

Season of Easter

3rd May 2026

Led by Deanna MacCartney & Jo Clifford

Welcome & Gathering

Call:

One: The Risen Christ is amongst us

ALL: Breathing new vision into our imaginations

One: Breathing new hope into our hearts

ALL: Breathing new purpose into our actions

One: Risen Christ, with all that is in us,

ALL: we raise our voices to praise you...

Hymn: O laughing light CH4 135

O laughing Light, O first-born of creation,
radiance of glory, light from light begotten,
God self-revealing, holy, bright and blessed:
you shine upon us.

Day's light is fleeting, yours is light eternal;
we look to you, our light within the shadow.
We sing to you, Creator, Christ, and Spirit.
You shine before us.

Light of the world, O Jesus Christ, we bless you.
Giver of life and Child of God, we praise you.
Hear as the universe proclaims your glory!
You shine among us.

Prayer

Introduce Focusing Movement:

ALL: From deep within us (hands at stomach))
To the farthest reaches of space (hands up)
The Risen Christ is present.

We unite our prayers together in the Jesus' Prayer or Lord's Prayer using the form or words which are most worshipful for us...

Source of Life,



*Beneath the
longing
by
Jan Richardson*

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Father and Mother of us all:
Creation honours you!
May your Realm of Justice & Joy
Sustain our hope and come on earth.

With the bread we need for today, feed us.
In the hurts we absorb from one another,
forgive us.
In times of temptation and test, strengthen us.
From trials too great to endure, spare us.
From the grip of all that is evil, free us.
For you reign in the glory of the power that is love, now and for ever. Amen

Time for all ages

Hymn: Ubi caritas CH4 801

Ubi caritas et amor,
ubi caritas,
Deus ibi est.

(Where there is charity and love, God is there.)

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Readings read by Francis Nunez

John 14:1-14

14“Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me. 2In my Father’s house there are many dwelling places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? 3And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also.

4And you know the way to the place where I am going.” 5Thomas said to him, “Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?” 6Jesus said to him, “I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. 7If you know me, you will know my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him.” 8Philip said to him, “Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied.” 9Jesus said to him, “Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, ‘Show us the Father’? 10Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in

me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works. 11 Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves.

12 Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. 13 I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. 14 If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it.

Reflection by Jo Clifford

Meditation by Phil Thornton

Offering & Dedication

Praise God from whom all blessing flow
Praise God all creature here below
Praise God above, You heavenly host
Praise Maker Christ and Holy Ghost

Music: Louis Bourgeois, c. 1510-1561.

Words: Thomas Ken, 1637-1711

Communion

Hymn: Come to the table of grace

Come to the table of grace
Come to the table of grace
This God's table it's not yours or mine
Come to table of grace.

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One: We unite in prayer with followers of Jesus since the earliest times as we say:

God be with you

ALL: And with your spirit

One: Lift up your hearts

ALL: We lift them to God

One: Let us give thanks to God

ALL: It is right to give our thanks and praise

One: Holy Loving God,

For the universe you have crafted in all its variety and mystery

ALL: We praise and thank you

One: For the gift of Christ Jesus; vulnerable healer & guide

ALL: We praise and thank you

One: For your Salvation; love crucified and resurrected.

ALL: We praise and thank you

One: With people everywhere, past present and yet to come

ALL: We praise and thank you.

One: We offer you our thanks as we sing together...

Hymn: God bless to us our bread CH4 763

God bless to us our bread,
And give bread to all those who are hungry
and hunger for justice to all who are fed.
God bless to us our bread.

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Song: This is the body of Christ CH4 799

Broken that we might be whole.
This cup as promised by God,
True to God's Word,
Cradles our Lord
Food the good of us all.

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Closing Response

One: Together we are nourished by Jesus' life.

ALL: We go to share his life and love.

Notices

Hymn: Let us talents and tongues CH4 673

Let us talents and tongues employ
Reaching out with a shout of joy
Read is broken and wine is poured
Christ is spoken in deed and word
*Jesus lives again
Earth can breathe again
Pass the word around
Loaves abound!*

Christ is able to make us one
At his table he sets the tone
Teaching people to live to bless
Love in deed and in word express.
*Jesus lives again
Earth can breathe again
Pass the word around
Loaves abound!*

Jesus calls us in sends us out
Bearing fruit in the midst of doubt,

Gives us love to tell, bread to share:
God (Immanuel!) everywhere.
Jesus lives again
Earth can breathe again
Pass the word around
Loaves abound!

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Blessing & Sung Amen

What's on @ AUC this week?

Event	Date	Time	Location	Notes
Sunday Worship	Sun 3 rd May	11am	AUC & Online	Deanna is leading and Jo is preaching
Post Service Zoom Social	Sun 3 rd May	12 noon	Online	
Disability and the Bible	Mon 4 th May	7:30- 8:30 pm	Online	Join Mike Holroyd and Sian Joyner as they lead a series of online discussions where we'll read a short Bible passage together and share a discussion on disability in the Bible. Contact Mike Holroyd for more information and the Zoom link mike.holroyd@augustine.org.uk
Contextual Bible Study	Wed 6 th May	7.30- 8.30 pm	Online	1 Peter 2:2-10 Email centre.manager@augustine.org.uk for the Zoom link
Contextual Bible Study	Thu 7 th May	12- 1pm	Online	1 Peter 2:2-10 Email centre.manager@augustine.org.uk for the Zoom link
Our Tribe LGBTQI+ Gathering	Thu 7 th May	7:30- 9pm	Online	Our Tribe is a monthly gathering for LGBTQI+ Christians, allies and explorers. We meet online 7.30-9pm to explore a topic and worship together. To find out more and to get online links please email Rev Maxwell Reay (maxwell.reay@augustine.org.uk).
Sunday Worship	Sun 10 th May	11am	AUC & Online	Blended worship with Fiona leading and preaching
Post Service Zoom Social	Sun 10 th May	12 noon	Online	
Soup lunch	Sun 10 th May	12- 12:30 pm	AUC	

AUC Church Meeting AGM	Sun 10 th May	12:30 -2pm	AUC	Everyone is welcome to attend. If you are not a church member or associate member, but would like to receive papers for the meetings in advance, please email the Church Secretary Linda (secretary@augustine.org.uk)
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