

# The Great Vigil of Easter

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### 7:30pm Service



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## Welcome to All Saints' Memorial Church for worship!

Whether this is your first time here, or a first time in a long time, please know a few things:

All are welcome—always!

*Restrooms* are located in the Parish Hall (the building closest to the parking lot).

The entire order of service with readings, except for the hymns, is contained in the bulletin.

Our hymns and service music are located in the *blue 1982 Hymnal*. Service music is indicated by an 'S' in the front, and is located in the front part of the Hymnal. Hymns are indicated by their number in the Hymnal.

We normally stand to sing the hymns, for the reading of the gospel and prayers; and are seated for readings, Psalm, and the homily. It is traditional to kneel for the confession.

The Sign of the Peace is to be exchanged from your own pew by elbow or fist bumps, waving, bowing, or giving the peace sign to those in the pews surrounding you. Handshakes, hugs, etc. can be exchanged among household family members.

*All are welcome to receive communion* regardless of age or your faith background:

Ushers will guide you to the communion rail; you may receive communion either standing or kneeling. We receive in both kinds: bread in the hand which you may consume immediately and then drink from the cup, or you may retain the bread to dip into the cup; please be careful so fingers do not touch the wine.

You may also come to the altar for blessing instead; please indicate by crossing your arms over your chest, or tell the priest.

If you are unable to make the trip to the communion rail, please let the ushers know and communion will be brought to you.

Thank you for worshipping with us. If you have any questions about All Saints' or The Episcopal Church, please feel free to speak to Mother Debbie after the service.

### **Note:**

**If you have been directly** exposed to anyone who has Covid-19 and are not fully vaccinated, you are recommended to quarantine for 5 days. **If you have been directly exposed** to anyone symptomatic with Covid-19 **and** are fully vaccinated, masking is recommended for five days.

**If you have any symptoms** known to Covid 19 or the flu (fever, muscle aches, headache, loss of smell or taste, nausea or vomiting, cough, trouble breathing, among others), please refrain from attending in person.

**If you are immuno-compromised** and need a mask, we have them available at the entrance table.

### **Notes for Easter Vigil**

This service begins with low light. We will light your individual candles from the Paschal Candle as it enters. Please be careful with the open flame. You can extinguish your candle after the Easter Acclamation.

This service is traditionally recognized as the first Eucharist of Easter.

# The Great Vigil of Easter

## THE LIGHTING OF THE NEW FIRE AND THE PASCHAL CANDLE

*(outside, a new fire is lit)*

*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.

*Celebrant:* 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 the Celebrant bearing the Candle, leads the procession into the chancel, pausing three times and saying the following)*

*Cantor:* The light of Christ. (3 times)

*People:* **Thanks be to God.**

*The Paschal Candle is then placed in its stand and the Cantor continues with the Exsultet. Please remain standing as able.*

*Cantor:*

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

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

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

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

*Cantor:* The Lord be with you.

*People:* **And also with you.**

*Cantor:* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*People:* **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

*Cantor:*

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

## THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

*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.

*Please be seated*

### **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.

*Reader:* The Word of the Lord.

*People:* **Thanks be to God.**

**Hymn #177**

*Over the Chaos of the Empty Waters*  
*Bickford*

*Please join in the singing:*

**Over the chaos of the empty waters hovered the Spirit, bringing forth creation;  
So from the empty tomb the Second Adam issued triumphant.**

**By the same Spirit we, regenerated into the body of our risen Savior,  
Seek through the power of the new creation life everlasting.**

**By the same Spirit we are called to worship God our Creator, Savior, Sanctifier,  
Of whom the glory in both earth and heaven is manifested.**

*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.**

**Israel's deliverance at the Red Sea: Exodus 14:10-31; 15:1**

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."

*Reader:* The Word of the Lord.

*People:* **Thanks be to God.**

### **Hymn #648**

*When Israel was down in Egypt's Land  
Go Down, Moses*

*Please join in the singing*

**When Israel was in Egypt's land, Let my people go;  
Oppressed so hard they could not stand, Let my people go.**

***Refrain:***

***Go down, Moses, way down in Egypt's land;  
Tell old Pharaoh to let my people go.***

The Lord told Moses what to do, Let my people go;  
To lead the children of Israel through, Let my people go. *Refrain*

They journeyed on at his command, Let my people go;  
And came at length to Canaan's land, Let my people go *Refrain*

Oh let us all from bondage flee, Let my people go;  
And let us all in Christ be free, Let my people go. *Refrain*

*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.**

### **Salvation offered freely to 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.

*Reader:* The Word of the Lord.

*People:* **Thanks be to God.**



*Please join in the singing*

**Surely it is God who saves me;  
Trusting him, I shall not fear.  
For the Lord defends and shields me  
and his saving help is near.  
So rejoice as You draw water  
from salvation's living spring  
In the day of your deliverance thank the Lord,  
His mercies sing.**

**Make his deeds known to the peoples;  
Tell out his exalted Name.  
Praise the Lord, who has done great things:  
All his works his might proclaim.  
Zion, lift your voice in singing;  
For with you has come to dwell,  
In your very midst  
The great and holy One of Israel.**

*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.**

**The Gathering of God's People: Zephaniah 3:12-20**

Sing aloud, O daughter Zion; shout, O Israel! Rejoice and exult with all your heart, O daughter Jerusalem! The LORD has taken away the judgments against you, he has turned away your enemies. The king of Israel, the LORD, is in your midst; you shall fear disaster no more. On that day it shall be said to Jerusalem: Do not fear, O Zion; do not let your hands grow weak. The LORD, your God, is in your midst, a warrior who gives victory; he will rejoice over you with gladness, he will renew you in his love; he will exult over you with loud singing as on a day of festival. I will remove disaster from you, so that you will not bear reproach for it. I will deal with all your oppressors at that time. And I will save the lame and gather the outcast, and I will change their shame into praise and renown in all the earth. At that time I will bring you home, at the time when I gather you; for I will make you renowned and praised among all the peoples of the earth, when I restore your fortunes before your eyes, says the LORD.

*Reader:* The Word of the Lord.

*People:* **Thanks be to God.**

**New songs of celebration render to him who has great wonders done;  
Awed by his love his foes surrender and fall before the Mighty One.  
He has made known his great salvation which all his friends with joy confess;  
He has revealed to every nation his everlasting righteousness.**

**Joyfully, heartily resounding, let every instrument and voice  
Peal out the praise of grace abounding, calling the whole world to rejoice.  
Trumpets and organs set in motion such sounds as make the heavens ring;  
All things that live in earth and ocean, make music for your mighty King.**

**Rivers and seas and torrents roaring, honor the Lord with wild acclaim;  
Mountain and stones look up adoring and find a voice to praise his Name.  
Righteous, commanding, ever glorious, praises be his that never cease;  
Just is our God, whose truth victorious establishes the world in peace.**

*Celebrant:* Let us pray. (*Silence*)

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

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

### **The Renewal of Baptismal Vows**

*Please Stand as able*

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

*People* **I do.**

*Celebrant* Do you believe in God the Father?

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

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

*People* I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.  
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit  
and born of the Virgin Mary.  
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried.  
He descended to the dead.  
On the third day he rose again.  
He ascended into heaven,  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

*Celebrant* Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

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

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

*People* I will, with God's help.

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

*People* I will, with God's help.

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

*People* I will, with God's help.

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

*People* I will, with God's help.

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

*People* I will, with God's help.

*The Celebrant concludes the Renewal of Vows as follows:*

May Almighty God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has given us a new birth by water and the Holy Spirit, and bestowed upon us the forgiveness of sins, keep us in eternal life by his grace, in Christ Jesus our Lord. **Amen.**

## THE EUCHARIST

*Celebrant:* Alleluia, Christ is Risen!

*People:* **The Lord is Risen Indeed. Alleluia!**

*(Altar candles are lit during the singing of the Gloria)*

### **Gloria in excelsis**

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*Celebrant and People sing:*

**Glory to God in the highest,  
and peace to his people on earth.  
Lord God, heavenly King,  
almighty God and Father,  
we worship you, we give you thanks,  
we praise you for your glory.  
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,  
Lord God, Lamb of God,  
you take away the sin of the world:  
have mercy on us;  
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:  
receive our prayer.  
For you alone are the Holy One,  
you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High,  
Jesus Christ,  
with the Holy Spirit,  
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

*Celebrant:* The Lord be with you.

*People:* **And also with you.**

*Celebrant:* Let us pray.

### **The Collect**

*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.**

*Please be Seated*

### **A reading from the Letter of Paul to the Romans**

**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.

*Reader:* The Word of the Lord.

*People:* **Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm 114**

*Plainsong, Tone V.3*

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.**

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.**

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?**

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.**

*(please join in singing, see Hymnal 1982)*

**Sequence Hymn #208**

*The Strife is O'er  
Victory*

**The Holy Gospel** *(please stand as able)*

**Mark 16:1-8**

*Celebrant:* The Gospel of the Lord 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.

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to You, Lord Christ.

## Homily

Mother Debbie

## Prayers of the People:

Leader: On this holy night, we remember the great story of which we are a part, and pray with confidence to you, O Lord, who triumphed over death and the grave to break the bonds of sin. Saving God: **Redeem and renew us.**

O God we praise you for leading us from darkness into light, and for bringing us through the waters of death into new life in you. Saving God: **Redeem and renew us.**

We pray that the Church, celebrating the resurrection with joy, may bring the light of Christ into the world. Saving God: **Redeem and renew us.**

We pray that all the newly baptized may grow in trust, faith and hope, growing an ever deeper relationship with you. Saving God: **Redeem and renew us.**

We pray that this community, renewed this night through word and sacrament, may be strengthened in the covenant of our baptism. Saving God: **Redeem and renew us.**

We pray for the leaders of this and every nation, and those who aspire to leadership, work to bring peace and justice in our world. Saving God: **Redeem and renew us.**

We pray for all who suffer and struggle. As we recall the mystery of Christ crucified and risen, we have confidence in your power to bring healing, wholeness and comfort to all in need. We remember all those on our parish prayer list and those who are known to us alone. Saving God: **Redeem and renew us.**

We give thank for all those who serve in our communities, our country, in our armed services and as health care workers and first responders and ask that you continue to guide and protect them. Saving God: **Redeem and renew us.**

We give you thanks for the saints and martyrs, and for all who have passed over from the darkness of death into the glorious light of Christ. We remember all those on our Easter

flower memorial list and those known only to us, and we ask your peace and comfort on all those who mourn. Saving God: **Redeem and renew us.**

We invite your own prayers of intercession and thanksgiving at this time, either silently or aloud...

Celebrant: Eternal God, you are the strength and courage of all who call upon you. Hear our prayers, said and unsaid, and stretch out your arm to save and protect all your people. All this we ask in the name of our resurrected Lord. **Amen.**

## The Peace

*The Sign of the Peace is to be exchanged from your own pew by elbow or fist bumps, waving, bowing, or giving the peace sign to those in the pews surrounding you. Handshakes, hugs, etc. are only to be exchanged among household family members.*

## Announcements for Mission and Ministry

### THE HOLY COMMUNION

#### Offertory Anthem

*Love is Come Again*  
Martin Shaw, 1928

#### Doxology with Alleluias

*Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*  
Lasst uns erfreuen (618)

#### Eucharistic Prayer D

*(please stand as able)*

*Celebrant:* The Lord be with you.

*People:* **And also with you.**

*Celebrant:* Lift up your hearts.

*People:* **We lift them to the Lord.**

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

*People:* **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

*Celebrant:*

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,

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
Heaven and earth are full of our glory.**

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**Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.**

*Celebrant continues and the people stand as 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.

*Memorial Acclamation*

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

*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 ever. **Amen**

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

*(Together)*

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**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; A period of silence is kept.*

**Celebrant:** Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

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**People:** **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

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

*Please be seated until you can come forward to receive. All persons are welcome to receive Holy Communion. We receive bread in the hand. You may retain it to dip into the cup; please be careful so fingers do not touch the wine. You may also drink from the cup. For those worshipping with us online, you are invited to use the Prayer for Spiritual Communion.*

*Please join in the singing of Hymn found in Hymnal 1982*

**Communion Hymn #178**

*Alleluia, Alleluia, Give Thanks  
Alleluia No. 1*

**Post Communion Prayer** (*please stand as able*)

*After Communion, the Celebrant says*

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.**

**Easter Blessing**

*Please join in singing of Hymn found in Hymnal 1982*

**Recessional Hymn #180**

*He is Risen, He is Risen!  
Unser Herrischer*

**Dismissal**

*Celebrant:* Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.  
Alleluia, Alleluia.

*People:* **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!**

**Postlude**

*The Trumpet Shall Sound (Messiah) HWV 56.48  
George Frideric Handel, 1742*

**A Prayer for Spiritual Communion**

In union, O Lord, with your faithful people at every altar of your Church, where the Holy Eucharist is now being celebrated, I desire to offer to you praise and thanksgiving. I remember your death, Lord Christ; I proclaim your resurrection; I await your coming in glory. Since I cannot receive you today in the Sacrament of your Body and Blood, I beseech you to come spiritually into my heart. Cleanse and strengthen me with your grace, Lord Jesus, and let me never be separated from you.

May I live in you, and you in me, in this life and in the life to come. Amen.



*In Honor or Memory of*

*Given by*

*Beloved Departed Family Members*

*Valerie Barradale*

*Beloved departed Family members*

*Kathy Barto*

*The Rev. Herbert and Eleanor Linley, Angela  
and William Dian, Matthew Connolly,  
Janet Colquhoun, Albert Benoist,  
Jeffrey Colquhoun* }

*Alicia Benoist and Russell Dian, Andree Benoist and Joseph  
Colquhoun*

*Departed Family members*

*Vickie Bejda and Mitchell Holmgren*

*In memory of all our loved ones*

*Mother Debbie and Jim Cook*

*Departed family and friends who have touched my life*

*Lisa Ebeling*

*Mom and Dad*

*Valerie & Joe Ferrante*

*Sandra Ruddock*

*Catharine and Marcus Gore*

*All our loved ones who passed*

*Ron and Linda Graybill*

*For our dear departed loved ones*

*Ibby Hertz*

*All our Loved Ones*

*Pam Loxton*

*In memory of Rita & George Ruskan, Anna Pasquale &  
Ann Dowd*

*Laura Matlaga*

*Patrick, Kevin, Larry, all of our blessed and loved ones*

*Wilson Mohr*

*In memory of our departed loved ones*

*Dick and Dorothy Openshaw*

*In memory of Patricia Rovere*

*Dina Rovere, Marko Sima, George, Karsten, and Charlie*

*In memory of Vincent J. Russo*

*Marie Russo*

*In honor of my loved ones*

*Valerie Schauer*

*Curtis and Virginia Tinker, Cecil Buchanan*

*David Tinker*

## Calendar of Events

### Sunday, March 31st

8:00 am Holy Eucharist in Church  
10:00 am Holy Eucharist in Church (live streamed)  
Easter Egg Hunt and Coffee Hour

### Tuesday, April 2nd

6:00 pm Yoga with Laura in Parish Hall  
9:00 pm Compline on Facebook Live

### Wednesday, April 3rd

10:00 am Healing Service in Church (partially livestreamed)  
11:00 am Adult Education (Parish Hall)  
1:30 pm Chair Yoga with Laura in Hall

### Thursday, April 4th

6:00 pm SCP Comedy Tonight rehearsal  
9:00pm Compline on Facebook Live

### Friday, April 5th

6:00 pm SCP Comedy Tonight Rehearsal

### Saturday, April 6th

7:30 pm SCP present "Comedy Tonight" a Fundraiser for Access Ramp

### Sunday, April 7th

8:00 am Holy Eucharist in Church  
10:00 am Holy Baptism and Holy Eucharist in Church (live streamed)  
Sunday School  
Coffee Hour in Parish Hall  
11:30 am: Auction Chairs meeting in Hall  
2:00 SCP present "Comedy Tonight" a Fundraiser for Access Ramp

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