

# Selby Abbey Sunday Service (Easter)

*To be used with the Service broadcast from the Abbey and available on YouTube.  
The congregation's words are in **bold***

## INTRODUCTION

Blessed be God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit. **Amen**

The Lord be with you      **and also with you.**

Alleluia, Christ is Risen!      **He is risen indeed, Alleluia, Alleluia!**

*The Priest will introduce our service of worship and lead into the CONFESSIO where we say sorry to God for the wrong we have done and the good we have not done and ask for his forgiveness for the past and his help in the future.*

**CONFESSIO:** In baptism we died with Christ, so that as Christ was raised from the dead, we might walk in newness of life. Let us receive new life in him as we confess our sins in penitence and faith.

Jesus Christ, risen Master and triumphant Lord, we come to you in sorrow for our sins, and confess to you our weakness and unbelief.

We have lived by our own strength, and not by the power of your resurrection.  
In your mercy, forgive us      **Lord, hear us and help us**

We have lived by the light of our own eyes, as faithless and not believing.  
In your mercy, forgive us      **Lord, hear us and help us**

We have lived for this world alone and doubted our home in heaven.  
In your mercy, forgive us      **Lord, hear us and help us**

*The Priest declares God's forgiveness in words of ABSOLUTION*

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS - *a traditional song of praise*

Glory to God, glory in the highest. Peace to his people, peace on earth  
**Glory to God, glory in the highest. Peace to his people, peace on earth**

Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father  
**Glory to God, glory in the highest. Peace to his people, peace on earth**

We worship you  
**Glory in the highest**

Give you thanks  
**Glory in the highest**

Praise you for your glory

**Glory to God, glory in the highest. Peace to his people, peace on earth**

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us

**Have mercy on us**

You are seated at the right hand of the Father, receive our prayer

**Receive our prayer**

Glory to God, glory in the highest. Peace to his people, peace on earth

**Glory to God, glory in the highest. Peace to his people, peace on earth**

For you alone are the holy one, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the most high, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God, the glory of God, the Father

**Glory to God, glory in the highest. Peace to his people, peace on earth**

THE COLLECT

BIBLE READINGS

This is the word of the Lord.      **Thanks be to God.**

*A reading from a GOSPEL*

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to N.      **Glory to you, O Lord.**

*At the end*

This is the Gospel of the Lord.      **Praise to you, O Christ.**

SERMON

THE CREED

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,**

**God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,  
begotten not made, of one Being with the Father;  
through him all things were made.**

**For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven,  
was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and was made man.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried.**

**On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures;  
he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified,  
who has spoken through the prophets.**

**We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.**

**We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.**

**We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

#### PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

*A response may be used:* Lord, in your mercy. **Hear our prayer.**

*And at the end:* Merciful Father,  
**accept these prayers for the sake of your Son,  
our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.**

#### THE PEACE

*The priest introduces the Peace, and then says:*

The Peace of the Lord be always with you. **And also with you.**

#### PREPARATION OF THE TABLE

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation.

In your loving care you spread before us the table of life and give us the cup of salvation to drink. Keep us always in the fold of our Saviour and our Shepherd, your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Blessed be God for ever.**

#### EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give thanks and praise.**

*Either some words reflecting the theme of the Sunday or the Season or:*

Father, we give you thanks and praise through your beloved Son Jesus Christ, your living Word, through whom you have created all things; who was sent by you in your great goodness to be our Saviour. By the power of the Holy Spirit he took flesh; as your Son, born of the blessed Virgin, he lived on earth and went about among us; he opened wide his arms for us on the cross; he put an end to death by dying for us; and revealed the resurrection by rising to new life; so he fulfilled your will and won for you a holy people. Therefore with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we proclaim your great and glorious name, for ever praising you and saying:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

Lord, you are holy indeed, the source of all holiness; grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit, and according to your holy will, these gifts of bread and wine may be to us the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ: who, in the same night that he was betrayed, took bread and gave you thanks; he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying: 'Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me.' In the same way, after supper he took the cup and gave you thanks; he gave it to them, saying: 'Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.'

Jesus Christ is Lord:

**Lord, by your cross and resurrection you have set us free.  
You are the Saviour of the world.**

And so, Father, calling to mind his death on the cross, his perfect sacrifice made once for the sins of the whole world; rejoicing in his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension, and looking for his coming in glory, we celebrate this memorial of our redemption.

As we offer you this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, we bring before you this bread and this cup and we thank you for counting us worthy to stand in your presence and serve you. Send the Holy Spirit on your people and gather into one in your kingdom all who share this one bread and one cup, so that we, in the company of [*N and*] all the saints, may praise and glorify you for ever, through Jesus Christ our Lord; by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory be yours, almighty Father, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

As our Saviour taught us, so we pray

**Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name,  
thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses  
as we forgive those who trespass against us,  
and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory for and for ever. Amen.**

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

We break the bread of life, and that life is the light of the world.

**God here among us, light in the midst of us, bring us to light and life.**

*We sing a version of the AGNUS DEI, a traditional song about Jesus, the 'lamb' of God, who gave himself as a sacrifice for the sins of the world*

**Jesus, risen Lord, triumphant King: Jesus, true redeemer of the world:  
Hear our prayer, have mercy; hear our prayer, have mercy; give us your peace.**

**Jesus, Morning star which never sets: Jesus, Paschal lamb and sacrifice:  
Hear our prayer, have mercy; hear our prayer, have mercy; give us your peace.**

**Jesus, bursting from the shattered tomb: Jesus, mighty Victor over death:  
Hear our prayer, have mercy; hear our prayer, have mercy; *give us your peace.***

Jesus is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world.

Blessed are those who are called to his supper

**Lord I am not worthy to receive you, but only say the word and I shall be healed**

GIVING OF COMMUNION: Draw near with faith, receive the body of our Lord Jesus Christ which he gave for you. Eat in remembrance that he died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

PRAYERS AFTER COMMUNION

*The priest may say a prayer first, then all may say the following prayer*

**Father of all, we give you thanks and praise,  
that when we were still far off you met us in your Son and brought us home.  
Dying and living, he declared your love, gave us grace,  
and opened the gate of glory.**

**May we who share Christ's body live his risen life;  
we who drink his cup bring life to others;  
we whom the Spirit lights give light to the world.  
Keep us firm in the hope you have set before us,  
so we and all your children shall be free,  
and the whole earth live to praise your name;  
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

THE BLESSING

Go in the peace of Christ. Alleluia. Alleluia.

**Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia.**

The Lord be with you  
**and also with you.**

Let us bless the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

May the faithful departed, through the mercy and love of God, rest in peace  
**and rise in glory.**