

# THE HOLY TRIDUUM: MAUNDY THURSDAY OF THE LORD'S SUPPER GOOD FRIDAY OF THE LORD'S PASSION THE GREAT VIGIL OF EASTER APRIL 1-3, 2021

# OUR MISSION:

We are called to be disciples of Christ, revealing His Life, Love and Light to the World.

# OUR VISION:

St. Bartholomew's Episcopal Church is a radically welcoming, inclusive faith family – sharing and teaching the love of Jesus Christ through our worship, actions and outreach: transforming ourselves and the world.

# NUESTRA MISIÓN:

Estamos llamados a ser discípulos de Cristo, revelando su vida, amor y luz al mundo.

# **NUESTRA VISIÓN:**

La Iglesia Episcopal de San Bartolomé es una familia de fe radicalmente acogedora e inclusiva, que comparte y enseña el amor de Jesucristo a través de nuestras alabanzas, acciones y alcance: transformándonos a nosotros mismos y al mundo.

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# MAUNDY THURSDAY OF THE LORD'S SUPPER THURSDAY, APRIL 1, 7:00 P.M.

# **GATHERING MUSIC**

During the Gathering music, listen for God's voice calling to you.

# WORDS OF WELCOME

**OPENING HYMN** (sung by cantor)

"Lift High The Cross"

CRUCIFER, 10.10 with Refrain; words, George William Kitchin (1827-1912); music, Sydney Hugo Nicholson (1875-1947)

# Refrain: Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim, till all the world adore his sacred name.

<sup>1</sup> Led on their way by this triumphant sign, the hosts of God in conqu'ring ranks combine. (Refrain)

<sup>2</sup> Each newborn servant of the Crucified bears on the brow the seal of him who died. (*Refrain*)

<sup>3</sup> O Lord, once lifted on the glorious tree, as thou hast promised, draw the world to thee. (*Refrain*)

<sup>4</sup> So shall our song of triumph ever be: praise to the Crucified for victory. (*Refrain*)

## **OPENING SENTENCES**

*Celebrant* Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

**People** And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

# THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

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

A reading from Paul's first letter to the Corinthians.

I received from the Lord what I also handed on to you, that the Lord Jesus on the night when he was betrayed took a loaf of bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, "This is my body that is for you. Do this in remembrance of me." In the same way he took the cup also, after supper, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me." For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

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

**People** Thanks be to God.

Please stand, as able.

# THE HOLY GOSPEL

John 13: 1-17, 31b-35: Jesus Washes the Disciples' Feet

Gospeller The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to John.

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

Now before the festival of the Passover, Jesus knew that his hour had come to depart from this world and go to the Father. Having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end. The devil had already put it into the heart of Judas son of Simon Iscariot to betray him. And during supper Jesus, knowing that the Father had given all things into his hands, and that he had come from God and was going to God, got up from the table, took off his outer robe, and tied a towel around himself. Then he poured water into a basin and began to wash the disciples' feet and to wipe them with the towel that was tied around him. He came to Simon Peter, who said to him, "Lord, are you going to wash my feet?" Jesus answered, "You do not know now what I am doing, but later you will understand." Peter said to him, "You will never wash my feet." Jesus answered, "Unless I wash you, you have no share with me." Simon Peter said to him, "Lord, not my feet only but also my hands and my head!" Jesus said to him, "One who has bathed does not need to wash, except for the feet, but is entirely clean. And you are clean, though not all of you." For he knew who was to betray him; for this reason he said, "Not all of you are clean."

After he had washed their feet, had put on his robe, and had returned to the table, he said to them, "Do you know what I have done to you? You call me Teacher and Lord--and you are right, for that is what I am. So if I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another's feet. For I have set you an example, that you also should do as I have done to you. Very truly, I tell you, servants are not greater than their master, nor are messengers greater than the one who sent them. If you know these things, you are blessed if you do them.

"Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, 'Where I am going, you cannot come.' I give you a new commandment, that you love one another.

Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

Gospeller The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Please be seated.

# THE SERMON

# THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Intercessor Let us pray for the Church and for the world. Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal

your glory in the world. We pray especially for our Diocese, and our Bishop, Susan.

Lord, in your mercy,

People Hear our prayer.

*Intercessor* Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace;

that we may honor one another and serve the common good. We pray especially for

our President, Joseph, and our Governor, Gavin. Lord, in your mercy,

People Hear our prayer.

Intercessor Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its

resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory. Lord, in your

mercy,

People Hear our prayer.

Intercessor Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ

in them, and love one another as he loves us. Lord, in your mercy,

People Hear our prayer.

Intercessor Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage

and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation. We pray

especially for \_\_\_\_\_ and those we now name.

The congregation is invited to add any intercessions.

Intercessor Lord, in your mercy,

People Hear our prayer.

Intercessor We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be

fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

We pray especially for \_\_\_\_\_ and those we now name.

The congregation is invited to add any intercessions.

Intercessor Lord, in your mercy,

People Hear our prayer.

## THE PEACE

*Celebrant* The Peace of Christ be always with you.

People And also with you.

# **OFFERTORY SENTENCE**

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# **OFFERTORY MUSIC**

# THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Please stand, as able.

Celebrant The Lord be with you.People And also with you.Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Almighty God, Creator of heaven and earth. You bid your faithful people cleanse their hearts, and prepare with joy for the Paschal feast; that, fervent in prayer and in works of mercy, and renewed by your Word and Sacraments, they may come to the fullness of grace which you have prepared for those who love you. 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:

# I OLY, 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!

Holy and gracious God: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and maker of all. Jesus stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Savior 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 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."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, Almighty God, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling Christ's death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in Christ. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through Jesus Christ our Savior. By Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, now and for ever. **Amen.** 

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray,

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

*Celebrant* Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

*People* Therefore let us keep the feast.

*Celebrant* The gifts of God for the people of God.

# **Invitation to Communion**

MY Jesus, I believe you are truly present in the Blessed Sacrament. I love you above all things, and long for you in my soul. I am grateful to know there are many ways I can receive you, but whatever way I do, I know you come into my heart, body, and soul, as you have come so many times and always will. I embrace you and unite myself entirely to you; never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.

Please be seated once you receive Communion.

# COMMUNION MOTET "Ubi Caritas"

words and music, Gregorian Chant (ca. 8<sup>th</sup> c.)

WHERE charity and love are, there God is. The love of Christ has gathered us into one. Let us exult, and in Him be joyful. Let us fear and let us love the living God, and from a sincere heart let us love each other and Him. Therefore, whensoever we are gathered as one: lest we in mind be divided, let us beware. Let cease malicious quarrels, let strife give way, and in the midst of us be Christ our God. Together also with the blessed may we see, gloriously, Thy countenance, O Christ our God: a joy which is immense, and also approved: Through infinite ages of ages. Amen.

# **POST-COMMUNION PRAYER**

Athe most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

The Reserved Sacrament is then processed to the Altar of Repose.

# **BURIAL OF THE RESERVED SACRAMENT**

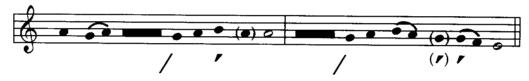
*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.*People* And also with you.

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

God of grace and glory, we remember before you this day our Savior Jesus Christ. In your boundless compassion, console us who mourn. Give us faith to see in death the gate of eternal life, so that in quiet confidence we may continue our course on earth, until, by your call, we are reunited with those who have gone before. **Amen.** 

# STRIPPING OF THE ALTAR

During the stripping of the altar, Psalm 22 is sung:



<sup>1</sup> My God, my God, why have / you forsaken me? \*

and are so far from my cry and from the / words of mÿ dïstress?

<sup>2</sup> O my God, I cry in the daytime, but you / do not answer; \*

by night as well, / but I find nö rest.

<sup>3</sup> Yet you / are the Holy One, \*

enthroned upon the / praises öf Isräel.

<sup>4</sup> Our forefathers / put their trust in you; \*

they trusted, and / you delivered them.

<sup>5</sup> They cried out to you and / were delivered; \*

they trusted in you and / were not put to shame.

<sup>6</sup> But as for me, I am a / worm and no man, \*

scorned by all and / despised by the people.

<sup>7</sup> All who see / me laugh me to scorn; \*

they curl their lips and / wag their hëads, säying,

<sup>8</sup> "He trusted in the Lord; let / him deliver him; \*

let him rescue him, if / he delights in him."

- <sup>9</sup> Yet you are he who took / me out of the womb, \*
  - and kept me safe up- / on my möther's breast.
- $^{\scriptscriptstyle 10}$  I have been entrusted to you ev- / er since I was born; \*
  - you were my God when I was still / in my möthër's womb.
- <sup>11</sup> Be not far from me, for / trouble is near, \*
  - and / there is none to help.
- $^{\mbox{\tiny 12}}$  Many young / bulls encircle me; \*
  - strong bulls of / Bashan sürröund me.
- <sup>13</sup> They open / wide their jaws at me, \*
  - like a ravening / and a röaring lion.
- <sup>14</sup> I am poured out like water; all my / bones are out of joint; \*
  - my heart within my / breast is mëltïng wax.
- <sup>15</sup> My mouth is dried out like a pot-sherd; my tongue sticks to / the roof of my mouth; \* and you have laid me in / the dust öf thë grave.
- <sup>16</sup> Packs of dogs close me in, and gangs of evildoers cir- / cle around me; \* they pierce my hands and my feet; I / can count äll mÿ bones.
- <sup>17</sup> They stare / and gloat over me; \*
  - they divide my garments among them; they cast / lots for my clöthing.
- <sup>18</sup> Be not / far away, O Lord; \*
  - you are my strength; / hasten tö hëlp me.
- <sup>19</sup> / Save me from the sword, \*
  - my life from the / power öf thë dog.
- <sup>20</sup> Save me / from the lion's mouth, \*
  - my wretched body / from the hörns of wild bulls.
- <sup>21</sup> I will declare your Name / to my brethren; \*
  - in the midst of the congre- / gation Ï will präise you.
- <sup>22</sup> Praise the Lord, / you that fear him; \*
  - stand in awe of him, O offspring of Israel; all you of / Jacob's line, give glöry.
- <sup>23</sup> For he does not despise nor abhor the poor in their poverty;
  - neither does he / hide his face from them; \*
    - but when they / cry to him he hëars them.
- <sup>24</sup> My praise is of him in the / great assembly; \*
  - I will perform my vows in the presence of / those who wörship him.
- <sup>25</sup> The poor shall eat and be satisfied, and those who seek the / Lord shall praise him: \*
  "May / your heart live for ëver!"
- <sup>26</sup> All the ends of the earth shall remember / and turn to the Lord, \* and all the families of the / nations böw beföre him.
- <sup>27</sup> For kingship / belongs to the Lord; \*
  - he rules / over thë nätions.
- <sup>28</sup> To him alone all who sleep in the earth bow / down in worship; \* all who go down to / the dust fäll beföre him.

- <sup>29</sup> My soul shall live for him; my descen- / dants shall serve him; \* they shall be known / as the Lörd's for ëver.
- <sup>30</sup> They shall come and make known to a / people yet unborn \* the saving / deeds that hë häs done.

The lights are lowered, and the ministers depart in silence.

# GOOD FRIDAY OF THE LORD'S PASSION FRIDAY, APRIL 2, 12:00 P.M., 7:00 P.M.

Silence is kept for a time, after which the Presider begins the liturgy with the Collect of the Day:

# **COLLECT FOR GOOD FRIDAY**

Presider Blessed be our God,

People For ever and ever. Amen.

Presider Let us pray.

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

Amen.

# THE FIRST LESSON

Isaiah 52:13 - 53:12: The Suffering Servant

A reading from the Book of Isaiah.

SEE, my servant shall prosper; he shall be exalted and lifted up, and shall be very high. Just as there were many who were astonished at him— so marred was his appearance, beyond human semblance, and his form beyond that of mortals— so he shall startle many nations; kings shall shut their mouths because of him; for that which had not been told them they shall see, and that which they had not heard they shall contemplate. Who has believed what we have heard? And to whom has the arm of the Lord been revealed?

For he grew up before him like a young plant, and like a root out of dry ground; he had no form or majesty that we should look at him, nothing in his appearance that we should desire him. He was despised and rejected by others; a man of suffering and acquainted with infirmity; and as one from whom others hide their faces he was despised, and we held him of no account. Surely he has borne our infirmities and carried our diseases; yet we accounted him stricken, struck down by God, and afflicted. But he was wounded for our transgressions, crushed for our iniquities; upon him was the punishment that made us whole, and by his bruises we are healed. All we like sheep have gone astray; we have all turned to our own way, and the Lord has laid on him the iniquity of us all.

He was oppressed, and he was afflicted, yet he did not open his mouth; like a lamb that is led to the slaughter, and like a sheep that before its shearers is silent, so he did not open his mouth. By a perversion of justice he was taken away. Who could have imagined his future? For he was cut off from the land of the living, stricken for the transgression of my people. They made his grave with the wicked and his tomb with the rich, although he had done no violence, and there was no deceit in his mouth. Yet it was the will of the Lord to crush him with pain.

When you make his life an offering for sin, he shall see his offspring, and shall prolong his days; through him the will of the Lord shall prosper. Out of his anguish he shall see light; he shall find

satisfaction through his knowledge. The righteous one, my servant, shall make many righteous, and he shall bear their iniquities. Therefore I will allot him a portion with the great, and he shall divide the spoil with the strong; because he poured out himself to death, and was numbered with the transgressors; yet he bore the sin of many, and made intercession for the transgressors.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

# THE PASSION OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST

John 18:1 - 19:42

JESUS went out with his disciples across the Kidron valley to a place where there was a garden, which he and his disciples entered. Now Judas, who betrayed him, also knew the place, because Jesus often met there with his disciples. So Judas brought a detachment of soldiers together with police from the chief priests and the Pharisees, and they came there with lanterns and torches and weapons. Then Jesus, knowing all that was to happen to him, came forward and asked them, "Whom are you looking for?" They answered, "Jesus of Nazareth." Jesus replied, "I am he." Judas, who betrayed him, was standing with them. When Jesus said to them, "I am he," they stepped back and fell to the ground. Again he asked them, "Whom are you looking for?" And they said, "Jesus of Nazareth." Jesus answered, "I told you that I am he. So if you are looking for me, let these men go." This was to fulfill the word that he had spoken, "I did not lose a single one of those whom you gave me." Then Simon Peter, who had a sword, drew it, struck the high priest's slave, and cut off his right ear. The slave's name was Malchus. Jesus said to Peter, "Put your sword back into its sheath. Am I not to drink the cup that the Father has given me?"

So the soldiers, their officer, and the Jewish police arrested Jesus and bound him. First they took him to Annas, who was the father-in-law of Caiaphas, the high priest that year. Caiaphas was the one who had advised the Jews that it was better to have one person die for the people.

Simon Peter and another disciple followed Jesus. Since that disciple was known to the high priest, he went with Jesus into the courtyard of the high priest, but Peter was standing outside at the gate. So the other disciple, who was known to the high priest, went out, spoke to the woman who guarded the gate, and brought Peter in. The woman said to Peter, "You are not also one of this man's disciples, are you?" He said, "I am not." Now the slaves and the police had made a charcoal fire because it was cold, and they were standing around it and warming themselves. Peter also was standing with them and warming himself.

Then the high priest questioned Jesus about his disciples and about his teaching. Jesus answered, "I have spoken openly to the world; I have always taught in synagogues and in the temple, where all the Jews come together. I have said nothing in secret. Why do you ask me? Ask those who heard what I said to them; they know what I said." When he had said this, one of the police standing nearby struck Jesus on the face, saying, "Is that how you answer the high priest?" Jesus answered, "If I have spoken wrongly, testify to the wrong. But if I have spoken rightly, why do you strike me?" Then Annas sent him bound to Caiaphas the high priest.

Now Simon Peter was standing and warming himself. They asked him, "You are not also one of his disciples, are you?" He denied it and said, "I am not." One of the slaves of the high priest, a relative of the man whose ear Peter had cut off, asked, "Did I not see you in the garden with him?" Again Peter denied it, and at that moment the cock crowed.

Then they took Jesus from Caiaphas to Pilate's headquarters. It was early in the morning. They themselves did not enter the headquarters, so as to avoid ritual defilement and to be able to eat the Passover. So Pilate went out to them and said, "What accusation do you bring against this man?" They answered, "If this man were not a criminal, we would not have handed him over to you." Pilate said to them, "Take him yourselves and judge him according to your law." The Jews replied, "We are not permitted to put anyone to death." (This was to fulfill what Jesus had said when he indicated the kind of death he was to die.)

Then Pilate entered the headquarters again, summoned Jesus, and asked him, "Are you the King of the Jews?" Jesus answered, "Do you ask this on your own, or did others tell you about me?" Pilate replied, "I am not a Jew, am I? Your own nation and the chief priests have handed you over to me. What have you done?" Jesus answered, "My kingdom is not from this world. If my kingdom were from this world, my followers would be fighting to keep me from being handed over to the Jews. But as it is, my kingdom is not from here." Pilate asked him, "So you are a king?" Jesus answered, "You say that I am a king. For this I was born, and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth. Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice." Pilate asked him, "What is truth?"

After he had said this, he went out to the Jews again and told them, "I find no case against him. But you have a custom that I release someone for you at the Passover. Do you want me to release for you the King of the Jews?" They shouted in reply, "Not this man, but Barabbas!" Now Barabbas was a bandit.

Then Pilate took Jesus and had him flogged. And the soldiers wove a crown of thorns and put it on his head, and they dressed him in a purple robe. They kept coming up to him, saying, "Hail, King of the Jews!" and striking him on the face. Pilate went out again and said to them, "Look, I am bringing him out to you to let you know that I find no case against him." So Jesus came out, wearing the crown of thorns and the purple robe. Pilate said to them, "Here is the man!" When the chief priests and the police saw him, they shouted, "Crucify him! Crucify him!" Pilate said to them, "Take him yourselves and crucify him; I find no case against him." The Jews answered him, "We have a law, and according to that law he ought to die because he has claimed to be the Son of God."

Now when Pilate heard this, he was more afraid than ever. He entered his headquarters again and asked Jesus, "Where are you from?" But Jesus gave him no answer. Pilate therefore said to him, "Do you refuse to speak to me? Do you not know that I have power to release you, and power to crucify you?" Jesus answered him, "You would have no power over me unless it had been given you from above; therefore the one who handed me over to you is guilty of a greater sin." From then on Pilate tried to release him, but the Jews cried out, "If you release this man, you are no friend of the emperor. Everyone who claims to be a king sets himself against the emperor."

When Pilate heard these words, he brought Jesus outside and sat on the judge's bench at a place called The Stone Pavement, or in Hebrew Gabbatha. Now it was the day of Preparation for the Passover; and it was about noon. He said to the Jews, "Here is your King!" They cried out, "Away with him! Away with him! Crucify him!" Pilate asked them, "Shall I crucify your King?" The chief priests answered, "We have no king but the emperor." Then he handed him over to them to be crucified.

#### All stand, as able.

So they took Jesus; and carrying the cross by himself, he went out to what is called The Place of the Skull, which in Hebrew is called Golgotha. There they crucified him, and with him two others, one on either side, with Jesus between them. Pilate also had an inscription written and put on the cross. It read, "Jesus of Nazareth, the King of the Jews." Many of the Jews read this inscription, because the place where Jesus was crucified was near the city; and it was written in Hebrew, in Latin, and in Greek. Then the chief priests of the Jews said to Pilate, "Do not write, "The King of the Jews,' but, "This man said, I am King of the Jews." Pilate answered, "What I have written I have written." When the soldiers had crucified Jesus, they took his clothes and divided them into four parts, one for each soldier. They also took his tunic; now the tunic was seamless, woven in one piece from the top. So they said to one another, "Let us not tear it, but cast lots for it to see who will get it." This was to fulfill what the scripture says, "They divided my clothes among themselves, and for my clothing they cast lots." And that is what the soldiers did.

Meanwhile, standing near the cross of Jesus were his mother, and his mother's sister, Mary the wife of Clopas, and Mary Magdalene. When Jesus saw his mother and the disciple whom he loved standing beside her, he said to his mother, "Woman, here is your son." Then he said to the disciple, "Here is your mother." And from that hour the disciple took her into his own home.

After this, when Jesus knew that all was now finished, he said (in order to fulfill the scripture), "I am thirsty." A jar full of sour wine was standing there. So they put a sponge full of the wine on a branch of hyssop and held it to his mouth. When Jesus had received the wine, he said, "It is finished." Then he bowed his head and gave up his spirit.

Since it was the day of Preparation, the Jews did not want the bodies left on the cross during the sabbath, especially because that sabbath was a day of great solemnity. So they asked Pilate to have the legs of the crucified men broken and the bodies removed. Then the soldiers came and broke the legs of the first and of the other who had been crucified with him. But when they came to Jesus and saw that he was already dead, they did not break his legs. Instead, one of the soldiers pierced his side with a spear, and at once blood and water came out. (He who saw this has testified so that you also may believe. His testimony is true, and he knows that he tells the truth.) These things occurred so that the scripture might be fulfilled, "None of his bones shall be broken." And again another passage of scripture says, "They will look on the one whom they have pierced."

After these things, Joseph of Arimathea, who was a disciple of Jesus, though a secret one because of his fear of the Jews, asked Pilate to let him take away the body of Jesus. Pilate gave him permission; so he came and removed his body. Nicodemus, who had at first come to Jesus by night,

also came, bringing a mixture of myrrh and aloes, weighing about a hundred pounds. They took the body of Jesus and wrapped it with the spices in linen cloths, according to the burial custom of the Jews. Now there was a garden in the place where he was crucified, and in the garden there was a new tomb in which no one had ever been laid. And so, because it was the Jewish day of Preparation, and the tomb was nearby, they laid Jesus there.

Please be seated.

# THE SERMON

# THE SOLEMN COLLECTS

Presider

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

Intercessor Let us pray for the holy catholic Church of Christ throughout the world: for its unity in witness and service; for its bishops and other ministers whom they serve; for Susan, our Bishop, and all the people of this diocese; for all Christians in this community; and for those about to be baptized, that God will confirm his Church in faith, increase it in love, and preserve it in peace.

# A brief silence is kept.

Presider

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

Intercessor Let us pray for all nations and peoples of the earth, and for those in authority among them: for Joseph, the President of the United States; for Gavin, the Governor of California; for the Congress and the Supreme Court; for the members and representatives of the United Nations; and for all who serve the common good, that by God's help they may seek justice and truth, and live in peace and concord.

## A brief silence is kept.

Presider

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

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

## A brief silence is kept.

Presider

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

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

# A brief silence is kept.

Presider

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

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

#### A brief silence is kept.

Presider

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

# THE VENERATION OF THE CROSS

# HYMN AT THE VENERATION (sung by cantor)

# "Sing, My Tongue, the Glorious Battle"

PANGE LINGUA, 8.7.8.7.8.7;

words, Venantius Honorius Clementianus Fortunatus (ca. 540–600); music, Gregorian Chant (ca. 8<sup>th</sup> c.)

- <sup>1</sup> Sing, my tongue, the glorious battle; Sing the last, the dread affray. O'er the cross, the victor's trophy, sound the high triumphal lay, How, a victim's death enduring, Earth's Redeemer won the day.
- <sup>2</sup> God, man's Maker, sorely grieving that the first man, Adam, fell, When he ate the fruit of sorrow, whose reward was death and hell; Mark'd e'en then this wood, the ruin of the ancient wood to quell.

<sup>3</sup> Thus the scheme of our salvation was of old in order laid, That the manifold deceiver's art by art might be outweighed, And the lure the foe put forward into means of healing made.

<sup>4</sup> To the Trinity be glory everlasting, as is meet; Equal to the Father, equal to the Son, and Paraclete: Trinal Unity, whose praises all created things repeat. 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.

# **CONCLUDING COLLECT**

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

The ministers depart in silence.

# THE GREAT VIGIL OF EASTER SATURDAY, APRIL 3, 7:00 P.M.

## THE LIGHTING OF THE PASCHAL CANDLE

*In the darkness, fire is kindled; after which the Celebrant begins:* 

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.

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

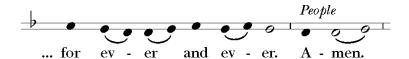
The Paschal candle is lighted from the newly kindled fire. The congregation's candles are lit to represent light's triumph over darkness.



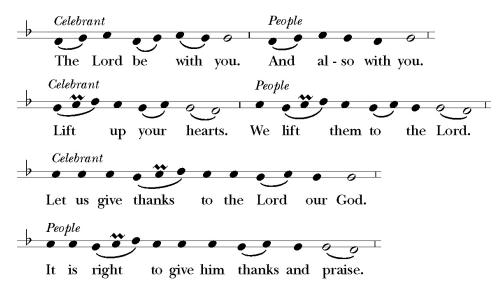
At the second and third pause, the Versicle and Response is sung successively a step higher.

#### *The Exsultet is then sung:*

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,



#### *The Celebrant then continues:*

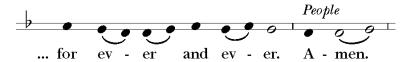


It is truly right and good, always and everywhere, with our whole heart and mind and voice, to praise you, the invisible, almighty, and eternal God, and your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who at the feast of the Passover paid for us the debt of Adam's sin,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

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,



Celebrant 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.

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 FIRST PSALM (sung by choir)

Psalm 136: 1-9, 23-26: Confitemini



<sup>1</sup> O give thanks to the Lord, for / he is good, for his mercy endur- / eth for éver.

<sup>2</sup> O give thanks to the / God of gods, for his mercy endur- / eth for éver.

<sup>3</sup> O give thanks to the / Lord of lords, for his mercy endur- / eth for éver.

<sup>4</sup> Who alone does great / wonders, for his mercy endur- / eth for éver.

<sup>5</sup> Who by understanding made the / heavens, for his mercy endur- / eth for éver.

<sup>6</sup> Who spread out the earth on the / waters, for his mercy endur- / eth for éver.

<sup>7</sup> Who made the / great lights,

for his mercy endur- / eth for éver.

<sup>8</sup> The sun to rule over / the day,

for his mercy endur- / eth for éver.

<sup>9</sup> The moon and stars to rule over / the night, for his mercy endur- / eth for éver.

<sup>23</sup> It is he who remembered us in our / low estate, for his mercy endur- / eth for éver.

 And rescued us / from our foes, for his mercy endur- / eth for éver.
 Who gives food to / all flesh, for his mercy endur- / eth for éver.
 O give thanks to the God of / heaven, for his mercy endur- / eth for éver.

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

#### A brief silence is kept.

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.** 

# THE SECOND READING

Exodus 14:10 – 15:1: Israel's Deliverance at the Red Sea

A S 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 SECOND PSALM

Exodus 15: 1-6, 11-13, 17-18: *The Song of Moses*; music, John-Luke Addison (b. 1989)



<sup>1</sup> *I will* sing to the Lord, for he is lofty / and up<u>lift</u>ed; \*

the horse and its rider has he hurled into / the sea.

<sup>2</sup> The Lord is my strength and my refuge; the Lord has be- / come my <u>Sa</u>vior. \*

he is my God and I will praise him, the God of my people and I will / exalt him.

<sup>3</sup> The Lord is a / mighty warr'ior; \*

Yahweh is / his Name.

<sup>4</sup> The chariots of Pharaoh and his army has he / hurled into the sea; \*

the finest of those who bear armor have been drowned in the / Red Sea.

<sup>5</sup> The fathomless deep has / over<u>whelmed</u> them; \*

they sank into the depths like / a stone.

<sup>6</sup> Your right hand, O Lord, is / glorious <u>in</u> might; \*

your right hand, O Lord, has overthrown the en- / emy.

"Who can be compared with you, O / Lord, among the gods? \*

who is like you, glorious in holiness, awesome in renown, and worker / of wonders?

12 You stretched / forth your right hand; \*

the earth swallowed / them up.

<sup>13</sup> With your constant love you led the / people you redeem'd; \*

with your might you brought them in safety to your ho- / ly dwelling.

<sup>17</sup> You will bring them in and plant them on the mount of / your possession, \*
The resting-place you have made for yourself, / O Lord;

<sup>18</sup> The sanctuary, O Lord, that your hand / has established. \*

The Lord shall reign, for ever / and ever.

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

# A brief silence is kept.

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.** 

#### A brief silence is kept.

Aund out of death into life: Grant to those who are sealed by your Holy Spirit the will and the power to proclaim you to all the world; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Celebrant Alleluia! Christ is risen!

**People** The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!

Celebrant Alleluia! Christ is risen!

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Celebrant Alleluia! Christ is risen!

People The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!

All process into the sanctuary as joyful bells are rung. Please remain standing during the singing of the hymn.

HYMN OF PRAISE (sung by choir)

"Jesus Christ is Risen Today"

EASTER HYMN, 7.7.7.7 with Alleluia; words, Latin, 14<sup>th</sup> c.; music, anon. 18<sup>th</sup> c.

<sup>1</sup> Jesus Christ is ris'n today, Alleluia! our triumphant holy day, Alleluia! who did once upon the cross Alleluia! suffer to redeem our loss. Alleluia!

<sup>2</sup> Hymns of praise then let us sing Alleluia! unto Christ our heav'nly King, Alleluia! who endured the cross and grave, Alleluia! sinners to redeem and save. Alleluia!

<sup>3</sup> But the pains which he endured, Alleluia! our salvation have procured; Alleluia! now above the sky he's King, Alleluia! where the angels ever sing. Alleluia!

<sup>4</sup> Sing we to our God above Alleluia! praise eternal as his love; Alleluia! praise him, all ye heav'nly host, Alleluia! Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia!

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

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

God, who made this the 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.** 

**GRADUAL** (sung by choir)

"Celtic Alleluia"

music, Fintan O'Carroll (1922-1981)

# THE HOLY GOSPEL

Mark 16: 1-8: The Resurrection of Jesus

Gospeller The Holy Gospel of our Savior 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.

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

Please be seated.

#### **TESTIMONY**

# RENEWAL OF BAPTISMAL VOWS

Celebrant

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.

Please stand, as able.

# THE BAPTISMAL COVENANT

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

People I do.

Celebrant Do you believe in God the Father?

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

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

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power People

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? Celebrant

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.

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

and in the prayers?

People I will, with God's help.

Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return Celebrant

to the Lord?

I will with God's help. People

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

People I will, with God's help.

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

People I will, with God's help.

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

human being?

People I will, with God's help. Celebrant

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.** 

# THE PEACE

*Celebrant* Alleluia! The Peace of the Risen Christ be with you always.

**People** And also with you. Alleluia!

Following the Peace, please be seated.

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# **OFFERTORY MUSIC**

# THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Please stand, as able.

Celebrant The Lord be with you.People And also with you.Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

*People* We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give 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:

I oly, 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.

# **People** 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.

Remember all who minister in your Church. Remember all your people, and those who seek your truth. Remember all who have died in the peace of Christ, and those whose faith is known to you alone; bring them into the place of eternal joy and light. And grant that we may find our inheritance with Bartholomew 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.** 

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray,

THE LORD'S PRAYER music, Eric Wyse

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name.
Your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread, forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

# THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

*Celebrant* Alleluia. We break this bread to share in the Body of Christ.

**People** We who are many are one body, for we all share in the one bread. Alleluia.

*Celebrant* The gifts of God for the people of God.

## **Invitation to Communion**

MY Jesus, I believe you are truly present in the Blessed Sacrament. I love you above all things, and long for you in my soul. I am grateful to know there are many ways I can receive you, but whatever way I do, I know you come into my heart, body, and soul, as you have come so many times and always will. I embrace you and unite myself entirely to you; never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.

Please be seated once you receive Communion.

# **COMMUNION HYMN**

"There is a Redeemer"

words and music, Melody Green (b. 1946)

<sup>1</sup> There is a redeemer: Jesus, God's own Son, Precious Lamb of God, Messiah, Holy One. Thank you, O my father, for giving us Your Son, And leaving Your Spirit 'til the work on Earth is done.

<sup>2</sup> Jesus my redeemer, name above all names, Precious Lamb of God, Messiah, hope for sinners slain. Thank you, O my father, for giving us Your Son, And leaving Your Spirit 'til the work on Earth is done.

<sup>3</sup> When I stand in Glory, I will see God's face, And there I'll serve my King forever in that Holy Place. Thank you, O my father, for giving us Your Son, And leaving Your Spirit 'til the work on Earth is done.

# **POST-COMMUNION PRAYER**

Lernal God, heavenly Father, you 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 BLESSING

*Celebrant* May Almighty God, who has redeemed us and made us his children through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, bestow upon you the riches of God's 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**

"I am the Bread of Life"

words and music, Suzanne Toolan (b. 1927)

"I am the bread of life, you who come to Me shall not hunger, and who believe in me shall not thirst. No one can come to me unless the Father beckons."

"And I will raise you up, and I will raise you up,
And I will raise you up on the last day."

<sup>2</sup> "The bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world, And if you eat of this bread, you shall live for ever, you shall live for ever." "And I will raise you up, and I will raise you up, And I will raise you up on the last day."

<sup>3</sup> "I am the Resurrection, I am the Life, If you believe in me, even though you die, you shall live for ever." "And I will raise you up, and I will raise you up, And I will raise you up on the last day."

<sup>4</sup> Yes, Lord, I believe that you are the Christ, the Son of God, Who has come into the world.

"And I will raise you up, and I will raise you up, And I will raise you up on the last day."

# THE DISMISSAL

Deacon Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia! Alleluia!

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

# **POSTLUDE**

"Toccata" from Symphony No. 5 for Organ

music, Charles-Marie Widor (1844-1937)