

Holy God

Thank you for this day of celebration and remembering, when we remember afresh the promises fulfilled through Jesus' death and resurrection.

Thank you for your unchanging love and concern,

Thank you for the gift of prayer.

Thank you that you hear and respond out of your deep love for us.

Open our eyes, eyes and hearts
to hear your Word of life.

In Holy Week, we have remembered your cross
and how you were broken and betrayed.

In your suffering humanity finds healing.

May your presence of life be known in the midst
of our suffering, sickness, and loss.

In particular we pray today for: (add names here)

We ask you to touch each one whom we have named with your
healing, hope, and wholeness.

Open our eyes, eyes and hearts
to hear your Word of life.

We give you thanks for the Resurrection of Jesus Christ our Lord
from the dead:

In him light triumphs over darkness; life triumph over death;
in him we have the hope and promise of life eternal.

We pray for all who work to spread the good news of what Jesus
has done and for all who demonstrate the love of God in their
own words and actions. We think particularly at this time: (add
names here)

and for all who set their hope on eternal life.

Open our eyes, eyes and hearts
to hear your Word of life.

In times of the darkness of uncertainty,
when we don't know what to do

and decisions are hard to make;

when we are anxious or afraid and worried about the future,
lighten our darkness and give us wisdom, revelation, and peace.

We pray also for all those living in fear, worry, or uncertainty who
cannot pray for themselves (add names here). May they also be
delivered from their suffering and find your peace.

Open our eyes, eyes and hearts
to hear your Word of life.

May your Spirit of life bring new insights and hope in the days
ahead. May love increase in our hearts and minds. May we be
surprised with joy as we see you moving in our midst bringing
fulfilment to your promises for life, hope, and peace.

We ask all this in Jesus name, **Amen.**