of God**

Risen from the grave,  
you fill the world  
with the wonder of new life.  
Glory be to you, Risen Lord:  
**you make all things new.**

Ascended to the Father's  
right hand,  
you carry our humanity  
to the heart of Godhead.  
Glory be to you, Ascended Lord:  
**you make all things new.**

At the Father's right hand  
you ever intercede for us.  
Glory be to you, Reigning Lord:  
**you make all things new.**

Present in our world by your Spirit,  
you bring resurrection life to us  
in the midst of time,  
so that eternity might be planted  
in our hearts.  
Glory be to you, Immanent Lord:  
**you make all things new.**

*A pause to name any specific thanks  
or praise*

## Acknowledging our humanity

Living Lord,  
whose word brings life  
and love conquers all;  
when we are flooded with fear  
and deadened by despair;  
**speak the word that brings new life.**

Loving Lord,  
who has gone ahead  
on the road to eternity  
and opened up the way for us;  
when we lose our way  
and stumble into the ditch;  
**reach out and raise us up.**

Levelling Lord,  
before whose empty tomb  
all stand amazed;  
when we compare ourselves  
to others and find them wanting;  
**humble us and break our pride.**

Listening Lord,  
whose word brings new life;  
when we do not heed your voice  
and live as though you are still dead;  
**Shake us awake  
and whisper your ways and will  
within our soul  
until we are deafened  
to our own wants  
and desire only you  
in all your risen beauty.**

Lord have mercy, Christ have mercy

**Listening for the Word of God -**  
From *The Common Lectionary*

## Canticle – Optional

*Resurrection Song*  
What I am saying,  
brothers and sisters, is this:  
flesh and blood  
cannot inherit the kingdom of God,  
nor does the perishable  
inherit the imperishable.  
Listen, I will tell you a mystery!

**We will not all die,  
but we will all be changed,  
in a moment,  
in the twinkling of an eye,  
at the last trumpet.**

For the trumpet will sound,  
**and the dead will be raised  
imperishable,  
and we will be changed.**

For this perishable body  
must put on imperishability,  
**and this mortal body  
must put on immortality.**

When this perishable body  
puts on imperishability,  
and this mortal body  
puts on immortality,  
then the saying that is written  
will be fulfilled:

**“Death has been swallowed up in  
victory.”**

**“Where, O death, is your victory?  
Where, O death, is your sting?”**

The sting of death is sin,  
and the power of sin is the law.  
**But thanks be to God,  
who gives us the victory  
through our Lord Jesus Christ.**

Therefore, my beloved  
be steadfast, immovable,  
always excelling in  
the work of the Lord,  
**because you know that in the Lord  
your labour is not in vain.**  
*1 Corinthians 15:51-58 (NRSV)*

*Or a choice of Easter Anthems*

Christ our passover  
has been sacrificed for us:  
**so let us celebrate the feast,  
not with the old leaven  
of corruption and wickedness:  
but with the unleavened bread  
of sincerity and truth.**  
*1 Corinthians 5.7b, 8 (NRSV)*

Christ once raised from the dead  
dies no more:  
**death has  
no more dominion over him.**  
In dying he died to sin once for all:  
**in living he lives to God.**  
See yourselves therefore  
as dead to sin:  
**and alive to God  
in Jesus Christ our Lord.**  
*Romans 6.9-11 (NRSV)*

I am the first and the last  
and the living one.  
**I was dead, and see,  
I am alive for ever and ever;**  
And I have the keys  
of Death and Hades.  
*Revelation 1:17b-18 (NRSV)*

## Reflecting on our roots

**Living God, enable us this day  
to be pilgrims and companions:  
committed to the way of Christ,  
faithful to the call of Christ,  
discerning the mind of Christ,  
offering the welcome of Christ,  
growing in the likeness of Christ,  
engaging in the mission of Christ,  
in the world that belongs to Christ.**

## Bringing our concerns

Jesus of Nazareth,  
You shouldered the weight  
of the cross,  
so that the yoke we carry  
might be light,

**We pray for all who today  
carry heavy burdens.....**

Jesus, King of the Jews,  
You wore a Crown of Thorns that we  
might wear a crown of righteousness

**We pray for all who today  
are overwhelmed by guilt....**

Jesus, risen Saviour,  
Who left behind the grave sheet  
that we might be clothed  
with newness of life....

**We pray for all who struggle  
to leave behind  
the wrappings of pain and grief....**