

Saint Andrew's Episcopal Church

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Holy Week at Home

2020

The Sunday of the Passion: Palm Sunday

The Liturgy of the Palms

Presider Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord.
People Peace in heaven and glory in the highest.

Presider Let us pray.

Assist us mercifully with your help, O Lord God of our salvation, that we may enter with joy upon the contemplation of those mighty acts, whereby you have given us life and immortality; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People Amen.

Deacon A reading from the Gospel according to St. Matthew.

When they had come near Jerusalem and had reached Bethphage, at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two disciples, saying to them, "Go into the village ahead of you, and immediately you will find a donkey tied, and a colt with her; untie them and bring them to me. If anyone says anything to you, just say this, 'The Lord needs them.' And he will send them immediately." This took place to fulfill what had been spoken through the prophet, saying, "Tell the daughter of Zion, Look, your king is coming to you, humble, and mounted on a donkey, and on a colt, the foal of a donkey." The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them; they brought the donkey and the colt, and put their cloaks on them, and he sat on them. A very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, and others cut

branches from the trees and spread them on the road. The crowds that went ahead of him and that followed were shouting, "Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest heaven!" When he entered Jerusalem, the whole city was in turmoil, asking, "Who is this?" The crowds were saying, "This is the prophet Jesus from Nazareth in Galilee."

Presider

The Lord be with you.

People

And also with you.

Presider

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Presider

It is right to praise you, Almighty God, for the acts of love by which you have redeemed us through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. On this day he entered the holy city of Jerusalem in triumph, and was proclaimed as King of kings by those who spread their garments and branches of palm along his way. Let these branches be for us signs of his victory, and grant that we who bear them in his name may ever hail him as our King, and follow him in the way that leads to eternal life; who lives and reigns in glory with you and the Holy Spirit, now and for ever.

People

Amen.

Presider

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

People

Hosanna in the highest.

During the singing of the hymn, the People wave their blessed palms in joyful remembrance of Jesus's triumphal entry into Jerusalem.

The Hymn

The Hymnal 1982 # 154
All Glory Laud and Honor

Refrain

All glo - ry, laud, and hon - or to thee, Re - deem - er, King!
to whom the lips of chil - dren made sweet ho - san - nas ring.

1 Thou art the King of Is - ra - el, thou Da - vid's roy - al Son,
2 The com - pa - ny of an - gels is prais - ing thee on high;
3 The peo - ple of the He - brews with palms be - fore thee went;
4 To thee be - fore thy pas - sion they sang their hymns of praise;
5 Thou didst ac - cept their prais - es; ac - cept the prayers we bring,

Repeat Refrain

1 who in the Lord's Name com - est, the King and Bless - ed One.
2 and we with all cre - a - tion in cho - rus make re - ply.
3 our praise and prayers and an - thems be - fore thee we pre - sent.
4 to thee, now high ex - al - ted, our mel - o - dy we raise.
5 who in all good de - light - est, thou good and gra - cious King.

The stanzas may be sung by choir alone or alternately by contrasted groups; all sing the refrain.

Words: Theodulph of Orleans (d. 821); tr. John Mason Neale (1818-1866), alt.
Music: *Valet will ich dir geben*, melody Melchior Teschner (1584-1635), alt.; harm. William Henry Monk (1823-1889)

Presider Let us pray.

Almighty and everliving God, in your tender love for the human race you sent your Son our Savior Jesus Christ to take upon him our nature, and to suffer death upon the cross, giving us the example of his great humility: Mercifully grant that we may walk in the way of his suffering, and also share in his resurrection; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

People Amen.

The Liturgy of the Word

The First Reading

Isaiah 50: 4-9a

Reader A reading from the Prophet Isaiah

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm

Psalm 31:9-16

Have mercy on me, O LORD, for I am in trouble; *

my eye is consumed with sorrow,
and also my throat and my belly.

For my life is wasted with grief,
and my years with sighing; *

my strength fails me because of affliction,
and my bones are consumed.

I have become a reproach to all my enemies and even to my neighbors,

a dismay to those of my acquaintance; *
when they see me in the street they avoid me.
I am forgotten like a dead man, out of mind; *
I am as useless as a broken pot.
For I have heard the whispering of the crowd;
fear is all around; *
they put their heads together against me;
they plot to take my life.
But as for me, I have trusted in you, O LORD. *
I have said, "You are my God.
My times are in your hand; *
rescue me from the hand of my enemies,
and from those who persecute me.
Make your face to shine upon your servant, *
and in your loving-kindness save me."

Second Reading

Phillippians 2:5-11

Reader A reading from St. Paul's letter to the Phillippians.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

The Passion Gospel

Matthew 27:11-54

The Passion Gospel is proclaimed by two voices without the usual acclamations before or after the proclamation. The People are invited to close their eyes and sink into the narrative.

The Sermon

The Prayers of the People

Deacon As we recall Jesus entering Jerusalem, let us gather our thoughts to pray.

Intercessor God, as the crowds welcomed Jesus and sang your praises, we pray that many more will welcome you into their hearts and lives over the coming year. We pray for opportunities to spread your good news and courage to take them. You are our God:

People We welcome you.

Intercessor God, we recall the donkey Jesus rode on, and we pray for that real humility in our hearts which treats status and image casually, and truth and loving service seriously. You are our God:

People We welcome you.

Intercessor God, the children sang and shouted your praise, and we pray for the children in our homes, our city and our land. May we not fail them in the support and teaching they need. You are our God:

People We welcome you.

Intercessor God, the crowds were responding to the healing love they had seen in action in Jesus. We bring to you in our love and imaginations now all those we would have brought to Jesus for healing and help. *Silence is kept.* Give them comfort and reassurance, wholeness and hope. You are our God:

People We welcome you.

Intercessor God, Jesus knew he was riding to his death,. We pray for all on that last journey, especially those burdened with fear and guilt. We commend to your eternal love all who have died, thanking you for the blessings we have received, and even for the grief which is part of the love we share. You are our God:

People We welcome you.

Intercessor God, we, too, spread our coats on the road as we express our

thankfulness for all you have done for us and the amazing extent of your love. You are our God:

People

We welcome you.

Presider

Lord of the swaying palms, the stones of earth and the beasts of burden bear witness to your coming: lead us from the violence of Empire and the collusion of crowds to a heart of flesh, a world re-made and a new song for all creation; through Jesus Christ, the Crucified God. Amen.

The Peace

Presider

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People

And also with you.

The Solemn Prayer Over the People

Deacon

Bow down before the Lord.

Presider

Almighty God, we pray you graciously to behold this your family, for whom our Lord Jesus Christ was willing to be betrayed, and given into the hands of sinners, and to suffer death upon the cross; who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

People.

Amen.

The Dismissal

*The Deacon dismisses the People, who respond with ‘**Thanks be to God.**’*

Maundy Thursday

The Liturgy of the Word

The Penitential Order

Presider Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

People God's mercy endures for ever.

Presider Since we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need. *(Hebrews 4:14, 16)*

Deacon Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

**All Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

Presider Almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us all our sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen us in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep us in eternal life.

People Amen.

Presider Lord, have mercy.
People Christ, have mercy.
Presider Lord, have mercy.

The Collect of the Day

Presider The Lord be with you.
People And also with you.
Presider Let us pray.

Almighty Father, whose dear Son, on the night before he suffered, instituted the Sacrament of his Body and Blood: Mercifully grant that we may receive it thankfully in remembrance of Jesus Christ our Lord, who in these holy mysteries gives us a pledge of eternal life; and who now lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

People Amen.

The First Reading Exodus 12:1-4

Reader A reading from the Book of Exodus.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People Thanks be to God.

The Psalm Psalm 116:1-2, 10-17

I love the LORD, because he has heard the voice of my supplication, *
because he has inclined his ear to me whenever I called upon him.
The cords of death entangled me; the grip of the grave took hold of me; *
I came to grief and sorrow

How shall I repay the LORD *
 for all the good things he has done for me?
 I will lift up the cup of salvation *
 and call upon the Name of the LORD.
 I will fulfill my vows to the LORD *
 in the presence of all his people.
 Precious in the sight of the LORD *
 is the death of his servants.
 O LORD, I am your servant; *
 I am your servant and the child of your handmaid;
 you have freed me from my bonds.
 I will offer you the sacrifice of thanksgiving *
 and call upon the Name of the LORD.
 I will fulfill my vows to the LORD *
 in the presence of all his people,
 In the courts of the LORD'S house, *
 in the midst of you, O Jerusalem.
 Hallelujah!

The Second Reading

I Corinthians 11:23-26

Reader A reading from St. Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People Thanks be to God.

The Gospel Reading

John 13:1-17, 31b-35

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

In Place of the Foot Washing

Presider The Lord Jesus, after he had supped with his disciples and had washed their feet, said to them, “Do you know what I, your Lord and Master, have done to you? I have given you an example, that you should do as I have done.”

All Peace is my last gift to you, my own peace I now leave with you; peace which the world cannot give, I give to you.

Deacon I give you a new commandment: Love one another as I have loved you.

All Peace is my last gift to you, my own peace I now leave with you; peace which the world cannot give, I give to you.

Presider By this shall the world know that you are my disciples: That you have love for one another.

All Peace is my last gift to you, my own peace I now leave with you; peace which the world cannot give, I give to you.

Deacon Fellow servants of our Lord Jesus Christ: on the night before his death, Jesus set an example for his disciples by washing their feet, an act of humble service. He taught that strength and growth in the life of the Kingdom of God come not by power, authority, or even miracle, but by such lowly service.

Therefore, I invite you who share in the royal priesthood of Christ, to recall now, during the midst of this pandemic, those times when, following the example of our Master, you have served others and those times when you have been served.

The Prayers of the People

adapted from Gail Ramshaw and Gordon Lathrop

Deacon United with Christians around the globe on this Maundy Thursday, let us pray for the church, the earth, our troubled world, and all in need, responding to each petition with, 'Your mercy is great.'

Intercessor Blessed are you, holy God, for the church. Gather all the baptized around your presence in the Word. Strengthen the body of your people even when we cannot assemble for worship. Grant our diocese and congregation faithfulness and creativity for their ministry in this time and accompany those preparing for baptism. Hear us, holy God.

People Your mercy is great.

Intercessor Blessed are you, bountiful God, for this good earth and for the flowering of springtime. Save dry lands from destructive droughts. Protect the waters from pollution. Allow in this time the planting of fields for food. Make us into care-givers of your plants and animals. Hear us, bountiful God.

People Your mercy is great.

Intercessor Blessed are you, sovereign God, for our nation. Inspire all people to live in peace and concord. Grant wisdom and courage to heads of state and to legislators as they face the coronavirus. Lead our elected officials to champion the cause of the needy. Hear us, sovereign God.

People Your mercy is great.

Intercessor Blessed are you, faithful God, for you accompany suffering humanity with love. Abide wherever the coronavirus has

struck. Visit all who mourn their dead; all who have contracted the virus; those who are quarantined or stranded away from home; those who have lost their employment; those who fear the present and the future. Support physicians, nurses, and home health aides; medical researchers; and the World Health Organization. Hear us, faithful God.

People

Your mercy is great.

Intercessor

Blessed are you, gracious God, for you care for the needy. We beg you to feed the hungry, protect the refugee, embrace the distressed, house the homeless, nurse the sick, and comfort the dying. Especially we pray for those we name before you now. *Silence is kept.* Hear us, gracious God.

People

Your mercy is great.

Intercessor

Blessed are you, loving God, that your Son knelt before us, your unworthy servants. Preserve our lives, comfort our anxiety, and receive now the petitions of our hearts. *A longer period of silence is kept.* Hear us, loving God.

People

Your mercy is great.

Intercessor

Blessed are you, eternal God, for all who have died in the faith, and those whom we name before you here. *Silence is kept.* At the end, bring us with them into your everlasting glory. Hear us, eternal God.

People

Your mercy is great.

Presider

Receive, merciful God, our prayers, for the sake of Jesus Christ, the host of our meal of life, who died and rose that we might live with you, now and forever.

People

Amen.

The Peace

Presider

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

People

And also with you.

The Stripping and Washing of the Altar

The Altar is now stripped of all ornamentation and washed. This represents Jesus's body being stripped before his crucifixion and then prepared for burial after his death.

You are welcome to 'stay awake' with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament at the Altar of Repose for an hour following tonight's service. A Facebook Live feed will be set up.

The Paschal Triduum—the Great Three Days—is one liturgy spread over the course of three days. Therefore, there is no dismissal or blessing.

The People depart silently.

Good Friday

On this day, the ministers enter in silence. All may kneel or sit and pray in silence.

Presider Blessed be our God.
People For ever and ever. Amen.

Presider Let us pray.

Almighty God, we pray you graciously to behold this your family, for whom our Lord Jesus Christ was willing to be betrayed, and given into the hands of sinners, and to suffer death upon the cross; who now lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

People Amen.

The First Reading Isaiah 52: 13-53:12

Reader A reading from the Prophet Isaiah.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People Thanks be to God.

The Psalm Psalm 22

My God, my God, why have you forsaken me? *
and are so far from my cry and from the words of my distress?
O my God, I cry in the daytime, but you do not answer; *
by night as well, but I find no rest.
Yet you are the Holy One, *
enthroned upon the praises of Israel.
Our forefathers put their trust in you; *
they trusted, and you delivered them.

They cried out to you and were delivered; *
they trusted in you and were not put to shame.
But as for me, I am a worm and no man, *
scorned by all and despised by the people.
All who see me laugh me to scorn; *
they curl their lips and wag their heads, saying,
"He trusted in the LORD; let him deliver him; *
let him rescue him, if he delights in him."
Yet you are he who took me out of the womb, *
and kept me safe upon my mother's breast.
I have been entrusted to you ever since I was born; *
you were my God when I was still in my mother's womb.
Be not far from me, for trouble is near, *
and there is none to help.
Many young bulls encircle me; *
strong bulls of Bashan surround me.
They open wide their jaws at me, *
like a ravening and a roaring lion.
I am poured out like water; all my bones are out of joint; *
my heart within my breast is melting wax.
My mouth is dried out like a pot-sherd; my tongue sticks to the roof of my
mouth; *
and you have laid me in the dust of the grave.
Packs of dogs close me in, and gangs of evildoers circle around me; *
they pierce my hands and my feet; I can count all my bones.
They stare and gloat over me; *
they divide my garments among them; they cast lots for my clothing.
Be not far away, O LORD; *
you are my strength; hasten to help me.
Save me from the sword, *
my life from the power of the dog.
Save me from the lion's mouth, *
my wretched body from the horns of wild bulls.
I will declare your Name to my brethren; *
in the midst of the congregation I will praise you.

Praise the LORD, you that fear him; *

stand in awe of him, O offspring of Israel; all you of Jacob's line, give glory.
For he does not despise nor abhor the poor in their poverty; neither does he
hide his face from them; *

but when they cry to him he hears them.

My praise is of him in the great assembly; *

I will perform my vows in the presence of those who worship him.

The poor shall eat and be satisfied and those who seek the LORD shall praise
him: *

"May your heart live for ever!"

All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the LORD, *

and all the families of the nations bow before him.

For kingship belongs to the LORD; *

he rules over the nations.

To him alone all who sleep in the earth bow down in worship; *

all who go down to the dust fall before him.

My soul shall live for him; my descendants shall serve him; *

they shall be known as the LORD'S for ever.

They shall come and make known to a people yet unborn *

the saving deeds that he has done.

The Second Lesson

Hebrews 10:16-25

Reader A reading from St. Paul's letter to the Hebrews

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People Thanks be to God.

The Passion Gospel

John 18:1-19:42

*The Passion Gospel is proclaimed by two voices without the usual acclamations that
accompany the Gospel.*

The Sermon

The Rev. Cody Maynus

The Solemn Collects

Deacon Dear People of God: Our heavenly Father sent his Son into the world, not to condemn the world, but that the world through him might be saved; that all who believe in him might be delivered from the power of sin and death, and become heirs with him of everlasting life.

We pray, therefore, for people everywhere according to their needs.

Let us pray for the holy Catholic Church of Christ throughout the world; for it's unity in witness and service; for all bishops and other ministers and the people whom they serve; for Michael, our Presiding Bishop; for Jonathan, our Bishop; for Justin the Archbishop of Canterbury; for Francis, the Bishop of Rome; for Bartholomew, the Ecumenical Patriarch; for Elizabeth, the Presiding Bishop of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America; for all the people of this diocese; for the family that is St. Andrew's; for those who will be baptized when this pandemic passes; that God will confirm his Church in faith, increase it in love, and preserve it in peace.

Silence is kept.

Presider Almighty and everlasting God, by whose Spirit the whole body of your faithful people is governed and sanctified: Receive our supplications and prayers which we offer before you for all members of your holy Church, that in their vocation and ministry they may truly and devoutly serve you through our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

People Amen.

Deacon Let us pray for all nations and peoples of the earth, and for those in authority among them: For Donald, the President of the United States; for the Congress and the Supreme Court; for the Members and Representatives of the United Nations; for the researchers, physicians, and scientists of the World Health Organization and other medical agencies; for Kristi, our Governor; for Steve, our Mayor; for the State Legislature and Courts; for the City Council; for all who serve the common good. That by God's help they may seek justice and truth, and live in peace and concord.

Silence is kept.

Presider Almighty God, kindle, we pray, in every heart the true love of peace, and guide with your wisdom those who take counsel for the nations of the earth; that in tranquility your dominion may increase, until the earth is filled with the knowledge of your love; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People **Amen.**

Deacon Let us pray for all who suffer and are afflicted in body or in mind: for the hungry and the homeless, the destitute and the oppressed; for the sick, especially those who have contracted COVID-19; for those in loneliness, quarantine, fear, and anguish; for those who face temptation, doubt, and despair; for the sorrowful and bereaved; for prisoners and captives, and those in mortal danger. That God in his mercy will comfort and relieve them, and grant them the knowledge of his love, and stir up in us the will and patience to minister to their needs.

Silence is kept.

Presider Gracious God, the comfort of all who sorrow, the strength of

all who suffer: Let the cry of those in misery and need come to you, that they may find your mercy present with them in all their afflictions; and give us, we pray, the strength to serve them for the sake of him who suffered for us, your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

People

Amen.

Deacon

Let us pray for all who have not received the Gospel of Christ: for those who have never heard the word of salvation; for those who have lost their faith; for those hardened by sin or indifference; for those who in the name of Christ have persecuted others. That God will open their hearts to the truth, and lead them to faith and obedience.

Silence is kept.

Presider

Merciful God, creator of all the peoples of the earth and lover of souls: Have compassion on all who do not know you as you are revealed in your Son Jesus Christ; let your Gospel be preached with grace and power to those who have not heard it; turn the hearts of those who resist it; and bring home to your fold those who have gone astray; that there may be one flock under one shepherd, Jesus Christ our Lord.

People

Amen.

Deacon

Let us commit ourselves to God, and pray for the grace of a holy life, that, with all who have departed this world and have died in the peace of Christ, and those whose faith is known to God alone, we may be accounted worthy to enter into the fullness of the joy of our Lord, and receive the crown of life in the day of resurrection.

Silence is kept.

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

The Veneration of the Cross

The anthem below begins a period of silent veneration.

The People are invited to venerate the cross in the church on their screen or venerate a cross at home by touching a hand to it, pressing it to their forehead, kissing it, or some other bodily act of worship.

Presider We glory in your cross, O Lord,
People and praise and glorify your holy resurrection; for by virtue of your cross joy has come to the whole world.

Deacon May God be merciful to us and bless us, show us the light of his countenance, and come to us.

People Let your ways be known upon earth, your saving health among all nations.

Presider Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you.

People We glory in your cross, O Lord, and praise and glorify your holy resurrection; for by virtue of your cross joy has come to the whole world.

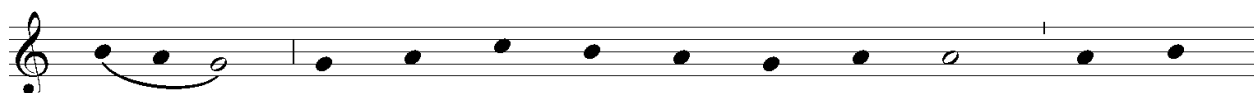
The Hymn

The Hymnal 1982 #166

Sing, My Tongue, the Glorious Battle



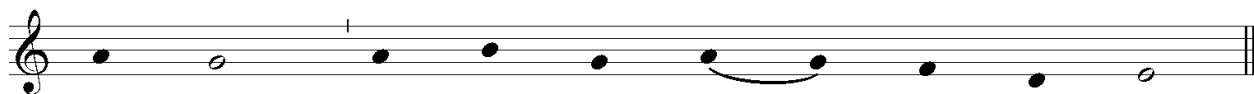
1 Sing, my tongue, the glo - rious bat - tle; of the might - y con - flict
 2 Thir - ty years a - mong us dwell - ing, his ap - point - ed time ful -
 3 He en - dures the nails, the spit - ting, vin - e - gar, and spear, and
 4 Faith - ful cross! a - bove all o - ther, one and on - ly no - ble
 5 Bend thy boughs, O tree of glo - ry! Thy re - lax - ing sin - ews
 *6 Praise and hon - or to the Fa - ther, praise and hon - or to the



1 sing; tell the tri - umph of the vic - tim, to his
 2 filled, born for this, he meets his pas - sion, this the
 3 reed; from that ho - ly bo - dy bro - ken blood and
 4 tree! None in fo - liage, none in blos - som, none in
 5 bend; for a - while the an - cient ri - gor that thy
 6 Son, praise and hon - or to the Spi - rit, ev - er



1 cross thy tri - bute bring. Je - sus Christ, the world's Re -
 2 Sa - vior free - ly willed: on the cross the Lamb is
 3 wa - ter forth pro - ceed: earth, and stars, and sky, and
 4 fruit thy peer may be: sweet - est wood and sweet - est
 5 birth be - stowed, sus - pend; and the King of heaven - ly
 6 Three and ev - er One: one in might and one in



1 deem - er from that cross now reigns as King.
 2 lift - ed, where his pre - cious blood is spilled.
 3 o - cean, by that flood from stain are freed.
 4 i - ron! sweet - est weight is hung on thee.
 5 beau - ty gent - ly on thine arms ex - tend.
 6 glo - ry while e - ter - nal a - ges run.

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The Lord's Prayer

Presider Our Father,
People 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. Amen.

The Final Prayer

Presider Lord Jesus Christ, Son of the living God, we pray you to set
 your passion, cross, and death between your judgment and
 our souls, now and in the hour of our death. Give mercy and
 grace to the living; pardon and rest to the dead; to your holy
 Church peace and concord; and to us sinners everlasting life
 and glory; for with the Father and the Holy Spirit you
 live and reign, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

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The People depart silently.

The Great Vigil of Easter

The Service of Light

Before the service begins, the People turn off one or more lights in their homes and gather the following: a candle, a match/lighter, and a small bowl of water.

Presider 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.

The Presider dedicates the Candle, which will burn at every service until Pentecost, by inscribing the year 2020 and symbols of God's everlasting power onto the candle.

Presider Christ yesterday and today, the beginning and the end, Alpha and Omega, all time belongs to him, and all ages; to him be glory and power, throughout every age and for ever. Amen.

The People are invited to light their own candles at home.

Deacon
People

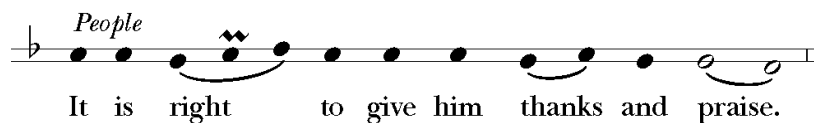
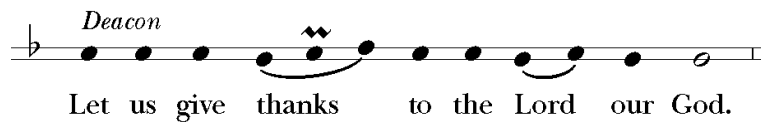
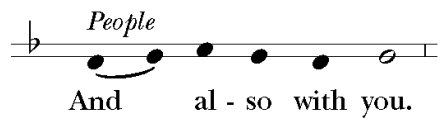
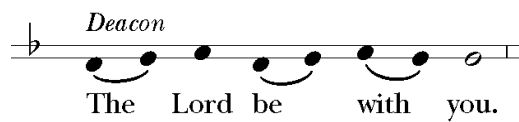
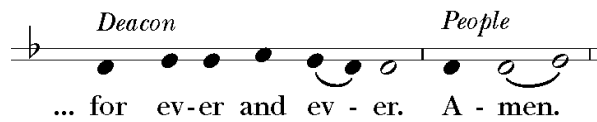
The light of Christ.
Thanks be to God.

The Deacon sings the acclamation twice more.

The Presider then sings the Exsultet.

Presider

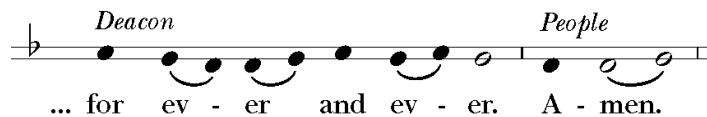
Rejoice now, heavenly hosts and choirs of angels, and let your trumpets shout Salvation for the victory of your mighty King. Rejoice and sing now, all the round earth, bright with a glorious splendor, for darkness has been vanquished by our eternal King. Rejoice and be glad now, Mother Church, and let your holy courts in radiant light, resound with the praises of your people. All you who are near these marvelous and holy flames, pray with me to God the Almighty, for the grace to sign the worthy praise of this great light.



Presider

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 ancestors, 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 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 we are reconciled with God. Holy Father, accept our evening sacrifice, the offering of these candles in your honor. May they shine continually to drive away all darkness. May Christ, the Morning Star who knows no setting, find them ever burning, he who gives his light to all creation, and who lives and reigns with you



Presider

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

The Service of Lessons

The Story of Creation

Genesis 1:1-2:2

Psalm 33:1-11

Rejoice in the LORD, you righteous; *
it is good for the just to sing praises.
Praise the LORD with the harp; *
play to him upon the psaltery and lyre.
Sing for him a new song; *
sound a fanfare with all your skill upon the trumpet.
For the word of the LORD is right, *
and all his works are sure.
He loves righteousness and justice; *
the loving-kindness of the LORD fills the whole earth.
By the word of the LORD were the heavens made, *
by the breath of his mouth all the heavenly hosts.
He gathers up the waters of the ocean as in a water-skin *
and stores up the depths of the sea.
Let all the earth fear the LORD; *
let all who dwell in the world stand in awe of him.
For he spoke, and it came to pass; *
he commanded, and it stood fast.
The LORD brings the will of the nations to naught; *
he thwarts the designs of the peoples.
But the LORD'S will stands fast for ever, *
and the designs of his heart from age to age.

Presider Let us pray.

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.

People Amen.

Israel's Deliverance at the Red Sea

Exodus 14:10-15:1

Canticle 8

The Song of Moses

I will sing to the Lord, for he is lofty and uplifted; *
the horse and its rider has he hurled into the sea.
The Lord is my strength and my refuge; *
the Lord has become my Savior.
This is my God and I will praise him, *
the God of my people and I will exalt him.
The Lord is a mighty warrior; *
Yahweh is his Name.
The chariots of Pharaoh and his army has he hurled into the sea; *
the finest of those who bear armor have been drowned in the Red Sea.
The fathomless deep has overwhelmed them; *
they sank into the depths like a stone.
Your right hand, O Lord, is glorious in might; *
your right hand, O Lord, has overthrown the enemy.
Who can be compared with you, O Lord, among the gods? *
who is like you, glorious in holiness, awesome in renown, and worker of wonders?
You stretched forth your right hand; *
the earth swallowed them up.
With your constant love you led the people you redeemed; *
with your might you brought them in safety to your holy dwelling.
You will bring them in and plant them *
on the mount of your possession,
The resting-place you have made for yourself, O Lord, *
the sanctuary, O Lord, that your hand has established.
The Lord shall reign *
for ever and for ever.

Presider 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.

People **Amen.**

God's Presence in a Renewed Israel

Isaiah 4:2-6

Psalm 122

I was glad when they said to me, *
"Let us go to the house of the LORD."
Now our feet are standing *
within your gates, O Jerusalem.
Jerusalem is built as a city *
that is at unity with itself;
To which the tribes go up,
the tribes of the LORD, *
the assembly of Israel,
to praise the Name of the LORD.
For there are the thrones of judgment, *
the thrones of the house of David.
Pray for the peace of Jerusalem: *
"May they prosper who love you.
Peace be within your walls *
and quietness within your towers.
For my brethren and companions' sake, *
I pray for your prosperity.
Because of the house of the LORD our God, *
I will seek to do you good."

Presider Let us pray.

O God, you led your ancient people by a pillar of cloud by day and a pillar of fire by night: Grant that we, who serve you now on earth, may come to the joy of that heavenly Jerusalem, where all tears are wiped away and where your saints for ever sing your praise; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People Amen.

The Gathering of God's People

Zephaniah 3:12-20

Psalm 126

When the LORD restored the fortunes of Zion, *
then were we like those who dream.
Then was our mouth filled with laughter, *
and our tongue with shouts of joy.
Then they said among the nations, *
"The LORD has done great things for them."
The LORD has done great things for us, *
and we are glad indeed.
Restore our fortunes, O LORD, *
like the watercourses of the Negev.
Those who sowed with tears *
will reap with songs of joy.
Those who go out weeping, carrying the seed, *
will come again with joy, shouldering their sheaves

Presider Let us pray.

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

People Amen.

The Renewal of Baptismal Vows

Presider 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.

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

People I do.

Presider Do you believe in God the Father?

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

Presider 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.**

Presider Do you believe in God in 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.**

Presider 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.

Presider 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.

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

People I will, with God's help.

Presider Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, living your neighbor as yourself?

People I will, with God's help.

Presider 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.

Presider 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.

People Amen.

The People are invited to sprinkle themselves and others in their household with water in joyful remembrance of their Baptism.

The candles at the Altar may now be lighted from the Paschal Candle.

Presider Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People

The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

Bells are rung in the Church. The People make joyful noise with kazoos, pots and pans, jinglebells, or any other noisemaker.

The Gloria in Excelsis

The Hymnal 1982 #S280

The People and Ministers mute themselves and sing along with the Cantor.

1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and
peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly
King, al - mighty 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.

Presider The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**
 Presider Let us pray.

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

The Gospel Acclamation

The Gospel

Matthew 28:1-10

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. Matthew.

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

The Sermon

The Rev. Cody Maynus

The Prayers of the People adapted from Gail Ramshaw and Gordon Lathrop

Deacon On this most holy night, we pray for the church, the earth, the world, those in need, and all the members of God's family, responding to each petition with the words, 'Hear our prayer.'

Intercessor We pray, o God, for all the churches around the globe: for their people and leaders; for those who will be baptized soon; for the believers who cannot assemble for worship; for faithful endurance during this time of sorrow and distress; and for a deepening sense of your presence among us. O God, you are our Temple: in your mercy,

People **Hear our prayer.**

Intercessor We pray, O God, for the well-being of creation: for the health of seas and rivers and lakes; for Canyon Lake, Rapid Creek, Pactola, Sheriden Lake, and for the will to care for your earth. O God, you are our Rainbow of promise: in your mercy,

People **Hear our prayer.**

Intercessor We pray, O God, for peace and justice in the world: for an end to war and international turmoil; for concord in our troubled society; for the heads of state, legislators, and local

civic leaders, that they enact wise procedures to deal with the coronavirus. O God, you are our Mighty Fortress: in your mercy,

People

Hear our prayer.

Intercessor

We pray, O God, for all who are facing the coronavirus: for all who mourn their dead; all who have contracted the virus; those who are quarantined or stranded away from home; those who have lost their employment; those who fear the present and the future. We pray for physicians, nurses, and home health aides; medical researchers; and the World Health organization. Fill the aching in our hearts with your merciful power. O God, you are our Everlasting Arms: in your mercy,

People

Hear our prayer.

Intercessor

We pray, o God, for all in need: for those suffering for the faith; for those who are poor, hungry, and homeless; for those who are sick and those awaiting death; and for those we name before you now. *Silence is kept.* O God, you are the Healer of our every ill: in your mercy,

People

Hear our prayer.

Intercessor

We pray, O God, for the desires of our hearts: *Silence is kept.* O God, you are our Heart's Desire: in your mercy,

People

Hear our prayer.

Intercessor

Receive our thanks for all who died in the faith, and bring us at the final resurrection into your everlasting life, where sorrows will be no more. O God, our Beginning and our End: in your mercy,

People

Hear our prayer.

Presider

Into your gracious and mighty hands, O God, we commend all for whom we prayer, trusting in your mercy, through your Son Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

People

Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

The Blessing

Presider Eternal giver of life and light, this holy night shines with the radiance of the risen Christ. Renew your church with the Spirit given us in baptism, that we may worship you in sincerity and truth and may shine as a light in the world, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People Amen.

Presider Almighty God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, bless us now and forever.

People Amen

Presider Alleluia! Christ is risen!

People Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

The Dismissal

Deacon Let us go forth in the Name of the Risen Christ!
Alleluia! Alleluia!

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

Happy Easter!

He is Risen! Alleluia! Alleluia!

He is Risen indeed! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Please tune into the National Cathedral's livestream of the Easter service and join us for coffee hour on Zoom following.