



The Great Vigil of Easter

April 16, 2022

7:00 PM

Masks are recommended while inside the church.

The Lighting of the Paschal Candle

¶ *All gather in the Page Memorial Columbarium*

¶ *In the darkness, fire is kindled*

¶ *The Celebrant invites the People to gather in vigil and prayer, then blesses the New Fire, then blesses the Paschal Candle by cutting the Greek letters A and Ω into the wax, the year, and placing five nails in it, representing the five wounds of Christ*

¶ *The People's candles are lighted and a procession forms and moves into the Church, pausing three times*

¶ *Each time the following is sung*

Deacon

People



The light of Christ. Thanks be to God.

¶ *The Paschal Candle is censed*

¶ *All remain standing for the singing of the Exsultet*

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,

Priest *People*

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

Priest

The Lord be with you.

People

And al - so with you.

Priest

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People

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.

🌿 The Liturgy of the Word 🌿

The Flood

GENESIS 7:1-5, 11-18; 8:6-18; 9:8-13

Canticle

Laudate Dominum

ANGLICAN CHANT: KELLOW J. PYE

O praise the Lord, all ye nations:
and praise and extol him, all ye peoples.

For his loving kindness is ever more and more toward us;
and the faithfulness of the Lord endureth for ever.

— *Psalm 117*

Collect

‡ *All stand*

ALMIGHTY GOD, you have placed in the skies the sign of your covenant with all living things: Grant that we, who are saved through water and the Spirit, may worthily offer to you our sacrifice of thanksgiving; through Jesus Christ our Lord. ‡ *People Amen.*

‡ *All are seated*

Abraham's Sacrifice of Isaac

GENESIS 22:1-18

Canticle

Qui confidunt

ANGLICAN CHANT: JEFFREY CARTER

They that trust in the Lord are like Mount Zion:
which may never be removed,
but standeth fast for ever.

Mountains stand round about Jerusalem;
so does the Lord stand round about his people,
from this time forth, and for evermore.

— *Psalm 125:1-2*

Collect *¶ All stand*

GOD AND FATHER OF ALL BELIEVERS, for the glory of your Name multiply, by the grace of the Paschal sacrament, the number of your children; that your Church may rejoice to see fulfilled your promise to our father Abraham; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *¶ People Amen.*

¶ All are seated

Israel's Deliverance at the Red Sea

EXODUS 14:10-31; 15:20-21

Canticle *Cantemus Domino*

ANGLICAN CHANT: RICHARD WOODWARD

I will sing to the Lord:
For he has triumphed gloriously:
The horse and its rider he hath cast into the sea.

The Lord is my strength and song,
And he has become my salvation.

He is my God, and I will praise him;
My father's God, and I will extol him.

The Lord is a warrior:
The Lord is his name!

— *Exodus 15:1-3*

Collect *¶ All stand*

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.*

‡ *All are seated*

The Valley of Dry Bones

EZEKIEL 37:1-14

Canticle

Attende caelum

ANGLICAN CHANT: HERBERT HOWELLS

O give ear, O ye heavens, and I will speak;
and hear, O earth, the words of my mouth.

My teaching shall drop as the rain,
my speech shall distill as the dew,
as the showers upon the grass.

Because I will publish the name of the Lord:
ascribe ye greatness unto our God.

He is the Rock, his work is perfect:
for all his ways are judgement:

A God of truth and without iniquity,
just and right is our God.

— *Deuteronomy 32:1-14*

Collect

‡ *All stand*

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. ‡ *People Amen.*

‡ *All are seated*

Holy Baptism

¶ The Celebrant may first address the People in these or similar words

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.

Presentation and Examination of the Candidates

¶ After the presentation the Celebrant addresses the Congregation, saying

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

People We will.

¶ The Celebrant then says these or similar words

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

¶ All stand

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.

Prayers for the Candidate

¶ After the presentation the Celebrant addresses the Congregation, saying

Let us now pray for this person who is to receive the Sacrament of new birth.

¶ The Choir sings the following petitions as the procession moves to the Wydown Baptismal Font

- ✠. Deliver her, O Lord, from the way of sin and death.
✠. Lord, hear our prayer.
✠. Open her heart to your grace and truth.
✠. Lord, hear our prayer.
✠. Fill her with your holy and life-giving Spirit.
✠. Lord, hear our prayer.
✠. Keep her in the faith and communion of your holy Church.
✠. Lord, hear our prayer.
✠. Teach her to love others in the power of the Spirit.
✠. Lord, hear our prayer.
✠. Send her into the world in witness to your love.
✠. Lord, hear our prayer.
✠. Bring her to the fullness of your peace and glory.
✠. Lord, hear our prayer.

¶ The Celebrant says

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

Thanksgiving over the Water

¶ The Celebrant blesses the water, first saying

The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give him thanks and praise.

¶ The Candidate is presented by name to the Celebrant, or to an assisting priest or deacon, who pours water upon him, saying

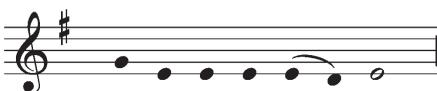
N., I baptize you in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

¶ People Amen.

The Litany of the Saints

¶ The Ministers and Candidates process to the Font during the Litany naming the whole company of heaven into whose fellowship they will now be admitted

∇. Kyrie eleison.

R.  Ky - ri - e e - lei - son.

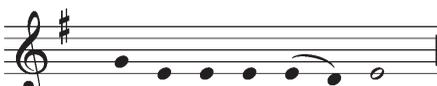
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∇. Christe eleison.

R.  Chri - ste e - lei - son.

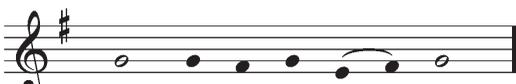
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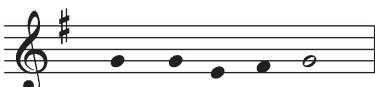
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∇. Christ, hear us.

R.  Christ, gra-cious-ly hear us.

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∇. God, the Father of heaven:

R.  Have mer-cy on us.

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∇. God the Son, Redeemer of the world:

R. Have mercy on us.

∇. God the Holy Spirit:

R. Have mercy on us.

∇. Holy Trinity, one God:
℞. Have mercy on us.

∇. Holy Mary:



∇. Holy Mother of God:
℞. Pray for us.

∇. Holy Virgin of virgins:
℞. Pray for us.

∇. Holy Michael:
℞. Pray for us.

∇. Holy Gabriel:
℞. Pray for us.

∇. Holy Raphael:
℞. Pray for us.

∇. All holy Angels and Archangels:
℞. Pray for us.

∇. All holy orders of Blessed Spirits:
℞. Pray for us.

∇. Holy John the Baptist:
℞. Pray for us.

∇. Holy Joseph:
℞. Pray for us.

∇. All holy Patriarchs and Prophets:
℞. Pray for us.

℣. Holy Peter:
℟. Pray for us.

℣. Holy Paul:
℟. Pray for us.

℣. Holy Andrew:
℟. Pray for us.

℣. Holy John:
℟. Pray for us.

℣. All holy Apostles and Evangelists:
℟. Pray for us.

℣. All holy Disciples of the Lord:
℟. Pray for us.

℣. Holy Stephen:
℟. Pray for us.

℣. Holy Lawrence:
℟. Pray for us.

℣. Holy Vincent:
℟. Pray for us.

℣. All holy Martyrs:
℟. Pray for us.

℣. Holy Sylvester:
℟. Pray for us.

℣. Holy Gregory:
℟. Pray for us.

℣. Holy Augustine:
℟. Pray for us.

℣. All holy Bishops and Confessors:

℟. Pray for us.

℣. All holy Doctors:

℟. Pray for us.

℣. Holy Anthony:

℟. Pray for us.

℣. Holy Benedict:

℟. Pray for us.

℣. Holy Dominic:

℟. Pray for us.

℣. Holy Francis:

℟. Pray for us.

℣. All holy Priests and Levites:

℟. Pray for us.

℣. All holy Monks and Hermits:

℟. Pray for us.

℣. Holy Mary Magdalene:

℟. Pray for us.

℣. Holy Agnes:

℟. Pray for us.

℣. Holy Cecilia:

℟. Pray for us.

℣. Holy Agatha:

℟. Pray for us.

∇. Holy Anastasia:

℞. Pray for us.

∇. All holy Virgins and Widows:

℞. Pray for us.

∇. All Holy, Righteous, and Elect of God:

℞. Pray for us.

∇. Lord, be merciful:



Hear us, good Lord.

∇. From all evil:



Good Lord de - liv - er us.

∇. From all deadly sin:

℞. Good Lord deliver us.

∇. From everlasting damnation:

℞. Good Lord deliver us.

∇. By the mystery of your holy Incarnation:

℞. Good Lord deliver us.

∇. By your Advent and Nativity:

℞. Good Lord deliver us.

∇. By your Baptism and holy Fasting:

℞. Good Lord deliver us.

∇. By your Cross and Passion:

℞. Good Lord deliver us.

∇. By your precious Death and Burial:

℞. Good Lord deliver us.

∇. By your glorious Resurrection and Ascension:

℞. Good Lord deliver us.

∇. By the coming of the Holy Spirit the Comforter:

℞. Good Lord deliver us.

∇. In the hour of death and in the day of judgment:

℞. Good Lord deliver us.

∇. Be merciful to us sinners:



Lord, hear our prayer.

∇. That you would spare us:

℞. Lord, hear our prayer.

∇. That you would rule and govern your holy Church:

℞. Lord, hear our prayer.

∇. That it may please you to preserve the household of your Apostles
and all orders in the Church in true religion:

℞. Lord, hear our prayer.

∇. That it may please you to overthrow the enemies of
your holy Church:

℞. Lord, hear our prayer.

∇. That it may please you to bestow on all Christian
rulers true peace and concord:

℞. Lord, hear our prayer.

∇. That it may please you to strengthen and preserve
us in true worship:

℞. Lord, hear our prayer.

∇. That it may please you to bestow on all our benefactors your
everlasting benefits:

℞. Lord, hear our prayer.

∇. That it may please you to give and preserve to our use
the kindly fruits of the earth:

℞. Lord, hear our prayer.

∇. That it may please you to bestow upon all the faithful rest eternal:

℞. Lord, hear our prayer.

∇. That it may please you to graciously hear us:

℞. Lord, hear our prayer.

∇. Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:



Spare us, good Lord.

∇. Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:



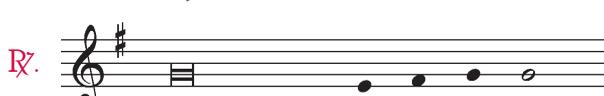
Hear us, good Lord.

∇. Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:



Have mer - cy on us.

∇. O Christ, hear us:



O Christ, gra-cious-ly hear us.

Celebrant Let us welcome the newly baptized.

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.

¶ The Celebrant then asperges the People and sprinkles water to the four corners of the earth with consecrated water from the Font

The Collect of the Day

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

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. *¶ People Amen.*

¶ All are seated

The Word of God

The Epistle

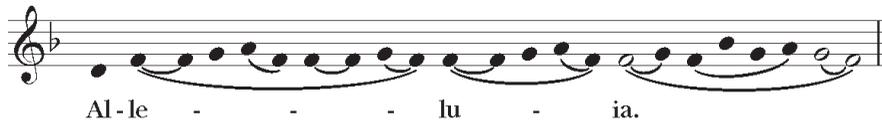
ROMANS 6:3-11

DO YOU NOT KNOW THAT ALL OF US who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? We were buried therefore with him by baptism into death, so that as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life. For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we shall certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. We know that our old self was crucified with him so that the sinful body might be destroyed, and we might no longer be enslaved to sin. For he who has died is freed from sin. But if we have died with Christ, we believe that we shall also live with him. For we know that Christ being raised from the dead will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. The death he died he died to sin, once for all, but the life he lives he lives to God. So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

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

The Great Alleluia *♩ All stand*

♩ Sung by the Precentor three times, each time repeated by the Choir and People



♩ Then all join in singing Psalm 114; The first half of each Psalm verse is sung by the Precentors; the second half is sung by all

♩ The People turn to face the Gospel Procession

Psalm 114

In exitu Israel

TONUS PEREGRINUS



When Israel came out of Egypt, *Alleluia: **
the house of Jacob from a people of strange speech, **Al-leluia:**

Judah became God's sanctuary, *Alleluia: **
and Israel his dominion, **Al-leluia.**

The sea beheld it and fled, *Alleluia: **
Jordan turned and went back, **Al-leluia.**

The mountains skipped like rams, *Alleluia: **
and the little hills like young sheep, **Al-leluia.**

What ailed you, O sea, that you fled? *Alleluia: **
O Jordan, that you turned back? **Al-leluia.**

You mountains, that you skipped like rams? *Alleluia: **
you little hills like young sheep? **Al-leluia.**

Tremble, O earth, at the presence of the Lord, *Alleluia: **
at the presence of the God of Jacob, **Al-leluia:**

Who turned the hard rock into a pool of water, *Alleluia: **
and flintstone into a flowing spring, **Al-leluia.**

♩ Then the Alleluia is sung once again by all



The Holy Gospel

LUKE 24:1-12

Gospeler ✝ The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.
People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

ON THE FIRST DAY OF THE WEEK, at early dawn, the women who had come with Jesus from Galilee came to the tomb, taking the spices that they had prepared. They found the stone rolled away from the tomb, but when they went in, they did not find the body. While they were perplexed about this, suddenly two men in dazzling clothes stood beside them. The women were terrified and bowed their faces to the ground, but the men said to them, “Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here, but has risen. Remember how he told you, while he was still in Galilee, that the Son of Man must be handed over to sinners, and be crucified, and on the third day rise again.” Then they remembered his words, and returning from the tomb, they told all this to the eleven and to all the rest. Now it was Mary Magdalene, Joanna, Mary the mother of James, and the other women with them who told this to the apostles. But these words seemed to them an idle tale, and they did not believe them. But Peter got up and ran to the tomb; stooping and looking in, he saw the linen cloths by themselves; then he went home, amazed at what had happened.

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

Homily

The Reverend Canon Jeremy Haselock

¶ Following the Homily, all stand

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People And also with you.

The Rector’s Easter Greeting

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❧ The Holy Communion ❧

Anthem at the Offertory

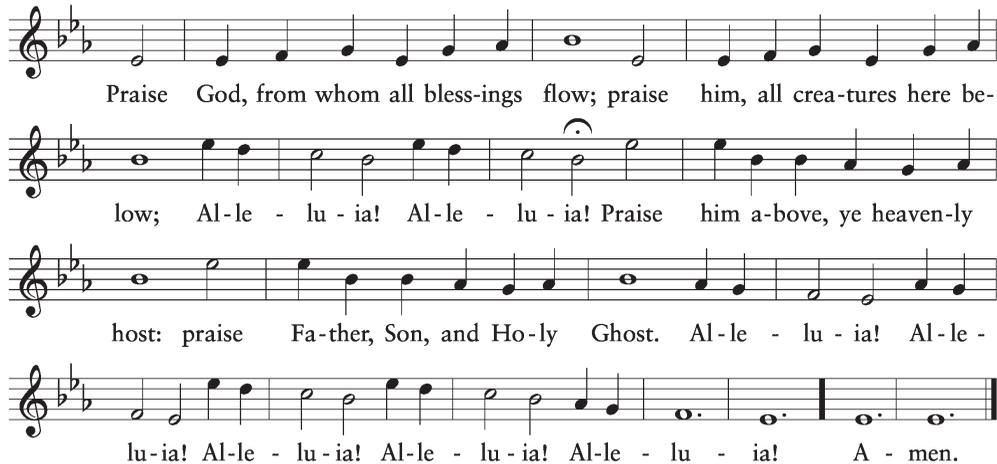
Let all the world in every corner sing, My God and King.
The heavens are not too high, His praise may thither fly:
The earth is not too low, His praises there may grow.
The church with psalms must shout, no door can keep them out:
But above all, the heart Must bear the longest part.

Words: George Herbert (1593-1633)

Music: Ralph Vaughan Williams (1852-1924)

¶ Following the singing of the Anthem, all stand to sing

Hymn at the Presentation



Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here be-
low; Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia! Praise him a-bove, ye heaven-ly
host: praise Fa-ther, Son, and Ho-ly Ghost. Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le -
lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia! A - men.

Words: Thomas Ken (1637-1711)

Music: LASST UNS ERFREUEN: Aueserlesene Kirchengesang, 1623

The Great Thanksgiving

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.

¶ Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

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

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

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

Sanctus and Benedictus qui venit

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,
heav'n and earth are full of your glo-ry. 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.

¶ The People kneel and the Celebrant continues

WE ACCLAIM YOU, HOLY LORD, glorious in power. Your mighty works reveal your wisdom and love. You formed us in your own image, giving the whole world into our care, so that, in obedience to you, our Creator, we might rule and serve all your creatures. When our

disobedience took us far from you, you did not abandon us to the power of death. In your mercy you came to our help, so that in seeking you we might find you. Again and again you called us into covenant with you, and through the prophets you taught us to hope for salvation.

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

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

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."

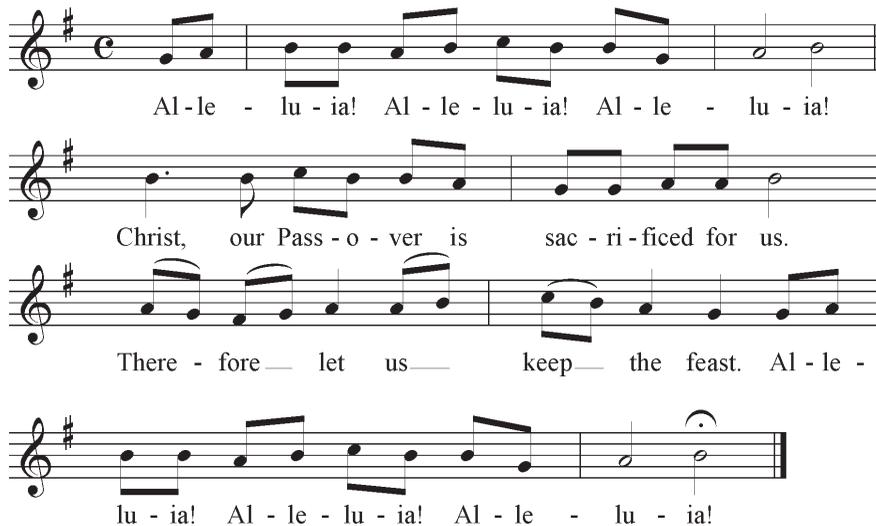
Father, we now celebrate this memorial of our redemption. Recalling Christ's death and his descent among the dead, proclaiming his resurrection and ascension to your right hand, awaiting his coming in glory; and offering to you his body and blood, the acceptable sacrifice which brings salvation to the whole world, we praise you and we bless you.

The Lord's Prayer

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 Celebrant breaks the Bread and a period of silence is kept; then is sung

Fraction Anthem



Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

Christ, our Pass - o - ver is sac - ri - ficed for us.

There - fore — let us — keep — the feast. Al - le -

lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

The Communion of the People

- ‡ *All Christians baptized with water in the Name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit are welcome to receive Holy Communion. Please follow the directions of the Ushers on when to come forward to the Communion rail. Once kneeling at the rail, to receive the Bread, extend your palms, crossed and upward, and consume the Bread.*
- ‡ *Only the priest may intinct the Bread. If you wish, present the Bread to the priest and they will intinct for you.*
- ‡ *Those who do not wish to receive Holy Communion may come forward for a blessing; please indicate this to the Priest by crossing your arms over your chest.*

Anthem at the Communion

This joyful Eastertide, Away with sin and sorrow!
My Love, the Crucified, Hath sprung to life this morrow.
Had Christ, that once was slain, Ne'er burst his three day prison,
Our faith had been in vain:
But now hath Christ arisen!
My flesh in hope shall rest, And for a season slumber:
Till trump from east to west Shall wake the dead in number.
Death's flood hath lost his chill, Since Jesus cross'd the river:
Lover of souls, from ill My passing soul deliver.

Words: G.R. Woodward

Music: Dutch carol, arr. Philip Ledger (b.1937)

♩ *All join in singing the Communion Hymn*

Hymn at the Communion



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.

Words: John of Damascus (8th century)

Music: GAUDEAMUS PARITER: Medieval Carol, c. 1544

The Postcommunion Prayer

♩ *Said by all, kneeling*

Almighty and everliving God,
we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food
of the most precious Body and Blood
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;
and for assuring us in these holy mysteries
that we are living members of the Body of your Son,
and heirs of your eternal kingdom.
And now, Father, send us out
to do the work you have given us to do,

to love and serve you
as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.
To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,
be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

The Easter Blessing

MAY ALMIGHTY GOD, who has redeemed us and made us his children through the resurrection of his Son our Lord, bestow upon you the riches of his blessing. *¶ People Amen.*

May God, who through the water of baptism has raised us from sin into newness of life, make you holy and worthy to be united with Christ for ever. *¶ People Amen.*

May God, who has brought us out of bondage to sin into true and lasting freedom in the Redeemer, bring you to your eternal inheritance. *¶ People Amen.*

AND THE BLESSING † OF GOD ALMIGHTY,
THE FATHER, THE SON, AND THE HOLY SPIRIT,
BE UPON YOU AND REMAIN WITH YOU FOR EVER. *¶ People Amen.*
¶ All stand

The Dismissal

Deacon Let us go forth in the Name of Christ. Alleluia. Alleluia.
People Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia.

Hymn at the Retiring Procession *¶ Sung by all found on the following page*

† Colors play an important part in the worship of the Church. The colors worn at the Church of St. Michael & St. George are drawn from colors worn in England before the Reformation. They change according to the seasons of the Church year and the liturgical tasks at hand. The vestments worn in the season of Easter are Gold symbolizing the resurrection of Christ.

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.

who hath washed us in the tide flow - ing from his pierc - ed side;
 Is - rael's hosts tri - um - phant go through the wave that drowns the foe.
 thou hast con - quered in the fight, thou hast brought us life and light;
 From sin's power do thou set free souls new - born, O Lord, in thee.

praise we him, whose love di - vine gives his sa - cred Blood for wine,
 Praise we Christ, whose blood was shed, Pas - chal vic - tim, Pas - chal bread;
 now no more can death ap - pall, now no more the grave en - thrall;
 Hymns of glo - ry, songs of praise, Fa - ther, un - to thee we raise:

gives his Bo - dy for the feast, Christ the vic - tim, Christ the priest.
 with sin - cer - i - ty and love eat we man - na from a - bove.
 thou hast o - pened par - a - dise, and in thee thy saints shall rise.
 ris - en Lord, all praise to thee with the Spi - rit ev - er be.

Words: Latin, 1632; tr. Robert Campbell (1814-1868)
 Music: SALZBURG: Jakob Hintze (1622-1702)

Organ Voluntary

Final (*Symphonie I*)

Louis Vierne (1870-1937)

The Great Vigil of Easter
April 16, 2022
7:00 PM

“The Resurrection” (Partial triptych)
c. 1490
Hans Memling (circa 1433 –1494)
Louvre Museum

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