

Morning Prayer for the Easter Season



**The Churches of Orsett, Bulphan and
Horndon on the Hill**

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Welcome to the Churches of Orsett, Bulphan and Horndon on the Hill.

Thank you for joining us!

If this is your first time at one of our churches, it's great to have you with us. Do make yourself known to the minister or to one of those greeting at the door.

This is a simple service of Morning Prayer for the Easter Season.

Please join in with the responses in bold, and the prayers, as you feel comfortable.

The church is fitted with an induction loop system; those with hearing aids should use the 'T' setting.

We hope you enjoy our worship.



If you would like to know more about the Christian faith or the life of our church community, please speak to Revd Sue or Revd Max. Or you can phone 01375 891254, visit us at www.hobnob.org.uk, or find us on Facebook or Twitter: @HOBNOBChurches

MORNING PRAYER FOR THE EASTER SEASON

PREPARATION

O Lord, open our lips
and our mouth shall proclaim your praise.
In your resurrection, O Christ,
let heaven and earth rejoice.
Alleluia.

THE EASTER ANTHEMS

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

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.

Amen.

THE WORD OF GOD

A Psalm is read which ends with,

**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.

One or two Bible readings are read.

PRAYERS

We may sit or kneel as we pray for others.

One of the following responses, or an alternative, may be used.

Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Lord, hear us,
Lord, graciously hear us.

And at the end:

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

Amen.

Silence may be kept.

COLLECT

This, or another prayer for the day, 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.

Amen.

The Lord's Prayer is said.

Trusting in the compassion of God, as our Saviour taught us, so we pray.

**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.**

THE CONCLUSION

May Christ, who bore our sins on the cross,
set us free to serve him with joy.

Amen.

Let us bless the Lord.

Thanks be to God.



*Send us out, in the power of your Spirit,
to live and work, to your praise and glory.....*

Go, in peace to love and serve the Lord.....

