

Easter Service
Sunday 12th April 2020 for you in
your garden or at your outside door.



Easter affirmation:

Leader: When we are all despairing;
when the world is full of grief;
when we see no way ahead,
and hope has gone away.

All: Roll back the stone.

Leader: Although we fear change;
although we are not ready;
although we'd rather weep
and run away or curl up beneath a duvet:

All: Roll back the stone.

Leader: Because we're coming with the women;
because we hope where hope is vain;
because You call us from the grave
and show the way:

All: Roll back the stone.

© Janet Morley

The night has been long, but now the morning is
here.

Be with us, loving Lord.

Let us go to the garden where our Lord is laid.

Go with us, leading Lord.

We come to the place, but he is not there.

Be with us, surprising Lord.

The stone is moved, the tomb empty.

Be with us, risen Lord.

We hear the words, 'He is not here. He
is risen.'

Alleluia! Christ is risen. He is risen indeed.

Alleluia!

Prayer:

O God of might, of thunderous hope,
we worship you.

You are indeed awesome; you shatter death.

The heavy stone is rolled away;

it is no match for your strength.

We come to you in trembling faith, for you are
God over all. We praise you for your mercy, and
for your great power.

We come now to the Risen One.

We lift our eyes to see Him.

We recognise His glory.

We thank him for all He has done Amen.

Shotts Calderhead Erskine Parish Church of Scotland SC006538

CCL Licence number: 699111

**O God,
bring new life where we are worn and tired,
new love where we have turned hard-hearted,
forgiveness where we have wounded,
and the joy and freedom of Your Holy Spirit
where we are the prisoners of our selves.**

Silence

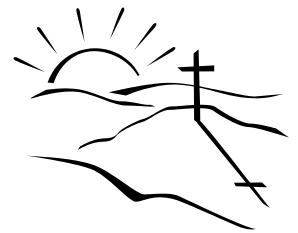
To all and to each, where regret is real,
God pronounces pardon
and grants us the right to begin again.
Thanks be to God!

Our Father.....

Romans 8: 31-39

**He is Lord He is Lord
He is risen from the dead
And He is Lord
Every knee shall bow
Every tongue confess
That Jesus Christ is Lord.**

**He is Lord He is Lord
He is risen from the dead
And He is Lord
Every knee shall bow
Every tongue confess
That Jesus Christ is Lord.**



Matthew 28: 1-10

**Majesty worship His majesty,
Unto Jesus be glory, honour and praise.
Majesty, kingdom authority,
Flows from His throne unto His own,
His anthem raise.**

*So exalt, lift up on high the name of Jesus,
Magnify, come glorify Christ Jesus the King.
Majesty, worship his majesty,
Jesus who died, now glorified,*

King of all kings. Hayford, Jack © 1981 Rocksmith
Music (Admin. by Leosong Copyright Service Ltd)

**MP 295 I serve a risen Saviour
He's in the world today
I know that He is living
Whatever men may say
I see His hand of mercy,**



I hear His voice of cheer
And just the time I need Him
He's always near.

*He lives, he lives,
Christ Jesus lives today!
He walks with me and talks with me
Along life's narrow way.
He lives, he lives
Salvation to impart!
You ask me how I know He lives?
He lives within my heart.*

**Rejoice, rejoice, o Christian,
Lift up Your voice and sing
Eternal Alleluias
To Jesus Christ the king!
The hope of all who seek Him,
The help of all who find,
None other is so loving, so good and kind.**

Prayer for others



**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*

**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.**

**No more we doubt Thee, glorious Prince of life;
Life is naught 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.**

He is Risen!



Jesus Christ, we greet you!
Your hands still have holes in them,
your feet are wet from the dew;
and with the memory of our names
undimmed by three days of death
You meet us, risen from the grave.

We fail to understand how;
we puzzle at the reason why.

But You have come:
not to answer our questions
but to show us Your face.

You are alive
and the world can rejoice again.
Hallelujah! Amen.

for an Easter Reflection on Our Living Hope –
Why Easter matters see website:
calderhead-erskine-church.com

