

Emmanuel Episcopal Church

The Great Vigil of Easter
April 16, 2022

7:00 p.m.



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(Rev. Diane pounds on the door)

People: Who's at the door

Celebrant: Christians coming to celebrate the paschal feast.

THE KINDLING OF THE NEW FIRE

The Paschal Candle is lighted from the newly-kindled Paschal fire. The deacon, bearing the Paschal Candle, leads the procession into the darkened Church. In the course of the procession the people's candles are lit. To pass the light, please hold lighted tapers upright and allow others to light their wicks from the flame. As always, we ask the congregation to be mindful of their own safety, and that of others, when holding lighted candles.

Officiant: **D**ear friends in Christ: On this most holy night, in which our Lord Jesus passed over from death to life, the Church invites her members, dispersed throughout the world, to gather in vigil and prayer. For this is the Passover of the Lord, in which, by hearing his Word and celebrating his Sacraments, we share in his victory over death.

Let us pray.

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

THE LIGHTING OF THE PASCHAL CANDLE

The Procession into the Church

The Deacon, bearing the Candle, enters the church

The procession pauses three times and at each pause the following is said

The light of Christ:

Thanks be to God.

The Exsultet

Emmanuel choir

Exult and sing! O shining angel choirs!
Exult and dance, bright stars and blazing suns!
The first born of creation, Jesus Christ,
is ris'n in radiant splendour from the dead.

Rejoice, O awesome night of our rebirth!
Rejoice, O mother moon, that marks the months!
For from your fullness comes, at last, the day
when sin and death are robbed of all their power.

Arise then, sleepers, Christ enlightens you!
Arise from doubt and sadness, sin and death!
With joyful hearts and spirits set aflame,
draw near to sing this Easter Candle's praise!

We lift our hearts. We lift them to the Lord.
We praise you, God, for all your works of light!
We bless you for that burst of fire and flame
through which you first created all that is.

We bless you for the light invisible:
the fire of faith, the Spirit's grace and truth,
that light, the source of life, that stirs the heart,
and shines for ever on the face of Christ.

This is the night, most blessed of all nights.
You led your people through the foaming sea,
in love you led them with a cloud by day
and as a flaming shaft of fire by night.

O night that gave us back what we had lost!
O night that made our sin a happy fault!
Beyond our deepest dreams this night, O God
your hand reached out to raise us up in Christ!

Please extinguish your candles and be seated.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Celebrant: **L**et us hear the record of God's saving deeds in history, how he saved his people in ages past; and let us pray that our God will bring each of us to the fullness of redemption.

The First Lesson - The Flood

(Genesis 7:1-5, 11-18, 8:6-18, 9:8-13)

Response:

Lord Jesus, think on me

Hymn #641

Reader: Let us pray. *(silence)*

Almighty God, you have placed in the skies the sign of your covenant with all living things: Grant that we, who are saved through water and the Spirit, may worthily offer to you our sacrifice of thanksgiving; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

The Second Lesson - Abraham's sacrifice of Isaac

(Genesis 22:1-18)

Response:

O sorrow deep, who would not weep

Hymn #173

Reader: Let us pray. *(silence)*

God and Father of all believers, for the glory of your Name multiply, by the grace of the Paschal sacrament, the number of your children; that your Church may rejoice to see fulfilled your promise to our father Abraham; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The Third Lesson - Israel's deliverance at the Red Sea

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

Response:

Sing now with joy unto the Lord

Hymn #425

Reader: Let us pray. *(silence)*

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.

The Fourth Lesson - The gathering of God's people

(Zephaniah 3:14-20)

Response: *(choir)*

And the Father Will Dance

Mark Hayes

*And the Father will dance over you with joy!
He will take delight in whom He loves.
Is that a choir I hear singing the praises of God?
No, the Lord God Himself is exulting o'er you in song!
And He will joy over you in song!*

*My soul will make its boast in God,
For He has answered all my cries,
His faithfulness to me is as sure as the dawn of a new day.*

*Awake, my soul! Awake, my soul, and sing!
Let my spirit rejoice in God!
Sing, O daughter of Zion, with all your heart!
Cast away fear for you have been restored!
Put on the garment of praise as of a festival day.
Join with the Father in glorious, jubilant song.
And He will joy over you in song!*

*And the Father will dance over you in joy!
He will take delight in whom He loves!
Is that a choir I hear singing the praises of God?
No, the Lord God Himself is exulting o'er you in song!
God rejoices over you in song!*

Reader:

Let us pray. *(silence)*

Almighty God, by the Passover of your Son you have brought us out of sin into righteousness and out of death into life: Grant to those who are sealed by your Holy Spirit the will and the power to proclaim you to all the world; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Renewal of Baptismal Vows

(All stand)

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

People: *I do.*

Celebrant: Do you believe in God the Father?

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

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

People: *I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.*

Celebrant: Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

People: *I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.*

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

People: *I will with God's help.*

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

People: *I will, with God's help.*

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 your self?

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.*

The Congregation is sprinkled with holy water, as a sign and reminder of their baptism.

Opening Acclamation

Celebrant: Alleluia. (†) Christ is risen.

People: *The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.*

Organ Fanfare

Festal Pageant

Malcolm Archer

Collect for Easter Day

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: *And also with you.*

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Almighty God, who through your only-begotten Son Jesus Christ overcame death and opened to us the gate of everlasting life: Grant that we, who celebrate with joy the day of the Lord's resurrection, may be raised from the death of sin by your life-giving Spirit; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

A Reading from Paul's Letter to the Romans.

Romans 6:3–11

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

The Word of the Lord

People: *Thanks be to God*

Celtic Alleluia

O'Carroll & Walker

The musical score is written on two staves in treble clef with a key signature of two sharps (F# and C#). The first staff begins with a 2-measure rest, followed by the lyrics "Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia." The second staff continues with "Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia." The piece concludes with a 6-measure rest. The time signature changes from 8/8 to 9/8 and back to 8/8.

(stand as you are able)

The Gospel

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

Matthew 28:1-10

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

After the sabbath, as the first day of the week was dawning, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to see the tomb. And suddenly there was a great earthquake; for an angel of the Lord, descending from heaven, came and rolled back the stone and sat on it. His appearance was like lightning, and his clothing white as snow. For fear of him the guards shook and became like dead men. But the angel said to the women, 'Do not be afraid; I know that you are looking for Jesus who was crucified. He is not here; for he has been raised, as he said. Come, see the place where he lay. Then go quickly and tell his disciples, "He has been raised from the dead, and indeed he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him." This is my message for you.' So they left the tomb quickly with fear and great joy, and ran to tell his disciples. Suddenly Jesus met them and said, 'Greetings!' And they came to him, took hold of his feet, and worshipped him. Then Jesus said to them, 'Do not be afraid; go and tell my brothers to go to Galilee; there they will see me.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Celtic Alleluia (repeat)

see music above

(seated)

Sermon

The Reverend Diane Tomlinson

A moment of silence is observed after the sermon

The Peace

Celebrant: The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: *And also with you.*

Offertory Anthem

Easter Alleluia

Jonathan Willcocks

*Jesus Christ is ris'n today, Alleluia!
Our triumphant holy day, Alleluia!
Who did once upon the cross, Alleluia!
Suffer to redeem ur loss, Alleluia!*

*Songs 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!*

*See, the heav'n its Lord receives, Alleluia!
Yet he loves the earth he leaves, Alleluia!
Though returning to his throne, Alleluia!
Still he calls the world his own, Alleluia!*

*Christians on this holy day, Alleluia!
All you grateful homage pay, Alleluia!
Christ the Lord is ris'n on high, Alleluia!
Now he lives, no more to die, Alleluia!*

Offertory Response

Hymn #205

vs. 5

*To God the Father, God the Son, to God the Spirit, always One,
we sing for life in us begun: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!*

THE LITURGY OF THE TABLE

(standing)

Eucharistic Prayer A

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: *And also with you.*

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

People: *We lift them to the Lord.*

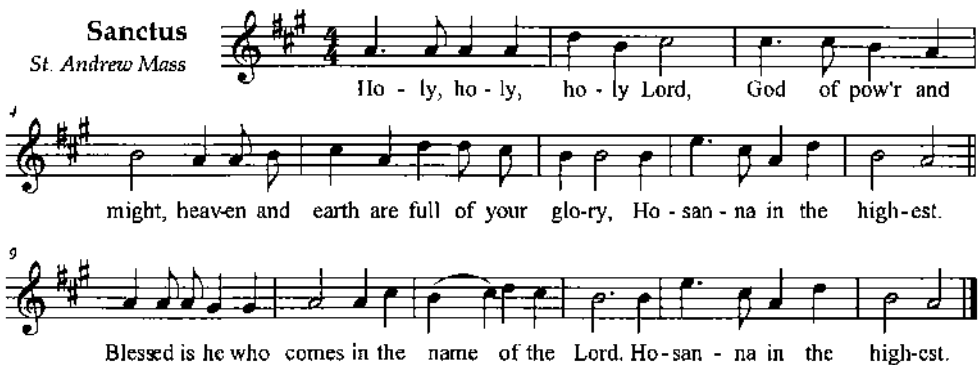
Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: *It is right to give God thanks and praise.*

Celebrant: **I**t 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
St. Andrew Mass



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and
might, heav-en and earth are full of your glo-ry, Ho - san - na in the high-est.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san - na in the high-est.

Celebrant: **W**e 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 we proclaim the mystery of faith:



Celebrant: **A**nd 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 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.

Great Amen
St. Andrew Mass

ALL A - men, A - men, A - - - men.

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

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 Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People: *Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.*

Celebrant: The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Communion Hymn: *Now the green blade riseth from the buried grain* **Hymn #204**

Postcommunion Prayer

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Celebrant and People:

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.

Celebrant: 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.*

(standing)

Recessional Hymn

Come, ye faithful, raise the strain

Hymn #199

Dismissal

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

People: *Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.*

Postlude

Awake, My Heart with Gladness
Wayne Hatwich, organist

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Assisting in the Liturgy

7:00 p.m. **Thurifer: Stacey LaRosa**
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 Fourth Lesson: Nick Theyerl
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