



Inverurie West Parish Church

Order of Service: Easter Sunday 4 April 2026

Welcome to morning worship with Inverurie West Parish Church. Whether you are joining us online or in-person; as a newcomer, occasional visitor, or regular, we are delighted to have you with us on this Resurrection Sunday. This morning as we celebrate the risen Christ we will be thinking about wonder and wondering (and a little bit about punctuation)!

Welcome and notices

Call To Worship

Christ is risen!
He is risen indeed!
Alleluia!

SEE WHAT A MORNING (MP 1105)

Opening Prayer (Including the Lord's prayer)

Our heavenly father
May your holy name be honoured
May your kingdom come
May your will be done on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us today what we really need
Forgive us the wrong we do
as we forgive those who wrong us

Lead us away from temptation
Keep us safe from evil

**For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours forever
Amen**

Intro to the word

CHRIST IS ALIVE (CH4 422)

Reading: Luke 24: 1-12 read by Mark Paterson

On the first day of the week, very early in the morning, the women took the spices they had prepared and went to the tomb. 2 They found the stone rolled away from the tomb, 3 but when they entered, they did not find the body of the Lord Jesus. 4 While they were wondering about this, suddenly two men in clothes that gleamed like lightning stood beside them. 5 In their fright the women bowed down with their faces to the ground, but the men said to them, “Why do you look for the living among the dead? 6 He is not here; he has risen! Remember how he told you, while he was still with you in Galilee: 7 ‘The Son of Man must be delivered over to the hands of sinners, be crucified and on the third day be raised again.’ ” 8 Then they remembered his words. 9 When they came back from the tomb, they told all these things to the Eleven and to all the others. 10 It was Mary Magdalene, Joanna, Mary the mother of James, and the others with them who told this to the apostles. 11 But they did not believe the women, because their words seemed to them like nonsense. 12 Peter, however, got up and ran to the tomb. Bending over, he saw the strips of linen lying by themselves, and he went away, wondering to himself what had happened.

Reflection 1 - Wonder

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Reflection 2 - Wondering

NOW THE GREEN BLADE RISETH (CH4 417)

Prayer

THINE BE THE GLORY (CH4 419)

Grace

Blessing

News

Easter deliveries - we could still use some help to deliver our pastoral Easter gifts after the service. If you can help, please speak to Alison Blair. It's a lovely chance to wish some of our folks a happy Easter!

Annual leave & worship next week - Rhona will be on leave for a week after Easter from April 6 to 13th inclusive. Sunday worship on April 12 will be a joint service at St Andrew's at 10 am.

IDCT pre-election hustings will be at St Mary's Church on Wednesday 22nd April at 730pm. The event is to be organised around pre-prepared questions (candidates won't be taking questions from the floor) so if you have any particular questions or subjects you would like to see discussed please let Rhona know and she can pass these to the organisers for consideration.

Quiz night - Our next fundraising quiz night, led by our quiz maestro Larry Young, will be on Saturday 25 April at 7pm in the Acorn Centre. £5 per ticket. Nibbles provided. BYOB and raffle.

Fundraising and Stewardship - Registering with the EasyFundraising website is an easy way to use your online shopping to raise a little money for the church. The site is partnered with over 4000 retailers including big names like Amazon, Tesco and Argos. You can begin by following this link <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/inverurie-west-parish-church>

Foodbank - We don't have a current wishlist from the Foodbank but regularly needed items include: Tinned spaghetti/macaroni, Tinned meat (hot or cold), Tinned vegetables, Tea bags (40s/80s, please), Tinned tomatoes, Small jars of coffee, Pot noodles/Mug Shots, UHT Milk (semi-skimmed or full cream)

Practical help - if you, or anyone you know need shopping, errands etc done, we have lots of volunteers keen to help. For assistance ring Joyce Petrie on 01467 620932 or email help@inveruriewestchurch.org

For prayer requests, joys and concerns, or content which you would like shared on Sunday, please email Rhona on r.cathcart@inveruriewestchurch.org by Saturday night, or you can text her on her mobile.

If you wish to support the work of Inverurie West Church financially either with a one-off donation or via regular giving there are details of how to do so on our website at <https://www.inveruriewestchurch.org/giving/> You can also email our treasurer at treasurer@inveruriewestchurch.org