

ST. BARNABAS EPISCOPAL

Saturday, March 30, 2024– 8:00pm *Easter Vigil*

Holy Eucharist Rite II | Rev. Suzi Holding, Celebrant

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Welcome to worship at Saint Barnabas Episcopal Church! This service leaflet will guide you through worship today and is yours to take home if you wish.

About us

Worship - Serve - Talk We trust in the Life, Death, and Resurrection of Jesus of Nazareth and believe that Jesus is the Messiah of Israel. We ground our lives in Holy Eucharist, which includes beautiful Music; we seek to Serve people from many different walks of life, as Jesus did; and we believe that the life of faith is one of constant conversation with God, each other and the great Tradition of Wisdom. We are a parish in The Diocese of Chicago, and nationally, we belong to The Episcopal Church. Join us as we seek to live out our Baptismal Covenant together and walk the Way.

About you

We want to get to know you!

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Connection Card in the pews and place them in the offering plate or give to an usher. The back of the cards also has space for prayer requests so that our community may pray intentionally.



Title: Let Your Light Shine

Artist: Cara B. Hochhalter, 2019

Telcome to our celebration of the Great Vigil of Easter, the culmination of the sacred celebration of Holy Week and the beginning of the celebration of the Lord's Resurrection. In the Easter Vigil we unfold in scripture, psalm, Sacrament and liturgy the story of redemption. It begins in darkness and proceeds to a

joyous burst of light. It begins in silence and proceeds to the glorious proclamation of the Paschal Alleluia.

The Easter Vigil is the Christian Passover, for it celebrates the passing from death to life, from sin to grace. The story of the Exodus is central to the Liturgy of the Word; Baptism is the means of the full realization of redemption; Holy Communion is the promise of the glory that shall be ours with our Risen Lord. In the Vigil we vividly and dramatically portray all that was, that is, and that ever shall be in the drama of our redemption. Please join us as we give ourselves over to worshiping our awe-inspiring redemption by our Lord, Jesus Christ.

THE NEW FIRE AND THE PASCHAL CANDLE

As we gather to begin the vigil, the priest kindles a new fire to provide a flame for the Paschal candle. We pray that, by his light, Christ will "continue to drive away all darkness" and give "his light to all creation." The Paschal candle is marked with signs of Jesus' eternal presence (the Alpha and the Omega) and incense "nails" which serve as remembrances of the wounds he bore for us. The word Paschal derives from the Hebrew word for Passover (referencing the first Passover described in the book of Exodus) and for Christians has come to refer to the holy mystery of Christ's death and resurrection.

THE VIGIL OFFICE

The Vigil Office consists of the reading of Scripture passages and interpretations of Scripture which recount God's saving deeds in history. Each reading is followed by a psalm and a prayer.

Renewal of Baptismal Covenant

By renewing our Baptismal Covenant, we are reminded that through Baptism we share in Christ's death and resurrection.

THE ASPERGES

After the Renewal of the Baptismal Covenant, the priest sprinkles the people with water from the Baptismal Font as a physical reminder of our baptism. "Asperges" comes from the Latin word for "sprinkle." It is customary for people to bow and/or cross themselves as they are sprinkled.

THE FIRST EUCHARIST OF EASTER

The Eucharist begins with the Easter proclamation, "Alleluia! Christ is risen! The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!" which is followed by the singing of the Gloria for the first time since the end of Epiphany season, accompanied by tintinnabulation – the ringing of bells. The Alleluia has not been sung since the Sunday before Ash Wednesday, so we sing it with the enthusiasm and joy that comes from knowing we have been delivered from the kingdom of death to the Kingdom of Life.

BLESSING THE NEW FIRE AND PREPARATION of THE CANDLE

The congregation is invited to gather in the narthex by the Memorial Garden doors for the lighting of the new fire.

Celebrant: Dear brothers and sisters, on this most sacred night, in which our Lord Jesus Christ passed over from death to life, the Church calls upon her sons and daughters, scattered throughout the world, to come together to watch and pray. If we keep the memorial of the Lord's paschal solemnity in this way, listening to his word and celebrating his mysteries, then we shall have the sure hope of sharing his triumph over death and living with him in God.

In the darkness, fire is kindled; after which the Celebrant addresses the people:

Let us pray.

O God, who through your Son bestowed upon the faithful the fire of your glory, sanctify this new fire, we pray, and grant that, by these paschal celebrations, we may be so inflamed with heavenly desires, that with minds made pure we may attain festivities of unending splendor. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Celebrant then removes coals from the fire and uses them to load the thurible.

MARKING AND LIGHTING of THE PASCHAL CANDLE

After the blessing of the new fire, one of the ministers brings the paschal candle to the Priest, who marks a cross into the candle. Then s/he makes the Greek letter Alpha above the cross, the letter Omega below, and the four numerals of the current year between the arms of the cross, saying meanwhile:

Celebrant: Christ yesterday and today

The Beginning and the End

The Alpha

And the Omega

All time belongs to him

And all the ages

To him be glory and power

Through every age and for ever. Amen.

When the marking of the cross and of the other signs have been completed, the Priest may insert five grains of incense into the candle in the form of a cross, meanwhile saying:

Celebrant: By his holy

And glorious wounds, May Christ the Lord

Guard us

And protect us. Amen.

The Paschal Candle is then lighted from the new fire. The celebrant then takes the candle from the Deacon and, holding it high, says:

Celebrant: May the light of Christ rising in glory dispel the darkness of our hearts and minds.

The Celebrant gives the candle to the Deacon.

PROCESSION of THE PASCHAL CANDLE

The procession is then formed with the people following the choir. The Deacon bearing the Paschal Candle leads the procession to the chancel, pausing three times and saying (singing):

Deacon: The Light of Christ. People: Thanks be to God.

The Paschal Candle is then placed in its stand.

When all of the procession is in their places, the acolytes light tapers from the Paschal Candles and share the Light of Christ with the Altar Party, Choir, and then the congregation. When the Light of Christ has been shared among the congregation, the Deacon/Cantor begins:

THE EXSULTET

Rejoice 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, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Cantor: The Lord be with you. People: And also 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 for ever and ever. **Amen.**

It is customary that the Paschal Candle burn at all services from Easter Day through the Day of Pentecost.

Please be seated for the readings.

THE VIGIL OFFICE

Celebrant: 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 FIRST LESSON

A reading from Genesis, "The Story of Creation"

Genesis 1:1-2:4a | Reader: David Crawford

n 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.

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. So God blessed the seventh day and hallowed it, because on it God rested from all the work that he had done in creation. These are the generations of the heavens and the earth when they were created.

Reader: Here ends the reading.



⁵ Your stëadfast love, O Lord, extends to the | heavens, your faith| fulness to the clouds.

⁶ Your righteousness is like the mighty | mountains, your judgements are like the great deep; you save humans and ani mals alike, O Lord.

⁷ How precious is your steadfast love, O | God!

All people may take refuge in the | shadow of your wings.

⁸ They feast on the abundance of your | house,

and you give them drink from the riv er of your delights.

⁹ For with you is the fountain of | life; in your | light we see light.

¹⁰ O continue your steadfast love to those who | know you, and your salvation to the | upright of heart!

THE COLLECT - Please stand as you are able for the collect.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

People: 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.

■ THE SECOND LESSON

A reading from Exodus, "Israel's Deliverance at the Red Sea"

Reader: Chris Greenman

Exodus 14:10-31, 15:20-21

s Pharaoh drew near, the Israelites looked back, and there were the Egyptians advancing on them. In great fear the Israelites cried out to the Lord. They said to Moses, "Was it because there were no graves in Egypt that you have taken us away to die in the wilderness? What have you done to us, bringing us out of Egypt? Is this not the very thing we told you in Egypt, 'Let us alone and let us serve the Egyptians'? For it would have been better for us to serve the Egyptians than to die in the wilderness." But Moses said to the people, "Do not be afraid, stand firm, and see the deliverance that the Lord will accomplish for you today; for the Egyptians whom you see today you shall never see again. The Lord will fight for you, and you have only to keep still."

Then the Lord said to Moses, "Why do you cry out to me? Tell the Israelites to go forward. But you lift up your staff, and stretch out your hand over the sea and divide it, that the Israelites may go into the sea on dry ground. Then I will harden the hearts of the Egyptians so that they will go in after them; and so I will gain glory for myself over Pharaoh and all his army, his chariots, and his chariot drivers. And the Egyptians shall know that I am the Lord, when I have gained glory for myself over Pharaoh, his chariots, and his chariot drivers."

The angel of God who was going before the Israelite army moved and went behind them; and the pillar of cloud moved from in front of them and took its place behind them. It came between the army of Egypt and the army of Israel. And so the cloud was there with the darkness, and it lit up the night; one did not come near the other all night.

Then Moses stretched out his hand over the sea. The Lord drove the sea back by a strong east wind all night, and turned the sea into dry land; and the waters were divided. The Israelites went into the sea on dry ground, the waters forming a wall for them on their right and on their left. The Egyptians pursued, and went into the sea after them, all of Pharaoh's horses, chariots, and chariot drivers. At the morning watch the Lord in the pillar of fire and cloud looked down upon the Egyptian army, and threw the Egyptian army into panic. He clogged their chariot wheels so that they turned with difficulty. The Egyptians said, "Let us flee from the Israelites, for the Lord is fighting for them against Egypt."

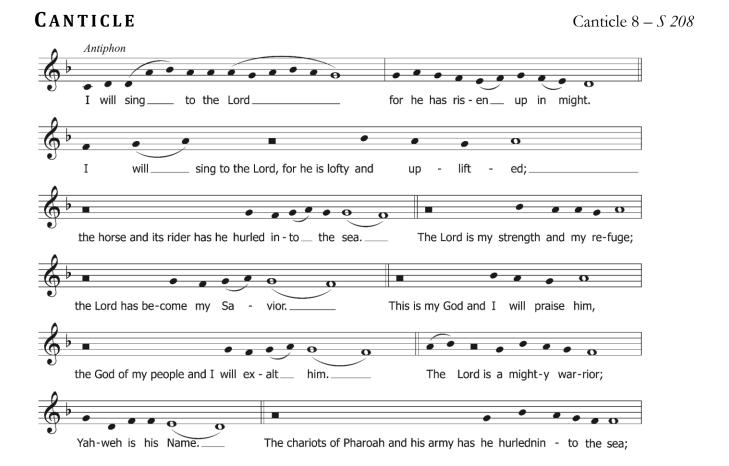
Then the Lord said to Moses, "Stretch out your hand over the sea, so that the water may come back upon the Egyptians, upon their chariots and chariot drivers." So Moses stretched out his hand over the sea, and at dawn the sea returned to its normal depth. As the Egyptians fled before it, the Lord tossed the Egyptians into the sea. The waters returned and covered the chariots and the chariot drivers, the entire army of Pharaoh that had followed them into the sea; not one of them remained. But the Israelites walked on dry ground through the sea, the waters forming a wall for them on their right and on their left.

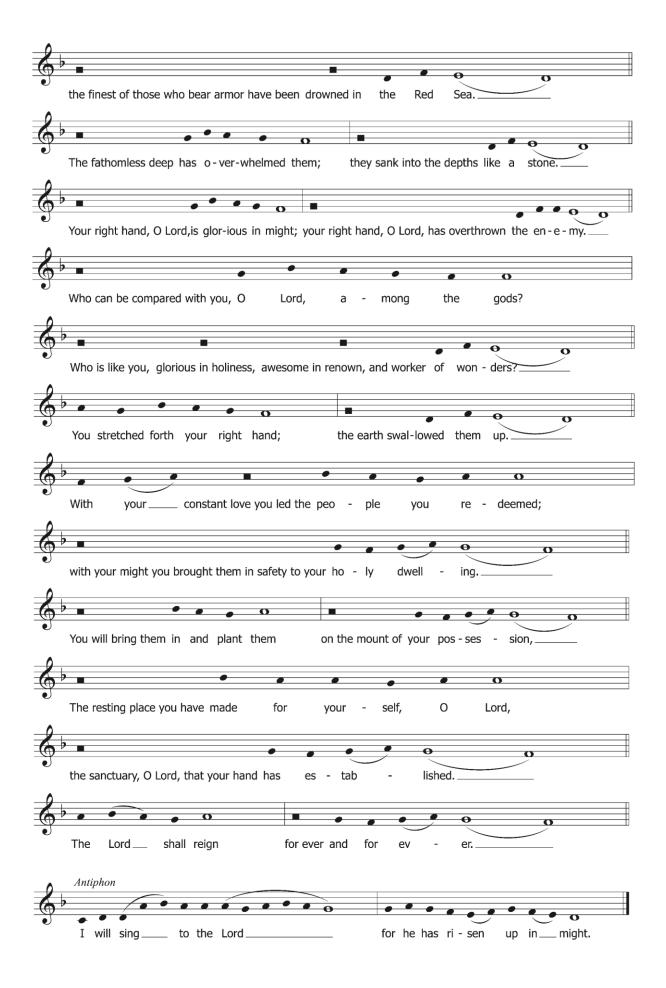
Thus the Lord saved Israel that day from the Egyptians; and Israel saw the Egyptians dead on the seashore. Israel saw the great work that the Lord did against the Egyptians. So the people feared the Lord and believed in the Lord and in his servant Moses.

Then the prophet Miriam, Aaron's sister, took a tambourine in her hand; and all the women went out after her with tambourines and with dancing. And Miriam sang to them:

"Sing to the Lord, for he has triumphed gloriously; horse and rider he has thrown into the sea."

Reader: Here ends the reading.





THE COLLECT - Please stand as you are able for the collect.

Celebrant:

Let us pray.

People:

O God, whose wonderful deeds of old shine forth even to our own day, you once delivered by the power of your mighty arm your chosen people from slavery under Pharaoh, to be a sign for us of the salvation of all nations by the water of Baptism: Grant that all the peoples of the earth may be numbered among the offspring of Abraham, and rejoice in the inheritance of Israel; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

■ THE THIRD LESSON

A reading from Isaiah, "Salvation Offered Freely to All"

Isaiah 55:1-11 | Reader: Anne Ramirez

o, everyone who thirsts, come to the waters; and you that have no money, come, buy and eat! Come, buy wine and milk without money and without price. Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread, and your labor for that which does not satisfy? Listen carefully to me, and eat what is good, and delight yourselves in rich food. Incline your ear, and come to me; listen, so that you may live. I will make with you an everlasting covenant, my steadfast, sure love for David.

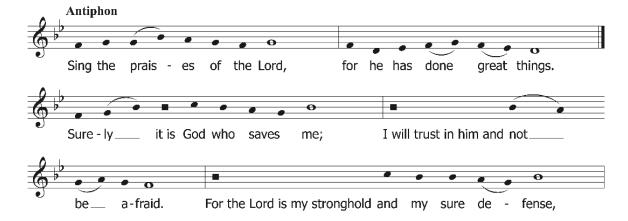
See, I made him a witness to the peoples, a leader and commander for the peoples. See, you shall call nations that you do not know, and nations that do not know you shall run to you, because of the LORD your God, the Holy One of Israel, for he has glorified you. Seek the LORD while he may be found, call upon him while he is near; let the wicked forsake their way, and the unrighteous their thoughts; let them return to the LORD, that he may have mercy on them, and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon.

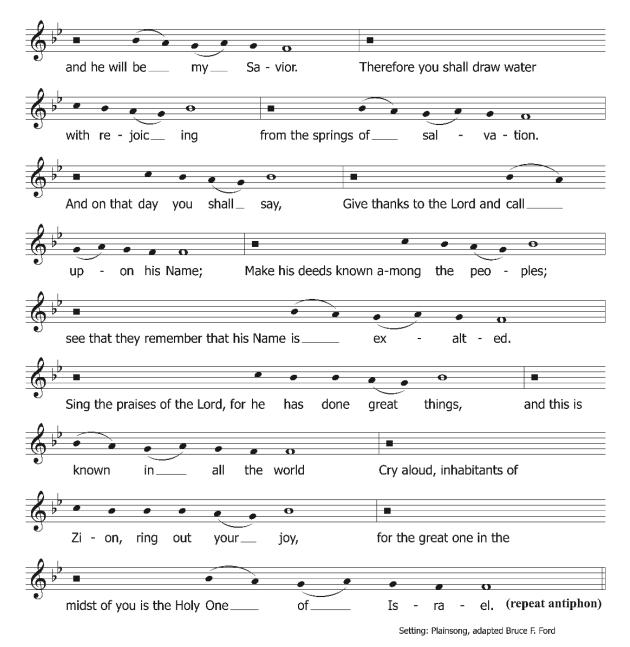
For my thoughts are not your thoughts, nor are your ways my ways, says the LORD. For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts.

For as the rain and the snow come down from heaven, and do not return there until they have watered the earth, making it bring forth and sprout, giving seed to the sower and bread to the eater, so shall my word be that goes out from my mouth; it shall not return to me empty, but it shall accomplish that which I purpose, and succeed in the thing for which I sent it.

Reader: Here ends the reading.

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THE COLLECT - Please stand as you are able for the collect.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

People: O God, vo

O God, you have created all things by the power of your Word, and you renew the earth by your Spirit: Give now the water of life to those who thirst for you, that they may bring forth abundant fruit in your glorious kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

■ THE FOURTH LESSON

A reading from Ezekiel, "The Valley of Dry Bones"

Ezekiel 37:1-14 | Reader: Suzanne Scott

he hand of the Lord came upon me, and he brought me out by the spirit of the Lord and set me down in the middle of a valley; it was full of bones. He led me all around them; there were very many lying in the valley, and they were very dry. He said to me, "Mortal, can these bones live?" I answered, "O Lord God, you know." Then he said to me, "Prophesy to these bones, and say to them: O dry bones, hear the word of the Lord. Thus says the Lord God to these bones: I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live. I will lay sinews on you, and will

cause flesh to come upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath in you, and you shall live; and you shall know that I am the Lord."

So I prophesied as I had been commanded; and as I prophesied, suddenly there was a noise, a rattling, and the bones came together, bone to its bone. I looked, and there were sinews on them, and flesh had come upon them, and skin had covered them; but there was no breath in them. Then he said to me, "Prophesy to the breath, prophesy, mortal, and say to the breath: Thus says the Lord God: Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe upon these slain, that they may live." I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived, and stood on their feet, a vast multitude.

Then he said to me, "Mortal, these bones are the whole house of Israel. They say, 'Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost; we are cut off completely.' Therefore prophesy, and say to them, Thus says the Lord God: I am going to open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people; and I will bring you back to the land of Israel. And you shall know that I am the Lord, when I open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people. I will put my spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you on your own soil; then you shall know that I, the Lord, have spoken and will act," says the Lord.

Reader: Here ends the reading.

PSALM

Psalm 143 | Domine, exaudi



¹ Hear my prayer, O LORD;

give ear to my supplications | in your faithfulness; * answer me | in your righteousness.

- ² Do not enter into judgment | with your servant,* for no one living is | righteous before you.
- ³ For the enemy has pursued me, crushing my life | to the ground,* making me sit in darkness | like those löng dead.
- ⁴ Therefore my spirit | faints within me;* my heart with | in me is appalled.
- ⁵ I remember the days of old, I think about | all your deeds,* I meditate on the | wörks of your hands.
- ⁶ I stretch out my | hands to you;*

my soul thirsts for you like | a parched land. Selah.

⁷ Answer me quickly, O LORD; my spirit | fails.*

Do not hide your face from me,

or I shall be like those who | go down to the Pit.

⁸ Let me hear of your steadfast love in the morning,

for in you I | put my trust.*

Teach me the way I should go, for to you | I lift up my soul.

⁹ Save me, O LORD, | from my enemies;*

I have | fled to you for refuge.

10 Teach me to do your will, for you | are my God.*

Let your good spirit lead me | on a level path.

- ¹¹ For your name's sake, O LORD, pre|serve my life.*
 In your righteousness | bring me out of trouble.
- ¹² In your steadfast love cut | off my enemies,* and destroy all my adversaries, for | Ï am your servant.

THE COLLECT - Please stand as you are able for the collect.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

People: Almighty God, by the Passover of your Son you have brought us out of sin into

righteousness and out of death into life: Grant to those who are sealed by your Holy Spirit the will and the power to proclaim you to all the world; through

Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE FIFTH LESSON

Reader: Doug Long

A reading from Zephaniah, "The Gathering of God's People"

Zephaniah 3:14-20

ing 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: Here ends the reading.



- ¹ O sing to the Lord a new song, for he has done | marvellous things. His | right hand and his holy arm have gained him | victory.
- ² The | Lord has made knówn hís | víctory; he has revealed his vindi|cátion in the sight of thé | nations.
- ³ He has remembered his steadfast love and faithfulness to the house of | Israel.

All the | ends of the earth have seen the victory of our | God.

- ⁴ Make a | joyful noise to the Lord, all the | earth; break forth into | joyous song and sing | praises.
- ⁵ Sing praises to the Lord with the | lyre, with the | lyre and the sound of | melody.
- ⁶ With | trumpets and the sound of the | hörn make a | joyful noise before the King, the | Lord.
- ⁷ Let the sea roar, and all that | fills it; the | world and those who | live in it.
- ⁸ Let the | floods cláp théir | händs; let the | hills sing together fór | joy
- 9 at the presence of the | Lord,
 for he is | coming to júdge thé | earth.
 10 He will | judge the wórld wíth | ríghteousness,
 and the | péoples wíth | equity.

THE COLLECT - Please stand as you are able for the collect.

Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

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

VIGIL PRAYERS

Celebrant: On this most Holy Night, let us pray for all those who will receive the Sacrament of new

birth and for ourselves as we prepare to renew our own Baptismal vows, saying, "Lord,

hear our prayer."

Celebrant: Deliver us, O Lord, from the way of sin and death.

People: Lord, hear our prayer.

Celebrant: Open our hearts to your grace and truth.

People: Lord, hear our prayer.

Celebrant: Fill us with your holy and life-giving Spirit.

People: Lord, hear our prayer.

Celebrant: Keep us in the faith and communion of your holy Church.

People: Lord, hear our prayer.

Celebrant: Teach us to love others in the power of the Spirit.

People: Lord, hear our prayer.

Celebrant: Send us into the world in witness to your love.

People: Lord, hear our prayer.

Celebrant: Bring us to the fullness of your peace and glory.

People: Lord, hear our prayer.

Celebrant: Grant that we may find our inheritance with the Blessed Virgin Mary, with patriarchs,

prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and all the saints; and we pray that, encouraged by their examples, aided by their prayers, and strengthened by their fellowship, we also may be partakers of the eternal life of the saints in light, through the merits of your Son Jesus

Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Deacon then removes the Paschal Candle from its stand, and leads the procession to the font for the Renewal of Baptismal Vows.

THANKSGIVING OVER THE WATER

Celebrant: The Lord be with you. People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Celebrant: 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.

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 Celebrant then blesses the water with the Paschal Candle.

RENEWAL of BAPTISM VOWS

Celebrant: 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.

Celebrant: Do you reaffirm your renunciation of evil and renew your commitment to Jesus Christ?

People: I do.

Celebrant: Do you believe in God the Father?

People: I believe in God, the Father almighty,

creator of heaven and earth.

Celebrant: 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.

Celebrant: 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.

Celebrant: 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.

Celebrant: 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.

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

People: I will, with God's help.

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

People: I will, with God's help.

Celebrant: 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.

Celebrant: May Almighty God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has given us a new birth by

water and the Holy Spirit, and bestowed upon us the forgiveness of sins, keep us in

eternal life by his grace, in Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.

ASPERGES of THE PEOPLE

"Asperges" comes from the Latin word for "sprinkle." The wand or branch that is used for the asperges is called an aspergillium. While this can be a helpful, tangible reclaiming of our baptism into Christ, it is not to be confused with the idea that we are being baptized again.

ANTHEM - Asperges Me, Domine Gregorian Chant

Asperges me, Domine, hysopo et mundabor;

Lavabis me et super nivem de albabor.

Miserere mei Deus secundum magnam misericordiam tuam.

Gloria Patre et Filio et Spiritui Sancto,

Sicut erat in principio et nunc et semper et in secula

secuculorum. Amen.

Thou shalt sprinkle me, O Lord, with hyssop, And I shall be cleansed.

Thou shalt wash me, and I shall become whiter than snow. Have mercy on me, O

God, according to Thy great mercy.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, World without end.

Amen

THE FIRST EUCHARIST of EASTER

LIGHTING of THE ALTAR CANDLES \bigcirc

EASTER GREETING

Alleluia! Christ is Risen! Celebrant:

People: The Lord is Risen indeed! Alleluia!

GLORIA Proulx \bigcirc

<u>Tintinnabulation</u> The congregation accompanies the singing of the Gloria with joyous tintinnabulation - the ringing of bells.



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THE COLLECT of THE DAY

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

People: Almighty God, who for our redemption gave your only- begotten Son to the

death of the cross, and by his glorious resurrection delivered us from the power of our enemy: Grant us so to die daily to sin, that we may evermore live with him in the joy of his resurrection; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Amen.

■ THE EPISTLE

A reading from Romans.

Romans 6:3-11 | Reader: Georgia Baum

o 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 PSALM Psalm 114



ALLELUIA

Cantor first, then congregation.



Deacon: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

hen the sabbath was over, Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices, so that they might go and anoint Jesus. And very early on the first day of the week, when the sun had risen, they went to the tomb. They had been saying to one another, "Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance to the tomb?" When they looked up, they saw that the stone, which was very large, had already been rolled back. As they entered the tomb, they saw a young man, dressed in a white robe, sitting on the right side; and they were alarmed. But he said to them, "Do not be alarmed; you are looking for Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has been raised; he is not here. Look, there is the place they laid him. But go, tell his disciples and Peter that he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him, just as he told you." So they went out and fled from the tomb, for terror and amazement had seized them; and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.

Deacon: The Gospel of the Lord.
People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

■ THE HOMILY — The Rev. Suzi Holding

■ THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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† The weekly prayer list can be found at the end of this bulletin. Please pray through the week for members and others who are on our hearts.

The Leader and People pray responsively.

Leader: In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

Silence

For all people in their daily life and work;

People: For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

Leader: For this community, the nation, and the world;

People: For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

Leader: For the just and proper use of your creation;

People: For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

Leader: For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

People: For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

Leader: For the peace and unity of the Church of God.

People: For all who proclaim and Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

Leader: For Michael, our Presiding Bishop and for Paula, our Bishop.

People: For all who serve God in his Church.

Leader: For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

Silence

Hear us, Lord;

People: For your mercy is great.

Leader: We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

Silence

We will exalt you, O God our King;

People: And praise your Name for ever and ever.

Leader: We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

Silence

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

People: Who put their trust in you.

Silence may be kept.

CONCLUDING COLLECT

Celebrant: Lord, hear the prayers of your people; and what we have asked faithfully, grant that we

may obtain effectually, to the glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

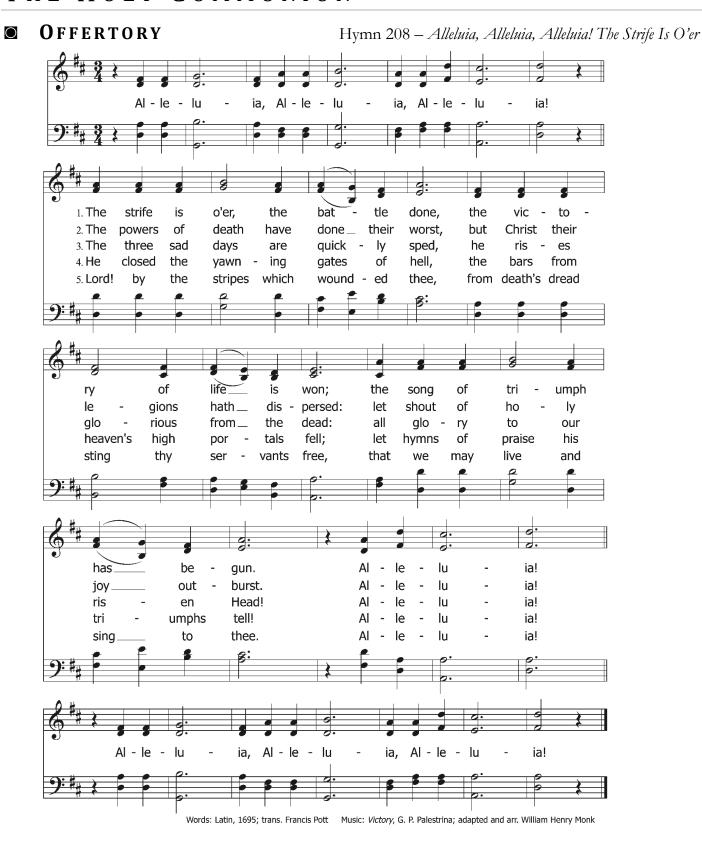
People: Amen.

THE PEACE

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And also with you.

THE HOLY COMMUNION



OFFERTORY RESPONSE



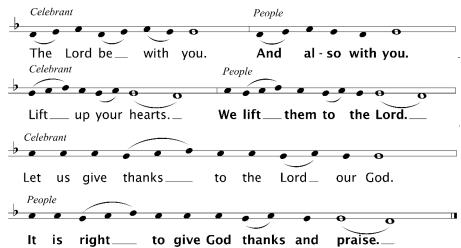
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Celebrant: All things come of you, O God.

People: And of your own have we given you.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING





The Celebrant continues

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 Proulx



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The Celebrant continues

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 many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith.



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The Celebrant continues

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.

Celebrant

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.



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THE LORD'S PRAYER

Kuna harmony

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



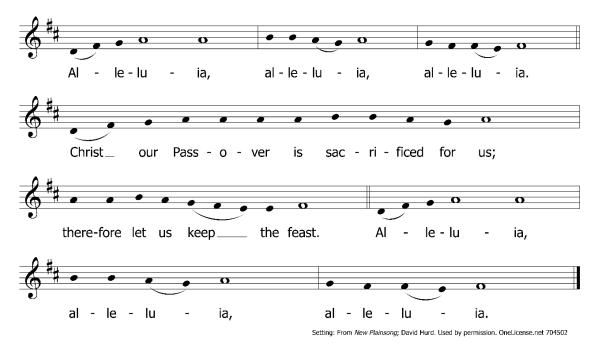


BREAKING OF THE BREAD

A period of silence is kept.

■ THE FRACTION ANTHEM

Hurd



Celebrant

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 the baptized are welcome to receive holy communion.

COMMUNION MUSIC

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COMMUNION 2 - ANTHEM

Christ is Now Risen Again (A. Wilson)

Christ is now risen again from His death and all his pain; Therefore will we merry be, and rejoice with him gladly. Alleluia!

Since he is risen indeed let us love him with all speed Therefore glad now will we be, and rejoice in him only. Alleluia!

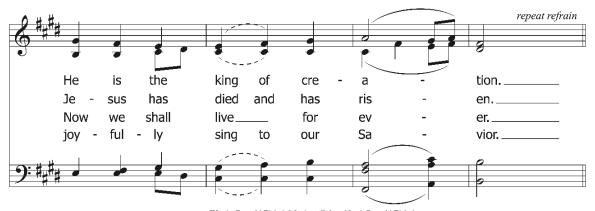
Communion 3

Hymn 178 - Alleluia, Alleluia, Give Thanks to the Risen Lord









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THE PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Together: Almighty and everliving God,

we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food

of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;

and for assuring us in these holy mysteries

that we are living members of the Body of your Son,

and heirs of your eternal kingdom.

And now, Father, send us out

to do the work you have given us to do,

to love and serve you

as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.

To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,

be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

■ THE EASTER BLESSING

Celebrant: May Almighty God, who has redeemed us and made us his children through the

resurrection of his Son our Lord, bestow upon you the riches of his blessing.

People: Amen.

Celebrant: May God, who through the water of baptism has raised us from sin into newness of

life, make you holy and worthy to be united with Christ for ever.

People: Amen.

Celebrant: May God, who has brought us out of bondage to sin into true and lasting freedom

in the Redeemer, bring you to your eternal inheritance.

People: Amen.

Celebrant: And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be

upon you and remain with you for ever.

People: Amen.

THE CLOSING HYMN



Words: Latin, 14th century; verse 4, Charles Wesley Music: Easter Hymn

■ THE DISMISSAL

Deacon: Let us go forth in the name of the risen Christ. Alleluia, alleluia.

People: Thanks be to God, alleluia, alleluia.

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