We pray for our world, naming those people and places that are aching for healing and hope.

prayers for the earth are shared candles may be lit

Holy One – Sacred Three we praise you for coming among us in Jesus embodying your beauty, truth and grace in healing, teaching and feasting, in serving, dying and rising and for your ongoing presence with us this day we praise you with the communion of saints we praise you with angels we praise you with all things.

a moment of stillness a song or hymn may be sung

As we leave this table, we know that you go with us

And so we bless ourselves and one another with your blessing:

May Blessed Trinity be with us all:
May the Source of all be upholding you
May radiant Christ be infusing you
May Spirit Holy be guiding you
Every step that you take in this stormy world.
In the name of Christ. Amen

'Come and have breakfast'

A table liturgy for Easter Day Grounded in John's Gospel April 2020



A Table Liturgy for Easter Day in Isolation

Christ is risen!
Christ is risen indeed!

This Easter Day we greet you Blessed God Holy Mystery, Holy Word, Holy Flame

a candle is lit

Your life is stronger than death Your love is stronger than hate Your peace is stronger than all our violence

Source of all our endings and beginnings We praise you

Jesus, our crucified and risen healer **We praise you**

Spirit holy, our truth and our freedom **We praise you**

a moment of stillness

While the disciples were still weighed down by fear and dismay, Jesus stood by a fire on the beach and called out to them:

'Come and have breakfast' John 21.12

Our God meets us in our fear and our faith our doubt and our hope – so rest in Divine love:

a moment of stillness

Jesus says: 'I am the bread of life: whoever comes to me will never be hungry' John 6.35

Jesus, Bread of life, we praise you for your nourishment and healing

bread or hot cross buns are shared

a song or hymn may be sung

We give thanks too, for the gift of food we will now share. We pray that the day will soon dawn when all will live in justice and mercy so that there is enough food for everyone. Please strengthen us to work with you for this.

Enjoying the feast together
-you may wish to include fish in your feast

You may like to read John 20.1–18 or John 21.1–14 and discuss your reactions, thoughts, questions and insights.

You may like to reflect on recent experiences of the presence of God in your life, or experiences of resurrection in your community.

Jesus says: 'I am the vine, you are the branches, those who abide in me and I in them, bear much fruit' John 15.5

Jesus, the true vine, may your divine life cascade in ours, growing us up in love

juice is shared