

The Shepherd Knows Your Name Foto Sisters Pre-service song #1 4.29mins <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HYhKJM8hJCw</u>



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Pre-service song #2 9.29mins https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=aE16N62mC7w



Welcome

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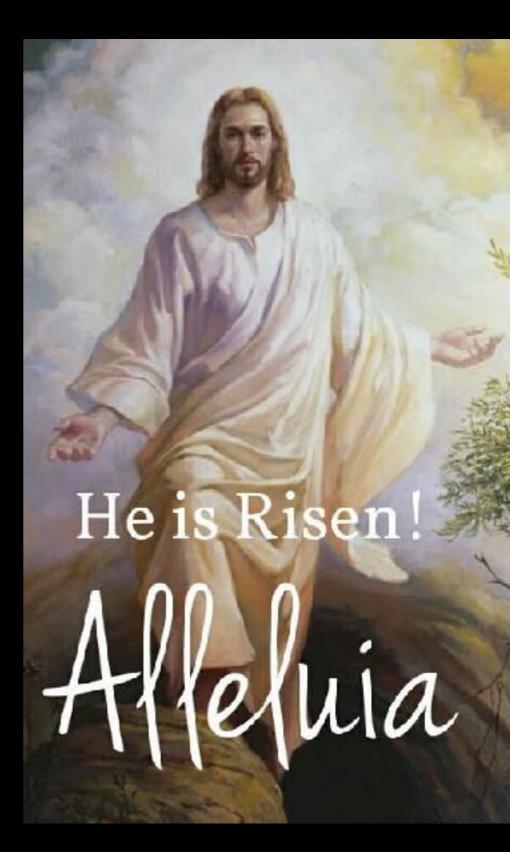
Church!

#### **Opening** sentences

... 'Why are you troubled, and why do doubts rise in your minds? Look at my hands and my feet. It is I myself! (Lk 24.38-9)

This is the season we celebrate our Lord Jesus Christ passing from death to life. Throughout the world Christians celebrate the awesome power of God. As we hear and trust God's word, and as we proclaim all that God has done, we can be confident that we shall share his victory over death and live with him for ever.

The Lord is Risen! He is risen indeed, Alleluia!



We gather in the Name of God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

The Lord be with you.

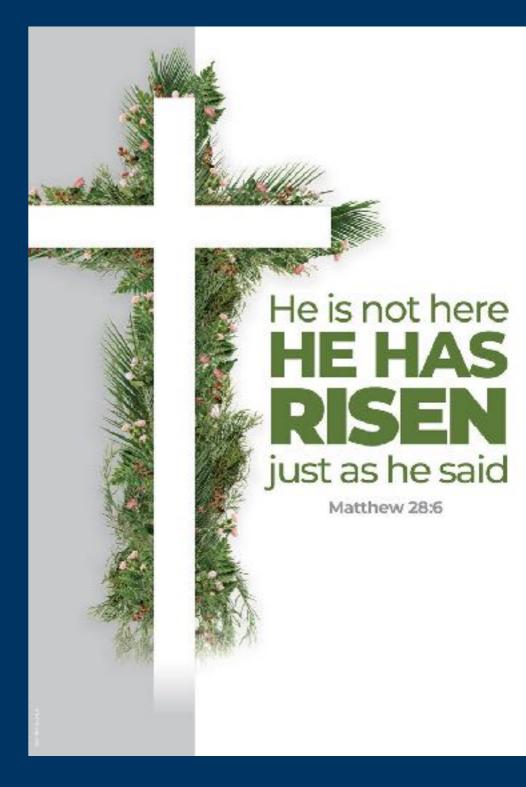
# All And also with you.

#### Humm 1





Amazing Grace https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=aE16N62mC7w **All** Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hidden: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of Your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love You, and worthily magnify Your Holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

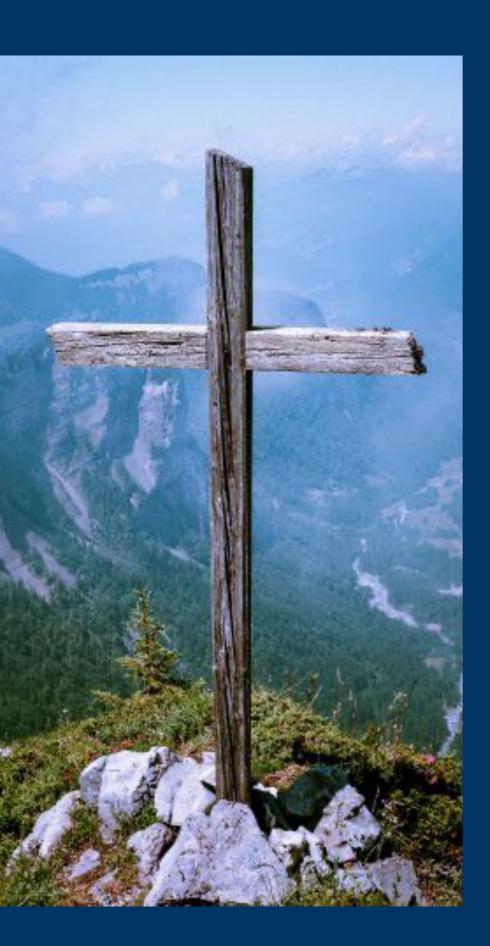


#### PRAYERS OF RETURNING

Jesus says, 'Turn away from your sins, for the kingdom of God is close at hand.' (Mark 1.15)

So let us turn away from our sin and turn to Christ, confessing our sins in penitence and faith.

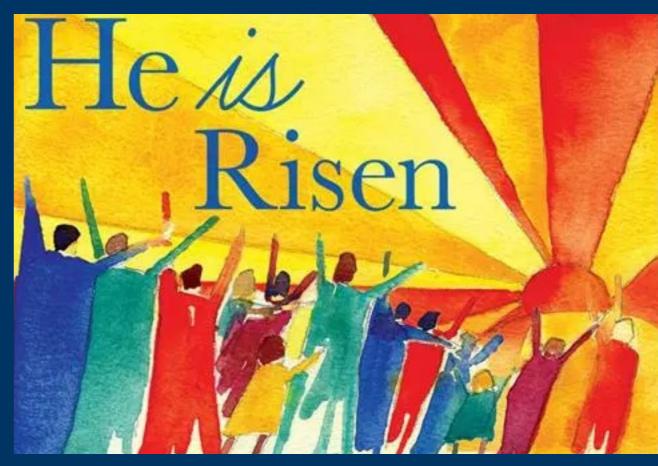
Almighty God, who in Jesus Christ has given us a kingdom that cannot be destroyed, forgive us our sins, open our eyes to God's truth, strengthen us to do God's will and give us the joy of His kingdom, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

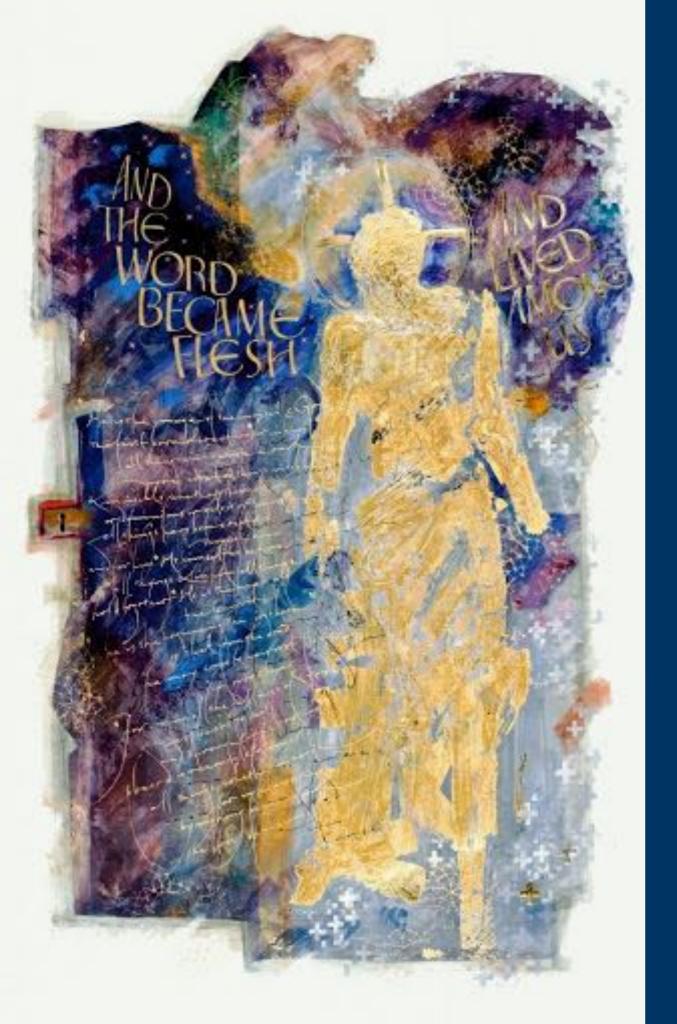


May the Father of all mercies cleanse us from our sins, and restore us in His image to the praise and glory of his name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### Collect

Risen Jesus Christ, you filled your disciples with boldness and fresh hope: strengthen us to proclaim your risen life and fill us with your peace, to the glory of God the Father.





#### The Word of GOD

St Paul says; The kingdom of God is not a matter of talk but of power.' (1 Corinthians 4.20)

### Through our lives and by our prayers may Your kingdom come.

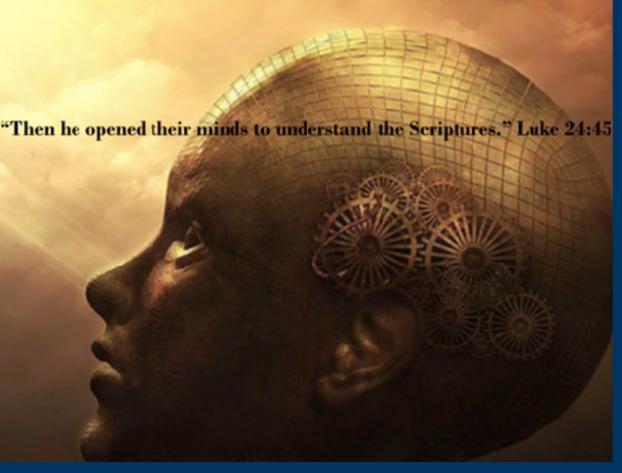
#### Luke 24.36b-48 Jesus Appears to the Disciples



36 While they were still talking about this, Jesus himself stood among them and said to them, 'Peace be with you.' 37 They were startled and frightened, thinking they saw a ghost. 38 He said to them, Why are you troubled, and why do doubts rise in your minds? 39 Look at my hands and my feet. It is I myself! Touch me and see; a ghost does not have flesh and bones, as you see I have.'



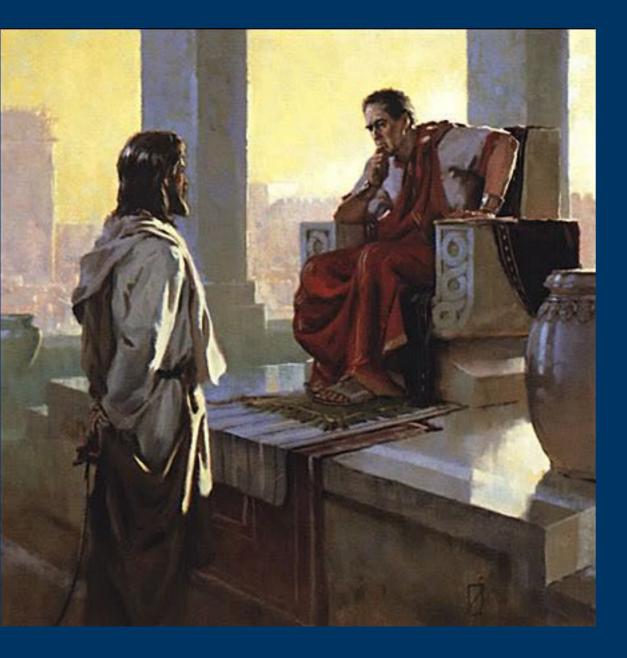
40 When he had said this, he showed them his hands and feet. 41 And while they still did not believe it because of joy and amazement, he asked them, 'Do you have anything here to eat?' 42 They gave him a piece of broiled fish, 43 and he took it and ate it in their presence.



44 He said to them, 'This is what I told you while I was still with you: everything must be fulfilled that is written about me in the Law of Moses, the Prophets and the Psalms.' 45 Then he opened their minds so they could understand the Scriptures. 46 He told them, 'This is what is written: the Messiah will suffer and rise from the dead on the third day, 47 and repentance for the forgiveness of sins will be preached in his name to all nations, beginning at Jerusalem. 48 You are witnesses of these things. 49 I am going to send you what my Father has promised; but stay in the city until you have been clothed with power from on high.



Peter speaks to the onlookers 11 While the man [who had been a lame beggar] held on to Peter and John, all the people were astonished and came running to them in the place called Solomon's Colonnade. 12 When Peter saw this, he said to them: 'Fellow Israelites, why does this surprise you? Why do you stare at us as if by our own power or godliness we had made this man walk? 13 The God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, the God of our fathers, has glorified his servant Jesus.

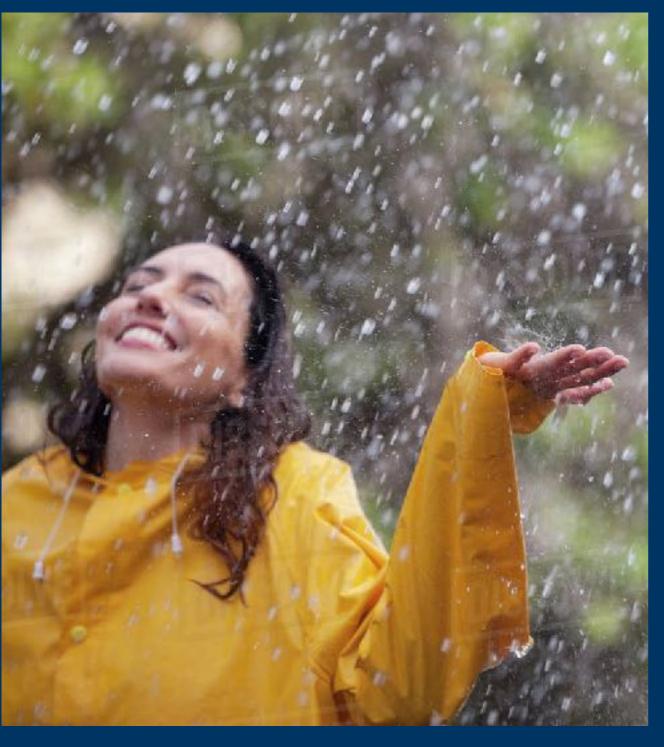


You handed him over to be killed, and you denied him before Pilate, though he had decided to let him go. 14 You disowned the Holy and Righteous One and you asked that a murderer be released to you. 15 You killed the author of life,

but God raised Him from the dead. We are witnesses of this.



16 By faith in the name of Jesus, this man whom you see and know was made strong. It is Jesus' name and the faith that comes through Him that has completely healed the man, as you can all see.



17 Now, fellow Israelites, I know that you acted in ignorance, as did your leaders. 18 But this is how God fulfilled what he had foretold through all the prophets, saying that his Messiah would suffer. 19 Repent, then, and turn to God, so that your sins may be wiped out, that times of refreshing may come from the Lord, 20 and that he may send the Messiah, who has been appointed for you – even Jesus. 21 Heaven must receive him until the time comes for God to restore everything, as he promised long ago through his holy prophets.

Humm 2

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# From the Library of The Foto Sisters

# O Great God

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O Great God-Sovereign Grace <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eKQHqUo6qOw&t=118s</u>

The key passage in Acts 3 is verse 16.

It was by faith in the Name of Jesus (i.e. the powerful, living-even-though-He-was-dead presence) that the lame beggar was healed.



#### Acts 3.16

The verse reads:

And on-the-basis of the faith in the Name of **Him**, [referring to v13-15]...

this man, whom you are focussed on, and who you know, The Name of **Him** [ref. v13-15]... has strengthened!

And the faith which is through **Him** [ref. v13-15]... has given him (the healed man) complete soundness.

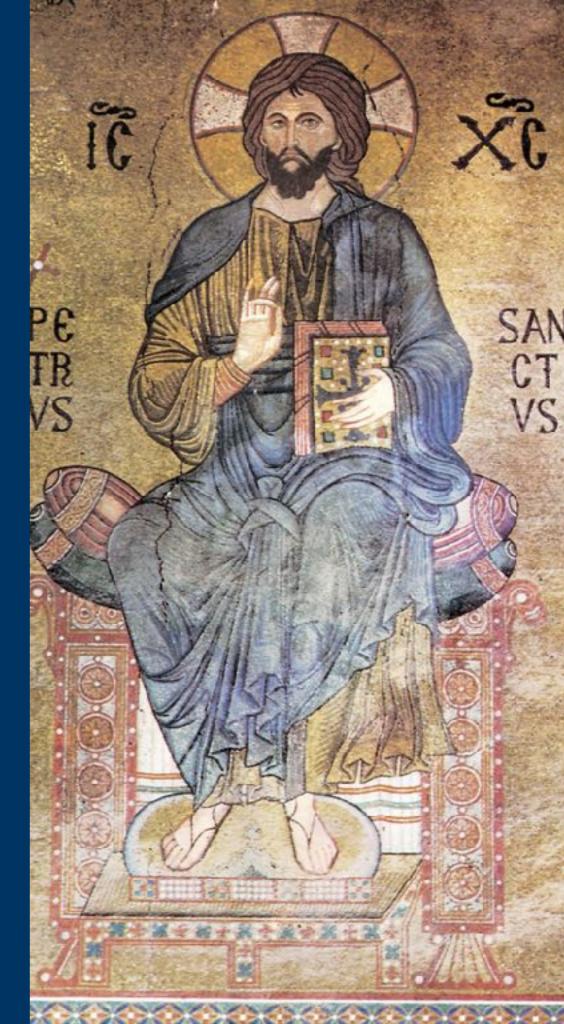
And all this in front of you

#### vv13-15:

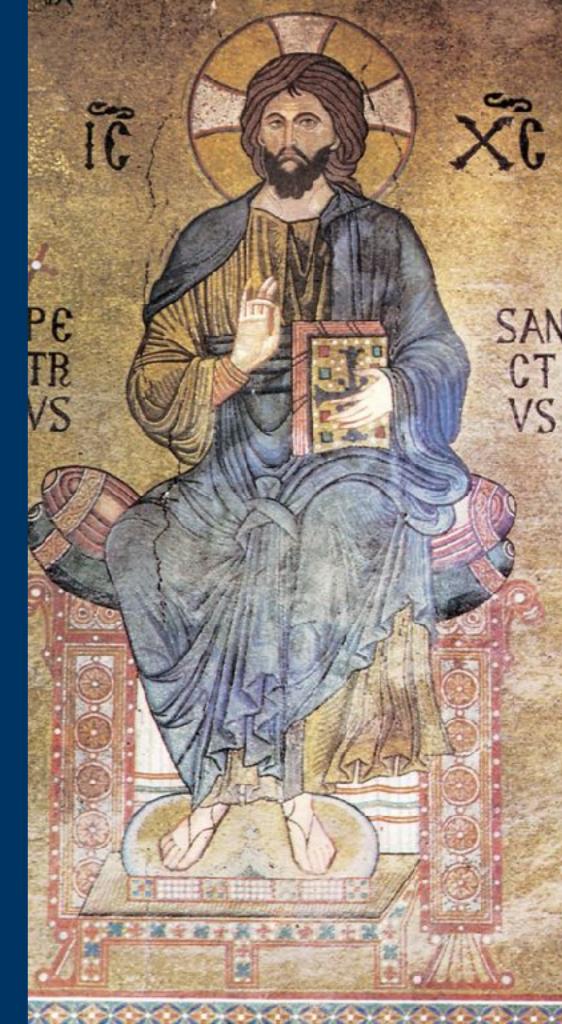
- The One you handed over to be killed
- The One you disowned before Pilate
- The Holy and Righteous One you denied,
- choosing instead a murderer
- The author of life whom you killed
- Whom God has raised from the dead:
- Of which we are witnesses]...

Not faith that I'm speaking in-the-name-of-Jesus Not faith in the <u>name</u> 'Jesus' Not some magic mantra. • Not Jesus, Jesus, Jesus Not magic, Not totemic. Not even dependent on our goodness These would be all about us!!

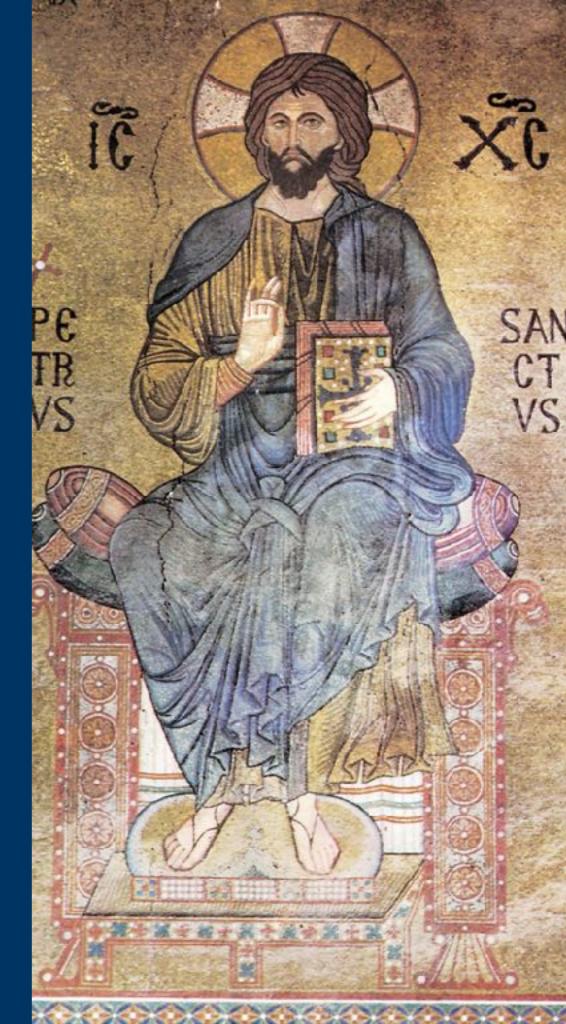
**\***It IS all about HIM.



• We're saved by God's grace through faith' (Lk 7.50; In 1.12; 3.16; 5.24; 6.40; 20.31; Acts 10.34; 13.39; 16.31; Eph 2.8; 1Pet 1.9 etc...) but faith in what? Faith in our faith? • or faith in Jesus' resurrection from the dead!!! By faith that Jesus really was raised from the dead, and was with them now (by the Holy Spirit).

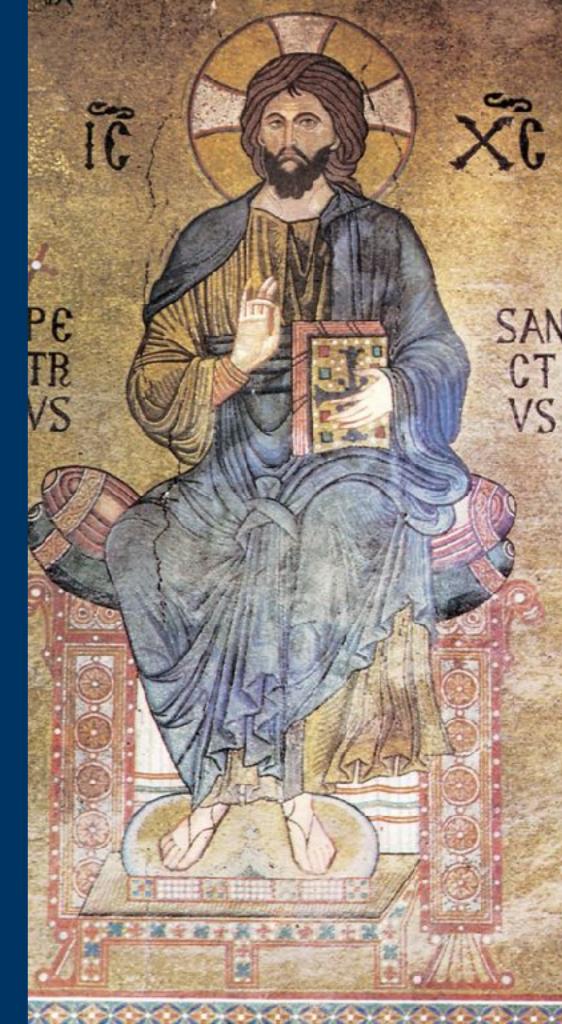


- It's easy when waiting a long time for God to resolve an issue or whatever, to lose faith.
- Sometimes we put our faith in human beings: Bishop, Rector, Vicar, when our faith needs to be in God.
- Trust God and God's answer and God's timing, and God's way above our own, or anyone else's.
- "Why do you stare at us as if by our own power or godliness we had made this man walk?" (Acts 3.12)



• Every time we put our trust in human actors, or our own abilities or understanding or even in our own faith, we engage in the same things the religious leaders Peter addressed did: we betray and kill Jesus.

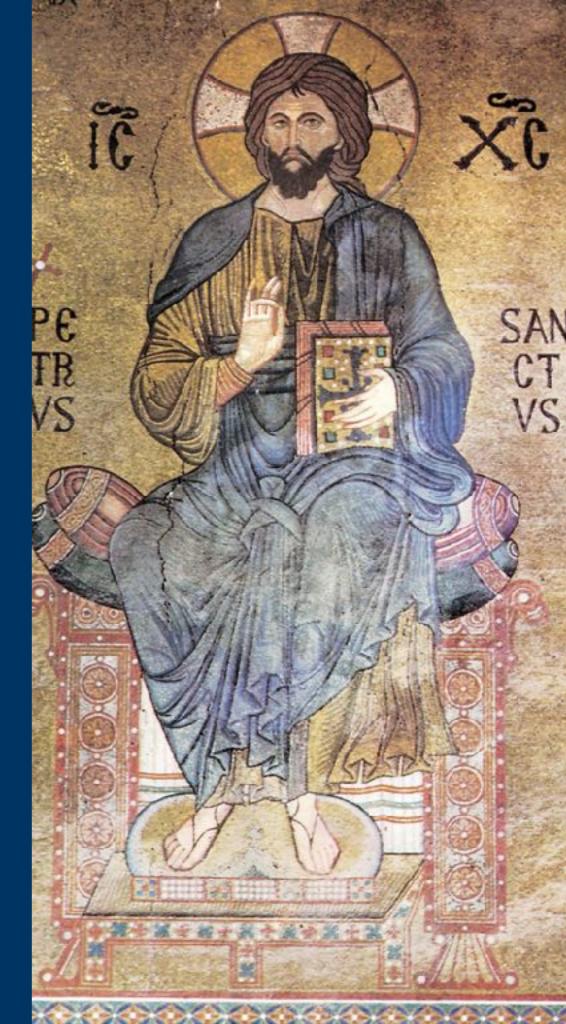
"You handed him over to be killed, and you disowned him before Pilate... You disowned the Holy and Righteous One and you asked that a murderer be released to you. You killed the author of life"



- BUT GOD raised-Him-from-thedead.
- When Jesus appeared in front of his disciples in their locked room, and they were startled and frightened, thinking they were seeing a ghost, Jesus says:

"See the hands of me And the feet of me Touch me and see that I am myself (ego eimi autos) A spirit (pneuma) doesn't have flesh and bones."

They still didn't believe him, so he asks for fish:
GHOSTS DON'T EAT FISH!



Humm 3



#### Dear Lord and Father https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vcQInWAH7IE

Intercessions



#### The Peace

Since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, who has given us access to his grace. The peace of the Lord be always with you. (Romans 5.1)

All And also with you

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING (E)

The Lord is here. **All His Spirit is with us.** Lift up your hearts All We lift them to the Lord. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **All** It is right to give thanks and praise.



Father, you made the world and love your creation. You gave your Son Jesus Christ to be our Saviour. His dying and rising have set us free from sin and death. And so we gladly thank you, with saints and angels praising you, and saying:



## All

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.



We praise and bless you, loving Father, through Jesus Christ, our Lord; and as we obey his command, send your Holy Spirit, that broken bread may be for us the body of your dear Son.



On the night before he died, Jesus had supper with his friends and, taking bread, he praised you. He broke the bread, gave it to them and said: "Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me".



So, Father, we remember all that Jesus did. In him we plead with confidence his sacrifice made once for all upon the cross. Bringing before you the bread of life, we proclaim his death and resurrection until he comes in glory.



Praise to you, Lord Jesus:

 All Dying, you destroyed our death.
Rising, you restored our life:
Lord Jesus come in glory.



Lord of all life, help us to work together for that day when your Kingdom comes and justice and mercy will be seen in all the earth. Look with favour on your people, gather us in your loving arms and bring us with all the saints to feast at your table in heaven.



Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory are yours, O loving Father, for ever and ever.

All Amen



As our Saviour taught us, so we pray:

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. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.



We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

*All* Though we are many,we are one body,because we all sharein one bread.



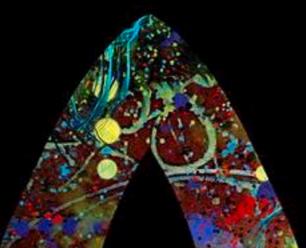
Draw near with faith. Receive the body of our Lord Jesus Christ which he gave for you. Eat in remembrance that he died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

**PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION** 

Living God, your Son made himself known to his disciples in the breaking of bread in the eating of fish and in healing the sick: open the eyes of our faith, that we may see him in all his redeeming work; and do as He commands for He is is alive and reigns, now and for ever. Amen



All 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

And may the blessing of God Almighty Father, Son and Holy Spirit be with you and with all you love and pray for now and always Amen. Romans 16.25-27

#### Humm 4



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Deeper than the Sea, Nairobi Lighthouse Church https://youtube.com/watch?v=Qeel\_0oJEVs