



the **Church**
of **St Peter** and
St Simon-the-Apostle

The Great Vigil of Easter **April 20, 2019 at 8:00 p.m.**

Clergy: The Reverend Geoffrey Sangwine
The Reverend Christopher Dangpilen

Mass Setting: *A Parish Mass* – Gloria, Sanctus & Benedictus - Derek Holman
Mass for 4 Voices - Agnus Dei – Wm Byrd

*Welcome to the Church of St. Peter and St. Simon-the-Apostle with
the Church of San Lorenzo Ruiz.*

Hearing Assistance Units are available at the back of the church.



*Weather permitting; the Vigil begins at the Bloor St.
portico overlooking the garden for the lighting of the new fire.*

The Service of Light

The celebrant begins:

Dear friends in Christ, on this most holy night, when our Lord Jesus Christ passed from death to life, the Church invites her children throughout the world to come together in vigil and prayer. This is the Passover of the Lord. We remember his death and resurrection by hearing his word and celebrating his mysteries; we are confident that we shall share his victory over death and live with him for ever in God.

The Blessing of the New Fire and Paschal Candle

Celebrant

Let us pray.

Father, we share in the light of your glory through your Son, the light of the world. Sanctify this new fire, and inflame us with new hope. Purify our minds by this Easter celebration and bring us one day to the feast of eternal light. We ask this through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Preparation of the Paschal Candle

After the blessing of the new fire, the paschal candle is brought to the celebrant, who cuts a cross in the wax and traces the Greek letter alpha above the cross, the letter omega below, and the numerals of the current year between the arms of the cross.

The celebrant then inserts five grains of incense into the candle.

The celebrant then lights the candle, saying:

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

Celebrant By his holy and glorious wounds may Christ our Lord guard us and keep us. **Amen.**

Celebrant May the light of Christ, rising in glory, dispel the darkness of our hearts and minds.

The Entrance Procession & Exultet

Deacon The light of Christ. (Sung three times)

All **Thanks be to God.**

Please Remain Standing

Deacon Rejoice, heavenly powers! Sing, choirs of angels! Exult, all creation around God's throne! Jesus Christ, our King, is risen! Sound the trumpet salvation! Rejoice, O earth, in shining splendour, radiant in the brightness of your King! Christ has conquered! Glory fills you! Darkness vanishes forever! Rejoice, O Mother Church! Exult in glory! The risen Saviour shines upon you! Let this place resound with joy, echoing the mighty song of all God's people! The Lord be with you.

All **And also with you.**

Deacon Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Deacon is truly right that with full hearts and minds and voices we should praise the unseen God, the all-powerful Father, and his only Son, our Lord Jesus Christ. For Christ has ransomed us with his blood, and paid for us the price of Adam's sin to our eternal Father! This is our Passover feast, when Christ, the true Lamb, is slain, whose blood consecrates the homes of all believers. This is the night when first you saved our forebears: you freed the people of Israel from their slavery and led them dry-shod through the sea. This is the night when Christians everywhere, washed clean of sin and freed from all defilement, are restored to grace and grow together in holiness. This is the night when Jesus Christ broke the chains of death and rose triumphant from the grave. Father, how wonderful your care for us!

How boundless your merciful love! To ransom a slave you gave away your Son. The power of this holy night dispels all evil, washed guilt away, restores lost innocence, brings mourners joy. Night truly blessed when heaven is wedded to earth and we are reconciled with God! Therefore, heavenly Father, in the joy of this night, receive our evening sacrifice of praise, your Church's solemn offering. Accept this Easter candle. May it always dispel the darkness of this night! May the Morning Star which never sets find this flame still burning: Christ, that Morning Star, who came back from the dead, and shed his peaceful light on all creation, your Son who lives and reigns for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The Liturgy of the Word

Please be seated for all readings and psalms

Celebrant Dear friends in Christ, let us now listen attentively to the word of God, recalling how he saved his people through history and in the fullness of time, sent his own Son to be our Redeemer.

The First Reading *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.

Psalm 136.1-9



Cantor ¹ Give thanks to the **Lord**, | for he | is good, *
for his mercy **en-dures** for ev-er.

All ² Give thanks **to** | the God | of gods, *
for his mercy **en-dures** for ev-er.

Cantor ³ Give thanks **to** | the Lord | of lords, *
for his mercy **en-dures** for ev-er.

All ⁴ Who only **does** great won-ders, *
for his mercy **en-dures** for ev-er;

Cantor ⁵ Who by his wisdom **made** the hea-vens, *
for his mercy **en-dures** for ev-er;

All ⁶ Who spread out the earth up-**on** the wa-ters, *
for his mercy **en-dures** for ev-er;

Cantor ⁷ Who cre-**a**-ted great lights, *
for his mercy **en-dures** for ev-er;

All ⁸ The **sun** | to rule | the day, *
for his mercy **en-dures** for ev-er;

Cantor ⁹ The moon and the stars to **gov**-ern the night, *
All for his mercy **en-dures** for ev-er.

Celebrant Almighty and eternal God, you created all things in wonderful beauty and order. Help us now to perceive how still more wonderful is the new creation, by which in the fullness of time you redeemed your people through the sacrifice of our Passover, Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The Second Reading *Genesis 7:1-5, 11-18; 8:6-18; 9:8-13*

Then the Lord said to Noah, 'Go into the ark, you and all your household, for I have seen that you alone are righteous before me in this generation. Take with you seven pairs of all clean animals, the male and its mate; and a pair of the animals that are not clean, the male and its mate; and seven pairs of the birds of the air also, male and female, to keep their kind alive on the face of all the earth. For in seven days I will send rain on the earth for forty days and forty nights; and every living thing that I have made I will blot out from the face of the ground.' And Noah did all that the Lord had commanded him. In the six-hundredth year of Noah's life, in the second month, on the seventeenth day of the month, on that day all the fountains of the great deep burst forth, and the windows of the heavens

were opened. The rain fell on the earth for forty days and forty nights. On the very same day Noah with his sons, Shem and Ham and Japheth, and Noah's wife and the three wives of his sons, entered the ark, they and every wild animal of every kind, and all domestic animals of every kind, and every creeping thing that creeps on the earth, and every bird of every kind—every bird, every winged creature. They went into the ark with Noah, two and two of all flesh in which there was the breath of life. And those that entered, male and female of all flesh, went in as God had commanded him; and the Lord shut him in. The flood continued for forty days on the earth; and the waters increased, and bore up the ark, and it rose high above the earth. The waters swelled and increased greatly on the earth; and the ark floated on the face of the waters.

At the end of forty days Noah opened the window of the ark that he had made and sent out the raven; and it went to and fro until the waters were dried up from the earth. Then he sent out the dove from him, to see if the waters had subsided from the face of the ground; but the dove found no place to set its foot, and it returned to him to the ark, for the waters were still on the face of the whole earth. So he put out his hand and took it and brought it into the ark with him. He waited another seven days, and again he sent out the dove from the ark; and the dove came back to him in the evening, and there in its beak was a freshly plucked olive leaf; so Noah knew that the waters had subsided from the earth. Then he waited another seven days, and sent out the dove; and it did not return to him any more. In the six hundred and first year, in the first month, on the first day of the month, the waters were dried up from the earth; and Noah removed the covering of the ark, and looked, and saw that the face of the ground was drying. In the second month, on the twenty-seventh day of the month, the earth was dry. Then God said to Noah, 'Go out of the ark, you and your wife, and your sons and your sons' wives with you. Bring out with you every living thing that is with you of all flesh—birds and animals and every creeping thing that creeps on the earth—so that they may abound on the earth, and be fruitful and multiply on the earth.' So Noah went out with his sons and his wife and his sons' wives. Then God said to Noah and to his sons with him, 'As for me, I am establishing my covenant with you and your descendants after you, and with every living creature that is with you, the birds, the domestic animals, and every animal of the earth with you, as many as came out of the ark. I establish my covenant with you, that never again shall all flesh be cut off by the waters of a flood, and never again shall there be a flood to destroy the earth.' God said, 'This is the sign of the covenant that I make between me and you and every living creature that is with you, for all future generations: I have set my bow in the clouds, and it shall be a sign of the covenant between me and the earth.

Psalm 136.23-26



Cantor ²³ Who remembered us **in** | our low | es-tate, *
for his mercy **en**-dures for ev-er;

All ²⁴ And delivered us **from** our | en-e|- mies, *
for his mercy **en**-dures for ev-er;

Cantor ²⁵ Who gives **food** | to all | crea-tures, *
for his mercy **en**-dures for ev-er;

All ²⁶ Give thanks to the **God** of hea-ven, *
for his mercy **en**-dures for ev-er;

Celebrant Faithful God, you have placed the rainbow in the skies as the sign of your covenant with all living things. May we who are saved through water and the Spirit, worthily offer to you our sacrifice of thanksgiving. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Third Reading *Exodus 14:10-31*

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.

The Song of Moses

EXODUS 15:1-3, 6, 11, 13, 17, 18



Cantor I **will** sing to the Lord for his glorious **tri-umph**; *
the horse and the rider he has **hurled** into the sea.

All The Lord has become my strength and **ref-uge**; *
the Lord himself has be-**come** my saviour.

Cantor He is my God and I will **praise** him; *
my father's God and I **will** exalt him.

All The Lord himself is a mighty **war-rior**; *
the Lord, the **Lord** is his name.

Cantor Your right hand, O Lord, is majestic in **pow-er**; *
your right hand, O Lord, shat-**ters** the enemy.

All Who is like you, O Lord, among the **gods**, *
holy, awesome, work-**er** of wonders?

Cantor In steadfast love you led your **peo-ple**, *
you guided your redeemed **with** your great strength.

All You brought them in safety to your **holy** place, *
and planted them firm on **your** own mountain.

Cantor You brought them into your own **house**. *

All The Lord shall reign for e-**ver** and ever.

Celebrant God of steadfast love, your wonderful deeds of old shine forth even to our own day. By the power of your mighty arm you once delivered 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. We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Fourth Reading *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 round 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, ‘Prophesy 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 43



Cantor: ¹ Give judge-ment for me, O God,
and defend my cause against an un-**god**-ly peo-ple; *
deliver me from the deceitful and **the** wick-ed.

All: ² For you are the God of my *strength*;
why have you **put** me from you? *
and why do I go so heavily while the enemy **op**-press-| es me? |

Cantor: ³ Send out your light and your truth, that **they** may lead me, *
and bring me to your holy hill and to **your** dwel-ling;

All: ⁴ That I may go to the altar of God,
to the God of my **joy** and glad-ness; *
and on the harp I will give thanks to you, **O** God |my God. |

Cantor: ⁵ Why are you so full of **hea**-| vi-ness, O | my soul? *
and why are you so disquieted **with**-in me?

All: ⁶ **Put** | your trust | in God; *
for I will yet give thanks to him,
who is the help of my countenance, **and** my God.

Celebrant Living 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 power to proclaim you to all the world; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Fifth Reading *Zephaniah 3:14-20*

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

for I will make you renowned and praised among all the peoples of the earth, when I restore your fortunes before your eyes, says the Lord.

Psalm 98

Tone I. 5



Cantor: ¹ Sing to the Lord a **new** song, *

for he has done **mar**-vel-lous things.

All: ² With his right hand and his ho-**ly** arm *

has he won for himself **the** vic-to-rÿ.

Cantor: ³ The Lord has made known his vic-**to**-ry; *

his righteousness has he openly shown in
the sight **of** the na-tiöns.

All: ⁴ He remembers his mercy and faithfulness to

the house of Is-**ra**-el, *

and all the ends of the earth have seen the
victo-**ry** of our Göd.

Cantor: ⁵ Shout with joy to the Lord, all **you** lands; *

lift up your voice, **re**-joice, and sing.

All: ⁶ Sing to the Lord with **the** harp, *

with the harp **and** the | voice of | söng.

Cantor: ⁷ With trumpets and the sound of **the** horn *

shout with joy before **the** King, the Lörd.

All: ⁸ Let the sea make a noise and all that is **in** it, *

the lands and those **who** dwell there-ïn.

Cantor: ⁹ Let the rivers clap **their** hands, *

and let the hills ring out with joy before the Lord,
when he comes **to** judge the eärth.

All: ¹⁰ In righteousness shall he judge **the** world *

and the peo-**ples** with | e-qui | -tÿ.

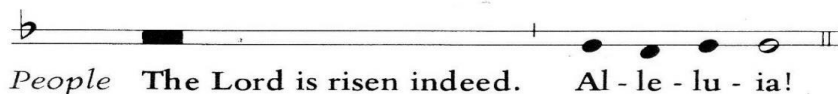
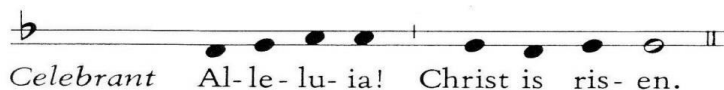
Celebrant O God of unchangeable power and eternal light, look favourably on your whole Church, that wonderful and sacred mystery. By the effectual working of your providence, carry out in tranquility the plan of salvation. Let the whole world see and know that things which were cast down are being raised 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. **Amen.**

A Period of Silence is kept.

Please stand with the Celebrant.

The Proclamation of the Resurrection



The Gloria

Please join in the ringing of the bells.

With vigour ♩ = 132

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14



20



26



32 *rit.* - - -

right hand of the Fa - ther, re - ceive our prayer.

37 **A tempo** *f*

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

43

Lord, you a-lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly

48 *rit.* - - -

Spi - rit, in the Glo - ry of God the Fa - ther, A - - - men.

The Collect

Celebrant

Let us pray.

Eternal giver of life and light, this holy night shines with the radiance of the risen Christ. Renew your Church with the Spirit given to us in baptism, that we may worship you in sincerity and truth, and shine as a light in the world; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Please Extinguish Hand Candles

The Proclamation of the Word

The New Testament Reading *Romans 6:3-11*

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

Reader

The Word of the Lord.

All

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation *Please stand.*



Cantor: Christ became obedient unto death, even death on a cross. Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name which is above every name.

Philippians 2.8–9

Repeat refrain.

The Holy Gospel *St. Luke 24.1-12*

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

All **And also with you.**

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Saint Luke.

All **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

On the first day of the week, at early dawn, they 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.

Celebrant The Gospel of Christ.

All **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Please stand and face the Font.

Renewal of Baptismal Vows

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

The Celebrant continues with the thanksgiving over the water.

We thank you, Almighty God, for the gift of water. Over water the Holy Spirit moved in the beginning of creation. Through water you led the children of Israel out of their bondage in Egypt into the land of promise. In water 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 celebrate our fellowship in him in faith. We pray that all who have passed through the water of baptism may continue for ever in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Saviour. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be all honour and glory, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Celebrant continues:

Dear friends, through the paschal mystery we have been buried with Christ in baptism, so that we may rise with him to a new life. Now that our Lenten observance is ended, let us renew the promises we made in baptism, when we rejected Satan and all his works, and promised to serve God faithfully in his holy Catholic Church.

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

I do.

Do you believe in God the Father?

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

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

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.

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

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.

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

I will, with God's help.

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

I will, with God's help.

Will you proclaim by word and example the good news of God in Christ?

I will, with God's help.

Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbour as yourself?

I will, with God's help.

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

I will, with God's help.

Will you strive to safeguard the integrity of God's creation and work to sustain and renew the face of the earth?

I will with God's help.

God the Creator and rock of our salvation, has given us new birth by water and the Holy Spirit, and bestowed upon us the forgiveness of sins, through our Lord Jesus Christ. May he keep us faithful to our calling, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Celebrant The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

All And also with you.

We invite you to share a sign of peace with those near you – a handshake, slight bow or other form of greeting. Please respect those who wish not to shake hands.

The Celebration of The Eucharist

Offertory Hymn 226 *Through the Red Sea brought at last*

WÜRTEMBERG

During the hymn the congregation is sprinkled with water from the font.

Prayer over the Gifts

The Great Thanksgiving

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

All And also with you.

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

All We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All It is right to give our thanks and praise.

The Celebrant Continues with the Preface, then all sing:

Sanctus & Benedictus – sung by all

Con moto ♩ = 100 ***f***

Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Lord, God of

10 **a little faster** ***rit.***

power and might, Heaven and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho-san-na in the

19 **A tempo** ***p*** ***rit.***

high - est. Bles - sed is he who

25 ***mf*** ***rit.***

comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Please kneel. The Celebrant continues with the Prayer of Consecration:

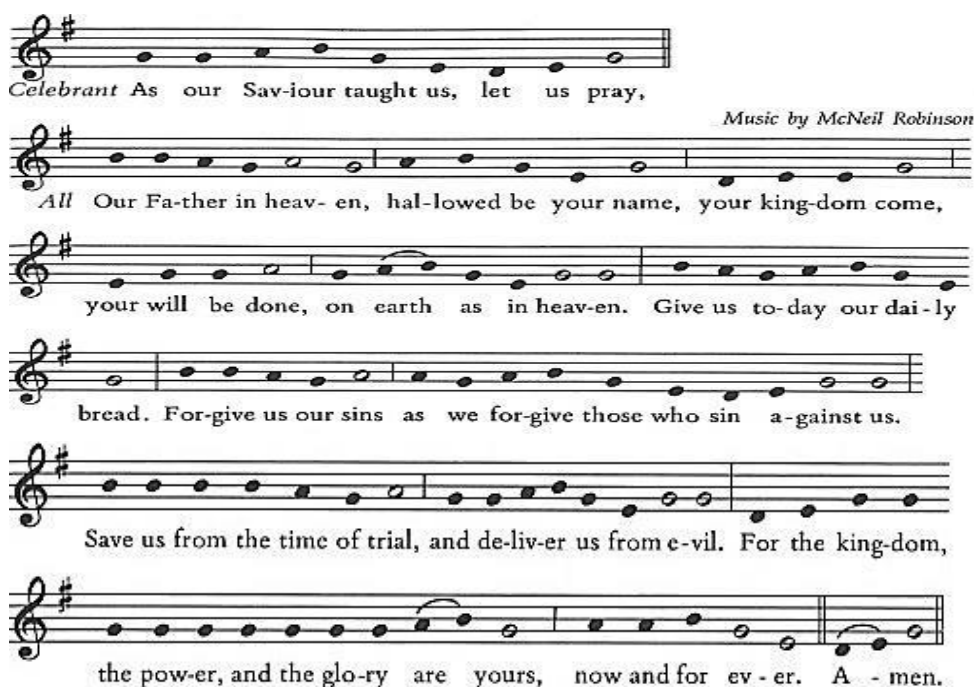
We give thanks to you, Lord our God, for the goodness and love you have made known to us in creation; in calling Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Saviour and redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life. On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, a death he freely accepted, our Lord Jesus Christ 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."

Celebrant There-fore, Father, according to his com-mand,

All we re-mem-ber his death, we pro-claim his re-sur-rec-tion, we a-wait his com-ing in glo-ry;

and we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine. We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts, that they may be the sacrament of the body of Christ and his blood of the new covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we, made acceptable in him, may be sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, reconcile all things in Christ, and make them new, and bring us to that city of light where you dwell with all your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation; by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory are yours, almighty Father, now and for ever. **Amen.**

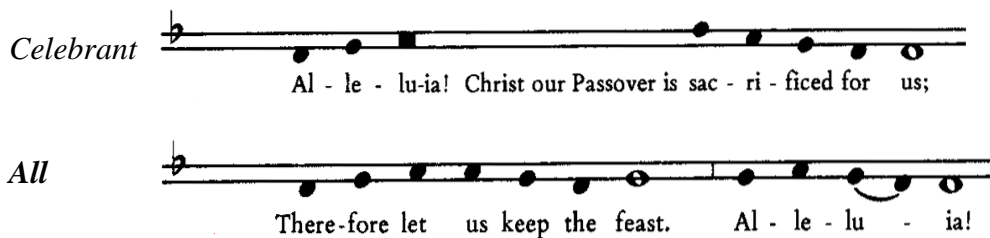
The Lord's Prayer



Celebrant As our Sav-iour taught us, let us pray, *Music by McNeil Robinson*

All Our Fa-ther in heav- en, hal-lowed be your name, your king-dom come,
 your will be done, on earth as in heav-en. Give us to-day our dai-ly
 bread. For-give us our sins as we for-give those who sin a-gainst us.
 Save us from the time of trial, and de-liv-er us from e-vil. For the king-dom,
 the pow-er, and the glo-ry are yours, now and for ev-er. A - men.

The Breaking of the Bread



Celebrant Al - le - lu-ia! Christ our Passover is sac - ri - ficed for us;

All There-fore let us keep the feast. Al - le - lu - ia!

Agnus Dei

*Choir O Lamb of God that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.
O Lamb of God that takest away the sin of the world, grant us thy peace.*

All baptized Christians are welcome to receive Communion.

Please do not dip the consecrated bread into the wine - Drinking from the chalice is considered safe from the point of view of public health. You are also welcome to receive only the bread, if you prefer. Indicate this by holding your arms crossed over your chest as the chalice passes; this is also a way to receive a blessing rather than communion. Gluten-free communion wafers are available – please let the administering priest know.

Hymn 214 *The Lamb's High Banquet Called to Share*

ST. VENANTIUS

Motet *This Joyful Eastertide*

ARR. WM. HARRIS

1 This joyful Eastertide,
away with sin and sorrow!
My Love, the Crucified,
has sprung to life this morrow:

2 Death's flood has lost its chill
since Jesus crossed the river;
Lover of souls, from ill
my passing soul deliver: [Refrain]

Refrain:

Had Christ, who once was slain,
not burst His three-day prison,
our faith had been in vain;
but now has Christ arisen,
arisen, arisen;
but now has Christ arisen!

3 My flesh in hope shall rest
and for a season slumber
till trump from east to west
shall wake the dead in number: [Refrain]

Post Communion Prayer & Doxology

Please Stand

Celebrant Let us pray.

Giver of all, we are nourished with your Easter sacraments. Fill us with the Spirit of love, and unite us in faith, that we may be witnesses to the resurrection and show your glory to all the world, in the name of Jesus Christ the risen Lord. **Amen.**

Celebrant Glory to God

All whose power working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine. Glory to God from generation to generation, in the Church and in Christ Jesus, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The Blessing

Hymn 215 *Come, Ye Faithful, Raise the Strain*

AVE VIRGO VIRGINUM

Dismissal

Deacon Go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit. Alleluia. Alleluia.

All **Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia.**

Postlude *Allegro Maestoso* from *Sonata No. 2, Op. 65*

F. Mendelssohn.