CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL ORDER OF WORSHIP



THE GREAT VIGIL OF EASTER

WITH HOLY BAPTISM, CONFIRMATION, AND REAFFIRMATION AND A SOLEMN CELEBRATION OF THE HOLY EUCHARIST

APRIL 4, 2015 7:00 p.m.

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A Center for the Community of the Cross of Nails

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The congregation stands and faces the Columbarium.

THE LIGHTING OF THE PASCHAL CANDLE

During the procession, the following Versicle and Response is sung three times.

At the second and third pause, it is sung successively a step higher.



EXSULTET

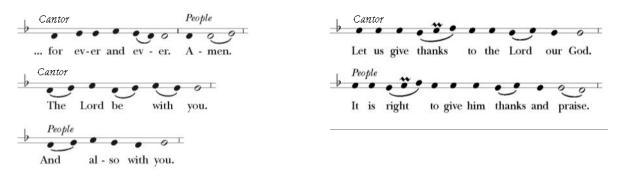
The flame will be passed from the Paschal Candle to the congregation during the singing of the Exsultet.

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...



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.

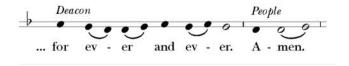
This is the night, when Christ broke the bonds of death and hell, and rose victorious from the grave.

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. . .



THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Bishop 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 story of Creation

GENESIS 1:1-2:4a (sít)

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.

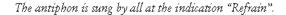
And God said, "Let the earth bring forth living creatures of every kind: cattle and creeping things and wild animals of the earth of every kind." And it was so. God made the wild animals of the earth of every kind, and the cattle of every kind, and everything that creeps upon the ground of every kind. 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.

PSALM 136:1-9, 23-26 Mode 2





- 1 Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good, * for his mercy endures for ever.
- 2 Give thanks to the God of gods, * for his mercy endures for ever.
- 3 Give thanks to the LORD of Lords, * for his mercy endures for ever. Refrain
- 4 Who only does great wonders, * for his mercy endures for ever;
- 5 Who by wisdom made the heavens, * for his mercy endures for ever;
- 6 Who spread out the earth upon the waters, * for his mercy endures for ever; Refrain
- 7 Who created great lights, * for his mercy endures for ever;

- 8 The sun to rule the day, * for his mercy endures for ever;
- 9 The moon and the stars to govern the night, * for his mercy endures for ever. Refrain
- 23 Who remembered us in our low estate, * for his mercy endures for ever;
- 24 And delivered us from our enemies, * for his mercy endures for ever;
- 25 Who gives food to all creatures, * for his mercy endures for ever.
- 26 Give thanks to the God of heaven, * for his mercy endures for ever. Refrain

Bishop Let us pray. (stand) (silence)

COLLECT

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.

Israel's deliverance at the Red Sea

EXODUS 14:10-31, 15:20-21 (sit)

As 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."

The antiphon is sung by all at the indication "Refrain".



I will sing to the Lord, for he is lofty and uplifted; *

the horse and its rider has he hurled into the sea.

The Lord is my strength and my refuge; *

the Lord has become my Savior.

This is my God and I will praise him, *

the God of my people and I will exalt him. Refrain

The Lord is a mighty warrior; *

Yahweh is his Name.

The chariots of Pharaoh and his army has he hurled into the sea; *

the finest of those who bear armor have been

drowned in the Red Sea.

The fathomless deep has overwhelmed them; *

they sank into the depths like a stone. Refrain

Your right hand, O Lord, is glorious in might; *

your right hand, O Lord, has overthrown the enemy.

Who can be compared with you, O Lord, among the gods? *

who is like you, glorious in holiness,

awesome in renown, and worker of wonders?

You stretched forth your right hand; *

the earth swallowed them up. Refrain

With your constant love you led the people you redeemed; *

with your might you brought them in safety to

your holy dwelling.

You will bring them in and plant them *

on the mount of your possession,

The resting-place you have made for yourself, O Lord, *

the sanctuary, O Lord, that your hand has established.

The Lord shall reign *

for ever and for ever. Refrain

Bishop Let us pray. (stand)

(silence)

COLLECT

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.*

Learn wisdom and live

PROVERBS 8:1-8, 19-21; 9:4b-6 (sit) Does not wisdom call, and does not understanding raise her voice? On the heights, beside the way, at the crossroads she takes her stand; beside the gates in front of the town, at the entrance of the portals she cries out: "To you, O people, I call, and my cry is to all that live. O simple ones, learn prudence; acquire intelligence, you who lack it. Hear, for I will speak noble things, and from my lips will come what is right; for my mouth will utter truth; wickedness is an abomination to my lips. All the words of my mouth are righteous; there is nothing twisted or crooked in them.

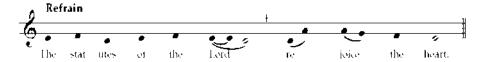
"My fruit is better than gold, even fine gold, and my yield than choice silver.

I walk in the way of righteousness, along the paths of justice, endowing with wealth those who love me, and filling their treasuries."

To those without sense she says,
"Come, eat of my bread
and drink of the wine I have mixed.
Lay aside immaturity, and live,
and walk in the way of insight."

PSALM 19 Mode 4

The antiphon is sung by all at the indication "Refrain".



- 1 The heavens declare the glory of God, * and the firmament shows his handiwork.
- One day tells its tale to another, * and one night imparts knowledge to another. Refrain
- 3 Although they have no words or language, * and their voices are not heard,
- 4 Their sound has gone out into all lands, * and their message to the ends of the world. Refrain

- In the deep has he set a pavilion for the sun; *
 it comes forth like a bridegroom out of his chamber;
 it rejoices like a champion to run its course.
- 6 It goes forth from the uttermost edge of the heavens and runs about to the end of it again; * nothing is hidden from its burning heat. Refrain
- 7 The law of the LORD is perfect
 and revives the soul; *
 the testimony of the LORD is sure
 and gives wisdom to the innocent.
- 8 The statutes of the LORD are just
 and rejoice the heart; *
 the commandment of the LORD is clear
 and gives light to the eyes. Refrain
- 9 The fear of the LORD is clean and endures for ever; * the judgments of the LORD are true and righteous altogether.
- 10 More to be desired are they than gold,
 more than much fine gold, *
 sweeter far than honey,
 than honey in the comb.
- 11 By them also is your servant enlightened, * and in keeping them there is great reward. Refrain
- 12 Who can tell how often he offends? * cleanse me from my secret faults.
- 13 Above all, keep your servant from presumptuous sins; let them not get dominion over me; * then shall I be whole and sound, and innocent of a great offense.
- Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in your sight, *
 O Lord, my strength and my redeemer. Refrain

Bishop Let us pray. (stand) (silence)

COLLECT

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 valley of dry bones

EZEKIEL 37:1-14 (sit)

The 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.

PSALM 143 Mode 7

The antiphon is sung by all at the indication "Refrain".



- 1 Lord, hear my prayer, and in your faithfulness heed my supplications; * answer me in your righteousness.
- 2 Enter not into judgment with your servant, * for in your sight shall no one living be justified. Refrain
- 3 For my enemy has sought my life; he has crushed me to the ground; *
 he has made me live in dark places like those who are long dead.
- 4 My spirit faints within me; *
 my heart within me is desolate. Refrain
- 5 I remember the time past; I muse upon all your deeds; * I consider the works of your hands.
- 6 I spread out my hands to you; * my soul gasps to you like a thirsty land. Refrain

- O Lord, make haste to answer me; my spirit fails me; * 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 loving-kindness in the morning, for I put my trust in you; * show me the road that I must walk, for I lift up my soul to you.
- 9 Deliver me from my enemies, O Lord, * for I flee to you for refuge. Refrain
- 10 Teach me to do what pleases you, for you are my God; * let your good Spirit lead me on level ground.
- 11 Revive me, O LORD, for your Name's sake; * for your righteousness' sake, bring me out of trouble.
- 12 Of your goodness, destroy my enemies and bring all my foes to naught, *
 for truly I am your servant. Refrain

Bishop Let us pray. (stand) (silence)

COLLECT

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.

HOMILY - The Reverend Canon Gene B. Manning

HOLY BAPTISM, CONFIRMATION, RECEPTION, REAFFIRMATION

PRESENTATION AND EXAMINATION OF THE CANDIDATES (BCP, p. 301)

The Bishop says

The Candidates for Holy Baptism will now be presented.

The candidates who are able to answer for themselves are presented individually by their Sponsors, as follows

Sponsor I present N_i to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.

The Celebrant asks each candidate when presented

Do you desire to be baptized?

Candidate I do.

The candidates who are unable to answer for themselves are presented individually by their Parents and Godparents, as follows

Parents and Godparents

I present N. to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.

When all have been presented the Bishop asks the parents and godparents

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

Parents and Godparents

I will, with God's help.

Bishop

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

Parents and Godparents

I will, with God's help.

Then the Bishop asks the following questions of the candidates who can speak for themselves, and of the parents and godparents who speak on behalf of the infants and younger children

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 Ido.

Then the Bishop says

The other Candidates will now be presented.

Youth confirmands stand (and remain standing) with their sponsors in the pew.

Youth Minister: I present these youth for Confirmation.

Adult confirmands stand (and remain standing) with their sponsors in the pew.

The Sub-Dean: I present these adults for Confirmation.

Adults to be received into the Episcopal Church stand (and remain standing) with their sponsors in the pew.

The Canon: I present these adults to be received into this Communion.

Adults seeking the reaffirmation of baptismal vows stand (and remain standing) with their sponsors in the pew.

Priest Associate: I present these adults who desire to reaffirm their baptismal vows.

The Bishop asks the candidates

Do you reaffirm your renunciation of evil?

Candidate I do.

Bishop Do you renew your commitment to Jesus Christ?

Candidate I do, and with God's grace I will follow him as my Savior and Lord.

The congregation stands.

After all have been presented, the Bishop addresses the congregation, saying

Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support these persons in their life in Christ?

People We will.

The Bishop then says these or similar words

Let us join with those who are committing themselves to Christ and renew our own baptismal covenant.

The Baptismal Covenant

Bishop Do you believe in God the Father? People I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. Bishop 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. Bishop 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. Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers? Bishop I will, with God's help. People Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord? Bishop I will, with God's help. People Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ? Bishop People I will, with God's help. Bishop Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself? I will, with God's help. People Bishop 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 Candidates

The Bishop then says to the congregation

Let us now pray for these persons who are to receive the Sacrament of new birth and for those who have renewed their commitment to Christ.

A Person appointed leads the following petitions

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

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader Open their hearts to your grace and truth.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader Fill them with your holy and life-giving Spirit.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader Keep them in the faith and communion of your holy Church.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader Teach them to love others in the power of the Spirit.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader Send them into the world in witness to your love.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader Bring them to the fullness of your peace and glory.

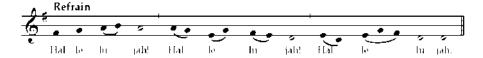
People Lord, hear our prayer.

The Bishop says

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 forever. Amen.

PROCESSION TO THE FONT

PSALM 114:1-4 Mode 7



- 1 Hallelujah! When Israel came out of Egypt, * the house of Jacob from a people of strange speech,
- 2 Judah became God's sanctuary * and Israel his dominion. Refrain

- 3 The sea beheld it and fled; * Jordan turned and went back.
- 4 The mountains skipped like rams, * and the little hills like young sheep. Refrain

Thanksgiving over the Water

The Bishop blesses the water, first saying

The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Bishop Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Bishop

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.

At the following words, the Bishop touches the water

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

Each candidate is presented by name to the Bishop, or to an assisting priest or deacon, who then immerses, or pours water upon, the candidate, saying

N., I baptize you in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

When this action has been completed for all candidates, the Bishop, at a place in full sight of the congregation, prays over them, saying

Let us pray.

Heavenly Father, we thank you that by water and the Holy Spirit you have bestowed upon these your servants the forgiveness of sin, and have raised them to the new life of grace. Sustain them, O Lord, in your Holy Spirit. Give them 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 Bishop or Priest places a hand on the person's head, marking on the forehead the sign of the cross using Chrism and saying to each one

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

Then the Bishop says

Let us welcome the newly baptized.

Bishop and People

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.

PROCESSION TO THE CHANCEL

PSALM 114: 5-8 Mode 7



- 5 What ailed you, O sea, that you fled? * O Jordan, that you turned back?
- 6 You mountains, that you skipped like rams? * you little hills like young sheep? Refrain
- 7 Tremble, O earth, at the presence of the Lord, * at the presence of the God of Jacob,
- 8 Who turned the hard rock into a pool of water * and flint-stone into a flowing spring. Refrain

A period of silence follows

The Bishop says to the congregation Let us now pray for these persons who have renewed their commitment to Christ.

Silence may be kept.

Then the Bishop says

Almighty God, we thank you that by the death and resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ you have overcome sin and brought us to yourself, and that by the sealing of your Holy Spirit you have bound us to your service. Renew in these your servants the covenant you made with them at their Baptism. Send them forth in the power of that Spirit to perform the service you set before them; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

CONFIRMATION, RECEPTION, REAFFIRMATION (BCP, p. 309-310) (sit)

Then the Bishop says

Almighty and everliving God, let your fatherly hand ever be over these your servants; let your Holy Spirit ever be with them; and so lead them in the knowledge and obedience of your Word, that they may serve you in this life, and dwell with you in the life to come; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE EASTER ACCLAMATION

The people stand as the altar candles are lit from the Paschal candle.

The traditional Easter Greeting is exchanged: it is repeated three times, louder and louder.

The people ring their bells, first softly, then louder and louder.

Bishop: Alleluia! Christ is risen.

People: The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS William Mathias



Bishop: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Bishop: Let us pray.

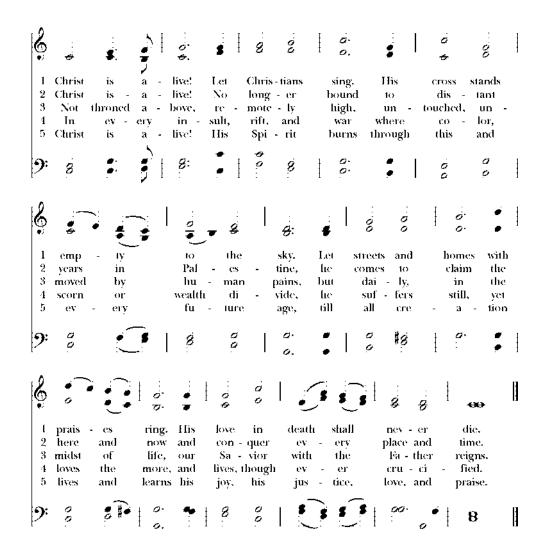
COLLECT

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.

THE NEW TESTAMENT LESSON - Romans 6:3-11

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.

HYMN Christ is alive! Let Christians sing Truro



The Great Alleluia is sung three times by the Cantor at successively higher pitches, the congregation repeating it each time.





THE GOSPEL LESSON - Matthew 16:1-8

When 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.



GOSPEL FANFARE

THE PEACE

THE HOLY COMMUNION

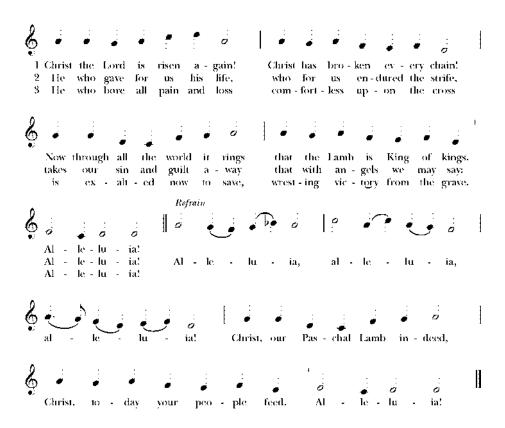
THE OFFERTORY

ANTHEM Conrad Susa Song to the Lamb (1933-2013)

Splendor, and honor, and kingly power be yours by right, O Lord, our God. For you created everything that is, and by your will they were created and have their being. a kingdom of priests to serve our God.

And yours by right, O Lamb that was slain, for with your blood you have redeemed for God from every family, language, people and nation,

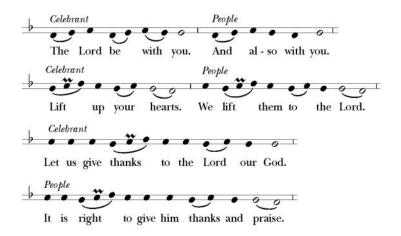
And so to him who sits upon the throne, and to Christ the Lamb. be worship and praise, dominion and splendor forevermore! Alleluia! Amen.



THE GREAT THANKSGIVING (Eucharistic Prayer D)

The people remain standing. The Celebrant, whether bishop or priest, faces them and sings or says

Sursum Corda



Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

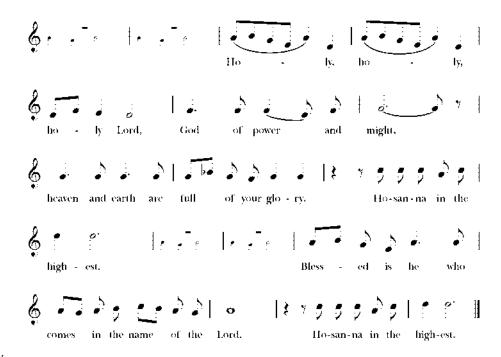
It is truly right to glorify you, Father, and to give you thanks; for you alone are God, living and true, dwelling in light inaccessible from before time and for ever.

Fountain of life and source of all goodness, you made all things and fill them with your blessing; you created them to rejoice in the splendor of your radiance.

Countless throngs of angels stand before you to serve you night and day; and, beholding the glory of your presence, they offer you unceasing praise. Joining with them, and giving voice to every creature under heaven, we acclaim you, and glorify your Name, as we sing,

Celebrant and People

Sanctus



The people stand or kneel.

Then the Celebrant continues

We acclaim you, holy Lord, glorious in power. Your mighty works reveal your wisdom and love. You formed us in your own image, giving the whole world into our care, so that, in obedience to you, our Creator, we might rule and serve all your creatures. When our disobedience took us far from you, you did not abandon us to the power of death. In your mercy you came to our help, so that in seeking you we might find you. Again and again you called us into covenant with you, and through the prophets you taught us to hope for salvation.

Father, you loved the world so much that in the fullness of time you sent your only Son to be our Savior. Incarnate by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, he lived as one of us, yet without sin. To the poor he proclaimed the good news of salvation; to prisoners, freedom; to the sorrowful, joy. To fulfill your purpose he gave himself up to death; and, rising from the grave, destroyed death, and made the whole creation new.

And, that we might live no longer for ourselves, but for him who died and rose for us, he sent the Holy Spirit, his own first gift for those who believe, to complete his work in the world, and to bring to fulfillment the sanctification of all.

At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it or lay a hand upon it; and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing wine to be consecrated.

When the hour had come for him to be glorified by you, his heavenly Father, having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end; at supper with them he 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."

Father, we now celebrate this memorial of our redemption. Recalling Christ's death and his descent among the dead, proclaiming his resurrection and ascension to your right hand, awaiting his coming in glory; and offering to you, from the gifts you have given us, this bread and this cup, we praise you and we bless you.

Celebrant and People

We praise you, we bless you, we give thanks to you, and we pray to you, Lord our God.

The Celebrant continues

Lord, we pray that in your goodness and mercy your Holy Spirit may descend upon us, and upon these gifts, sanctifying them and showing them to be holy gifts for your holy people, the bread of life and the cup of salvation, the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ.

Grant that all who share this bread and cup may become one body and one spirit, a living sacrifice in Christ, to the praise of your Name.

Remember, Lord, your one holy Catholic and Apostolic Church, redeemed by the blood of your Christ. Reveal its unity, guard its faith, and preserve it in peace.

Remember Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury; Katharine, Presiding Bishop of the Episcopal Church; John the Bishop of Tennessee; the Cathedral clergy, Timothy, Gene, Joshua, and Jacoba; our seminarians, Molly and BJ; and all who minister in your Church.

Remember the men and women of the armed forces at home and abroad, especially Chris, Bradley, Chad, Sterling, Toby, and all those on active duty from this community; and those who suffering because of war.

Remember all your people, and those who seek your truth, especially the newly baptized: Caitlin, Alice, Samuel, Jacob, Lowell James, William, Julia, Josephine, and Cheyenne; and those who were Confirmed, Received, or who renewed their Baptismal Vows this night.

Remember Will, Roberta, Darlene, Leigh, Duncan, Mary, Dot, Cleda, Reid, Jim, Lisa, Renee, Mabry, Gabriel, Jim, Vance, Shirley, Tom, the Garrett family, and Sharon, and those we name before God or who are known to God in the silence of our hearts.

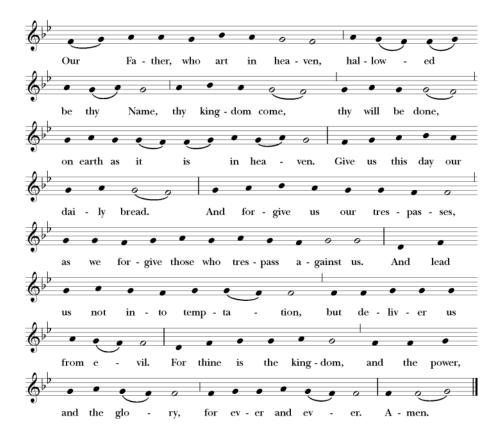
Remember all who have died in the peace of Christ, and those whose faith is known to you alone. Bring them into the place of eternal joy and light.

And grant that we may find our inheritance with the Blessed Virgin Mary, with patriarchs, prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and all the saints who have found favor with you in ages past. We praise you in union with them and give you glory through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, all honor and glory are yours, Almighty God and Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, for ever and ever. AMEN.

The Lord's Prayer (sung by all)

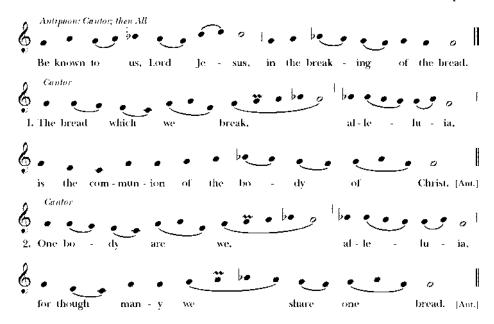
Plainsong, adapt. Charles Winfred Douglas



The Breaking of the Bread

Be Known to us

Mode 6 melody adapt. Mason Martens



Please follow the direction of the ushers in order to receive Communion. When you approach the altar rail from the center aisle, begin to take your place from the center. You may stand or kneel to receive.

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

Anthem A song for Easter Patrick Hadley
(1899-1973)

I got me flowers to straw thy way,
I got me boughs off many a tree;
but thou wast up by break of day,
and brought'st thy sweets along with thee.

Yet tho' my flowers be lost, they say a heart can never come too late; teach it to sing thy praise this day, and then this day my life shall date.

George Herbert

Anthem Nov

Now glad of heart be everyone

Peter R. Hallock (1924-2013)

Now glad of heart be every one! The fight is fought, the day is won, the Christ is set upon his throne.

Who on the rood was crucified, who rose again as at this tide, in glory to his Father's side.

Who baffled death and harrowed hell, and led the souls that loved him well all in the light of lights to dwell.

To him we lift our heart and voice and in his Paradise rejoice with harp and pipe and happy noise.

Then rise all Christian folk, with me and carol forth the One in Three that was, and is, and is to be,

by faith, the shield of heart and mind, through love, which suffers and is kind, in hope, that rides upon the wind.

16th century, German

Gather gladness from the skies; take a lesson from the ground; flowers do ope their heavenward eyes and a springtime joy have found; earth throws winter's robes away, decks herself for Easter Day. Beauty now for ashes wear, perfumes for the garb of woe. Chaplets for disheveled hair, dances for sad footsteps slow; open wide your hearts that they let in joy this Easter Day.

Seek God's house in happy throng; crowded let his table be; mingle praises, prayer and song, singing to the Trinity.

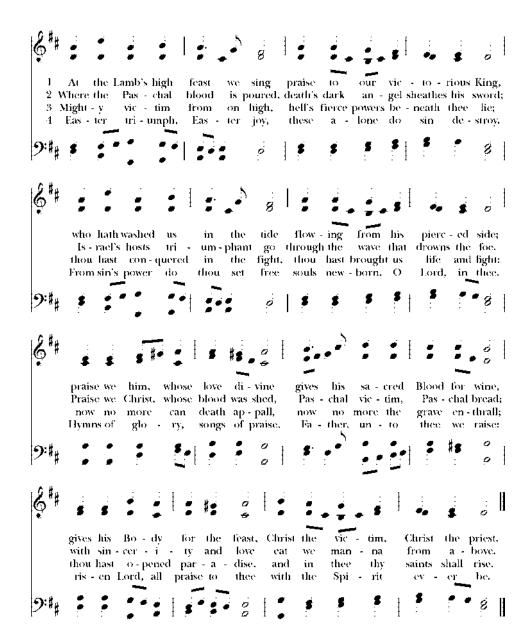
Henceforth let your souls alway make each morn an Easter Day.

Gerard Manley Hopkins

Hymn

At the Lamb's high feast we sing

Salzburg



POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER (stand)

Celebrant and People

Eternal 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.

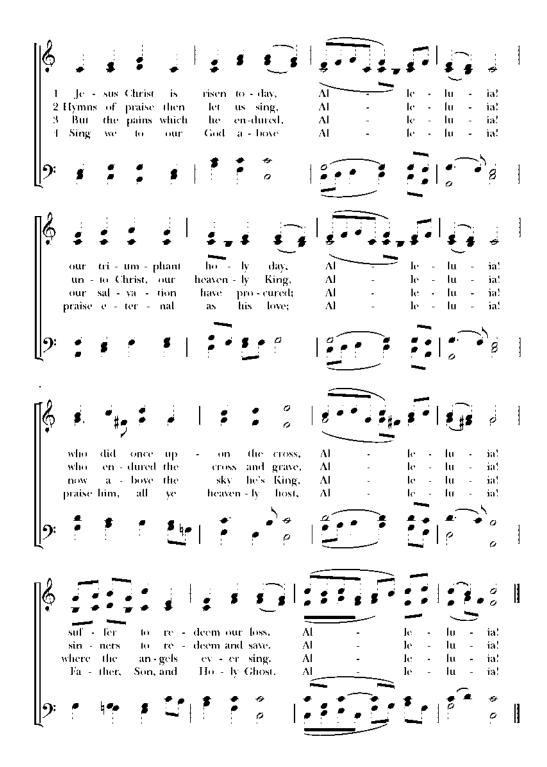
BLESSING (kneel)

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. Amen.

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. Amen.

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. Amen.

And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. Amen.



DISMISSAL

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

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia.

BAPTISM

Caitlin Justice Johnston

William Howell Atkinson, son of Anabel and Cameron Atkinson Cheyenne Baldwin, granddaughter of Arnold and Lisa Baldwin Jacob Keith Bowman, son of Jeffrey and Michele Bowman James Clough Danly III, son of James and Frankie Danly Alice Wilkinson de Gantes, daughter of Florent and Caroline de Gantes Josephine Grace Dixon, daughter of Matthew and Lauren Kilgore Dixon Lowell Alexander Goldman, Jr., son of Lowell and Eleanor Goldman Samuel Pride Shoemaker, son of Thomas and Sarah Shoemaker Julia Odell Walrond, daughter of Jamie Walrond and Jaclyn Dye

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Lucy Vincent Kloeppel George Harold LaBour Ellen Elizabeth Niarhos Suzannah Lipscomb Smith Elijah Clemens Smith Bruce Banks Teaford Lillian Margaret Urness John Thompson Whitaker III

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George "Robin" Foster Sharia Greenwood Meghan Gwaltney Charles Hall

Marilyn Trautman-Leathers (St. David's)

Jacob Webne

Gifts for Easter music are given to the glory of God and

in thanksgiving for their children, Frank, Lily, Alice, and George, and grandchildren Owen and Marshall Catalano, by Roberta and Fred LaBour

in honor of Joyce B. Harris; in thanksgiving for their children and their spouses, Chowning and Martin and Wells and Emily; and in thanksgiving for their grandchildren, Madelyn and Reese, and Griffin and Jack, by Dona and Hal Johnson

in loving memory of Marlin and Neal Jones, and Mary, Steve, and Ruth Schillig, by Marlin and William Sanders

in thanksgiving for the glorious music every Sunday, by Fletch and Bill Coke

in loving memory of Frances Helton Patton and Nella Wood Helton, and in honor of Ann Patton, by Nancy Patton

in loving memory of her grandparents, Lowell and Virginia Hill, by Tameron Hedge

in memory of their parents, Bill and Willie Smith and Woodrow H. Hooper, by Sandra and Art Hooper

in thanksgiving for Michael Velting, Jon Johnson and the Cathedral Choir, by Tom and Patti West

in loving memory of Thomas Daugherty Rayson, by Rob, Hannah, Bruce and Laura Lee Dobie

in loving memory of her mother, Florence May Allen Bushey, and her husband, Stephen Wilburn, by Christina Wilburn

in memory of William and Frances Anderson, by Sally Gentry and Jack Hill

in honor of dancers, musicians, and artists, who lift our spirits with their gifts and talents, by Alex Joyce

in loving memory of Linda Jackson, by her daughter and son-in-law Christina and Matt Isbell, and granddaughters, Anna Claire and Samantha

in thanksgiving for music, by Ralph and Jane Black

in memory of H. Lynn Swindle, by Carl Wall

in thanksgiving for music, by George and Mavis Allen

in memory of their granny, Kit Benson, by Lloyd, Opal and Audrey Ivester

in memory of Virginia Hill, grandmother of Tameron Hedge, by Ginna and Mark Cannon

in thanksgiving for life, by John and Shirley Lachs



Easter flowers for the chancel are given to the glory of God and

in memory of the Reverend Dr. and Mrs. A. W. Holden, Colonel and Mrs. S. E. Edmonds, Judge and Mrs. Sam Holden, Mr. and Mrs. John D. Holden IV and Mr. Tim Holden, by Sam W. Holden II

in honor of their grandchildren, Patrick, Mollie, Matthew, Sarah, Augusta and Heather, by George and Mavis Allen

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in thanksgiving for Lauren and Josh Hale, by Don and Audra Hale

in honor of Murray Lloyd Hannon on the occasion of her confirmation, by Hannah and John Lavey

in loving memory of Jerald Manning by his daughter and son-in-law, Christina and Matt Isbell, and granddaughters, Anna Claire and Samantha

in loving memory of Dan C. Clements, by Dede Clements

in loving memory of her father, Jud Bushey, and her sister, Connie Bushey Wiedmayer, by Christina Wilburn

in thanksgiving for the birth of grandchildren Alexander Joseph Magsig, son of Jennifer and Toby Magsig, and Lindsey Marie Neblett, daughter of David and Alison Neblett; and in continuing gratefulness for the blessing of each of their seven other grandchildren and their parents, by Margaret and Skip Neblett

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in loving memory of Sally Ann Schenker by her children: Julie, Steven, David, Andrew and Jenny, and their families

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