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*"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." (Romans 6:4)*

**The Triduum: The Great Vigil of Easter
Service of Light
Holy Eucharist**

**30 March 2024
7:00 p.m.**

THE SERVICE OF LIGHT

THE LIGHTING OF THE PASCHAL FIRE & THE PASCHAL CANDLE

Outside the darkened Church, the Presider kindles the Paschal Flame.

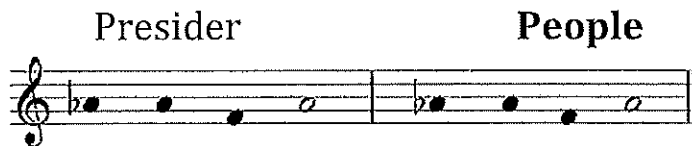
Presider Dear friends in Christ: On this most holy night, in which our Lord Jesus passed over from death to life, the Church invites her members, dispersed throughout the world, to gather in vigil and prayer. For this is the Passover of the Lord, in which, by hearing his Word and celebrating his Sacraments, 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 ENTRANCE OF LIGHT

*The Paschal Candle is then lighted from the newly kindled fire, and the Presider, bearing the Candle, leads the procession to the chancel, pausing **three** times and singing:*



The light of Christ. Thanks be to God.

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

Acolytes light the congregation's candles from the Paschal Candle as it passes.

The Paschal Candle is placed in its stand.

It is customary that the Paschal Candle burn at all services from Easter Day through the Day of Pentecost.

THE EXSULTET

All stand as able

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.**

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

On this, your night of grace, O holy Father, accept this candle, a solemn offering, the work of bees and of your servants' hands, an evening sacrifice of praise, this gift from your most holy Church. But now we know the praises of this pillar, which glowing fire ignites for God's honor,

a fire into many flames divided, yet never dimmer by sharing of its light, for it is fed by melting wax, drawn out by mother bees to build a torch so precious. O truly blessed night, when things of heaven are wed to those of earth, and divine to the human.

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 congregation may be seated.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

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 Story of Creation

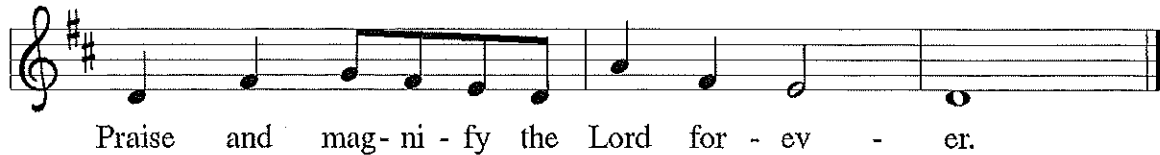
Genesis 1: 1- 2:4a

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.

Response: Song of the Three Holy Children 35-65

Refrain: All, Verses: Cantors and Choir



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

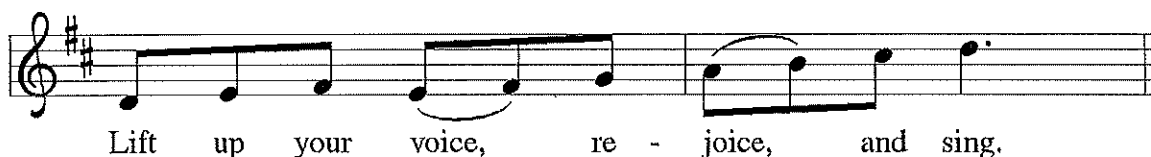
Israel's Deliverance at the Red Sea Exodus 14:10-31, 15:20-21

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."

Response: Psalm 98

Refrain: All, Verses: Cantors and Choir



Psalm 98:4

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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. **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.

Response: Isaiah 12:2-6

Refrain: All, *Verses: Cantors and Choir*



Isaiah 12:3

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Presider O God, you have created all things by the powers of your Word, and you renew the earth by your Spirit: Give now the water of life to those who thirst for you, that they may bring forth abundant fruit in your glorious kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

The Valley of Dry Bones

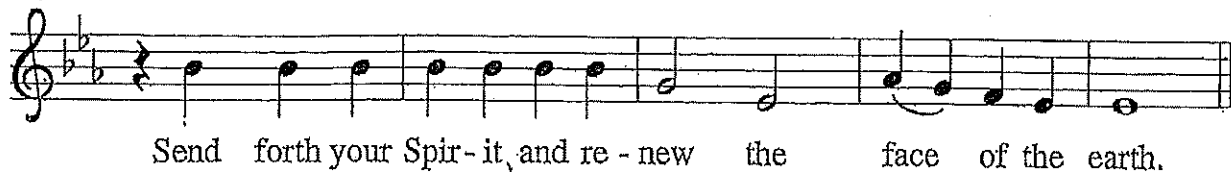
Ezekiel 37: 1-14

The hand of the LORD came upon me, and he brought me out by the spirit of the LORD and set me down in the middle of a valley; it was full of bones. He led me all around them; there were very many lying in the valley, and they were very dry. He said to me, "Mortal, can these bones live?" I answered, "O Lord GOD, you know." Then he said to me, "Prophesy to these bones, and say to them: O dry bones, hear the word of the LORD. Thus says the Lord GOD to these bones: I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live. I will lay sinews on you, and will cause flesh to come upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath in you, and you shall live; and you shall know that I am the LORD." So I prophesied as I had been commanded; and as I prophesied, suddenly there

was a noise, a rattling, and the bones came together, bone to its bone. I looked, and there were sinews on them, and flesh had come upon them, and skin had covered them; but there was no breath in them. Then he said to me, "Prophecy to the breath, prophesy, mortal, and say to the breath: Thus says the Lord GOD: Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe upon these slain, that they may live." I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived, and stood on their feet, a vast multitude. Then he said to me, "Mortal, these bones are the whole house of Israel. They say, 'Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost; we are cut off completely.' Therefore prophesy, and say to them, Thus says the Lord GOD: I am going to open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people; and I will bring you back to the land of Israel. And you shall know that I am the LORD, when I open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people. I will put my spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you on your own soil; then you shall know that I, the LORD, have spoken and will act," says the LORD.

Psalm 104:24, 29-35

Refrain: All, Verses: Cantors and Choir



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Presider Creator God, send your Holy Spirit to renew this living world, that the whole creation, in its groaning and striving, may know your loving purpose and come to reflect your glory; in Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

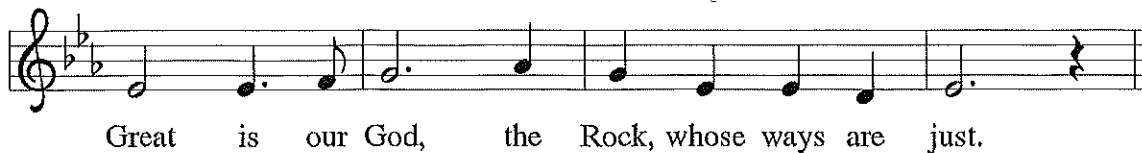
A New Heart and a New Spirit

Ezekiel 36:24-28

Say to the house of Israel, Thus says the Lord God: I will take you from the nations, and gather you from all the countries, and bring you into your own land. I will sprinkle clean water upon you, and you shall be clean from all your uncleannesses, and from all your idols I will cleanse you. A new heart I will give you, and a new spirit I will put within you; and I will remove from your body the heart of stone and give you a heart of flesh. I will put my spirit within you, and make you follow my statutes and be careful to observe my ordinances. Then you shall live in the land that I gave to your ancestors; and you shall be my people, and I will be your God.

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Deuteronomy 32:4

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Presider Almighty and everlasting God, who in the Paschal mystery established the new covenant of reconciliation: Grant that all who are reborn into the fellowship of Christ's Body may show forth in their lives what they profess by their faith; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE FIRST EUCHARIST OF EASTER AND HOLY BAPTISM

All stand as able. Lights come on.

EASTER SALUTATION

Repeated three times.

Presider Alleluia, Christ is risen.

People The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

CANTICLE OF PRAISE

Gloria in excelsis

Hymnal #S-280

All ring bells joyfully throughout the singing of the Gloria.

**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.**

Presider The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Presider Let us pray.

The Collect for the Great Vigil of Easter

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 Epistle

Romans 6:3-11

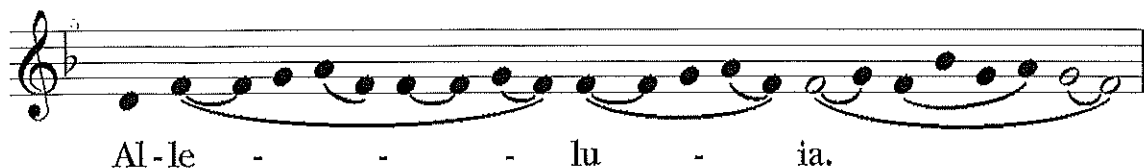
Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? Therefore we have been buried with him by baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life. For if we have been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

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

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

The Great Alleluia



THE HOLY GOSPEL

Mark 16:1-8

We hear the Gospel proclaimed for the People of God as did the early Christians.

Presider The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

When the sabbath was over, Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices, so that they might go and anoint Jesus. And very early on the first day of the week, when the sun had risen, they went to the tomb. They had been saying to one another, "Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance to the tomb?" When they looked up, they saw that the stone, which was very large, had already been rolled back. As they entered the tomb, they saw a young man, dressed in a white robe, sitting on the right side; and they were alarmed. But he said to them, "Do not be alarmed; you are looking for Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has been raised; he is not here. Look, there is the place they laid him. But go, tell his disciples and Peter that he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him, just as he told you." So they went out and fled from the tomb, for terror and amazement had seized them; and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.

Presider The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

HOMILY

The Rev. Dr. Kenneth Dorsch

A time of silence for reflection follows.

BAPTISMAL HYMN We know that Christ is raised and dies no more

Hymnal #296

v. 1-3

HOLY BAPTISM

Presider The Candidate for Holy Baptism will now be presented.

Parents and Godparents

I present William to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.

The Presider asks the parents and godparents:

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

Response I will, with God's help.

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

Response I will, with God's help.

Then the Presider asks the following questions of the parents and godparents who speak on behalf of the infant:

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

Answer I renounce them.

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

Answer I renounce them.

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

Answer I renounce them.

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

Answer I do.

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

Answer I do.

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

Answer I do.

The Presider now addresses the people.

Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support this person in his life in Christ?

People We will.

Presider Let us join with William who is being committed to Christ as we renew our own Baptismal Covenant.

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

Presider Deliver him, O Lord, from the way of sin and death,

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Presider Open his heart to your grace and truth

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Presider Fill him with your holy and life-giving Spirit.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Presider Keep him in the faith and communion of your holy Church.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Presider Teach him to love others in the power of the Spirit.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Presider Send him into the world in witness to your love.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Presider Bring him to the fullness of your peace and glory.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

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

Thanksgiving over the Water

The Presider blesses the water, first saying

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 our thanks and praise.

Presider We thank you, Almighty God, for the gift of water. Over it the Holy Spirit moved in the beginning of creation. Through it you led the children of Israel out of their bondage in Egypt into the land of promise. In it your Son Jesus received the baptism of John and was anointed by the Holy Spirit as the Messiah, the Christ, to lead us, through his death and resurrection, from the bondage of sin into everlasting life. We thank you, Father, for the water of Baptism. In it we are buried with Christ in his death. By it we share in his resurrection. Through it we are reborn by the Holy Spirit. Therefore in joyful obedience to your Son, we bring into his fellowship those who come to him in faith, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

At the following words, the Presider touches the water

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

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

The Baptism

Presider William, I baptize you in the Name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

The Presider places a hand on the child's head, marking on his forehead the sign of the cross using the Oil of Chrism and saying

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

The baptismal candle is lit from the Paschal candle and handed to the godparents as the Presider says

William, receive the light of Christ.

Let us pray.

Heavenly Father, we thank you that by water and the Holy Spirit you have bestowed upon this your servant the forgiveness of sin, and have raised him to the new life of grace. Sustain him, O Lord, in your Holy Spirit. Give him an inquiring and discerning heart, the courage to will and to persevere, a spirit to know and to love you, and the gift of joy and wonder in all your works. **Amen.**

Then, the Presider says

Let us welcome the newly baptized.

Presider and **People**

We receive you into the household of God. Confess the faith of Christ crucified, proclaim his resurrection, and share with us in his eternal priesthood.

THE ASPERGES

The Presider will bless the people with the blessed water as the Vidi aquam is sung.

Antiphon for Eastertide I Saw Water (*Vidi Aquam*)

Music: Franz Schubert

Text: Ezekiel 47

I saw water flowing from the temple. Alleluia

All to whom the water came were saved and shall say: Alleluia

THE PEACE

All stand as able.

Presider The peace of Christ be always with you.

People And also with you.

The People greet one another in the name of Christ.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

THE OFFERING

*Representatives of the congregation bring the
People's offerings of bread and wine to the Altar.*

OFFERTORY MUSIC Trio on *Engelberg*

Kristina Rizzotto (b. 1989)

Presider All things come of thee, O Lord

People And of thine own have we given thee.

The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer D Revised

Presider The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Presider Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is truly right to glorify you, Holy One, 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 your glory. Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

We acclaim you, holy God, 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. Holy God, 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, Jesus 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 Jesus 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 Christ who died and rose for us, you sent the Holy Spirit, your own first gift for those who believe, to complete your work in the world, and to bring to fulfillment the sanctification of all.

When the hour had come for Jesus 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 Jesus 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 Jesus 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." Almighty God, we now celebrate this memorial of our redemption. Recalling Christ's death and descent among the dead, proclaiming Christ's resurrection and ascension to your right hand, awaiting Christ's 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.

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

God our Creator, 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 our Savior 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, Blessed Paul the Apostle, Blessed Francis of Assisi, Blessed Aidan of Lindisfarne, with matriarchs, 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 Jesus Christ our Savior.

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

Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

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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. |
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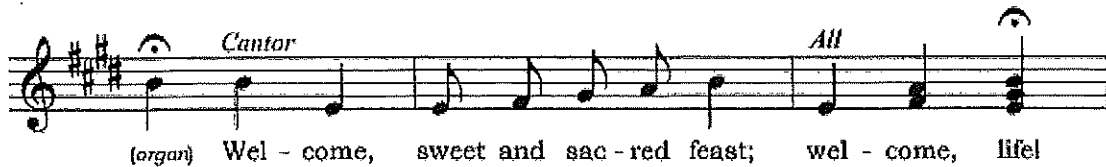
THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

The Presider breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.

FRACTION ANTHEM Welcome, Sweet and Sacred Feast


Joseph Z. Pettit

Cantor *All*



(organ) Wel - come, sweet and sac - red feast; wel - come, life!

Cantor




How have you now — your flock to keep, — be - come both food

All



— and Shep - herd to your sheep?

All



(organ) Wel - come, sweet and sac - red feast; wel - come, life!

Presider The Gifts of God for the People of God.

MINISTRATION OF THE SACRAMENT

All who hunger for God, including children, are invited to this table.

- *All are cordially invited to come forward to receive either the Sacrament or a blessing.*
- *You may stand or kneel to receive communion at the altar rail.*
- *To receive the bread, cup your right hand in your left, and the priest will place the bread in your open palm.*
- *Grasp the bottom of the chalice to guide it to your lips, or you may leave the bread in your palm and the chalice-bearer will dip it in the wine and place it on your tongue.*
- *Gluten-free wafers and a separate chalice are available; please indicate if this is your preference.*
- *If you do not wish to receive communion, you are welcome to come forward for a blessing, indicated by crossing your arms over your chest.*

COMMUNION HYMN

The day of resurrection

Hymnal #210

THE PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Presider Let us pray.

**God of abundance,
you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation;
you have united us with Christ and one another; and you have made
us one with all your people in heaven and on earth.
Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit,
that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world
and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen**

BLESSING (four-fold)

The people respond AMEN to each petition.

CLOSING HYMN

He is risen, he is risen

Hymnal #180

v. 1, 2, 4

DISMISSAL



**You may take your bulletin home with you this evening,
or leave it with the ushers to be recycled.**

**Join us tomorrow morning at 10:00 a.m.
for the Easter Day service and the
Flowering of the Cross.**

**You are encouraged to bring flowers from home.
We will also have flowers available.
Children and grandchildren are welcome!**

**There will be an Easter potluck brunch following tomorrow's service.
Bring your favorite dish and enough to share.**



SERVING FOR THE TRIDUUM

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| <i>Presider</i> | <i>The Rev. Dr. Kenneth Dorsch</i> |
| <i>Crucifer/Altar Acolyte</i> | <i>Jimmy McGarvey</i> |
| <i>Acolytes</i> | <i>Heidi Gurney, Sienna Liljenwall</i> |

TRIDUUM MUSCIANS

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| <i>Organist/Choirmaster</i> | <i>Joseph Z. Petit</i> |
| <i>Organ Scholar</i> | <i>Michael Lasfetto</i> |
| <i>St. Aidan's Choir</i> | <i>Angie Cathey, Susan Evans, Andrew Fink, Pam Finley, Leslie Hirsch, Rhee Howard, Patrick Hoye, Sharon Keady, Michael Lasfetto, LindaCarol McKinlay, B.J. Pietzold, Alison Saichek</i> |
| <i>Good Friday Passion Cantors</i> | <i>Andrew Fink Joseph Z. Pettit Michael Lasfetto Patrick Hoye The Rev. Ken Dorsch Sharon Keady</i> |

MAUNDY THURSDAY

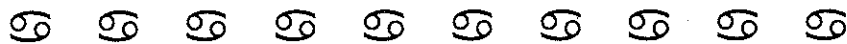
Lectors Jessie Hann, Sharon Keady
Intercessor Mike Vidito
Eucharistic Minister Natalie Liljenwall
Ushers Tim Keady, Byron McKinlay

GOOD FRIDAY

Lectors Jim Reid, Cheryle Gardiner
Ushers Mike Vidito, Shirley Vidito

THE GREAT VIGIL

Lectors 1st Reading – Cheryle Gardiner
2nd Reading – Mike Vidito
3rd Reading – Leslie Hirsch
4th Reading – LindaCarol McKinlay
5th Reading – Marilyn Pierik
Epistle – John Gurney
Eucharistic Minister Jenny Langley
Elements Mike and Shirley Vidito
Ushers Barbara Gross, Sarah Seeley



PRAYER for a NEW RECTOR

Most gracious God,

We thank you for providing for our needs during these past months as we have worked to care for one another and to be good stewards of this sacred space. We have been blessed by those you have sent to us to lead our worship and to encourage us during this transition. Now, O Lord, we turn our thoughts toward the future and the person who will journey with us in the years ahead.

We believe that the person who will become our next rector is hearing your voice and is preparing to respond to your call. We ask that our hearts and minds be open to receive and welcome our new pastor, and the courage to move into the future with the assurance of your loving care. And in moments of uncertainty, may we find comfort in the knowledge that your timing is always perfect.

We offer this prayer in the name of your son, Jesus Christ. Amen.

**PRAYER for the NOMINATING COMMITTEE
for the ELECTION of the PRESIDING BISHOP**

Almighty God, source of all wisdom and understanding: Look graciously on your church, and so guide the hearts and minds of those who will choose our next presiding bishop, that we may receive a faithful pastor who will care for all of your people, equip us for our ministries, and proclaim your word to us and to the world, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

PRAYER for ISRAEL and Palestine

Living God, today we pray for all the people in Israel and Palestine, that they may discover the courage and humility to build peace together and that they will seek a just path of reconciliation. For our Muslim brothers and sisters in Israel and Palestine this day, we pray "Assalamu Alaikum." For our Jewish brothers and sisters in Israel and Palestine this day, we pray "Shalom Aleichem." For our Christian brothers and sisters in Israel and Palestine, this day, we pray "The Peace of Christ." Amen.

- Baptist Union of Great Britain

PRAYER for the INTERIM TIME

**Faithful and loving God,
You are always with us even when we feel most alone.
Be with us in the Interim time of waiting and exploring.
Give us ears to hear your still small voice
And eyes to see your light on our path ahead
And open hands to receive the gifts you have for us
And open hearts to love you and one another
And all who come to us,
In the name of Jesus Christ who lived and died and rose,
All so that we might all have abundance of life,
And bring blessing to the world. Amen.**

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If you are visiting with us today, welcome! Please sign our Guestbook in the Narthex. If you want to receive information and updates, please give your contact information to one of the ushers.

All are welcome to St. Aidan's -
persons of every race, language, age, gender, sexual orientation, physical and mental ability and economic level. We celebrate and are blessed by our many diverse God-given gifts. In accordance with the Gospel of Jesus Christ, we hold that discrimination of any kind is outside God's intent for God's people and we affirm our Baptismal Vow to uphold the dignity of every human being. We affirm that all relationships are founded on the principles of God's love, justice and peace.

Statement of Purpose

Our mission is to spread the Promise of Jesus Christ in and beyond our community through worship, education, fellowship, and outreach.

Clergy

The Rt. Rev. Diana Akiyama, Bishop of Oregon

Parish Staff

Organist/Choirmaster: Joseph Pettit
Registrar: LindaCarol McKinlay*
Communications Assistant: Cheryle Gardiner*
Technical Director: John Gurney*
Sextons: Oksana Peremitko
*Volunteer

Vestry

Rachel Hayashi, Senior Warden
Pam Finley
Cheryle Gardiner
John Gurney
Patrick Hoye
Cynthia Rauscher, Clerk
Jim Reid
Alison Saichek
Sarah Seeley

The Beloved Community at St. Aidan's Includes...

Eastside Adult Daycare Services

Tuesday - Thursday: 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Galina Nekrasova, Manager
SSADS, East Portland
www.sunshineads.org
971-274-8168

Kingdom Harvest Ministries

Sunday - 12:00 p.m.-2:00 p.m.
Pastor J. Hilary Gbotoe, Jr.
503-756-6123

Mercy Connections

Connecting Communities and Resources
Mercy Henderson, Executive Director &
Founder
mercy@mercyconnections.net

St. Antonious Coptic Orthodox Church

Saturday - 8:00 a.m.-10:30 a.m.
Fr. Mekhail Hanna, Priest
Moheb Sadek, Deacon
<http://www.stantonious.org>

Kingdom Citizen Friendship Church

Sunday - 3:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m.
Wilson Deitas, Pastor
971-757-6933