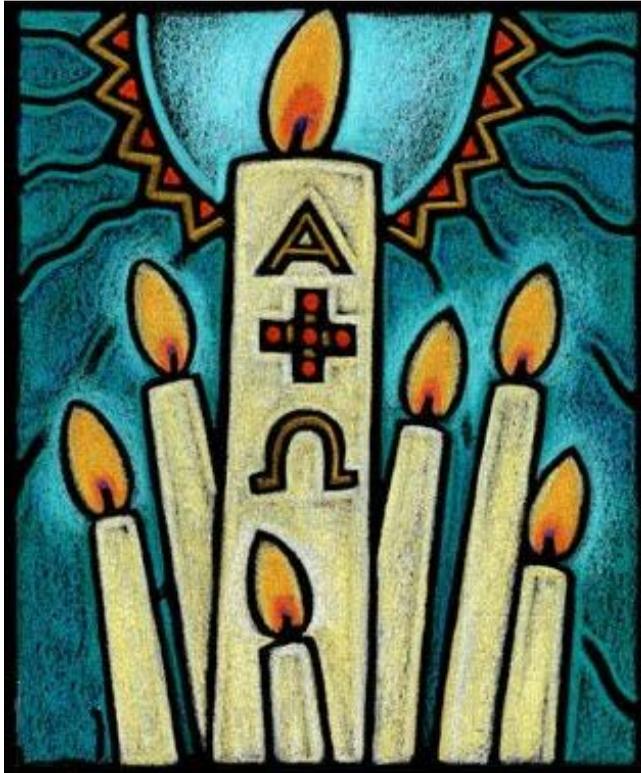




ST. LUKE'S EPISCOPAL **CHURCH**



The Great Vigil of Easter

April 3, 2021 • 7:00 PM

Our Mission: To know Christ and to make Christ known.

Our Vision: To follow Christ's teaching in an atmosphere of love, joy, and healing.

All are welcome!

THE SERVICE OF LIGHT

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.

The lights in the church are dimmed.

Let us pray: O God, through your Son you have bestowed upon your people the brightness of your light: Sanctify this new fire, and grant that in this Paschal feast we may so burn with heavenly desires, that with pure minds we may attain to the festival of everlasting light; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

*The Paschal Candle, symbolizing the light of Christ which can never be extinguished.
It is lit from the fire.*

The Acclamation *Please turn on your candle now.*

The light of Christ. **Thanks be to God.** (*Said three times*)

The Exsultet, BCP p.286

Dennis Houser, cantor

*Rejoice now, heavenly hosts and choirs of angels, and let your trumpets shout Salvation for the victory of our mighty King. Rejoice and sing now, all the round earth, bright with a glorious splendor, for darkness has been vanquished by our eternal King. Rejoice and be glad now, Mother Church, and let your holy courts, in radiant light, resound with the praises of your people. All you who stand near this marvelous and holy flame, pray with me to God the Almighty for the grace to sing the worthy praise of this great light; through Jesus Christ his Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.***

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give God 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 lovingkindness to us, that to redeem a slave, you gave a Son. How holy is this night, when wickedness is put to flight, and sin is washed away. It restores innocence to the fallen, and joy to those who mourn. It casts out pride and hatred, and brings peace and concord. How blessed is this night, when earth and heaven are joined and man is reconciled to God. Holy Father, accept our evening sacrifice, the offering of this candle in your honor. May it shine continually to drive away all darkness. May Christ, the Morning Star who knows no setting, find it ever burning—he who gives his light to all creation, and who lives and reigns for ever and ever, beyond our knowing. *Amen.*

THE SERVICE OF LESSONS

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.

1st Reading: The Story of Creation

Genesis 1:1-2:4a

A Reading from the Book of Genesis

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. The Word of the Lord. *Thanks be to God.*

Hymn 168, vs. 1-2 O Sacred Head, Sore Wounded



1 O sa - cred head, sore wound - ed, de - filed and put to scorn;
2 Thy beau - ty, long - de - sir - ed, hath va - nished from our sight;
*4 What lan - guage shall I bor - row to thank thee, dear - est friend,
*5 My days are few, O fail not, with thine im - mor - tal power,



1 O king - ly head, sur - round - ed with mock - ing crown of thorn:
2 thy power is all ex - pir - ed, and quenched the light of light.
4 for this thy dy - ing sor - row, thy pi - ty with - out end?
5 to hold me that I quail not in death's most fear - ful hour;



1 what sor - row mars thy gran - deur? Can death thy bloom de - flower?
2 Ah me! for whom thou di - est, hide not so far thy grace:
4 Oh, make me thine for - ev - er! and should I faint - ing be,
5 that I may fight be - friend - ed, and see in my last strife



1 O coun - te - nance whose splen - dor the hosts of heaven a - dore!
2 show me, O Love most high - est, the bright - ness of thy face.
4 Lord, let me nev - er, nev - er, out - live my love for thee.
5 to me thine arms ex - tend - ed up - on the cross of life.

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Let us pray.

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

2nd Reading: Israel's Deliverance at the Red Sea

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

A Reading from the Book of Exodus.

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."

The Word of the Lord. *Thanks be to God.*

Hymn 168, vs. 4-5

O Sacred Head, Sore Wounded (see page 4)

Let us pray.

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.

3rd Reading: Salvation offered freely to all

Isaiah 55: 1-11

A reading from the Prophet Isaiah

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.

²Why 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. ³Incline 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. ⁴See, I made him a witness to the peoples, a leader and commander

for the peoples. ⁵See, 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. ⁶Seek the LORD while he may be found, call upon him while he is near; ⁷let 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. ⁸For my thoughts are not your thoughts, nor are your ways my ways, says the LORD. ⁹For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts. ¹⁰For 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, ¹¹so 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.

The Word of the Lord. *Thanks be to God.*

Canticle 9 The First Song of Isaiah

Isaiah 12:2-6

²Surely, it is God who saves me; I will trust in him and not be afraid. For the Lord is my stronghold and my sure defense, and he will be my Savior.

³*Therefore you shall draw water with rejoicing from the springs of salvation.*

⁴And on that day you shall say, Give thanks to the Lord and call upon his Name; Make his deeds known among the peoples; see that they remember that his Name is exalted.

⁵*Sing the praises of the Lord, for he has done great things, and this is known in all the world.*

⁶Cry aloud, inhabitants of Zion, ring out your joy, for the great one in the midst of you is the Holy One of Israel.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

Let us pray.

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

THE FIRST EUCHARIST OF EASTER

The candles on the altar are now lit from the Paschal Candle.

The lights are turned on, please turn your candle off.

The congregation is invited to participate by ringing their bells at each 'Alleluia!' throughout the service.

The Easter Acclamation

Alleluia. Christ is risen! *The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!* (said three times)

Hymn 205 vs. 1 & 2 Good Christians All

1 Good Chris - tians all, re - joi - ce and sing! Now is the
*2 The Lord of life is risen to - day! Sing songs of
1 tri - umph of our King! To all the world glad news we bring:
2 praise a - long his way; let all the earth re - joi - ce and say:
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

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The Collect

Let us pray.

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 Epistle

Romans 6:3-11

A reading to the Letter of Paul to the Romans

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. The Word of God. *Thanks be to God.*

Psalm 114

¹ Hallelujah! When Israel came out of Egypt, the house of Jacob from a people of strange speech,

² *Judah became God's sanctuary and Israel his dominion.*

³ The sea beheld it and fled; Jordan turned and went back.

⁴ *The mountains skipped like rams, and the little hills like young sheep.*

⁵ What ailed you, O sea, that you fled? O Jordan, that you turned back?

⁶ *You mountains, that you skipped like rams? you little hills like young sheep?*

⁷ Tremble, O earth, at the presence of the Lord, at the presence of the God of Jacob,

⁸ *Who turned the hard rock into a pool of water and flint-stone into a flowing spring.*

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

Sequence Hymn 178 vs. 1 Alleluia

Refrain

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Give thanks to the
 ris - en Lord. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Give
 Praise to his Name.

1 Je - sus is Lord of all the earth.
 2 Spread the good news o'er all the earth:

Repeat Refrain

He is the King of cre - a - tion.
 Je - sus has died and has ris - en. Al - le -

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The Gospel

Mark 16:1-8

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark ✠ *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 him. ² And very early on the first day of the week, when the sun had risen, they went to the tomb. ³ They had been saying to one another, “Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance to the tomb?” ⁴ When they looked up, they saw that the stone, which was very large, had already been rolled back. ⁵ As they entered the tomb, they saw a young man, dressed in a white robe, sitting on the right side; and they were alarmed. ⁶ 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. ⁷ 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.” ⁸ 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. And all that had been commanded them they told briefly to those around Peter. And afterward Jesus himself sent out through them, from east to west, the sacred and imperishable proclamation of eternal salvation.

The Gospel of the Lord. *Praise to you Lord Christ.*

Sequence Hymn 178 vs. 2 *Alleluia* (see page 9)

Sermon

The Rev. Pierre-Henry Buisson

THE RENEWAL OF BAPTISMAL VOWS

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.

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 neighbor 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.*

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

Prayers of the People

The Deacon: In peace, let us pray to the Lord, saying, "Lord, have mercy."

For the holy Church of God in every place, and especially for this parish and diocese, and for Michael, our Presiding Bishop, and Jennifer, our Bishop, let us pray to the Lord. *Lord, have mercy.*

For the welfare of the world, for this nation and its leaders, for this city, and for every city and community, let us pray to the Lord. ***Lord, have mercy.***

For those who are sick, suffering, hungry, or lonely, for the victims of violence and injustice, and those in any kind of need or trouble, let us pray to the Lord. ***Lord, have mercy.***

Send your blessings upon Linda, Nancy, Pierre-Henry, Doris, Ellie, Elizabeth, Hilary, Kaci, Kathryn & Lynette for the birthdays, and upon Tony & Nancy and Dan & Betty for their anniversaries, that they may experience your loving presence in their lives, let us pray to the Lord. ***Lord, hear our prayer.***

For all who have died in the hope of the resurrection, and for all the departed, let us pray to the Lord. ***Lord, have mercy.***

The Celebrant: In the communion of saint Luke and all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life to Christ our God. ***To you, o Lord our God.***

The Peace

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

Birthday and Anniversary Prayer

O God, our times are in your hands: look with favor, we pray, on your servants as they begin another year. Grant that they may grow in wisdom and grace. Send your blessings upon them, that their homes may be a haven of peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Announcements

The Holy Communion

Offertory Sentence

Yours, O Lord, is the greatness, and the power, and the glory, and the victory, and the majesty. For all that is in the heaven and in the earth is yours. Yours is the kingdom, O Lord, and you are exalted as head above all. *1 Chronicles 29:11*

Presentation Hymn 178, vs. 4

Refrain
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Give thanks to the
ris - en Lord. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Give
Praise to his Name.
4 Come, let us praise the liv - ing God,
joy - ful - ly sing to our Sa - vior. Repeat Refrain

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The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer B

The Lord be with you. *And also with you.*

Lift up your hearts. *We lift them to the Lord.*

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. *It is right to give our thanks and praise.*

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. But chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again he has won for us everlasting life. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Sanctus

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord,

God of power and might,

heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

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

Hosanna in the highest.

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of 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 Savior 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 before he died for us, 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."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father, ***We remember his death, We proclaim his resurrection, We await his coming in glory;***

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O 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 may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with Luke and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of 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 him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. ***AMEN.***

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 Breaking of the Bread

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

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

All who are baptized are invited to share in the banquet of the Lord's Supper. All wafers are Gluten-free. If you prefer to receive a blessing instead, please indicate your choice by crossing your hands across your chest.

Let's say the Prayer of Spiritual Communion in union with those who follow the service from home.

Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar. I love you above all things, and long for you in my soul. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. As though you have already come, I embrace you and unite myself entirely to you; never permit me to be separated from you. Amen. (St. Alphonsus de Liguori, 1696-1787)

Communion Anthem

Rise Up My Heart with Gladness
Mary Bowers, Mezzo Soprano

Bach

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

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. *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. *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. *Amen.*

And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. *Amen.*

Closing Hymn 208 vs. 1 & 5 *The Strife is O'er*

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

1 The strife is o'er, the bat - tle done, the vic - to -
5 Lord! by the stripes which wound - ed thee, from death's dread

1 ry of life is won; the song of tri - umph
5 sting thy serv - ants free, that we may live and

1 has be - gun. Al - le - lu - ia!
5 sing to thee. Al - le - lu - ia! [Ant.]



Words: Latin, 1695; tr. Francis Pott (1832-1909), alt.

Music: *Victory*, Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina (1525-1594); adapt. and arr. Willam Henry Monk (1826-1889)

Dismissal

Let us go forth in the name of Christ, alleluia, alleluia.

Thanks be to God, alleluia, alleluia.

Postlude

Toccata

Charles Widor

St. Luke's Episcopal Church welcomes you!

Vestry: George Chesney, *Senior Warden*; Don McKellar, *Junior Warden*; Bill Towne, *Treasurer*; Leanne Bryan, Lloyd Needham, Nancy Reynolds, Paul Nelson, Roger Peacock, Ron Weiss, Don Martin, Kathy Pessin, Carol Sweeden, *members*; Beth Parknowitz, *Clerk*

Staff: Beth Parknowitz, *Parish Administrator*; Lauree Birchmeier, *Admin Assistant to the Rector*, Dennis Houser, *Director of Music*; Sophie Buisson, *Children and Youth Director*; Helen Henderson, *Bookkeeper*; Alfonso Hernandez, *Sexton*; Kay Houser, *Organist*; John Euson, *Chapel Organist*.

Clergy: Pierre-Henry Buisson, *Rector*; Kimball Arnold; Chris Christy, *Deacons*.

Bonnie Cain, Richard Lassiter; Jim & Susan Schubert; Bob Wills; Jack Wolter, *Assisting priests*

Special Dates this Week

Birthdays

April 4: Linda Leon

April 5: Nancy Paola, Pierre-Henry Buisson, Doris Highland, Ellie Lassiter, Elizabeth Ruster-McGregor

April 6: Hilary James

April 7: Kaci Brown

April 9: Kathryn Barber

April 10: Lynette Barnett

Anniversaries:

April 5: Tony & Nancy Reynolds

April 10: Dan & Betty Phillips

For Those In Need We Pray:

Prayers for Healing

Jean Messick, Ileen Szelka, Susan Schubert, Tom Connors, Kari Jameson, Pat Anderson's brother Rick, Erica Arnold's Family, Betsy Whearley, Kathy MacCauley, Cheri & Gil Lattimer, Dave & Nancy Carmichael, Gail Lowery, Glen Johnson, Bill Johnson's son Tim (ER DR. Stress), Bill King, Brandon & Nikki Reynolds; Carol Glover; Etta Parson; Mark Tuttle; Sara Wiliman; Barbara Harber; Vera Mulnix; Rich Staudt; Steven; Joan Hedger; Doug & Pat Ogburn; Jeanne Miller; Tim Salem, Ed Ausmus, Riley Faith, Christina England, Greg & Mary Bowers, Gary Delisle; Bill & Chris Christy; Larry Allen, Karen Kensing, Deborah & the Delmastro Family, Kerry McClung, Joyce Bittner, Sandy C., Robert Ohannesian; Herb McCabe; Vie Villemure; Bill Johnson; Mary Berkheiser; Deacon Chris Christy; Rick Sheridan, Becky McClelland and family; Gloria Owen-Roddy; Bill & Rita Kraus; Dominic Coppola, Rosey Garripee, for all who are waiting to get the Covid 19 vaccination

For those in our Armed Forces: Echo, Brian, Lopez, Dante', Florian

In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: All Saints of the Desert, Sun City

In the St. Luke's Outreach Cycle of Prayer: Prescott Community Cupboard Food Bank, Prescott Valley Food Bank, Chino Valley Food Bank

For the Yavapai-Apache Nation

For Bishop Zak and Amagoro Junior Academy

For Our Companion Diocese of Western Mexico *Resolution 2020-1, of the 60th Diocesan Convention*

EASTER FLOWERS 2021

Susan and Darrell Anderson, in thanksgiving for abundant new life our family and so many answered prayers.

Robin Borok, in loving memory of Mom, June Moritz.

Tani Hendrickson, for my daughter, Heather (4-8-78 to 1-1-95). Precious and full of joy!

Gil & Cheri Lattimer and Bob & Arlee Davis, in loving memory of our mother.

Dorcas (Houser) Lawn and Dennis & Kay Houser, in loving memory of Jane L. Houser.

Dorcas (Houser) Lawn and Dennis & Kay Houser, in loving memory of Albert (Bud) Lawn.

Hank and Gloria Martin, in thanksgiving for all blessings.

Eugene and Cynthia Moreno, in loving memory of our parents, Walter & Nyla Satchwill and Fred & Lupe Moreno.

Joan and Bill Preston, in memory of Doris H. Smith.

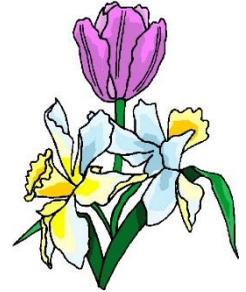
Arthur and Laura Reilly, in loving memory of our parents, Mary Fox Reilly, Bob Reilly, Joy Reilly, Alfred Savory, and Winona Savory.

Rosaleen Runnalls, in loving memory of my beloved husband, Jerry Runnalls, and great nephew, Zachary Jury.

Russ and Kristin, to honor Ginny & Maynard Stetson and son Randy.

Sara Williman in thanksgiving for all my blessings.

The Rev. Jack and Zibbie Wolter, in loving memory of Robert T. Dickerson, Elizabeth B. Dickerson, Marvin E. Wolter, Irene O. Wolter, Margaret D. Ellison, and David M. Villancio-Wolter.



We acknowledge the living culture of the Yavapai-Apache nation, the traditional custodians of the land we stand on, and pay tribute to the role they play in the life of this region. Resolution #2016-3, of the 56th Diocesan Convention