

ABOUT THE GREAT VIGIL OF EASTER

The Great Vigil of Easter is the most significant liturgy of the Christian year and is the culmination of the Triduum—the Sacred Three Days. The service begins in total darkness. The Cathedral is slowly illuminated by the candles of the faithful as we observe the Paschal Mystery—the passage from darkness into light, from death into life—told through ancient texts, scriptural readings, and sacred music, telling of God's saving actions through history. Into this story, we welcome those who are to be baptized into the household of God, as we who witness this Sacrament reaffirm our own baptismal vows. The great moment of this night is the celebration of the First Eucharist of the Resurrection, gloriously announced with *Alleluias*. The Paschal Candle burns as a sign of the presence of the resurrected Christ and will burn throughout the Easter season, known as the Great Fifty Days.



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The people's responses are in **bold**.

THE SERVICE OF LIGHT

The Lighting & Blessing of the New Fire

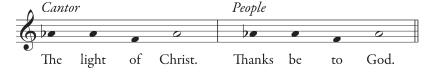
At the appointed hour, all stand and face the west end of the nave. In the darkness, the Paschal Fire is kindled. The bishop addresses the people, and the people respond, Amen.

THE BLESSING & LIGHTING OF THE PASCHAL CANDLE

Making the sign of the cross and inserting grains of incense, the bishop blesses the Paschal Candle and the people respond, Amen.

The Paschal Candle is lighted from the newly-kindled fire. The procession moves through the darkened Cathedral by the light of the Paschal Candle. In the course of the procession, the people's candles are lit.

The procession pauses three times and at each pause the following is sung (successively higher):



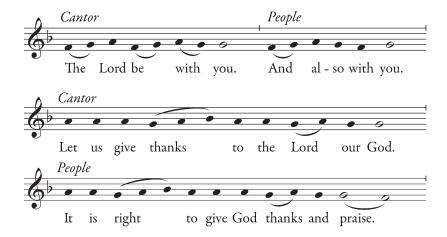
As the procession reaches the crossing and the Paschal Candle is placed in its stand, all remain standing.

THE EASTER PROCLAMATION: THE EXSULTET

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 ...





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 for ever and . . .



THE SERVICE OF LESSONS

Bishop 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.

The people extinguish their candles and are seated.

THE FIRST LESSON

The story of Creation Genesis 1:1–2:4

First this: God created the Heavens and Earth—all you see, all you don't see. Earth was a soup of nothingness, a bottomless emptiness, an inky blackness. God's Spirit brooded like a bird above the watery abyss.

God spoke: "Light!"

And light appeared.

God saw that light was good

and separated light from dark.

God named the light Day,

he named the dark Night.

It was evening, it was morning—

Day One.

God spoke: "Sky! In the middle of the waters;

separate water from water!"

God made sky.

He separated the water under sky

from the water above sky.

And there it was:

he named sky the Heavens;

It was evening, it was morning—

Day Two.

God spoke: "Separate!

Water-beneath-Heaven, gather into one place;

Land, appear!"

And there it was.

God named the land Earth.

He named the pooled water Ocean.

God saw that it was good.

God spoke: "Earth, green up! Grow all varieties

of seed-bearing plants,

Every sort of fruit-bearing tree."

And there it was.

Earth produced green seed-bearing plants,

all varieties,

And fruit-bearing trees of all sorts.

God saw that it was good.

It was evening, it was morning—

Day Three.

God spoke: "Lights! Come out!

Shine in Heaven's sky!

Separate Day from Night.

Mark seasons and days and years,

Lights in Heaven's sky to give light to Earth."

And there it was.

God made two big lights, the larger

to take charge of Day,

The smaller to be in charge of Night;

and he made the stars.

God placed them in the heavenly sky

to light up Earth

And oversee Day and Night,

to separate light and dark.

God saw that it was good.

It was evening, it was morning—

Day Four.

God spoke: "Swarm, Ocean, with fish and all sea life!

Birds, fly through the sky over Earth!"

God created the huge whales,

all the swarm of life in the waters,

And every kind and species of flying birds.

God saw that it was good.

God blessed them: "Prosper! Reproduce!

Fill Ocean!

Birds, reproduce on Earth!"

It was evening, it was morning—

Day Five.

God spoke: "Earth, generate life! Every sort and kind:

cattle and reptiles and wild animals—

all kinds."

And there it was:

wild animals of every kind,

Cattle of all kinds, every sort of reptile and bug.

God saw that it was good.

God spoke: "Let us make human beings in our image,

make them

reflecting our nature

So they can be responsible for the fish in the sea,

the birds in the air, the cattle,

And, yes, Earth itself,

and every animal that moves on the face

of Earth."

God created human beings;

he created them godlike,

Reflecting God's nature.

He created them male and female.

God blessed them:

"Prosper! Reproduce! Fill Earth! Take charge!

Be responsible for fish in the sea and birds

in the air,

for every living thing that moves on the face of Earth."

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Then God said, "I've given you
every sort of seed-bearing plant on Earth
And every kind of fruit-bearing tree,
given them to you for food.

To all animals and all birds,
everything that moves and breathes,
I give whatever grows out of the ground for food."
And there it was.

God looked over everything he had made; it was so good, so very good! It was evening, it was morning— Day Six. Heaven and Earth were finished, down to the last detail.

By the seventh day

God had finished his work.

On the seventh day

he rested from all his work.

God blessed the seventh day.

He made it a Holy Day

Because on that day he rested from his work, all the creating God had done.

This is the story of how it all started, of Heaven and Earth when they were created.

(The Message)

PSALM 136:1-9, 23-26 The choir and ensemble introduce the refrain, then all repeat. plainsong Tonus peregrinus



Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good,

for his mercy endures for ever.

Give thanks to the God of gods, for his mercy endures for ever.

Give thanks to the Lord of lords,

for his mercy endures for ever.

Who only does great wonders, for his mercy endures for ever.

Refrain

Who by wisdom made the heavens,

for his mercy endures for ever.

Who spread out the earth upon the waters,

for his mercy endures for ever.

Who created great lights,

for his mercy endures for ever.

The sun to rule the day,

for his mercy endures for ever.

The moon and the stars to govern the night,

for his mercy endures for ever.

Refrain

Who remembered us in our low estate,

for his mercy endures for ever.

And delivered us from our enemies.

for his mercy endures for ever.

Who gives food to all creatures,

for his mercy endures for ever.

Give thanks to the God of heaven, for his mercy endures for ever.

Refrain

THE COLLECT

Leader 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.

People Amen.

THE SECOND LESSON

Israel's deliverance at the Red Sea

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

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."

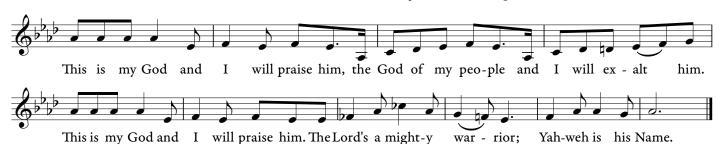
The angel of God who was going before the Israelite army moved and went behind them; and the pillar of cloud moved from in front of them and took its place behind them. It came between the army of Egypt and the army of Israel. And so the cloud was there with the darkness, and it lit up the night; one 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."



Refrain This is my God and I will praise him, the God of my people and I will exalt him. This is my God and I will praise him, The Lord is a mighty warrior; Yahweh is his Name.

I will sing to the Lord, for he is lofty and uplifted; the horse and its rider has he hurled into the sea. The Lord is my strength and my refuge; the Lord has become my Savior.

Refrain

Your right hand, O Lord, is glorious in might; your right hand, O Lord, has overthrown the enemy. 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?

Refrain

You stretched forth your right hand; the earth swallowed them up.
With your constant love you led the people you redeemed; The resting-place you have made for yourself, O Lord, the sanctuary, O Lord, that your hand has established. The Lord shall reign for ever and for ever.

Refrain

(Exodus 15:1-3, 6, 11-13a, 17-18)

THE COLLECT

Leader 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.

People Amen.

Salvation offered freely to all

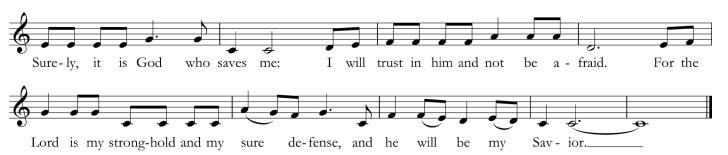
Isaiah 55:1-11

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. Why 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. Incline 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. See, I made him a witness to the peoples, a leader and commander for the peoples. See, 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. Seek the Lord while he may be found, call upon him while he is near; let 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. For my thoughts are not your thoughts, nor are your ways my ways, says the Lord. For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts. For 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, so 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.

CANTICLE: THE FIRST SONG OF ISAIAH

Jack Noble White (1938–2019)

The choir and ensemble introduce the refrain, then all repeat.



Therefore you shall draw water with rejoicing

from the springs of salvation.

And on that day you shall say,

Give thanks for the Lord and call upon his Name.

Refrain

Make his deeds known among the peoples; see that they remember that his Name is exalted. Sing the praises of the Lord, for he has done great things, and this is known in all the world.

Refrain

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

(Isaiah 12:2-6)

THE COLLECT

Leader 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.

People Amen.

The Fourth Lesson

The gathering of God's people

Zephaniah 3:14-20

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

Anthem

Sing Unto the Lord

Sung by the choir and ensemble.

Jeff Hamlin

Refrain Sing unto the Lord a new song,

Sing unto the Lord all the earth. Sing unto the Lord a new song, Sing unto the Lord all the earth.

For God is great, and greatly to be praised, God is great, and greatly to be praised.

Refrain

You shall go out with joy, And be led forth with peace. The mountains and the hills Will break forth before you. There'll be shouts of joy, And all the tress of the field, Will clap, will clap their hands.

(Based on Psalm 98 and Isaiah 55:12)

And all the trees of the field will clap their hands.

The trees of the field will clap their hands. The trees of the field will clap their hands,

And you'll go out with joy.

Go forth, go forth into the ripened fields, For they are white unto harvest.

The time, the time of reaping is at hand, For the souls of men to be gathered in.

What was sown in tears shall now be reaped in joy.

The Word of the Lord shall not return void. Cast out your nets all you fishers of men,

In the power of the Spirit revival, begin.

THE COLLECT

Bishop Let us pray.

> 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.

People Amen.

THE HOLY BAPTISM & RENEWAL OF BAPTISMAL COVENANT

The Presentation & Examination of the Candidates

The candidates, John Edward, Colby, Anna Ilinichna, Victoria Danielle, Bibi, LeSabre Nikole, Ciara Danielle, Ian, Ho Yeung Ocean, McClaren Kimberly, Aubrey Elise, and Vincent James, are presented.

The bishop questions the candidates about their desire and readiness to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.

The bishop invites the people to stand and addresses the congregation.

Bishop Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support these persons in their life in Christ?

People We will.

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 join with those who are committing themselves to Christ and 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.

THE BAPTISMAL COVENANT

to the Lord?

People

I will, with God's help.

Bishop People	Do you believe in God the Father? I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.	Obispa Pueblo	¿Crees en Dios el Padre? Creo en Dios, Padre todopoderoso, creador del cielo y de la tierra.
Bishop	Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?	Obispa Pueblo	¿Crees en Jesucristo, el Hijo de Dios? Creo en Jesucristo, su único Hijo, nuestro
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		Señor, que fue concebido por obra y gracia del Espíritu Santo, nació de la santa María Virgen, padeció bajo el poder de Poncio Pilato, fue crucificado, muerto y sepultado, descendió a los infiernos, al tercer día resucitó de entre los muertos, subió a los cielos y está sentado a la derecha de Dios, Padre todopoderoso. Desde allí ha de venir a juzgar a vivos y muertos.
Bishop People	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	Obispa Pueblo	¿Crees en el Espíritu Santo? Creo en el Espíritu Santo, la santa iglesia católica, la comunión de los santos, el perdón de los pecados, la resurrección de los muertos y la vida eterna.
Bishop	the body, and the life everlasting. Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?	Obispa Pueblo	¿Seguirás fiel a la enseñanza y comunión de los apóstoles, en el partir el pan y en las oraciones? Lo haré, con la ayuda de Dios.
People Bishop	I will, with God's help. Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return	Obispa	¿Seguirás firme en resistir el mal y, cada vez que caigas en pecado, te arrepentirás y te volverás al Señor?

Pueblo

Lo haré, con la ayuda de Dios.

Bishop	Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?	Obispa	¿Proclamarás por palabra y ejemplo la buena noticia de Dios en Cristo?
People	I will, with God's help.	Pueblo	Lo haré, con la ayuda de Dios.
Bishop	Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?	Obispa	¿Buscarás y servirás a Cristo en toda persona, amando a tu prójimo como a ti mismo?
People	I will, with God's help.	Pueblo	Lo haré, con la ayuda de Dios.
Bishop	Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every	Obispa	¿Lucharás por la justicia y la paz en el mundo y respetarás la dignidad de todo ser humano?
	human being?	Pueblo	Lo haré, con la ayuda de Dios.
People	I will, with God's help.		

The Prayers for the Candidates

The following is sung in response:



L	ord, hear our prayer.		
Bishop	Let us now pray for these persons who are to receive the Sacrament of new birth.	Obispa	Oremos por estas personas que están por recibir el sacramento de la nueva vida.
Cantor	Deliver them, O Lord, from the way of sin and death.	Cantor	Libera, Señor, a estas personas de la senda del pecado y de la muerte.
People	Lord, hear our prayer.	Pueblo	Señor, escucha nuestra oración.
Cantor People	Open their hearts to your grace and truth. Lord, hear our prayer.	Cantor	Ábreles el corazón para que reciban tu gracia y tu verdad.
Cantor	Fill them with your holy and life-giving	Pueblo	Señor, escucha nuestra oración.
People	Spirit. Lord, hear our prayer.	Cantor Pueblo	Llénalos del Espíritu que nos aviva y purifica. Señor, escucha nuestra oración.
Cantor	Keep them in the faith and communion of your holy Church.	Cantor	Guárdalos en la fe y en comunión con tu santa Iglesia.
People	Lord, hear our prayer.	Pueblo	Señor, escucha nuestra oración.
Cantor	Teach them to love others in the power of the Spirit.	Cantor	Enséñales a amar al prójimo con la fuerza del Espíritu.
People	Lord, hear our prayer.	Pueblo	Señor, escucha nuestra oración.
Cantor	Send them into the world in witness to your love.	Cantor	Envíalos al mundo para dar testimonio de tu amor.
People	Lord, hear our prayer.	Pueblo	Señor, escucha nuestra oración.
Cantor	Bring them to the fullness of your peace and glory.	Cantor Pueblo	Tráelos a la plenitud de tu paz y de tu gloria. Señor, escucha nuestra oración.
People	Lord, hear our prayer.	Obispa	Concede, Señor, que toda persona bautizada
Bishop	Grant, O Lord, that all who are baptized into the death of Jesus Christ your Son may live in the power of his resurrection and look for him to come again in glory; who lives and reigns now and for ever.	Todos	en la muerte de tu Hijo viva en el poder de su resurrección con la esperanza de su regreso en gloria; por Jesucristo, que vive y reina ahora y siempre. Amén.
All	Amen.		

The Thanksgiving Over the Water

1	The Lord be with you. And also with you.	1	El Señor esté con ustedes. Y también contigo.
1	Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give God thanks and praise.	1	Démosle gracias al Señor nuestro Dios. Es justo y necesario.

The bishop prays over the water. The people affirm the prayer with Amen.

THE BAPTISMS

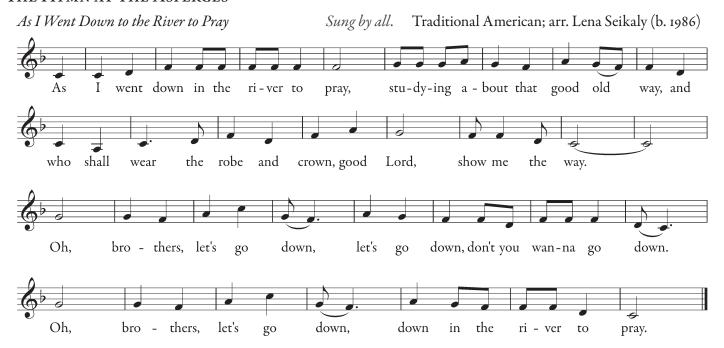
The bishop baptizes the candidates and marks the sign of the cross on the foreheads of the newly baptized. The deacon presents them with a lighted candle. After each action, the people respond, **Amen.**

Once the baptisms are concluded, the bishop prays over the newly baptized, saying:

Bishop	Let us pray.	Obispa	Oremos.
	Heavenly Father, we thank you that by water and the Holy Spirit you have bestowed upon these your servants the forgiveness of sin, and have raised them to the new life of grace. Sustain them, O Lord, in your Holy Spirit. Give them an inquiring and discerning heart, the courage to will and to persevere, a spirit to know and to love you, and the gift of joy and wonder in all your works.		Padre celestial: Te damos gracias porque por agua y el Espíritu Santo les has concedido a estos siervos tuyos el perdón de los pecados y los has levantado a la vida nueva de gracia. Sostenlos, Señor, con tu Espíritu Santo. Dales un corazón inquisitivo y perspicaz, la valentía de comprometerse y perseverar; la pasión por conocerte y amarte, y el don de gozar y maravillarse ante todas tus obras.
People	Amen.	Pueblo	Amén.
Bishop People	Let us welcome the newly baptized. We receive you into the household of God. Confess the faith of Christ crucified, proclaim his resurrection, and share with us in his eternal priesthood.	Obispa Pueblo	Recibamos a los recién bautizados. Te recibimos en la familia de Dios. Confiesa la fe de Cristo crucificado, proclama su resurrección y participa con nosotros de su sacerdocio eterno.

The people remain standing as the ministers sprinkle them with blessed water, a sign of the renewal of their baptismal covenant.

THE HYMN AT THE ASPERGES



First refrain sing "brothers," second "sisters," third "mothers," fourth "fathers."

THE ACCLAMATION OF THE RESURRECTION

Bishop Alleluia! Christ is risen!

People The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!

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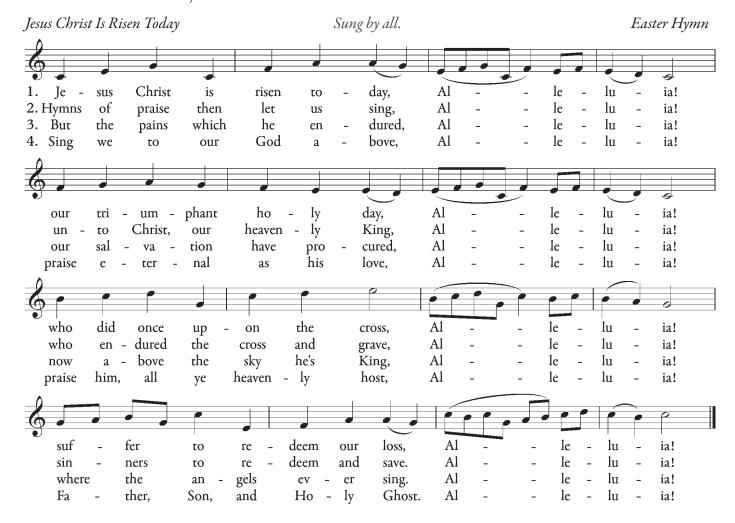
Bishop Alleluia! Christ is risen!

People The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!

A fanfare is sounded.

The people ring bells as they sing the hymn.

HYMN OF PRAISE • 207



THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

THE COLLECT FOR THE RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST

Bishop The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Bishop Let us pray.

O God, who made this 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.

People Amen.

The people are seated.

Romans 6:3-11

Romanos 6:3-11

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

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

¿No saben ustedes que, al quedar unidos a Cristo Jesús en el bautismo, quedamos unidos a su muerte? Pues por el bautismo fuimos sepultados con Cristo, y morimos para ser resucitados y vivir una vida nueva, así como Cristo fue resucitado por el glorioso poder del Padre. Si nos hemos unido a Cristo en una muerte como la suya, también nos uniremos a él en su resurrección. Sabemos que lo que antes éramos fue crucificado con Cristo, para que el poder de nuestra naturaleza pecadora quedara destruido y ya no siguiéramos siendo esclavos del pecado. Porque, cuando uno muere, queda libre del pecado. Si nosotros hemos muerto con Cristo, confiamos en que también viviremos con él. Sabemos que Cristo, habiendo resucitado, no volverá a morir. La muerte ya no tiene poder sobre él. Pues Cristo, al morir, murió de una vez para siempre respecto al pecado; pero al vivir, vive para Dios. Así también, ustedes considérense muertos respecto al pecado, pero vivos para Dios en unión con Cristo Jesús.

Lector Palabra de Dios.Pueblo Demos gracias a Dios.

The people stand as able at the introduction of the Great Alleluia.

THE GREAT ALLELUIA

Sung repeatedly by all.

M. Fowlin



THE HOLY GOSPEL

Luke 24:1-12 Lucas 24:1-12

Gospeller The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ

according to Luke.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

On the first day of the week, at early dawn, they came to the tomb, taking the spices that they had prepared. They found the stone rolled away from the tomb, but when they went in, they did not find the body. While they were perplexed about this, suddenly two men in dazzling clothes stood beside them. The women were terrified and bowed their faces to the ground, but the men said to them, "Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here, but has risen. Remember how he told you, while he was still in Galilee, that the Son of Man must be handed over to sinners, and be crucified, and on the third day rise again." Then they remembered his words, and returning from the tomb, they told all this to the eleven and to all the rest. Now it was Mary Magdalene, Joanna, Mary the mother of James, and the other women with them who told this to the apostles. But these words seemed to them an idle tale, and they did not believe them. But Peter got up and ran to the tomb; stooping and looking in, he saw the linen cloths by themselves; then he went home, amazed at what had happened.

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

The people are seated at the invitation of the dean.

THE SERMON

The people stand as able.

THE PEACE

Bishop The peace of the Risen Christ be always

with you.

People And also with you.

Evangelista Santo evangelio de nuestro Señor

Jesucristo según Lucas.

Pueblo Gloria a ti, Cristo Señor.

El primer día de la semana las mujeres regresaron al sepulcro muy temprano, llevando los perfumes que habían preparado. Al llegar, se encontraron con que la piedra que tapaba el sepulcro no estaba en su lugar; y entraron, pero no encontraron el cuerpo del Señor Jesús. No sabían qué pensar de esto, cuando de pronto vieron a dos hombres de pie junto a ellas, vestidos con ropas brillantes. Llenas de miedo, se inclinaron hasta el suelo; pero aquellos hombres les dijeron: «¿Por qué buscan ustedes entre los muertos al que está vivo? No está aquí, sino que ha resucitado. Acuérdense de lo que les dijo cuando todavía estaba en Galilea: que el Hijo del hombre tenía que ser entregado en manos de pecadores, que lo crucificarían y que al tercer día resucitaría.» Entonces ellas se acordaron de las palabras de Jesús, y al regresar del sepulcro contaron todo esto a los once apóstoles y a todos los demás. Las que llevaron la noticia a los apóstoles fueron María Magdalena, Juana, María madre de Santiago, y las otras mujeres. Pero a los apóstoles les pareció una locura lo que ellas decían, y no querían creerles. Sin embargo, Pedro se fue corriendo al sepulcro; y cuando miró dentro, no vio más que las sábanas. Entonces volvió a casa, admirado de lo que había sucedido.

Diácono El evangelio del Señor.Pueblo Te alabamos, Cristo Señor.

The Very Reverend Randolph Marshall Hollerith Dean, Washington National Cathedral

Obispa La paz del Cristo Resucitado sea siempre

con ustedes.

Pueblo Y también contigo.

The people greet one another with a sign of God's peace and are seated.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

THE OFFERTORY

Having listened to the Word of God, affirmed our faith, and shared the peace, we are prepared for the drama and miracle of the Holy Communion. At the offertory, we gratefully offer back to God some of what God has given us, symbolically in the bread and wine, and in the money we give.

An offering is received to support the Cathedral's ministry of sharing the joy of Christ's love and resurrection this Easter season. All are invited to make a gift as the plate is passed, by scanning the QR code on the back of this leaflet, or online at cathedral. org/give.

The altar is prepared for Holy Communion.

Anthem at the Offertory

Don't Cry Sung by the choir and ensemble. Kirk Franklin (b. 1970)

Why do you cry? He has risen.

Why are you weeping? He's not dead.

Why do you cry? He has risen.

Why are you weeping? He's not dead.

He paid it all on that lonely highway,

And his anointing I can feel.

He shed his blood for my transgressions,

And by his stripes we are healed.

Why do you cry? He has risen.

Why are you weeping? He's not dead.

So, as you go through life's journey,

Don't you worry; lift up your head.

Don't you cry, stop your weeping.

He has risen. He's not dead.

Don't cry,

Wipe your eyes,

He's not dead.

Oh, don't weep.

He's not asleep.

Jehovah.

He's not dead.

The people stand as able at the introduction to the hymn.

HYMN AT THE PRESENTATION



THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

In the Great Thanksgiving, we do what Jesus himself asked us to do: thank God and recall all that God has done for us in the life, death, and resurrection of Christ. The Great Thanksgiving, or Eucharistic Prayer, is a long prayer with four parts. Each of these four parts corresponds to a different action of Jesus at the Last Supper, where he took, blessed, broke, and gave bread and wine as sacraments of his body and blood. We begin the Great Thanksgiving with the Sursum corda, meaning "Lift up your hearts."

Bishop The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Bishop Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

Bishop Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give God thanks and praise

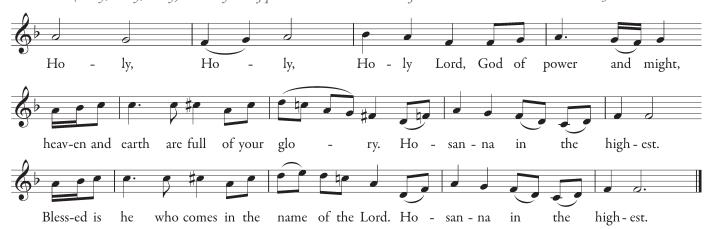
People It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Bishop 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:

The Sanctus (Holy, Holy, Holy) is the hymn of praise that never ceases before God and is based on Isaiah 6:3.



We recall God's acts of salvation history. The bishop says the "Words of Institution" that Jesus said at the Last Supper. At the Memorial Acclamation we remember Christ's death, resurrection, and promise to return at the end of the age. During the prayer, the Holy Spirit is invoked to bless and sanctify the gifts of bread and wine.

Bishop

Holy and gracious Father: 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 Father of all.

He 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 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:

People

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

Bishop

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his 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 him. 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.

The Great Amen is when the congregation with a unified great voice concurs with all that the bishop has prayed. It is the only "Amen" in all capitals found in the Book of Common Prayer, signifying the greatness of the congregation's response.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. 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.

People AMEN.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

Notre Père..., Padre nuestro..., Vater unser...

Pueblo

People

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.

Padre nuestro que estás en el cielo, santificado sea tu nombre; venga tu reino; hágase tu voluntad en la tierra como en el cielo.

Danos hoy nuestro pan de cada día.

Perdona nuestras ofensas, como también nosotros perdonamos a los que nos ofenden.

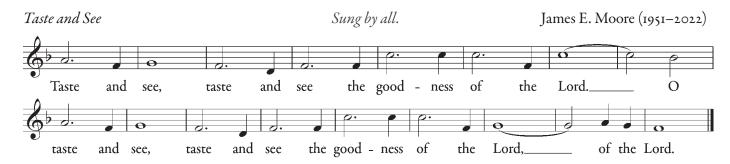
No nos dejes caer en la tentación y líbranos del mal.

Porque tuyo es el reino, el poder y la gloria, ahora y por siempre. Amén.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

The bishop breaks the bread in silence.

FRACTION ANTHEM



THE INVITATION TO HOLY COMMUNION

The people are seated.

All who seek God and a deeper life in Christ are welcome to receive Holy Communion. Please move at the direction of the ushers. You may receive the bread in open and outstretched hands and respond to receiving Communion by saying "Amen." Gluten-free wafers are available; please make your need known to the minister. Receiving the bread only is full participation in the Eucharist. For those who wish to consume wine, there are separate chalices for drinking and intincting (dipping the bread). You may either drink from a silver chalice or intinct (dip the bread) into a glass chalice. If you prefer to receive a blessing instead of receiving Communion, you may indicate your choice by crossing your hands across your chest. Those who wish to have Holy Communion brought to them at their seat should notify an usher.

Those unable to receive Communion today are invited to say the Prayer of Spiritual Communion.

ANTHEM AT THE COMMUNION

Regina caeli

Sung by the choir.

Tomás Luis de Victoria (ca. 1548–1611)

Sung in Latin.

Queen of heaven, rejoice, alleluia. The Son you merited to bear, alleluia, Has risen as he said, alleluia. Pray to God for us, alleluia.

HYMN AT THE COMMUNION



The people stand as able.

THE POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

Lord God our Father, through our Savior Jesus Christ you have assured your children of eternal life and in baptism have made us one with him: deliver us from the death of sin and raise us to new life in your love, the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, by the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen. Señor Dios nuestro Padre, a través de nuestro Salvador Jesucristo has asegurado la vida eterna a tus hijos y en el bautismo nos has hecho uno con él: líbranos de la muerte del pecado y resucítanos a la nueva vida en tu amor, la comunión del Espíritu Santo, por la gracia de nuestro Señor Jesucristo. Amén.

THE EASTER BLESSING

The bishop blesses the people and the people respond, Amen.

The people are invited to ring bells throughout the closing hymn.

HYMN AT THE CLOSING • 180



THE DISMISSAL

Deacon We are raised to new life with Christ. Go in his peace. Alleluia, alleluia!

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!

Diácono Somos resucitados a la vida nueva con Cristo. Vayan en su paz. ¡Aleluya, aleluya!

Pueblo Demos gracias a Dios. ¡Aleluya, aleluya!

Postlude

Improvisation on "Victimae paschali laudes"



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