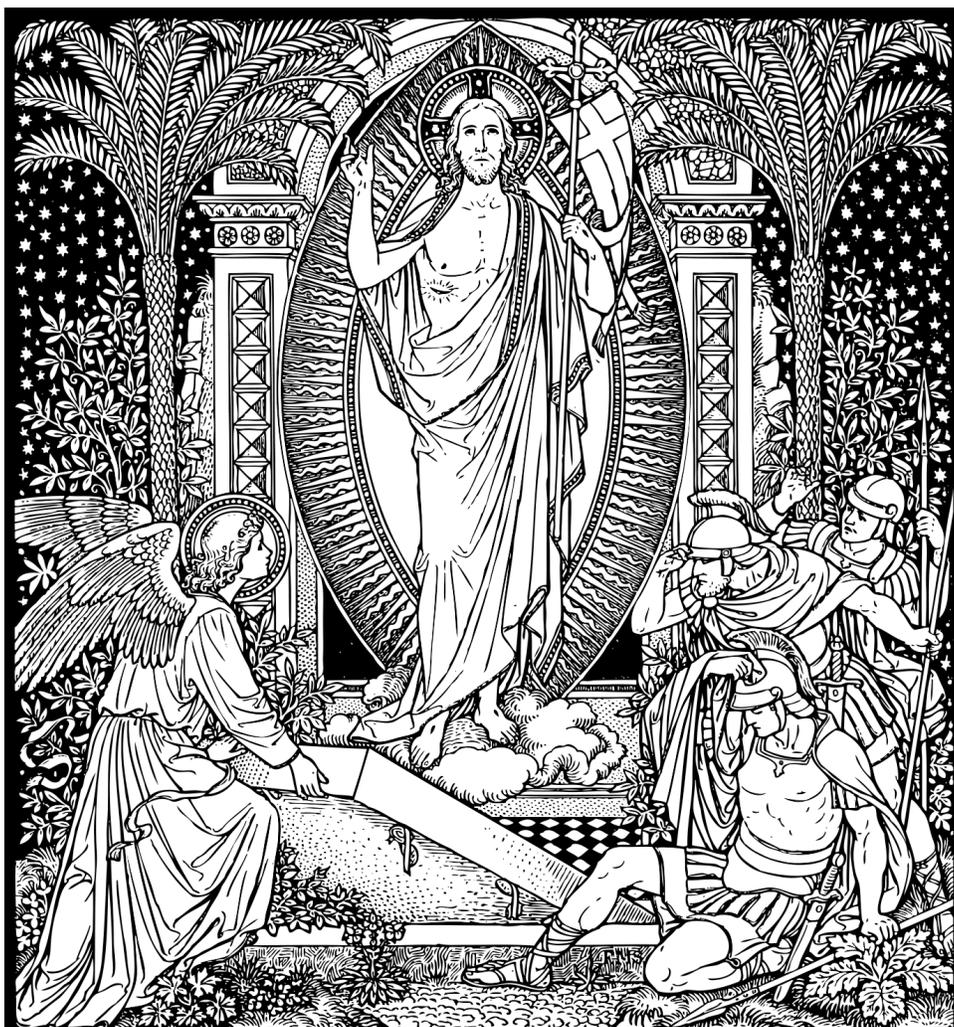




ST. CATHERINE'S
EPISCOPAL CHURCH



REJOICE NOW, heavenly hosts and choirs and angels, and let your trumpets shout
Salvation for the victory of our mighty King.

THE GREAT VIGIL OF EASTER

THE GREAT VIGIL OF EASTER *with*
THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM

SATURDAY, MARCH 31, 2018

8:00 IN THE EVENING

OUR MISSION

*To seek, love, and serve God through worship, education, and service
and to share the redeeming love of Christ with the World.*



OUR VISION

*St. Catherine's, the Episcopal Church in Chelsea, is a welcoming and
inclusive family called by Christ to receive and share God's love.*

Welcome to St. Catherine's.

We are delighted that you have joined us this evening in our observance of the Great Vigil of Easter and the conclusion of the *Triduum Sacrum*, the Sacred Three Days. The Great Vigil of Easter is the most significant liturgy of the entire Christian year as we celebrate the triumph of our Lord's victory over sin and death and his rising to new life. This is the Christian Passover, and throughout the service, you will notice four distinct elements: The Service of Light, in which the Paschal Candle is lighted, symbolizing new life; The Liturgy of the Word, a recitation from the Hebrew Scriptures of the history of our salvation; The Baptismal Liturgy, the point in the service when we renew our own baptismal vows and celebrate the Sacrament of Holy Baptism; and finally, The First Eucharist of Easter, the moment when darkness finally gives way to light and we proclaim with great joy, "Alleluia! Christ is risen! The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!"

If you are new or visiting with us, we invite you to fill out a visitor card, which can be found in the pew rack in front of you. Completed cards may be given to a greeter or a member of the clergy. For more information about our parish, including a complete schedule of worship services, please visit our website at <https://stcatherinesal.com>.

The liturgy for this evening's service is from *The Book of Common Prayer*. For your convenience, all of the hymns, service music, prayers, and readings are included in this booklet.

Children are always welcome in worship at St. Catherine's. However, if your child would be more comfortable in our nursery, childcare is available next door in the Annex.

Receiving Communion

At St. Catherine's, all are welcome at the Lord's Table, including those who have been baptized in other traditions. If you are not receiving Communion today, please feel free to come forward to receive a blessing. You may indicate your preference for a blessing by crossing your arms over your chest. If you would like to learn more about baptism or about following Jesus in the Episcopal tradition, please speak with the Rector at the end of the service.

If walking or standing is difficult for you, please remain seated, and we will be happy to bring Communion to you in your pew. Simply let the ushers know as they pass by your pew, and they will notify the priest.

Ministers in the Liturgy

CELEBRANT

The Reverend Eric N. Mancil

DEACON

The Reverend Deacon Clyde Pearce

VIGIL READERS

Chelsea Mancil, *First Reading*
Michelle Caiola, *Second Reading*
Jim Cawthon, *Third Reading*
Teresa McLarty, *Fourth Reading*

LAY EUCHARISTIC MINISTER

Pam Kimball

LECTOR

Beth Young

INTERCESSOR

Wanda Wheeler

GREETERS

Bill and Margo Churchwell

ALTAR GUILD

Wanda Wheeler and Cathy Cawthon

VESTRY PERSON OF THE DAY

Bill Churchwell

MUSICIANS

Matthew West, *Organist/Choirmaster*
The Choir of St. Catherine's

ACOLYTES

Connor Douglas, Kylie Douglas, and Sophie Mancil

THE GREAT VIGIL OF EASTER

THE SERVICE OF LIGHT

The People gather outside for the beginning of the liturgy. In the darkness, fire is kindled.

THE BLESSING OF THE PASCHAL CANDLE

Celebrant

Before the throne burn seven lamps of fire, which are the seven spirits of God.

Celebrant You, O Lord, are my lamp:

People My God, you make my darkness bright.

Celebrant

Let us pray. (Silence)

O HEAVENLY FATHER, who revealed to us the vision of your Son in the midst of the candlesticks, and of your Spirit in seven lamps of fire before your throne: Grant that this Paschal Candle, to be kindled for your glory, may be to us a sign of your presence and the promise of eternal light; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE LIGHTING OF THE PASCHAL CANDLE

Celebrant

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

Let us pray.

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

The Paschal Candle is then lighted from the newly kindled fire and processed into the darkened church. The candles of the People are lighted. Pausing three times during the procession, the following versicle and response is sung.

THE VERSICLE and RESPONSE

People

The light of Christ. Thanks be to God.

*The Paschal Candle is placed in its stand.
All remain standing as the Celebrant sings*

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...

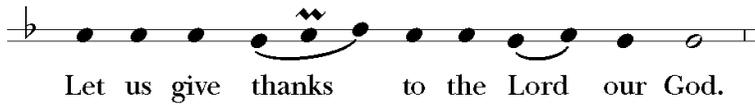
People

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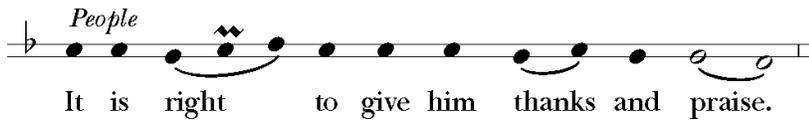
The Lord be with you.

People

And al - so with you.



Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



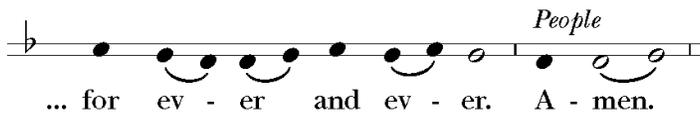
It is right to give him thanks and praise.

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

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

THE ADDRESS

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.

All sit for

THE FIRST LESSON *The story of Creation*

Genesis 1:1-2:4a

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.

Lector The Word of the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

PSALM 136:1-9, 23-26 *Confitemini*

Plainchant: Mode II



The Cantor introduces the congregational refrain, followed by the People.

- 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.*

All stand for

THE COLLECT

Celebrant

Let us pray. (Silence)

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

All sit for

THE SECOND LESSON *Israel's deliverance at the Red Sea*

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

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."

Lector The Word of the Lord.
 People Thanks be to God.

All sing the following Canticle in unison, beginning and ending with the Antiphon.

THE CANTICLE *The Song of Moses*

Plainchant: Modes I and *Tonus Peregrinus*

Antiphon in Lent and at the Easter Vigil (b)

I will sing to the Lord for he has ris-en up in might.

1. I will sing to the Lord, for he is lofty and up - lift - ed;
 the horse and its rider has he hurled in - to the sea. 2. The Lord is my
 strength and my re - fuge; the Lord has be - come my Sa - vior.

3. This is my God and I will praise him, the God of my people and I

will ex - alt him. 4. The Lord is a might - y war - rior;
 Yah - weh is his Name. 5. The chariots of Pharaoh and his army has
 he hurled in - to the sea; the finest of those who bear armor have been
 drowned in the Red Sea. 6. The fathomless deep has o - ver - whelmed them;
 they sank into the depths like a stone. 7. Your right hand, O Lord, is glor - ious
 in might; your right hand, O Lord, has overthrown the en - e - my.
 8. Who can be compared with you, O Lord, a - mong the gods? Who is like you,
 glorious in holiness, awesome in renown, and worker of won - ders?
 9. You stretched forth your right hand; the earth swal - lowed them up.
 10. With your constant love you led the peo - ple you re - deemed;
 with your might you brought them in safety to your ho - ly dwell - ing.
 11. You will bring them in and plant them on the mount of your pos -
 ses - sion, 12. The resting - place you have made for your - self, O Lord,



All stand for

THE COLLECT

Celebrant

Let us pray. (Silence)

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.*

All sit for

THE THIRD LESSON *Salvation offered freely for all*

Isaiah 55:1-11

HO, 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.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

All sing the following Canticle in unison, beginning and ending with the Antiphon.

THE CANTICLE *The First Song of Isaiah*

Plainchant: Mode III

Antiphon

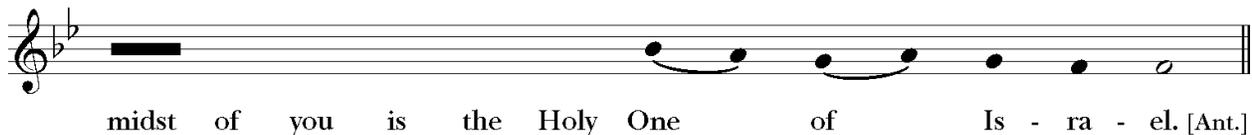


Sing the prais - es of the Lord, for he has done great things.

1. Sure - ly, it is God who saves me; I will trust in him and not
be a - fraid. 2. For the Lord is my stronghold and my sure de - fense,
and he will be my Sa - vior. 3. Therefore you shall draw water
with re - joic - ing from the springs of sal - va - tion.

4. And on that day you shall say, Give thanks to the Lord and call
up - on his Name; 5. Make his deeds known a - mong the peo - ples;
See that they remember that his Name is ex - alt - ed.

6. Sing the praises of the Lord, for he has done great things,
and this is known in all the world. 7. Cry aloud, inhabitants of
Zi - on, ring out your joy, for the great one in the



All stand for

THE COLLECT

Celebrant

Let us pray. (Silence)

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.

All sit for

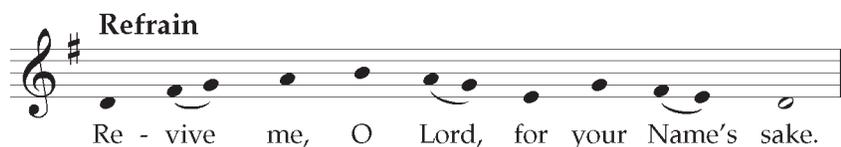
THE FOURTH LESSON *The valley of dry bones*

Ezekiel 37:1-14

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, "Prophecy 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, "Prophecy 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.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.



The Cantor introduces the congregational refrain, followed by the People.

- 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.*
- 7 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.*

All stand for

THE COLLECT

Celebrant

Let us pray. (Silence)

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.*

All sit.

THE BAPTISMAL LITURGY

THE PRESENTATION AND EXAMINATION OF THE CANDIDATES

Celebrant The Candidates for Holy Baptism will now be presented.

The Sponsors of John Hunter Craft say

I present John Hunter Craft to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.

The Celebrant asks the Candidate

Do you desire to be baptized?

Candidate

I do.

The Parents and Godparents of Charlie Sawyer Craft say

I present Charlie Sawyer Craft to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.

The Parents and Godparents of Joseph Alexander Dominguez say

I present Joseph Alexander Dominguez to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.

The Parents and Godparents of Katherine Grace Dominguez say

I present Katherine Grace Dominguez to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.

The Parents and Godparents of Kayelyn Rose Dominguez say

I present Kayelyn Rose Dominguez to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.

When all have been presented, the Celebrant 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.

Celebrant

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.

The Celebrant asks the following questions of the Candidate who can speak for himself and of the Parents and Godparents who speak on behalf of the young children

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

Answer I renounce them.

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

Answer I renounce them.

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

Answer I renounce them.

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

Answer I do.

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

Answer I do.

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

Answer I do.

All stand.

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

People We will.

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. Now that our Lenten observance is ended, let us join with those who are committing themselves to Christ and 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.

THE BAPTISMAL COVENANT

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.

During the procession to the Font, the following Litany is sung.

PRAYERS FOR THE CANDIDATES

Celebrant Let us now pray for these persons who are to receive the Sacrament of new birth.

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

The People respond (This response is used after each petition.)

Lord, hear our prayer.

The musical notation consists of a single staff with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The melody is: G4 (quarter), A4-B4 (beamed eighth notes), C5 (quarter), B4-A4 (beamed eighth notes), G4 (quarter), F4 (quarter), E4 (quarter), D4 (quarter), C4 (quarter). The lyrics 'Lord, hear our prayer.' are placed below the notes.

Celebrant Open their hearts to your grace and truth.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

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

People Lord, hear our prayer.

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

People Lord, hear our prayer.

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

People Lord, hear our prayer.

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

People Lord, hear our prayer.

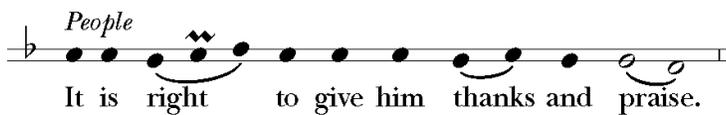
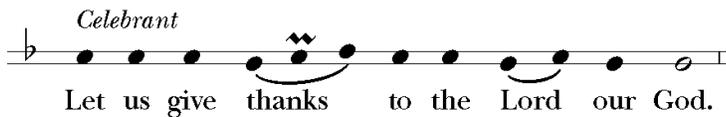
Celebrant Bring them to the fullness of your peace and glory.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

The Celebrant continues

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

THANKSGIVING OVER THE WATER



The Celebrant continues

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

We thank you, Father, for the water of Baptism. In it we are buried with Christ in his death. By it we share in his resurrection. Through it we are reborn by the Holy Spirit. Therefore in joyful obedience to your Son, we bring into his fellowship those who come to him in faith, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Now sanctify this water, we pray you, by the power of your Holy Spirit, that those who here are cleansed from sin and born again may continue for ever in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Savior.

To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and for ever.



THE BAPTISM

Each Candidate is presented by name to the Celebrant, who then 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.

Then the Celebrant places a hand on each Candidate's head, marking on the forehead the sign of the cross using Chrism, saying to each one

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

When the above actions have been completed, the Celebrant, in full sight of the Congregation, prays over the Candidates, 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.*

The Celebrant then says

Let us welcome the newly baptized.

Celebrant 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.

All remain standing for the Asperges.

An organ interlude is played as the Altar is set for the First Eucharist of Easter.

The candles at the Altar are now lighted from the Paschal Candle.

THE FIRST EUCHARIST OF EASTER

THE EASTER ACCLAMATION

Celebrant

Al - le - lu - ia. Christ is ris - en.

People

The Lord is risen indeed. Al - le - lu - ia.

All of the lights in the Nave are lighted as we proclaim the glorious resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. Bells are rung. The People extinguish their vigil candles at this time.

All sing

THE GLORIA *Gloria in excelsis*

1. Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and
peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly King, al -
might - y God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we
praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus Christ,
on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you

take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us;

5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -

ceive our prayer. 6. For

you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,

7. you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the

Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the glo - ry of

God the Fa - ther. A - men.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Celebrant

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 LESSON

Romans 6:3-11

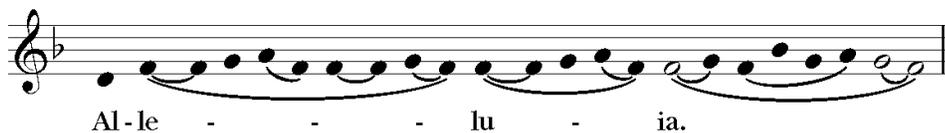
DO YOU NOT know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? Therefore we have been buried with him by baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life. For if we have been 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.

Lector The Word of the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

All stand for

THE GREAT ALLELUIA

Plainchant: Mode VIII



The Cantor sings the Alleluia three times, each time at a higher pitch. All repeat the Alleluia each time.

THE GOSPEL

Mark 16:1-8

Deacon ✠ The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.
People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

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.

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

All sit for

THE PASCHAL HOMILY OF JOHN CHRYSOSTOM

The Rev'd Eric N. Mancil

Following the Homily, all stand for

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Deacon

On this holy night of resurrection and joy, let us pray for the church and the world, saying:
Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Intercessor

O God, we give thanks for the goodness of creation, for the victory of resurrection, and for the grace of redemption. We praise you for leading us from darkness into light, and for bringing us through the waters of death into new life in you: Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

That the Church, celebrating the resurrection with joy, may bring the light of Christ into the world: Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

That the newly baptized, buried and raised with Christ, may grow in trust and hope: Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

That our community, renewed this night through Word and Sacrament, may be strengthened in the covenant of our baptism: Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

That the people of the world, remembering the source of creation, may care for the waters of the earth and for all living things: Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

That the leaders of nations, knowing their power, may bring peace and justice to the world: Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

That all who suffer, recalling the mystery of Christ crucified and risen, may be comforted: Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

The People may add their own petitions and intercessions, either silently or aloud.

In thanksgiving for the saints and martyrs, for the witnesses of the resurrection, and for all who have passed over from the darkness of death into the glorious light of Christ: Lord, in your mercy,
Hear our prayer.

The Celebrant adds this concluding prayer

IN joy and faith and hope, we commend ourselves and all for whom we pray to the mercy of God, through Jesus Christ, our risen Lord. *Amen.*

THE PEACE

Celebrant

The peace of the Lord be al - ways with you.

People

And al - so with you.

*After the passing of the Peace, all sit, and the Celebrant says the Offertory Sentence.
 During the Offertory, the Adult Choir sings the following Anthem.*

THE ANTHEM *With a Voice of Singing*

Martin Shaw

WITH A VOICE OF SINGING declare ye this, and let it be heard, Alleluia!
 Utter it even unto the ends of the earth. The Lord hath delivered His people, Alleluia!
 O be joyful in God, all ye lands.
 O sing praises to the honor of His name, make His praise to be glorious.
 With a voice of singing, declare ye this, and let it be heard, Alleluia!

As alms and oblations are brought to the Altar, all stand and sing

HYMN AT THE PRESENTATION *At the Lamb's high feast we sing*

1 At the Lamb's high feast we sing praise to our vic - to - rious King,
 2 Where the Pas - chal blood is poured, death's dark an - gel sheathes his sword;
 3 Might - y vic - tim from on high, hell's fierce powers be - neath thee lie;
 4 Eas - ter tri - umph, Eas - ter joy, these a - lone do sin de - stroy.

People

It is right to give him thanks and praise.

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,

All sing

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and

might, Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,

God of power and might, hea - ven and earth are

full, full of your glo - ry. Ho -

san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na

in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes

in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na

in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

The People stand or kneel as they are able.

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.

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.

All sing

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.

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 for ever.

All sing

A - men. A - men. A - men.

Celebrant

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

Celebrant and People

OUR FATHER, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy Name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven,
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those
who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread, followed by a brief period of silence.

All sing

Je - sus, Lamb of God: have mer - cy on us.

The first line of musical notation consists of two staves, a treble clef on top and a bass clef on the bottom. The key signature has one sharp (F#). The melody is written in the treble clef, and the accompaniment is in the bass clef. The lyrics are written below the notes.

Je - sus, bear - er of our sins: have mer - cy on us.

The second line of musical notation consists of two staves, a treble clef on top and a bass clef on the bottom. The key signature has one sharp (F#). The melody is written in the treble clef, and the accompaniment is in the bass clef. The lyrics are written below the notes.

Je - sus, re - deem - er, re - deem - er of the world:
 give us your peace, give us your peace.

The Celebrant sings

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

During the ministration of Communion, all sing the

HYMNS DURING COMMUNION

Alleluia, alleluia! Give thanks to the risen Lord

Descant
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le -

Refrain
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Give thanks to the

lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

ris - en Lord. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Give

1-4 *Final Ending*

Praise to his Name. Name.

Praise to his Name. Name.

1 Je - sus is Lord of all the earth.
 2 Spread the good news o'er all the earth:
 3 We have been cru - ci - fied with Christ.
 4 Come, let us praise the liv - ing God,

Repeat Refrain

He is the King of cre - a - tion.
 Je - sus has died and has ris - en. Al - le -
 Now we shall live for ev - er.
 joy - ful - ly sing to our Sa - vior.

Come, ye faithful, raise the strain

1 Come, ye faith - ful, raise the strain of tri - um - phant glad - ness!
2 'Tis the spring of souls to - day: Christ hath burst his pri - son,
3 Now the queen of sea - sons, bright with the day of splen - dor,
4 Nei - ther might the gates of death, nor the tomb's dark por - tal,

God hath brought his Is - ra - el in - to joy from sad - ness:
and from three days' sleep in death as a sun hath ris - en;
with the roy - al feast of feasts, comes its joy to ren - der;
nor the watch - ers, nor the seal hold thee as a mor - tal:

loosed from Pha - raoh's bit - ter yoke Ja - cob's sons and daugh - ters,
all the win - ter of our sins, long and dark, is fly - ing
comes to glad Je - ru - sa - lem, who with true af - fec - tion
but to - day a - midst thine own thou didst stand, be - stow - ing

led them with un - mois - tened foot through the Red Sea wa - ters.
from his light, to whom we give laud and praise un - dy - ing.
wel - comes in un - wear - ied strains Je - sus' re - sur - rec - tion.
that thy peace which ev - er - more pass - eth hu - man know - ing.

THE PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Celebrant Let us pray.

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.

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. *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.*

All sing the

HYMN IN PROCESSION *We know that Christ is raised and dies no more*



We know that Christ is raised and dies no more. _____
We share by wa - ter in his sav - ing death. _____
The Fa - ther's splen - dor clothes the Son with life. _____
A new cre - a - tion comes to life and grows _____



Em - braced by death he broke its fear - ful hold; _____
Re - born we share with him an Eas - ter life _____
The Spi - rit's pow - er shakes the Church of God. _____
as Christ's new bo - dy takes on flesh and blood. _____



and our de - spair he turned to blaz - ing joy. _____
as liv - ing mem - bers of a liv - ing Christ. _____ Al - le -
Bap - tized we live with God the Three in One. _____
The u - ni - verse re - stored and whole will sing: _____



Final Ending

lu - ia! _____ Al - le - lu - ia! A - men.

THE EASTER DISMISSAL

Deacon Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia, alleluia.

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

THE POSTLUDE *Arrival of the Queen of Sheba* (Sinfonia from *Solomon*)

G.F. Handel

Our Easter celebration continues.

Sunday, April 1 *The Feast of the Resurrection: Easter Day*

10:30 am - Festival Holy Eucharist* (with incense)
Followed by Parish Lunch and Easter Egg Hunt

* *Childcare will be available in our Nursery.*

EASTER LILY MEMORIALS *and* THANKSGIVINGS

John and Sherrie Andrews
In Memory of Harold and Elizabeth Mason, Percy and Lucille Andrews,
Linda Andrews Robinson, and Floyd Andrews
In Thanksgiving for our richly blessed family

Jim and Cathy Cawthon
In Memory of Jeffery Boyd Cawthon
In Memory of our parents

Laura and Tom Chambless
In Memory of Col. John and Terry Ritchie
In Memory of Mr. and Mrs. Tom and Connie Chambless
In Memory of Steven H. Ritchie

Jo Culver
In Memory of Wayne Culver

Delfina Cuevas
In Thanksgiving for our family

Lynne and Katie Dominguez
In Memory of Brenda Kaye Adelburg
In Memory of Bernard and Doris Sanders
In Memory of Lemont and Ethel Poche
In Memory of Katherine Stonewall Burns

Debbie Gray
In Memory of Thomas and Deanie Gray
In Thanksgiving for Diane Gray and Richard Krause

Joe and Jane Keeton
In Thanksgiving for our children and their families

Eric and Chelsea Mancil
In Thanksgiving for our family and all of God's blessings

Brent and Teresa McLarty
In Memory of our fathers, Tom Hines and Jack McLarty
In Thanksgiving for the baptism of Hunter and Charlie Craft
In Thanksgiving for Clay and Rachel Craft, Hunter and Charlie Craft, and Brooke Dailey

Dana H. Moore
In Memory of my husband, Willis D. Moore, Jr.
In Memory of my son, Ronald L. Moore
In Memory of my daughter, Patricia G. Moore
In Memory of my daughter, Teri Moore Breitinger
In Memory of my son-in-law, Thomas L. Breitinger
In Memory of my great grandson, Isreal Mann

Sylvia and Charlie Rath
In Memory of Marie and Charles Rath, Garland Hatfield Jr., and Garland Hatfield Jr.
In Thanksgiving for our families, The Adkins, The Agee, The Millers, The Lloyds, and the Hatfields

Scott and Jennifer Reimer
In Memory of Sophie and Walter Dymereki, Ted and Edie Graveline, Christene Shelton,
Marie Richards, Arthur and Margaret Reimer, and Thomas and Mary Mantel

St. Catherine's Parish
In Thanksgiving for the Baptism of Joseph Dominguez, Katherine Dominguez,
Kayelyn Dominguez, Charlie Craft, and Hunter Craft

The Rev'd Margaret Taylor
In Memory of The Rev'd Charles A. Taylor, Jr.

Bill and Wanda Wheeler
In Thanksgiving for the blessings in our lives



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