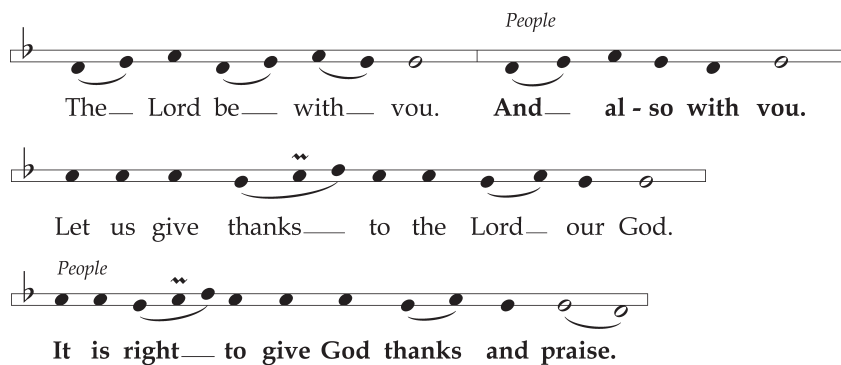


All you who stand near this marvelous and holy flame,  
pray with me to God the Almighty  
for the grace to sing the worthy praise of this great light;  
through Jesus Christ his Son our Lord,  
who lives and reigns with him,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**



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

People

A - men.

light to all creation, and who lives and reigns ...for ever and ev - er.

## THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

### *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.

### *The people sit.*

### **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 Moses and the Israelites sang this song to the LORD: 'I will sing to the LORD, for he has triumphed gloriously; horse and rider he has thrown into the sea.

### Canticle 8, *The Song of Moses*

*Sung by all; remain seated.*

*Richmond*

1 The Lord I sing, up - lift - ed, high, and  
 2 My strength, my re - fuge, Sa - vior, Lord, the  
 3 For - ev - er now our God shall reign, the

pow - er - ful to save; he hurled the rid - er  
 God whom I ac - claim, a war - rior strong, my  
 Lord whom we a - dore; all glo - ry to the

and his horse be - neath the Red's Sea's wave.  
 peo - ple's God, and Yah - weh is his Name.  
 Fa - ther, Son, and Spir - it ev - er - more.

Let us pray.

O God, whose wonderful deeds of old shine forth even to our own day, you once delivered by the power of your mighty arm your chosen people from slavery under Pharaoh, to be a sign for us of the salvation of all nations by the water of Baptism: Grant that all the peoples of the earth may be numbered among the offspring of Abraham, and rejoice in the inheritance of Israel; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

### A new heart and a new spirit — Ezekiel 36:24-28

I will take you from the nations, and gather you from all the countries, and bring you into your own land. I will sprinkle clean water upon you, and you shall be clean from all your uncleannesses, and from all your idols I will cleanse you. A new heart I will give you, and a new spirit I will put within you; and I will remove from your body the heart

of stone and give you a heart of flesh. I will put my spirit within you, and make you follow my statutes and be careful to observe my ordinances. Then you shall live in the land that I gave to your ancestors; and you shall be my people, and I will be your God.

## Canticle 9, *The First Song of Isaiah*

*Remain seated.*

*Thomas Merton*

**Antiphon** *(The antiphon is first sung by the Cantor, then repeated by all)*



Sing the prais-es of the Lord, for he has done great things.

**Psalm chant:**



Surely, it is God who / **saves me**; \*  
 I will trust in him and not be a-/**fraid**.  
 For the Lord is my stronghold and my sure de-/**fense**, \*  
 and he will be my / **Savior**.

## ANTIPHON

Therefore you shall draw water with re-/joicing \*  
 from the springs of sal-/vation.  
 And on that day you shall / say, \*  
 Give thanks to the Lord and call upon his / Name;

## ANTIPHON

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

*Second half of chant:*

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

## ANTIPHON

Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, who in the Paschal mystery established the new covenant of reconciliation: Grant that all who are reborn into the fellowship of Christ's Body may show forth in their lives what they profess by their faith; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## Salvation offered freely to all — Isaiah 55:1-11

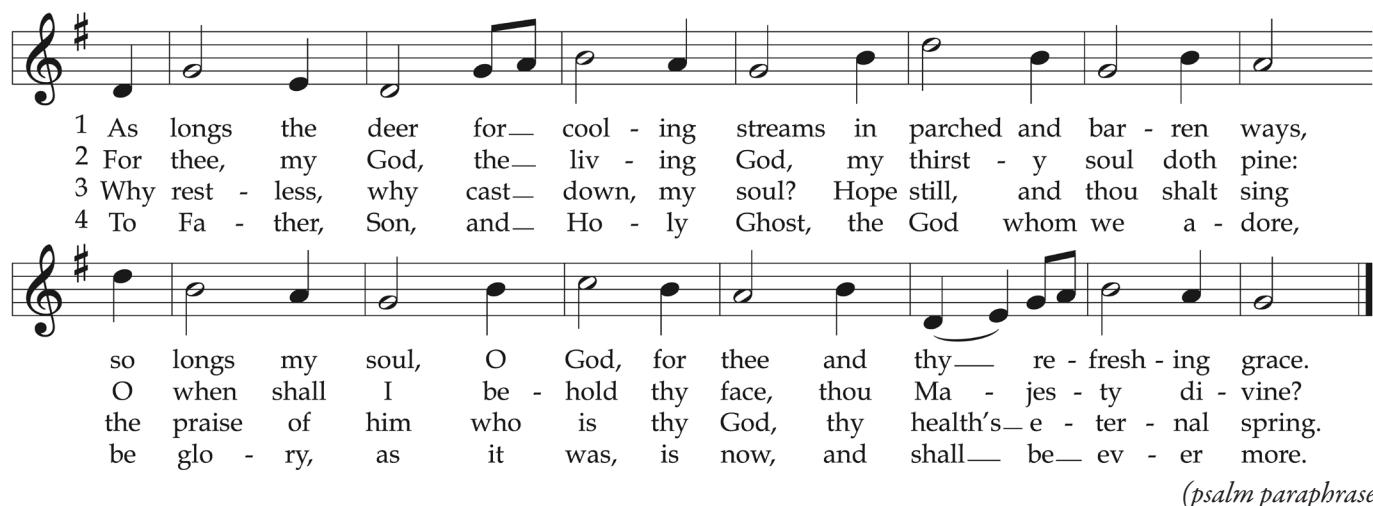
Ho, everyone who thirsts, come to the waters; and you that have no money, come, buy and eat! Come, buy wine and milk without money and without price. Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread, and your labour for that which does not satisfy? Listen carefully to me, and eat what is good, 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.

**Psalm 42:1—7**

*Sung by all; remain seated.*

*Martryrdom*



1 As longs the deer for— cool - ing streams in parched and bar - ren ways,  
 2 For thee, my God, the— liv - ing God, my thirst - y soul doth pine:  
 3 Why rest - less, why cast— down, my soul? Hope still, and thou shalt sing  
 4 To Fa - ther, Son, and— Ho - ly Ghost, the God whom we a - dore,  
 so longs my soul, O God, for thee and thy— re - fresh - ing grace.  
 O when shall I be - hold thy face, thou Ma - jes - ty di - vine?  
 the praise of him who is thy God, thy health's— e - ter - nal spring.  
 be glo - ry, as it was, is now, and shall— be— ev - er more.  
*(psalm paraphrase)*

Let us pray.

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

### **The Valley of Dry Bones — Ezekiel 37:1-14**

The hand of the Lord came upon me, and he brought me out by the spirit of the Lord and set me down in the middle of a valley; it was full of bones. He led me all round them; there were very many lying in the valley, and they were very dry. He said to me, 'Mortal, can these bones live?' I answered, 'O Lord God, you know.' Then he said to me, 'Prophecy to these bones, and say to them: O dry bones, hear the word of the Lord. Thus says the Lord God to these bones: I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live. I will lay sinews on you, and will cause flesh to come upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath in you, and you shall live; and you shall know that I am the Lord.' So I prophesied as I had been commanded; and as I prophesied, suddenly there was a noise, a rattling, and the bones came together, bone to its bone. I looked, and there were sinews on them, and flesh had come upon them, and skin had covered them; but there was no breath in them. Then he said to me, 'Prophecy to the breath, prophesy, mortal, and say to the breath: Thus says the Lord God: Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe upon these slain, that they may live.' I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived, and stood on their feet, a vast multitude. Then he said to me, 'Mortal, these bones are the whole house of Israel. They say, "Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost; we are cut off completely." Therefore prophesy, and say to them, Thus says the Lord God: I am going to open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people; and I will bring you back to the land of Israel. And you shall know that I am the Lord, when I open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people. I will put my spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you on your own soil; then you shall know that I, the Lord, have spoken and will act, says the Lord.'

I will exalt you, O LORD,  
because you have lifted me up  
and have not let my enemies triumph over me.  
O LORD my God, I cried out to you,  
and you restored me to health.

You brought me up, O LORD, from the dead;  
you restored my life as I was going down to the grave.  
Sing to the LORD, you servants of his;  
give thanks for the remembrance of his holiness.

For his wrath endures but the twinkling of an eye,  
his favor for a lifetime.  
Weeping may spend the night,  
but joy comes in the morning.

While I felt secure, I said, "I shall never be disturbed.  
You, LORD, with your favor, made me  
as strong as the mountains."  
Then you hid your face,  
and I was filled with fear.

I cried to you, O LORD;  
I pleaded with the Lord, saying,  
"What profit is there in my blood, if I go down to the Pit?  
will the dust praise you or declare your faithfulness?"

Hear, O LORD, and have mercy up on me;  
O LORD, be my helper."  
You have turned my wailing into dancing;  
you have put off my sackcloth and clothed me with joy.

Therefore my heart sings to you without ceasing;  
O LORD my God, I will give you thanks for ever.

Let us pray.

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.**

### **The gathering of God's people — Zephaniah 3:12-20**

For I will leave in the midst of you a people humble and lowly. They shall seek refuge in the name of the LORD—the remnant of Israel; they shall do no wrong and utter no lies, nor shall a deceitful tongue be found in their mouths. Then they will pasture and lie down, and no one shall make them afraid. Sing aloud, O daughter Zion; shout, O Israel! Rejoice and exult with all your heart, O daughter Jerusalem! The LORD has taken away the judgements 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.

**Psalm 126** *Sung by the choir; remain seated.*

*plainsong, Tone 1.1*

When the Lord restored the fortunes of Zion,  
then were we like those who dream.  
Then was our mouth filled with laughter,  
and our tongue with shouts of joy.  
Then they said among the nations,  
“The Lord has done great things for them.”  
The Lord has done great things for us,  
and we are glad indeed.  
Restore our fortunes O Lord,  
like the watercourses of the Negev.  
Those who sowed with tears  
will reap with songs of joy.  
Those who go out weeping, carrying the seed,  
will come again with joy, shouldering their sheaves.

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 tranquillity 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. **Amen.**

## **HOLY BAPTISM**

**HOLDEN MICHAEL BRISSON**

*Child of Nicole and Michael Brisson*

### **Presentation and Examination of the Candidate**

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*Presider*

The Candidate for Holy Baptism will now be presented.

*Parents and Godparents*

**I present Holden Michael Brisson to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.**

*Presider*

Will you be responsible for seeing that this child you present is brought up in the Christian faith and life?

*Parents and Godparents*

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

*Presider*

Will you by your prayers and witness help this child to grow into the full stature of Christ?

*Parents and Godparents*

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

*Then the Presider asks the following questions of the parents and godparents who speak on behalf of the candidate.*

*Question* Do you renounce Satan and all the spiritual forces of wickedness that rebel against God?

*Answer* **I renounce them.**

*Question* Do you renounce the evil powers of this world which corrupt and destroy the creatures of God?

*Answer* **I renounce them.**

*Question* Do you renounce all sinful desires that draw you from the love of God?

*Answer* **I renounce them.**

*Question* Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Savior?

*Answer* **I do.**

*Question* Do you put your whole trust in his grace and love?

*Answer* **I do.**

*Question* Do you promise to follow and obey him as your Lord?

*Answer* **I do.**

*The Presider addresses the congregation, saying*

*Presider* Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support this person in his life in Christ?

*People* **We will.**

*Presider* Let us join with this person who is committing himself to Christ and renew our own baptismal covenant.

## **The Baptismal Covenant**

p. 304

*Presider* Do you believe in God the Father?

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

*Presider* 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.**

*Presider* 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.**

*Presider* 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.**

*Presider* 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.**

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

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

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

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

*Presider* 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.**

## **Prayers for the Candidates**

p. 305

*Presider* Let us now pray for this person who is to receive the Sacrament of new birth.

*Leader* Deliver him, O Lord, from the way of sin and death.

*People* **Lord, hear our prayer.**

*Leader* Open his heart to your grace and truth.

*People* **Lord, hear our prayer.**



*Leader* Fill him with your holy and life-giving Spirit.  
*People* **Lord, hear our prayer.**  
*Leader* Keep him in the faith and communion of your holy Church.  
*People* **Lord, hear our prayer.**  
*Leader* Teach him to love others in the power of the Spirit.  
*People* **Lord, hear our prayer.**  
*Leader* Send him into the world in witness to your love.  
*People* **Lord, hear our prayer.**  
*Leader* Bring him to the fullness of your peace and glory.  
*People* **Lord, hear our prayer.**  
*Presider* 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 forever.  
**Amen.**

## Thanksgiving over the Water

p. 306

*Presider* The Lord be with you.  
*People* **And also with you.**  
*Presider* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
*People* **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

We thank you, Almighty God, for the gift of water. Over it the Holy Spirit moved in the beginning of creation. Through it you led the children of Israel out of their bondage in Egypt into the land of promise. In it your Son Jesus received the baptism of John and was anointed by the Holy Spirit as the Messiah, the Christ, to lead us, through his death and resurrection, from the bondage of sin into everlasting life. We thank you, Father, for the water of Baptism. In it we are buried with Christ in his death. By it we share in his resurrection. Through it we are reborn by the Holy Spirit. Therefore in joyful obedience to your Son, we bring into his fellowship those who come to him in faith, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

*At the following words, the Presider touches the water*

Now sanctify this water, we pray you, by the power of your Holy Spirit, that those who here are cleansed from sin and born again may continue for ever in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Savior. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## The Baptism

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*Celebrant* Holden, I baptize you in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**  
*Presider* Holden, you are sealed by the Holy Spirit in Baptism and marked as Christ's own for ever. **Amen.**  
*Presider* Let us pray.

Heavenly Father, we thank you that by water and the Holy Spirit you have bestowed upon this your servant the forgiveness of sin, and have raised him to the new life of grace. Sustain him, O Lord, in your Holy Spirit. Give him 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. **Amen.**

Let us welcome the newly baptized.

*Presider and People*

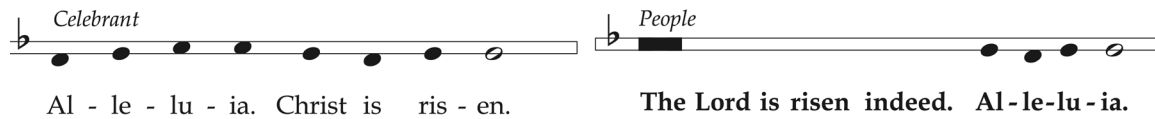
**We receive you into the household of God. Confess the faith of Christ crucified, proclaim his resurrection, and share with us in his eternal priesthood.**

## THE FIRST EUCHARIST OF EASTER

### The Easter Acclamation

*Sung three times.*

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*Celebrant* Al - le - lu - ia. Christ is ris - en. *People* The Lord is risen indeed. Al-le-lu-ia.

*The candles at the altar are now lighted from the Paschal Candle.*

### Hymn: "God's Paschal Lamb is sacrificed for us"

*Sine Nomine*



1. God's Pas - chal Lamb is sac - ri - ficed for us;  
2. Now is Christ raised and will not die a - gain;  
3. In Christ we see the first fruits of the dead:  
there - fore with joy we keep the Eas - ter feast:  
death has no more do - min - ion ov - er him.  
though Ad - am's tres - pass dooms all flesh to die,  
for - sa - king sin, we share the bread of truth,  
Through him we die to sin and live to God.  
in Christ's new life shall all be made a - live.  
Al - - le - lu - ia! Al - - le - lu - ia!

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* And also with you.

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. **Amen.**

### The Epistle — 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.

**Psalm 114** (*The Cantor will sing each verse, then all join in singing each "Alleluia."*)



Hallelujah!

When Israel came out of Egypt, \* (*Alleluia*)  
the house of Jacob from a people of strange speech, (*Alleluia*)

Judah became God's sanctuary \* (*Alleluia*)  
and Israel his dominion. (*Alleluia*)

The sea beheld it and fled; \* (*Alleluia*)  
Jordan turned and went back. (*Alleluia*)

The mountains skipped like rams, \* (*Alleluia*)  
and the little hills like young sheep. (*Alleluia*)

What ailed you, O sea, that you fled? \* (*Alleluia*)  
O Jordan, that you turned back? (*Alleluia*)

You mountains, that you skipped like rams? \* (*Alleluia*)  
you little hills like young sheep? (*Alleluia*)

Tremble, O earth, at the presence of the Lord, \* (*Alleluia*)  
at the presence of the God of Jacob, (*Alleluia*)

Who turned the hard rock into a pool of water \* (*Alleluia*)  
and flint stone into a flowing spring. (*Alleluia*)

**The Gospel — John 20:1-18**

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

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

Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the tomb. So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, "They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him." Then Peter and the other disciple set out and went toward the tomb. The two were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. He bent down to look in and saw the linen wrappings lying there, but he did not go in. Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen wrappings lying there, and the cloth that had been on Jesus' head, not lying with the linen wrappings but rolled up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; for as yet they did not understand the scripture, that he must rise from the dead. Then the disciples returned to their homes. But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb; and she saw two angels in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had been lying, one at the head and the other at the feet. They said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping?" She said to them, "They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him." When she had said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping? Whom are you looking for?" Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, "Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away." Jesus said to her, "Mary!" She turned and said to him in Hebrew, "Rabbouni!" (which means Teacher). Jesus said to her, "Do not hold on to me, because I have not yet ascended to the Father. But go to my brothers and say to them, 'I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.'" Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, "I have seen the Lord"; and she told them that he had said these things to her.

The Gospel of the Lord.

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

## The Homily

The Right Reverend Henry Nutt Parsley, Jr.  
The Tenth Bishop of Alabama

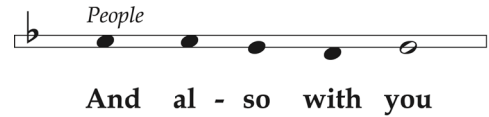
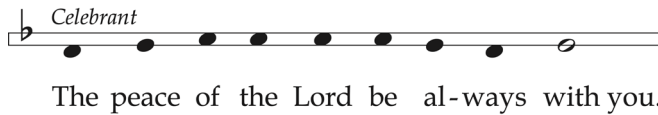
## Prayers of the People

*The response to each petition:*

...We pray to the Father.

**Hear our prayer.**

## The Peace



## THE HOLY COMMUNION

### Offertory Anthem

Arthur Seymour Sullivan

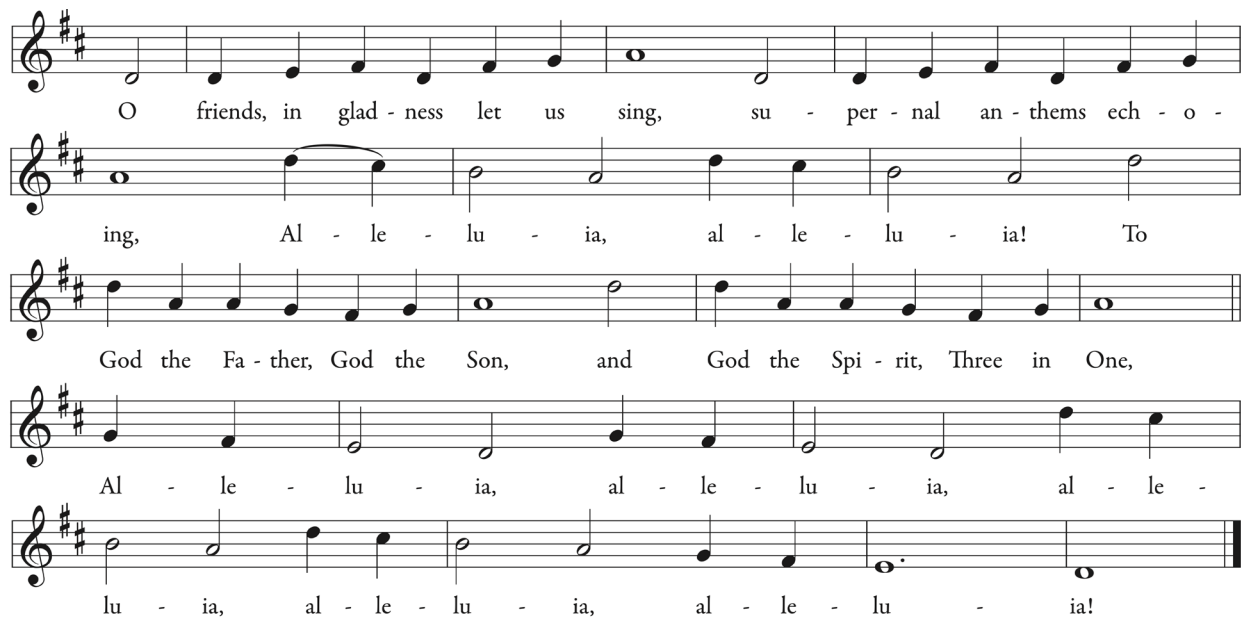
“O who shall roll away the stone,” the faithful women said; “  
The heavy stone that seals the tomb, and shuts away our dead?”  
But looking up, at dawn, they saw the great stone rolled away  
and from the empty tomb a light more dazzling than the day.

Look up, O doubting soul, look up! Eyes fixed upon the earth  
can never see the life that finds in death its glorious birth.  
Look up! and ever looking up, thine eyes shall clearly see  
the tombs of earth filled with the light of immortality.

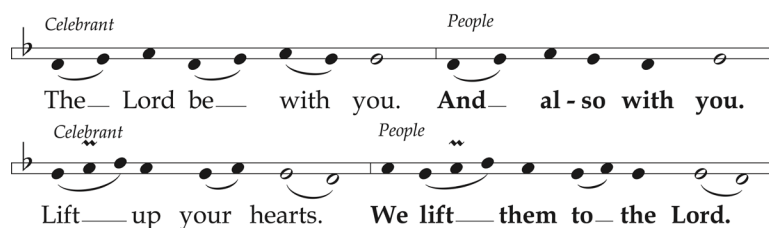
*Marion Franklin Ham*

### Presentation Hymn

*Lasst uns erfreuen*



### Eucharist Prayer A



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*Celebrant*

Let us give thanks— to the Lord our God.

*People*

It is right— to give him thanks and praise.—

*The Celebrant continues, concluding with:*

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:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord**

*Sanctus*

John Sullivan

*Organ:*

*All sing:*

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and might,  
 heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san-na in the highest.  
 Blessed is he who comes in the name, comes in the name of the Lord.  
 Ho - san - na in the high - est. Ho - san-na in the high - est.

*The Celebrant continues, saying in the midst of the prayer:*

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

*Celebrant and People*

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

*The Celebrant continues, concluding with:*

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.

**A - MEN.**

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

*Celebrant and 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.

## The Breaking of the Bread

*Celebrant* Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.



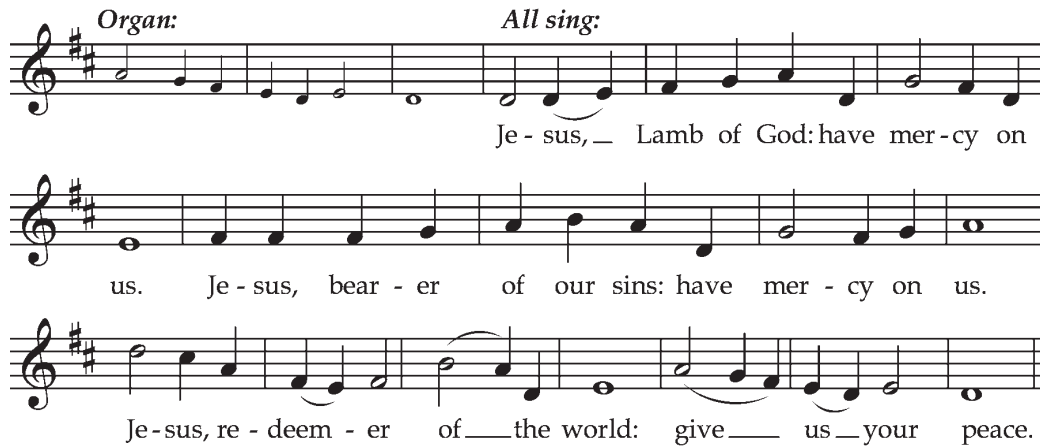
*People* There-fore let us keep the feast. Al - le - lu - ia.

## Jesus, Lamb of God

*Agnus Dei*

Sullivan

*Organ:* *All sing:*



Je - sus, — Lamb of God: have mer - cy on  
us. Je - sus, bear - er of our sins: have mer - cy on us.  
Je - sus, re - deem - er of — the world: give — us — your peace.

## The Communion of the People

*Gluten-free wafers are available at the main altar upon request.*

## Hymn 178

*Alleluia No. 1*

*Alleluia, alleluia! Give thanks to the Risen Lord. Alleluia, alleluia! Give praise to His Name*

Jesus is Lord of all the earth. He is the King of creation. *Refrain*  
Spread the good news o'er all the earth: Jesus has died and has risen. *Refrain*  
We have been crucified with Christ. Now we shall live forever. *Refrain*  
Come let us praise the Living God, joyfully sing to our Savior. *Refrain*

## Hymn 335 "I am the bread of life"

*I Am the Bread of Life*

*I am the bread of life; they who come to me shall not hunger;  
they who believe in me shall not thirst. No one can come to me unless the Father draw them.  
And I will raise them up, and I will raise them up  
And I will raise them up on the last day.*

The Bread that I will give is my Flesh for the life of the world,  
and they who eat of this bread, they shall live forever, they shall live forever. *Refrain*

Unless you eat of the Flesh of the Son of Man  
and drink of his blood, you shall not have life within you, you shall not have life within you. *Refrain*

I am the resurrection, I am the life.  
They who believe in me even if they die, they shall live forever. *Refrain*

Yes, Lord we believe that you are the Christ,  
the Son of God who has come into the world. *Refrain*



*After Communion, the Celebrant says*  
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.**

### The Blessing

May Almighty God, who has redeemed us and made us his children through the resurrection of his Son our Lord, bestow upon you the riches of his blessing. **Amen.**

May God, who through the water of baptism has raised us from sin into newness of life, make you holy and worthy to be united with Christ for ever. **Amen.**

May God, who has brought us out of bondage to sin into true and lasting freedom in the Redeemer, bring you to your eternal inheritance. **Amen.**

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

### Hymn 207 "Jesus Christ is risen today"

*Easter Hymn*



1 Je - sus Christ is risen to - day, Al - le - lu - ia!  
2 Hymns of praise then let us sing, Al - le - lu - ia!  
3 But the pains which he en - dured, Al - le - lu - ia!  
4 Sing we to our God a - bove, Al - le - lu - ia!

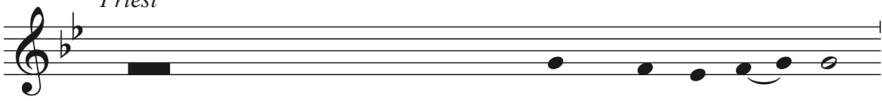
our tri - um - phant ho - ly day, Al - le - lu - ia!  
un - to Christ, our heaven - ly King, Al - le - lu - ia!  
our sal - va - tion have pro - cured, Al - le - lu - ia!  
praise e - ter - nal as his love, Al - le - lu - ia!

who did once up - on the cross, Al - le - lu - ia!  
who en - dured the cross and grave, Al - le - lu - ia!  
now a - bove the sky he's King, Al - le - lu - ia!  
praise him all ye heaven - ly host, Al - le - lu - ia!


suf - fer to re - deem our loss, Al - le - lu - ia!  
sin - ners to re - deem and save, Al - le - lu - ia!  
where the an - gels ev - er sing, Al - le - lu - ia!  
Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost, Al - le - lu - ia!

## The Dismissal

*Priest*




Let us go forth in the name of Christ, al - le - lu - ia,



al - le - lu - ia.

*People*



Thanks be to God, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



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*Celebrant: The Reverend Gray Hodsdon*

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*The Reverend Cheryl Brainard*

*Director of Music and Cantor: John Sullivan*

## EASTER DAY

6:30 AM

Sunrise Tower Service

8:00 AM

Holy Eucharist, Rite I

9:00 AM

Holy Eucharist, Rite II

10:15 AM

Parish Celebration on the Lawn

11:15 AM

Holy Eucharist, Rite II

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