

THE GREAT VIGIL OF EASTER

April 4, 2026
7:30 p.m.

THE LIGHTING OF THE PASCHAL CANDLE

The People gather at the place appointed where the New Fire is kindled. After addressing the people and blessing the fire, the Paschal Candle is then lighted from it. The People may proceed into the church. The Paschal Candel is then carried into the chancel as the following is sung.

Versicle & Response: *The Light of Christ*

Hymnal S-68

The Exsultet

Hymnal S-69

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

The Story of Creation: Genesis 1:1-2:4a

Insert

Psalm 136:1-9, 23-26

Insert

Collect

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Israel's Deliverance at the Red Seas: Exodus 14:10-31, 15:20-2

Insert

Canticle 8, *The Song of Moses*

Insert

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Learn Wisdom and Live: Proverbs 8:1-8, 19-21, 9:46-6

Insert

Psalm 19

Insert

Collect

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THE RENEWAL OF BAPTISMAL VOWS

The Invitation

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The Procession to the Font

The Blessing of Water

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THE PASCHAL PROCLAMATION

The Easter Acclamation

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Gloria

Hymnal S-277

Salutation

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The Epistle: Romans 6:3-11

Insert

The Tract: *The Great Alleluia*

Hymnal S-70

The Gospel: Matthew 28:1-10

Insert

Hymn: *Savannah*

Hymnal 188

The Sermon

The Rev'd Dr. Reverend William Lytle

The Peace

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory Hymn: *St. Kevin*

Hymnal 199

The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer D

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Sanctus

Hymnal S-124

The Lord's Prayer

Hymnal S-119

Fraction

Hymnal S-154

Communion Hymn: *Sursum Corda*

Hymnal 306

Post Communion Prayer

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Blessing and Dismissal

Recessional Hymn: *Victory*

Hymnal 208

Postlude: *Christ ist Erstanden*

Bach

The Paschal candle is given to the Glory of God in loving memory of
Arthur P. and Josephine R. Martin and their extended family
by J. Thomas Martin.

Lay Eucharistic Minister: Peggy Gearity

Acolytes: Cameron Lytle, Gabe Lytle

Torch Bearer: Martin Lytle

Crucifer: Richard Erickson

Thurifer: Eli Lytle

Verger: Jamison Teale

Lectors: Sandra Gill, Peggy Gearity, Sara Kahn-Gearity,
Richard Erickson

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