



SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

PRAYER AT HOME RESOURCE



Sisters and brothers, ALLELUIA! - is our resounding song this Sunday morning.

This prayer is written to be adapted.

It begins with a blessing of Light – if you had a candle for Easter Sunday use it or use a new candle. This is followed by two readings from scripture, a reflection, a Seder Table Ritual, Intercessions and the Our Father.

Hymn options are in **blue** with a youtube link beside. To access, hover over the link, right click and choose 'Open link in a new tab'. In this way you will still be able to see the main text page whilst listening to the hymn.

The text in **red** are instruction not to be read out loud.

Gathering Song

'We Walk by Faith' (Haugen)

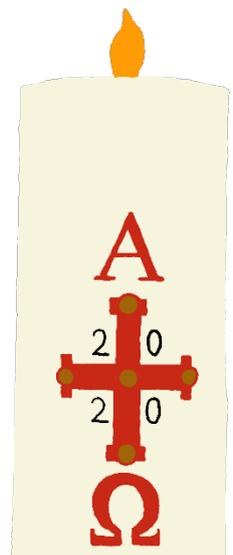
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xbe3bpi_9Pg

We walk by faith, and not by sight;
No gracious words we hear
of him who spoke as none e'er spoke,
but we believe him near.

We may not touch his hands and side,
nor follow where he trod;
yet in his promise we rejoice
and cry "My Lord and God".

Help then, O Lord, our unbelief,
and may our faith abound;
to call on you when you are near,
and seek where you are found.

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A Blessing of Light

The Leader lights the candle and says this prayer.

Leader

Let us pray
Blessed are you, Lord, God of light, Creator of the Universe.
Gather us near to you on this holy day.
May the warmth and light of this flame remind us of your love and presence,
God with us, through the Risen Christ.
Amen.

Kaiārahi

Me inoi tatou
Whakapaingia i ā koe, e te Atua, Matua o te rama,
te Kaihanga o te Ao.
Whakahuihui i a tātou tatangia ki a koe ki runga i
tēnei rā tapu.
Me kore te mahanatanga me te rama o tēnei mura,
me whakamahara i a tātou te aroha me te aroaro.
Ko te Matua ki ā mātou mā te Aranga ake o te
Karaiti.
Amine

Glory to God (Tony Alonso)

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vnmNz-gsFsM&list=RDvnmNz-gsFsM&start_radio=1&t=26

Refrain: Glory to God in the highest, and earth peace to people,
people of good will.

The Leader passes the candle to the Reader.

A Reading from Acts 2.42-47

They devoted themselves
to the teaching of the apostles and to the communal life,
to the breaking of bread and to the prayers.
Awe came upon everyone,
and many wonders and signs were done through the apostles.
All who believed were together and had all things in common;
they would sell their property and possessions
and divide them among all according to each one's need.
Every day they devoted themselves
to meeting together in the temple area
and to breaking bread in their homes.
They ate their meals with exultation and sincerity of heart,
praising God and enjoying favour with all the people.
And every day the Lord added to their number those who were being saved.



Psalm 118

'Let us Rejoice' (Haugen)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=36yPt8xqIGk>

Refrain: This is the day the Lord has made, let us rejoice and be glad!

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his mercy endure forever;

Let the house of Israel say: "His mercy endures forever."

This is the day the Lord has made, let us rejoice and be glad!

The hand of the Lord has struck with power, his right hand is exulted,
I shall not die, but live anew, declaring the works of the Lord.

This is the day the Lord has made, let us rejoice and be glad!

The stone which the builder rejected has become the cornerstone,
the Lord of love and mercy has brought wonder to our eyes!

This is the day the Lord has made, let us rejoice and be glad!

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Haami 118

Āreruia!

Whakawhetai ki a Ihowa; he pai hoki ia,
he pūmau tonu hoki tana mahi tohu.

Kia mea a Iharaira,

He pūmau tonu tana mahi tohu.

Āreruia!

Kua whakanuia te matau o Ihowa:
he maia ngā mahi a te ringa matau o Ihowa.

E kore ahau e mate, ēngari tērā ahau e ora,
hei whakapuaki i ngā mahi a Ihowa.

Āreruia!

Ko te kōhatu i kapea e ngā kaihangā,
kua meinga hei ūpoko mo te kokonga.

Nā Ihowa tēnei:

he mea mīharo ki o tātou kanohi.

Āreruia!



Gospel - John 20.19-31

On the evening of that first day of the week,
when the doors were locked, where the disciples
were,
for fear of the Jews,
Jesus came and stood in their midst
and said to them, "Peace be with you."
When he had said this, he showed them his hands
and his side.
The disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord.
Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you.
As the Father has sent me, so I send you."
And when he had said this, he breathed on them
and said to them,
"Receive the Holy Spirit.
Whose sins you forgive are forgiven them,
and whose sins you retain are retained."

Thomas, called Didymus, one of the Twelve,
was not with them when Jesus came.
So the other disciples said to him, "We have seen
the Lord."
But he said to them,
"Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands
and put my finger into the nail marks
and put my hand into his side, I will not believe."

Now a week later his disciples were again inside
and Thomas was with them.
Jesus came, although the doors were locked,
and stood in their midst and said, "Peace be with
you."
Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and
see my hands,
and bring your hand and put it into my side,
and do not be unbelieving, but believe."
Thomas answered and said to him, "My Lord and
my God!"
Jesus said to him, "Have you come to believe
because you have seen me?
Blessed are those who have not seen and have
believed."

Now, Jesus did many other signs in the presence of
his disciples
that are not written in this book.
But these are written that you may come to believe
that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God,
and that through this belief you may have life in his
name.

Hoani 20:19-31

I taua ra tuatahi ano o te wiki, i te ahiahi, i ngā tatau
e kati ana o te wāhi i huihui ai ngā ākongā i te wehi
i ngā Hūrai, ka haere mai a Hehu, ka tū i
waenganui, ka mea ki a rātou, Kia tau te rangimarie
ki a koutou.

A ka puaki tēnei kupu ana, ka whakakitea e ia ōna
ringa me tona kaokao ki a rātou. Nā hari tonu ngā
ākongā, i to rātou kitenga i te Ariki.

Ka mea ano a Hehu ki a rātou, Kia tau te
rangimarie ki a koutou: i tonoa mai ahau e te
Matua, ka pērā ano taku tono i a koutou.

Ka kōrerotia tēnei e ia, ka whakahā ia, ka mea ki a
rātou, Kia riro te Wairua Tapu i a koutou:

Ki te whakarerea noatia e koutou ngā hara o ētahi,
ka whakarerea ō rātou; ki te whakamaua ano ō
ētahi e koutou, ka mau ano.

Ko Tāmati ia, ko tētahi o te tekau mā rua, tētahi o
ōna ingoa ko Ririmu, kāhore i a rātou i te taenga
mai o Hehu.

Ā, ko te meatanga a ērā ākongā ki a ia, Kua kite
mātou i te Ariki; ka mea ia ki a rātou, Ki te kāhore
ahau e kite i te ngaunga o ngā waho i ōna ringa, e
kuhu i tōku matihao ki te ngaunga a ngā whao, e
kuhi hoki i tōku ringa ki tona kaokao, e kore ahau e
whakapono.

Ā ka pāhemo ngā rā e waru, a kei roto ano ana
ākongā, rātou ko Tāmati: ka haere mai a Hehu i te
mea e kati ana ngā tatau, ka tū ki waenganui, ka
mea, Kia tau te rangimarie ki a koutou.

Kātahi ia ka mea ki a Tāmati, totoro mai tou
matihao, kia kite hoki koe i ōku ringa; tōtoro mai
hoki tou ringa, ka kuhu ki tōku kaokao: aua e
whakateka, ēngari me whakapono.

Nā ka whakahoki a Tāmati, ka mea ki a ia, e tōku
Ariki, e tōku Atua.

Ka mea a Hehu ki a ia, Nō tou kitenga i ahau, i
whakapono ai koe, e Tāmati: ka koa te hunga
kāhore i kite, a kua whakapono.

He maha ano ērā atu tohu i toi i a Hehu, i te aroaro
o āna ākongā, kāhore nei i tuhituhia ki tēnei
pukapuka:

Ōtiā kua tuhituhia ēnei, kia whakapono ai koutou
ko te Karaiti a Hehu, ko te Tama a te Atua; kia
whiwhi ai hoki ki te ora i runga i tōna ingoa, inā
whakapono.



Reflection

from the Manawatu Prison Volunteers' Easter Newsletter

Remanded paihere (prisoner) John in the 'At Risk Unit' requested to see me. John did not believe in God, he'd attempted suicide several times but failed. I went and saw him at the yard where he shared with me that a prison chaplain one day visited him. He was struggling with a sore back and in the middle of his pain, the chaplain offered to pray for healing. John reluctantly stretched out his hand and the chaplain prayed.

To John's amazement, the very next day the pain was completely gone. John then tried to understand how this happened to him. I quietly said to him that Jesus instructed us to lay hands on the sick so they may be healed.

John then asked for a Bible and we gave him one. The chaplain has since been seeing John to help him with his new faith in God. Praise be to God!

In this time of lockdown, let us remember those in a more enduring lockdown and pray for their needs.

A Seder Table Blessing

If you wish, follow the ancient Jewish tradition of the Table Seder. Place the lit candle with the bread and cups of wine/juice on the table. Read the Prayer together or read a verse each.

1st Century Prayer for household gatherings of Christians:

We give thanks to you, our Father,
For the life and knowledge which you have made known to us.
Through Jesus, your servant, to you be glory forever.

For as this broken loaf was once scattered over the mountains and then was gathered in and became one, so may our church be gathered together into your kingdom from the very ends of the earth.

Yours is the glory and the power through Jesus Christ forever.

Break the loaf into pieces and pass so each may take a piece to eat.

Take the cup of wine/juice saying;

We give thanks to you, our Father,
For the holy vine of David, your servant, which you have made known to us.
Through Jesus, your servant, to you be glory forever
Amen!

Pass the wine/juice so each may drink of the one cup

We give thanks, O Holy Eternal One,
for your holy name and Spirit which you have made to dwell in our hearts,
and for the knowledge and faith and life which you have made known to us.
Through Jesus, your servant, to you be glory forever.

You are the one who created all beings, you have given food and drink to the human family that there may be joy and thankfulness.

But to us, you have given spiritual food and drink, and life eternal through your servant Jesus.
Above all things we give thanks to you because you are love: to you be glory forever.

Remember, Lord, your church, deliver her from evil, make her complete in your love and gather her from the four winds into your kingdom which you have prepared for her. For yours is the power and the glory forever. Amen.



Table Song

'One Bread one Body' (Foley)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nNNOQm6WO54&list=RDvnmNz-gsFsM&index=6>

Refrain One bread, one body, one Lord of all,
one cup of blessing which we bless.
And we, though many, throughout the earth,
we are one Body in this one Lord.

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Prayers

Pray together or take a prayer each

Risen Christ, for the lower infection numbers, we rejoice.

Ko Hehu Karaiti te Kakenga, mo ngā tau iti e poke ana, kia whakahari tātou.

Risen Christ, for the essential workers and those supporting them, we rejoice.

Ko Hehu Karaiti te Kakenga, mo ngā kaimahi iho me rātou i tautokongia i ā rātou, kia whakahari tātou.

Risen Christ, for the many acts of generosity and kindness, we rejoice.

Ko Hehu Karaiti te Kakenga, mo ngā mahi manaakitanga me ngā mahi ātawhai, kia whakahari tātou.

Risen Christ, for children adapting to being sequestered at home, we rejoice.

Ko Hehu Karaiti te Kakenga, mo ngā tamariki i uru ki te pūreireitanga ki ngā kainga, kia whakahari tātou.

Risen Christ, for parents coping with these uncharted times, we rejoice.

Ko Hehu Karaiti te Kakenga, mo ngā mātua waewae kai pakiaka ki waenga i tēnei wā rerekē, kia whakahari tātou.

Risen Christ, for the health and social services supporting the lockdown, we rejoice.

Ko Hehu Karaiti te Kakenga, mo ō rātou kaimahi hauora, tikanga ā iwi rānei kei te tautokotia i tēnei wā raka, kia whakahari tātou.

Risen Christ, for our leaders keeping us informed and reassured, we rejoice.

Ko Hehu Karaiti te Kakenga, mo ngā kaiārahi i te whakamōhiotia me te whakatītina i ā tātou, kia whakahari tātou.

Risen Christ, for the creativity shared across the internet, we rejoice.

Ko Hehu Karaiti te Kakenga, mo te auahatanga i whakatohaina ki runga i te ipurangi, kia whakahari tātou.

Risen Christ, for these signs of resurrection, we are grateful and rejoice.

Ko Hehu Karaiti te Kakenga, mo ngā tohu o te Kakenga, kei te whakawhetai, whakahari tātou.

Risen Christ, for the signs of healing for our earth in this period of reduced pollution, we rejoice.

Ko Hehu Karaiti te Kakenga, mo ngā tohu whakaora mo Papatūānuku ki roto i tēnei wā te heke haere o te parahanga, kia whakahari tātou.

Please add your own prayers



The Lord's Prayer

Everyone prays this together

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.

Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours
now and for ever. Amen.

Kua akona nei tātou e tō tātou Ariki,
ka inoi tatou

E tō mātou Matua i te rangi
Kia tapu tōu Ingoa.
Kia tae mai tōu rangatiratanga.
Kia meatia tāu e pai ai
ki runga ki te whenua,
kia rite anō ki tō te rangi.
Hōmai ki a mātou āiane
he taro mā mātou mō tēnei rā.
Murua ō mātou hara,
Me mātou hoki e muru nei
i ō te hunga e hara ana ki a mātou.
Āua hoki mātou e kawea kia whakawaia;
Engari whakaorangia mātou i te kino:
Nōu hoki te rangatiratanga, te kaha,
me te korōria,
Āke ake ake. Āmine.

E tō mātou Matua (sung Our Father with words)

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QlyK7c_Az8g

Blessing

Leader

Let us pray
God almighty, merciful Saviour,
You are our faith and our great consolation.
Bless us in the days to come
that we may radiate your peace and healing to the
world.
In Christ's name.
Amen

Kaiārahi

Me inoi tātou
E te Atua i Runga Rawa, te Kaiwhakaora ātawhai,
Ko koe i to tātou pono me tō tātou tupoho nui.
Whakapaingia i a tātou i ngā rangi ka eke mai
Ā ka taea te hīhī o tōu rangimarie me te
whakaoranga ki te ao
I te ingoa o Hehu Karaiti.
Amene

Sending Forth

'Wake the World' (Warner) (based on the words of Pope Francis)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tqctTHr7lcc>

Wake the world with dawning joy. Wake it with your gladness.
Work for justice, live in peace, claim the Word courageous!
Let us sing to God this new day, See the world in a different way.
Let us wake the world, wake the world with abiding words of faith.

Though the world is locked in sleep, let us rise rejoicing.
One with Christ, his light to keep, called to human kindness.



Let us sing to God this new day, walk the world in a holy way,
let us wake the world, wake the world with uplifting words of hope.

Love the world with different eyes, God's own love incarnate!
Leaving all to follow Christ, sweet and endless mercy.
Let us sing to God this new day, reach the world in miraculous ways,
let us wake the world, wake the world with prophetic words of love.

Thunder now God's song of praise, wake to harp and dancing,
song to lift us all our days, song of love and triumph.
For the Bridegroom now awaits us in the faces of all we meet,
Now awake the world! Wake the world with unending words of joy.

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