

GREAT VIGIL OF EASTER

April 20, 2019
7 o'clock

THE SERVICE OF LIGHT

Cell phones are silenced at this time.

Please join us for the Agape Feast immediately following the service.

The church is in darkness. The ministers and people gather on the courtyard near the entrance of the church and the New Fire is kindled.

Priest Dear friends in Christ: On this most holy night, in which our Lord Jesus passed over from death to life, the Church invites her members, dispersed throughout the world, to gather in vigil and prayer. For this is the Passover of the Lord, in which, by hearing his Word and celebrating his Sacraments, we share in his victory over death.

The Priest blesses the New Fire.

Priest Let us pray.

O God, through your Son you have bestowed upon your people the brightness of your light: Sanctify this new fire, and grant that in this Paschal feast we may so burn with heavenly desires, that with pure minds we may attain to the festival of everlasting light; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Priest inscribes the Paschal Candle.

Priest Christ yesterday and today, the Beginning and the End. Alpha and Omega. His are the times and ages. To him be glory and dominion through all ages of eternity. **Amen.**

Priest Through his holy and glorious wounds may Christ the Lord guard and preserve us.

The Priest lights the Paschal Candle from the New Fire.

Priest May the light of Christ gloriously rising dispel the darkness of our hearts and minds.

The Pascal Candle is carried ahead of the ministers and people into the church. The procession pauses at the door of the church and twice more as it continues up the aisle, each time the cantor chants at a higher pitch, the people responding:

The musical notation consists of two staves. The first staff is labeled 'Cantor' and the second is labeled 'People'. Both staves are in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The melody is: G4 (quarter), A4 (quarter), B4 (quarter), C5 (half). The lyrics 'The light of Christ. Thanks be to God.' are written below the staves.

The Exsultet

Cantor **R**ejoice now, heavenly hosts and choirs of angels,
and let your trumpets shout Salvation
for the victory of our mighty King.

Rejoice and sing now, all the round earth,
Bright with a glorious splendor,
for darkness has been vanquished by our eternal King.

Rejoice and be glad now, Mother Church,
and let your holy courts, in radiant light,
resound with the praises of your people.

All you who stand near this marvelous and holy flame,
pray with me to God the Almighty
for the grace to sing the worthy praise of this great light;
through Jesus Christ his Son our Lord,
who lives and reigns with him,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God

Cantor *People*

... for ev-er and ev - er. A - men.

Cantor

The Lord be with you.

People

And al - so with you.

Cantor

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People

It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Cantor It is truly right and good, always and everywhere, with our whole heart and mind and voice, to praise you, the invisible, almighty, and eternal God, and your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who at the feast of the Passover paid for us the debt of Adam's sin, and by his blood delivered your faithful people.

This is the night, when you brought our fathers, the children of Israel, out of bondage in Egypt, and led them through the Red Sea on dry land.

This is the night, when all who believe in Christ are delivered from the gloom of sin, and are restored to grace and holiness of life.

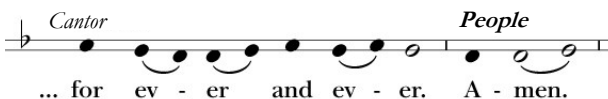
This is the night, when Christ broke the bonds of death and hell, and rose victorious from the grave.

How wonderful and beyond our knowing, O God, is your mercy and loving-kindness to us, that to redeem a slave, you gave a Son.

How holy is this night, when wickedness is put to flight, and sin is washed away. It restores innocence to the fallen, and joy to those who mourn. It casts out pride and hatred, and brings peace and concord.

How blessed is this night, when earth and heaven are joined and man is reconciled to God.

Holy Father, accept our evening sacrifice, the offering of this candle in your honor. May it shine continually to drive away all darkness. May Christ, the Morning Star who knows no setting, find it ever burning—he who gives his light to all creation, and who lives and reigns.



All are seated. The people extinguish their candles.

Priest Let us hear the record of God's saving deeds in history, how he saved his people in ages past; and let us pray that our God will bring each of us to the fullness of redemption.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Genesis 1:1-2:2

The story of Creation

In the beginning when God created the heavens and the earth, the earth was a formless void and darkness covered the face of the deep, while a wind from God swept over the face of the waters. Then God said, "Let there be light"; and there was light. And God saw that the light was good; and God separated the light from the darkness. God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day.

And God said, "Let there be a dome in the midst of the waters, and let it separate the waters from the waters." So God made the dome and separated the waters that were under the dome from the waters that were above the dome. And it was so. God called the dome Sky. And there was evening and there was morning, the second day.

And God said, "Let the waters under the sky be gathered together into one place, and let the dry land appear." And it was so. God called the dry land Earth, and the waters that were gathered together he called Seas. And God saw that it was good. Then God said, "Let the earth put forth vegetation: plants yielding seed, and fruit trees of every kind on earth that bear fruit with the seed in it." And it was so. The earth brought forth vegetation: plants yielding seed of every kind, and trees of every kind bearing fruit with the seed in it. And God saw that it was good. And there was evening and there was morning, the third day.

And God said, "Let there be lights in the dome of the sky to separate the day from the night; and let them be for signs and for seasons and for days and years, and let them be lights in the dome of the sky to give light upon the earth." And it was so. God made the two great lights—the greater light to rule the day and the lesser light to rule the night—and the stars. God set them in the dome of the sky to give light upon the earth, to rule over the day and over the night, and to separate the light from the darkness. And God saw that it was good. And there was evening and there was morning, the fourth day.

And God said, "Let the waters bring forth swarms of living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth across the dome of the sky." So God created the great sea monsters and every living creature that moves, of every kind, with which the waters swarm, and every winged bird of every kind. And God saw that it was good. God blessed them, saying, "Be fruitful and multiply and fill the waters in the seas, and let birds multiply on the earth." And there was evening and there was morning, the fifth day.

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And God said, "Let the earth bring forth living creatures of every kind: cattle and creeping things and wild animals of the earth of every kind."

And it was so. God made the wild animals of the earth of every kind, and the cattle of every kind, and everything that creeps upon the ground of every kind. And God saw that it was good.

Then God said, "Let us make humankind in our image, according to our likeness; and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the birds of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the wild animals of the earth, and over every creeping thing that creeps upon the earth."

So God created humankind in his image, in the image of God he created them; male and female he created them.

God blessed them, and God said to them, "Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth and subdue it; and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the air and over every living thing that moves upon the earth."

God said, "See, I have given you every plant yielding seed that is upon the face of all the earth, and every tree with seed in its fruit; you shall have them for food. And to every beast of the earth, and to every bird of the air, and to everything that creeps on the earth, everything that has the breath of life, I have given every green plant for food." And it was so. God saw everything that he had made, and indeed, it was very good. And there was evening and there was morning, the sixth day.

Thus the heavens and the earth were finished, and all their multitude.

And on the seventh day God finished the work that he had done, and he rested on the seventh day from all the work that he had done.

These are the generations of the heavens and the earth when they were created.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be the God.**

Psalms 36:5-10

Dixit injustus

- 5 Your love, O Lord, reaches to the heavens, *
and your faithfulness to the clouds.
- 6 Your righteousness is like the strong mountains,
your justice like the great deep; *
you save both man and beast, O Lord.
- 7 How priceless is your love, O God! *
your people take refuge under the
shadow of your wings.
- 8 They feast upon the abundance of your house; *
you give them drink from the river of your delights.
- 9 For with you is the well of life, *
and in your light we see light.
- 10 Continue your loving-kindness to those who know you, *
and your favor to those who are true of heart.

All stand.

Priest Let us pray. *Silence.*

O God, who wonderfully created, and yet more wonderfully restored, the dignity of human nature: Grant that we may share the divine life of him who humbled himself to share our humanity, your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

All are seated.

Ezekiel 36:24-28

A new heart and a new spirit

Say to the house of Israel, Thus says the Lord God: I will take you from the nations, and gather you from all the countries, and bring you into your own land. I will sprinkle clean water upon you, and you shall be clean from all your uncleannesses, and from all your idols I will cleanse you. A new heart I will give you, and a new spirit I will put within you; and I will remove from your body the heart of stone and give you a heart of flesh. I will put my spirit within you, and make you follow my statutes and be careful to observe my ordinances. Then you shall live in the land that I gave to your ancestors; and you shall be my people, and I will be your God.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be the God.**

Remain seated.

Psalm 42 (Green Hymnal 727) *Sung by all.*

Quemadmodum

As panting deer desire the waterbrooks
when wandering in a dry and desert place,

so yearns my thirsty soul for you, O God,
and longs at last to see you face to face.

Both day and night my tears have been my food,
while scoffers taunt me, "Where is your God now?"

My soul dissolves as I recall the throng
whose pilgrim hymns I led to Zion's brow.

Why are you heavy hearted, O my soul?
And why are you so mired in deep discord?

Still put your hope and trust in God alone,
whom I will praise, my Savior and my Lord.

All stand.

Priest Let us pray. *Silence.*

Almighty and everlasting God, who in the Paschal mystery established the new covenant of reconciliation: Grant that all who are reborn into the fellowship of Christ's Body may show forth in their lives what they profess by their faith; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

All are seated.

Zephaniah 3:14-20

The gathering of God's people

Sing aloud, O daughter Zion; shout, O Israel!
Rejoice and exult with all your heart, O daughter Jerusalem!
The Lord has taken away the judgments against you,
he has turned away your enemies.
The king of Israel, the Lord, is in your midst;
you shall fear disaster no more.

On that day it shall be said to Jerusalem:
Do not fear, O Zion; do not let your hands grow weak.
The Lord, your God, is in your midst, a warrior who gives victory;
he will rejoice over you with gladness, he will renew you in his love;
he will exult over you with loud singing as on a day of festival.

I will remove disaster from you, so that you will not bear reproach for it.
I will deal with all your oppressors at that time.
And I will save the lame and gather the outcast,
and I will change their shame into praise and renown in all the earth.

At that time I will bring you home, at the time when I gather you;
for I will make you renowned and praised among all the peoples of the earth,
when I restore your fortunes before your eyes, says the Lord.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be the God.



Psalm 98 *Cantate Domino*

Anglican Chant, Stephen Elvey (1805–1860)

- 1 Sing to the Lord a • nēw • song, *
for • he has done • marvelous • things.
- 2 With his right hand and his • holy • arm *
has he won for him•self the • victo•ry.
- 3 The Lord has made known his • victory; *
his righteousness has he openly shown in the • sight • of the • nations.
- 4 He remembers his mercy and faithfulness to the • house of • Israel, *
and all the ends of the earth have seen the • victory • of our • God.
- 5 Shout with joy to the Lord, • all you • lands; *
lift up your • voice, re•joice, and • sing.
- 6 Sing to the Lord • with the • harp, *
with the • harp and the • voice of • song.
- 7 With trumpets and the • sound of the • horn *
shout with • joy before the • King, the • Lord.
- 8 Let the sea make a noise and • all that is • in it, *
the lands and • those who • dwell there•in.
- 9 Let the rivers • clap their • hands, *
and let the hills ring out with joy before the Lord,
when he • comes to • judge the • earth.
- 10 In righteousness shall he • judge the • world *
and the • peoples with • equi•ty.

All stand.

Priest Let us pray. *Silence.*

O God of unchangeable power and eternal light: Look favorably on your whole Church, that wonderful and sacred mystery; by the effectual working of your providence, carry out in tranquility the plan of salvation; let the whole world see and know that things which were cast down are being raised up, and things which had grown old are being made new, and that all things are being brought to their perfection by him through whom all things were made, your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Through the Paschal mystery, dear friends, we are buried with Christ by Baptism into his death, and raised with him to newness of life. I call upon you, therefore, now that our Lenten observance is ended, to renew the solemn promises and vows of Holy Baptism, by which we once renounced Satan and all his works, and promised to serve God faithfully in his holy catholic Church. **Amen.**

Presentation and Examination of the Candidate

The candidate, parents, and godparents come forward.

Priest The Candidate for Holy Baptism will now be presented.

The child to be baptized is presented:

Presenters I present Skyler to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.

To the Parents and Godparents

Priest Will you be responsible for seeing that Skyler is brought up in the Christian faith and life?

Presenters I will, with God's help.

Priest Will you by your prayers and witness help Skyler to grow into the full stature of Christ?

Presenters I will, with God's help.

Question Do you renounce Satan and all the spiritual forces of wickedness that rebel against God?

Answer I renounce them.

Question Do you renounce the evil powers of this world which corrupt and destroy the creatures of God?

Answer I renounce them.

Question Do you renounce all sinful desires that draw you from the love of God?

Answer I renounce them.

Question Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Savior?

Answer I do.

Question Do you put your whole trust in his grace and love?

Answer I do.

Question Do you promise to follow and obey him as your Lord?

Answer I do.

The priest addresses the congregation saying

Question Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support Skyler in her life in Christ?

People We will.

Priest Let us join with Skyler who is being committed to Christ and renew our own baptismal covenant.

The Baptismal Covenant *All Stand.*

Priest Do you believe in God the Father?

People I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

Priest Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

People I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

**He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the Virgin Mary.**

He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose again.

He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

Priest Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

**People I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.**

Priest Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship,
in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers ?

People I will, with God's help.

Priest Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin,
repent and return to the Lord?

People I will, with God's help.

Priest Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

People I will, with God's help.

Priest Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?

People I will, with God's help.

Priest Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity
of every human being?

People I will, with God's help.

Prayers for the Candidate

Priest Let us now pray for Skyler, who is to receive the Sacrament of new birth.

Deliver Skyler, O Lord, from the way of sin and death.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Priest Open her heart to your grace and truth.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Priest Fill her with your holy and life-giving Spirit.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Priest Keep her in the faith and communion of your holy Church.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Priest Teach her to love others in the power of the Spirit.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Priest Send her into the world in witness to your love.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Priest Bring her to the fullness of your peace and glory.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Priest Grant, O Lord, that all who are baptized into the death of Jesus Christ your Son may live in the power of his resurrection and look for him to come again in glory; who lives and reigns now and for ever. **Amen.**

Thanksgiving over the Water

The Priest blesses the water, first saying

Priest The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Priest Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Priest We thank you, Almighty God, for the gift of water. Over it the Holy Spirit moved in the beginning of creation. Through it you led the children of Israel out of their bondage in Egypt into the land of promise. In it your Son Jesus received the baptism of John and was anointed by the Holy Spirit as the Messiah, the Christ, to lead us, through his death and resurrection, from the bondage of sin into everlasting life.

We thank you, Father, for the water of Baptism. In it we are buried with Christ in his death. By it we share in his resurrection. Through it we are reborn by the Holy Spirit. Therefore in joyful obedience to your Son, we bring into his fellowship those who come to him in faith, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Now sanctify this water, we pray you, by the power of your Holy Spirit, that those who here are cleansed from sin and born again may continue for ever in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Savior. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Baptism

The Priest then pours water upon the candidate, saying

Priest Skyler, I baptize you in the Name of the Father, and of the Son,
and of the Holy Spirit.

People Amen.

The Priest prays over the candidate, saying

Priest Let us pray.

Heavenly Father, we thank you that by water and the Holy Spirit you have bestowed upon this your servant the forgiveness of sin, and have raised her to the new life of grace. Sustain her, O Lord, in your Holy Spirit. Give her an inquiring and discerning heart, the courage to will and to persevere, a spirit to know and to love you, and the gift of joy and wonder in all your works. **Amen.**

Then the Priest places a hand on the child's head, marking on the forehead the sign of the cross and saying

Priest Skyler, you are sealed by the Holy Spirit in Baptism
and marked as Christ's own for ever.

People Amen.

The Priest now says

Priest Let us welcome the newly baptized.

**All We receive you into the household of God.
Confess the faith of Christ crucified, proclaim his resurrection,
and share with us in his eternal priesthood.**

AT THE EUCHARIST

Priest Alleluia! Christ is risen.

People **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

The candles on the altar are lighted from the Pascal Candle.

Gloria All glory be to God on high (421) *Bells are rung.*

Allein Gott in der hoch



1 All glo - ry be to God on high, and peace on earth from
2 O Lamb of God, Lord Je - sus Christ, whom God the Fa - ther
3 You on - ly are the Ho - ly One, who came for our sal -



hea - ven, and God's good will un - fail - ing - ly be
gave us, who for the world was sac - ri - ficed up -
va - tion, and on - ly you are God's true Son, who



to all peo - ple giv - en. We bless, we wor - ship you, we raise for
on the cross to save us; and, as you sit at God's right hand and
was be - fore cre - a - tion. You on - ly, Christ, as Lord we own and,



your great glo - ry thanks and praise, O God, Al - might - y Fa - ther.
we for judg - ment there must stand, have mer - cy, Lord, up - on us.
with the Spi - rit, you a - lone share in the Fa - ther's glo - ry.

Priest The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Priest Let us pray.

O God, who made this most holy night to shine with the glory of the Lord's resurrection: Stir up in your Church that Spirit of adoption which is given to us in Baptism, that we, being renewed both in body and mind, may worship you in sincerity and truth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Romans 6:3-11

As Christian disciples have been joined with Christ in his death through baptism, so they are to know a resurrection life like his. In union with Christ we have died to our sinful selves and have begun to experience a new way of life. In one sense our freedom from death still awaits us in the future, but, in another sense, we already know what it means to be alive to God in Christ Jesus and to realize the true meaning of life.

Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? Therefore we have been buried with him by baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life. For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we will certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. We know that our old self was crucified with him so that the body of sin might be destroyed, and we might no longer be enslaved to sin. For whoever has died is freed from sin. But if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. The death he died, he died to sin, once for all; but the life he lives, he lives to God. So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

The people stand.

Gradual Hymn 180 He is risen, he is risen!

Verse 4 is sung after the Gospel reading.

Unser Herrscher

Luke 24:1-12

Three women disciples first learn of Jesus' resurrection. Coming early in the morning to anoint the body, they find the stone covering of the tomb rolled away and the body gone. No human eye sees Jesus rise, but now two angelic figures appear and remind the troubled and frightened women that Jesus had predicted these things would happen to him. The women then report what they have heard and seen to the apostles, but their word is not believed. Peter runs to the tomb and is amazed at what has happened.

Priest The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

On the first day of the week, at early dawn, the women who had come with Jesus from Galilee came to the tomb, taking the spices that they had prepared. They found the stone rolled away from the tomb, but when they went in, they did not find the body. While they were perplexed about this, suddenly two men in dazzling clothes stood beside them. The women were terrified and bowed their faces to the ground, but the men said to them, "Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here, but has risen. Remember how he told you, while he was still in Galilee, that the Son of Man must be handed over to sinners, and be crucified, and on the third day rise again." Then they remembered his words, and returning from the tomb, they told all this to the eleven and to all the rest. Now it was Mary Magdalene, Joanna, Mary the mother of James, and the other women with them who told this to the apostles. But these words seemed to them an idle tale, and they did not believe them. But Peter got up and ran to the tomb; stooping and looking in, he saw the linen cloths by themselves; then he went home, amazed at what had happened.

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Serenity Prayer

**God, grant me the serenity to accept the things I cannot change,
The courage to change the things I can,
And the wisdom to know the difference. Amen.**

The Sermon

After the sermon a brief silence is kept.

The Rev. Rob Fisher

Standing or kneeling.

The Prayers of the People from Brian McLaren's, *We Make the Way by Walking*

Leader Let us give thanks to the living God for all the gifts that we enjoy, saying,
"We thank you, living God."

Leader For the beauty and wonder of your creation, in earth and sky and sea:

People We thank you, living God.

Leader For the communities of St. Dunstan's and of St. Andre's in Haiti,
and for all people whose lives reveal the image of Christ:

People We thank you, living God.

Leader For our daily food and drink, our homes and families, and our friends:

People We thank you, living God.

Leader For minds to think, hearts to love, and hands to serve:

People We thank you, living God.

Leader For health and strength to work, and leisure to rest and play:

People We thank you, living God.

Leader For challenges which call forth new strength, for failures which teach greater
humility, and for encouragement to persevere when life is hard:

People We thank you, living God.

Leader We pray for the search for the 4th Bishop of the Diocese of El Camino Real.
We pray especially for the members of the Transition Team, Bishop Mary
and the person God is calling to be our next Bishop.

People We thank you, living God.

Leader For all who have gone before us, for all who walk beside us,
and for all children, who are precious to us and to you:

People We thank you, living God.

Leader And for the great wisdom and hope that you reveal to us through Jesus,
our leader, example, teacher, liberator, and friend:

People We thank you, living God.

The Peace *All stand.*

Priest The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

The people exchange the peace with one another.

Easter Greeting

The Rev. Rob Fisher

The Offertory

Priest Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us,
an offering and sacrifice to God.

Offertory Anthem & Hymn 174 At the Lamb's High Feast

Salzburg

The people join the choir on verses 3 - 4

At the Lamb's high feast we sing
praise to our victorious King,
who hath washed us in the tide
flowing from his pierced side;
praise we him, whose love divine
gives his sacred Blood for wine,
gives his Body for the feast,
Christ the victim, Christ the priest.

Where the Paschal blood is poured,
death's dark angel sheathes his sword;
Israel's hosts triumphant go
through the wave that drowns the foe.
Praise we Christ, whose blood was shed,
Paschal victim, Paschal bread;
with sincerity and love
eat we manna from above.

Mighty victim from on high,
hell's fierce powers beneath thee lie;
thou hast conquered in the fight,
thou hast brought us life and light:
now no more can death appall,
now no more the grave enthrall;
thou hast opened paradise,
and in thee thy saints shall rise.

Easter triumph, Easter joy,
these alone do sin destroy.
From sin's power do thou set free
souls new-born, O Lord, in thee.
Hymns of glory, songs of praise,
Father, unto thee we raise:
risen Lord, all praise to thee
with the Spirit ever be.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Priest All things come of thee, O Lord.
People And of thine own have we given thee.

The Great Thanksgiving

Priest The Lord be with you.
People And also with you.
Priest Lift up your hearts.
People We lift them to the Lord.
Priest Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Priest It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth; but chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again he has won for us everlasting life.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Sanctus Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might

Ronald Arnatt

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,
God of power and might, hea - ven and earth are full of your glo - ry.
Ho - san - na, Ho - san - na, Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Bles - sed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Ho - san - na, Ho - san - na, Ho - san - na in the high - est.

The people stand or kneel.

Priest Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

**People Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.**

Priest We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom. All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

**People 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, and the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

The Breaking of the Bread

The Priest breaks the consecrated bread.

Fraction Anthem *The people sing the refrain:*



Priest The Gifts of God for the People of God.
Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you,
and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

All are welcome to receive the Holy Communion.

The bread is received in the open palm. The wine, if desired, may be taken from the cup by drinking (guide the chalice gently to your lips by the base) or by dipping the bread.

Those who do not wish to receive Communion are welcome to come forward for a blessing, indicated by crossing your arms over your chest.

If you have a wheat sensitivity, you may ask the priest for a gluten-free wafer.

Communion Anthem Love's redeeming work is done (188)

Savannah

Love's redeeming work is done,
fought the fight, the battle won.
Death in vain forbids him rise;
Christ has opened paradise.
Alleluia!

Lives again our glorious King;
where, O death, is now thy sting?
Once he died our souls to save,
where thy victory, O grave?
Alleluia!

Soar we now where Christ has led,
following our exalted Head;
made like him, like him we rise,
ours the cross, the grave, the skies.
Alleluia!

The Post-Communion Prayer

Priest Let us pray.

People **E**ternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Blessing

Priest Life is short.

And we do not have too much time to gladden the hearts
of those who travel the way with us.

So be swift to love.

Make haste to be kind.

And may the blessing of God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit,
be upon you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Closing Hymn 184 Christ the Lord is risen again!

Christus ist erstanden

Priest Alleluia! Alleluia!

Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

People **Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!**

Postlude Chorale prelude: Christ lag in Todesbanden (BWV 625)

J.S. Bach

The people are invited to listen and observe silence during the postlude.

All are invited to enjoy the Agape Feast immediately following the service.

Easter flowers are given to the glory of God by

Steve Andrews in memory of Jean & Charles Andrews

Mary Clarkson in memory of David Wolcott

Ollie Collins in memory of Lee Collins

Katy & Chris in memory of Glenn Leonoff

Joe & Marilyn Green in thanksgiving for our family, related or not

Debbie Howitt in memory of Julie Odell Ewan

Aliceon Jones in thanksgiving for the McMillan family

Jim & Betty Kasson in thanksgiving for family & friends

Linda Keill in thanksgiving for Nadine & Ward Taylor

Lois Kettel in memory of Lou Kettel

Beverly Klinger in thanksgiving for family & friends

Mary Layman in memory of Lorraine & Oscar Layman

Sue Masters in memory of Carolyn Crist

Sue & Tom Masters in thanksgiving for Rob's service

Grace Merrill in memory of Dick Merrill

Marian Mizelle in thanksgiving for Father Rob

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Molly Koontz Sand in memory of Robert James Koontz

Bill & Cathy Solms in thanksgiving for loved family

Natalie Stewart in thanksgiving for Easter blessings

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Ollie White in thanksgiving for all blessings

The flowers on the cross are given by Margo Fuselier in memory of Don Fuselier

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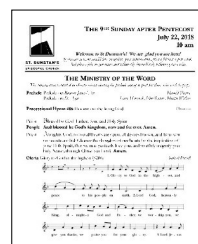
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Nick Hovick, Art Pasquinelli, Lois Kettel,
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Acolytes

Crucifer: Broden Murray

Torch Bearers: Zoe Fisher & Madison Snellgrose

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Music

Organist & Director of Music Ministries: Steve Denmark

Cantor: Art Pasquinelli

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Pam Austin, Stephanie Cervi, Phil Clarkson, Margo Fuselier,
Betty Kasson, Jody Lee, Otto Neely, Art Pasquinelli, Elizabeth Pasquinelli,
Sarah Pease, Louis Powell, Bob Priestley, and Arthur Wu

Agape Feast

Mystery Chastain



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Here is a place that is ancient and new, a faith that we hold going back to Jesus, back to his spiritual ancestors, back to those who walked the earth and found holy ground. And what we do is often based on really ancient patterns—worship and music; loving service to the poor, the hurting, the lonely; working for justice and peace; lively, fearless education and formation of minds and souls. And that faith is also completely contemporary, engaged in the culture and the needs of the moment.

WHAT WE ARE FOR

The dignity and worth of every person. An open minded, passionate commitment to truth. The importance of everyone's own spiritual journey. God's friends wherever we find them. Seeking Christ in every person who comes through the door. The sacredness of life's rites of passage. The value of community. The hard work necessary to make sure that all are welcomed. Telling the truth about life's challenges. A "user-friendly" church experience. Children, youth and families. We believe that God is love, and we pray that God will use us to spread that love.

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WHAT WE VALUE

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WELCOME!

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