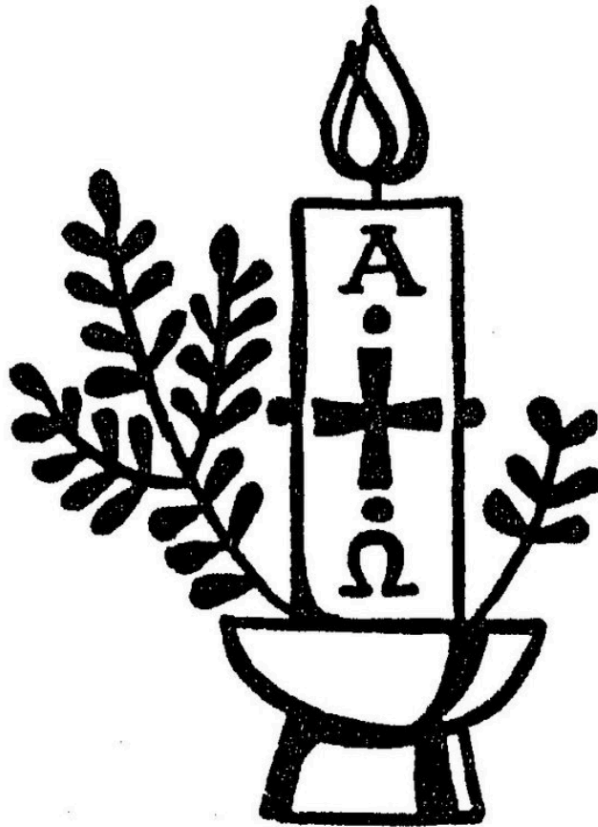

Saint Andrew's
episcopal church

The Great Vigil of Easter
April 19, 2025



welcome!

Thank you for joining us today! **Everything you need for worship can be found in this booklet**; the congregation says the text in **bold**. At Saint Andrew's, **children are included in all aspects of our worship service**; we welcome their presence and all the sounds that come with it! **There is a changing table** available in our nursery; exit the sanctuary at the front and proceed down the hallway. **ALL are invited to the Lord's table**, regardless of where you come from, what you believe, or who you love. Ushers are in the narthex at the back of the sanctuary and are happy to answer any questions. **WELCOME!**

Masks are optional, but please be considerate of those who choose to mask. **Maintain social distancing** as appropriate. **Stay home if you are sick** or have recently tested positive for or been around others who have Covid-19; and **get vaccinated ASAP!**

The Lighting of the Paschal Candle *All stand as able. In the darkness, fire is kindled.*

Let us pray.

People Amen.

Deacon *People*

The light of Christ. Thanks be to God.

Detailed description: The musical notation consists of two staves joined by a brace on the left. Both staves are in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The first staff, labeled 'Deacon', contains the notes G4 (quarter), A4 (quarter), B4 (half). The second staff, labeled 'People', contains the notes G4 (quarter), A4 (quarter), B4 (half).

Cantor

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 ev-er and ev - er. *People* Λ - men.

Celebrant
People
Celebrant
People
Cantor

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give him thanks and praise.

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.

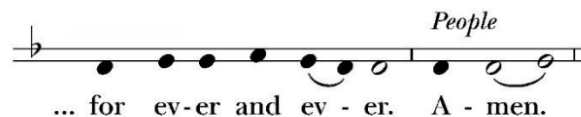
This is the night, when Christ broke the bonds of death and hell, and rose victorious from the grave.

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



The Liturgy of the Word

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

All sit for the readings and stand as able for the hymns and collects.

Creation: A Congregational Reading based on Genesis 1:1-2:4a

(From Liturgy for the Whole Church: Multigenerational Resources for Worship, Susan K. Bock (NY Church Publishing, 2008).

Reader In the beginning, on the first day, God created the heavens and the earth. God said, "Let there be light" and there was light. And God saw that it was good.

People Blessed be the God of Light.

Reader In the beginning, on the second day, God created a dome to separate the waters from the waters. God called the dome sky, and saw that it was good.

People Blessed be the God of Waters and Sky.

Reader In the beginning, on the third day, God gathered the waters together and let dry land appear. God spoke, and the earth brought forth every color of green, and God saw that it was good.

People **Blessed be the God of Green-Brown Earth.**

Reader In the beginning, on the fourth day, God created the sun, the moon and the stars, to separate day from night, to mark the seasons. And God saw that it was good.

People **Blessed be the God of the Heavens and of Time.**

Reader In the beginning, on the fifth day, God created all the living creatures of sea and sky, and blessed them, and called them good.

People **Blessed be the God of Wing and Flight, of Soaring and Swimming.**

Reader In the beginning, on the sixth day, God created the animals of the earth, and made humankind in the image of God, and God saw it was very good.

People **Blessed be the God of our hearts, the God of Flesh and Souls and Loving.**

Reader In the beginning, on the seventh day, God created rest, and entered into a rest from all the work that had been done. And God saw that rest was very, very good, indeed.

People **Blessed be the God of Holy Rest and Play.**

Canticle



Verses

1. You are blest, Lord God of our ancestors.
2. Blest be your glorious holy name.
3. You are blest in the temple of your glory.
4. You are blest on the throne of your kingdom.
5. You are blest who gaze into the depths.
6. You are blest who sit above the cherubim.
7. You are blest in the firmament of heaven.

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Celebrant Let us pray.

(Silence)

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.**

Israel's Deliverance at the Red Sea - Exodus 14:8-30 (From The Message, by Eugene Peterson)

- Reader 1* God made Pharaoh king of Egypt stubborn, determined to chase the Israelites as they walked out on him without even looking back. The Egyptians gave chase and caught up with them where they had made camp by the sea.
- Reader 2* As Pharaoh approached, the Israelites looked up and saw them- Egyptians! Coming at them! They were totally afraid. They cried out in terror to God. They told Moses, "Weren't the cemeteries large enough in Egypt so that you had to take us out here in the wilderness to die? What have you done to us, taking us out of Egypt? Back in Egypt didn't we tell you this would happen? Didn't we tell you, 'Leave us alone here in Egypt-we're better off as slaves in Egypt than as corpses in the wilderness.'"
- Reader 1* Moses spoke to the people: "Don't be afraid. Stand firm and watch God do his work of salvation for you today. Take a good look at the Egyptians today for you're never going to see them again. God will fight the battle for you. And you? You keep your mouths shut!"
- Reader 2* God said to Moses: "Why cry out to me? Speak to the Israelites. Order them to get moving. Hold your staff high and stretch your hand out over the sea: Split the sea! The Israelites will walk through the sea on dry ground. 'Meanwhile I'll make sure the Egyptians keep up their stubborn chase--I'll use Pharaoh and his entire army, his chariots and horsemen, to put my Glory on display so that the Egyptians will realize that I am God.'"
- Reader 1* The angel of God that had been leading the camp of Israel now shifted and got behind them. And the Pillar of Cloud that had been in front also shifted to the rear. The Cloud was now between the camp of Egypt and the camp of Israel. The Cloud enshrouded one camp in darkness and flooded the other with light. The two camps didn't come near each other all night.
- Reader 2* Then Moses stretched out his hand over the sea and God, with a terrific east wind all night long, made the sea go back. He made the sea dry ground. The seawaters split. The Israelites walked through the sea on dry ground with the waters a wall to the right and to the left.
- Reader 1* The Egyptians came after them in full pursuit, every horse and chariot and driver of Pharaoh racing into the middle of the sea. It was now the morning watch. God looked down from the Pillar of Fire and Cloud on the Egyptian army and threw them into a panic. He clogged the wheels of their chariots; they were stuck in the mud. The Egyptians said, "Run from Israel! God is fighting on their side and against Egypt!"
- Reader 2* God said to Moses, "Stretch out your hand over the sea and the waters will come back over the Egyptians, over their chariots, over their horsemen." Moses stretched his hand out over the sea: As the day broke and the Egyptians were running, the sea returned to its place as before. God dumped the Egyptians in the middle of the sea. The waters returned, drowning the chariots and riders of Pharaoh's army that had chased after Israel into the sea. Not one of them survived.
- Reader 1* But the Israelites walked right through the middle of the sea on dry ground, the waters forming a wall to the right and to the left. God delivered Israel that day from the oppression of the Egyptians. And Israel looked at the Egyptian dead, washed up on the shore of the sea, and realized the tremendous power that God brought against the Egyptians. The people were in reverent awe before God and trusted in God and his servant Moses.

Canticle -

Ostinato Refrain

All:

I spread out my hands to you; *

my soul gasps to you like a thirsty land.

O Lord, make haste to answer me; my *spirit* fails me; *

do not hide your face from me -

or I shall be like those who go down to *the* Pit.

Let me hear of your loving-kindness in the morning, -

for I put my trust in you; *

show me the road that I must walk, -

for I lift up my soul to you.

Deliver me from my enemies, O Lord. *

for I flee to you for refuge.

Teach me to do what pleases you, for you are my God; *

let your good Spirit lead me on level ground.

Revive me, O Lord, for your Name's sake; *

for your righteousness' sake, bring me out of trouble.

Of your goodness, destroy my enemies -

and bring all my foes to naught, *

for truly I am your servant.

Celebrant 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.

People **Amen.**

The Renewal of Baptismal Vows - *All stand as able.*

Celebrant Through the Paschal mystery, dear friends, we are buried with Christ by Baptism into his death and raised with him to newness of life. I call upon you, therefore, now that our Lenten observance is ended, to renew the solemn promises and vows of Holy Baptism, by which we once renounced Satan and all his works and promised to serve God faithfully in God's holy catholic church. 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 yourself?

People I will, with God's help.

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

People I will. with God's help.

Thanksgiving over the Water

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

Celebrant 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.

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 forever 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 forever.

People **Amen.**

The priest and children sprinkle the people with Baptismal Water; all sing 'Over the Chaos'

The musical score is written for a single melodic line in G major, 6/8 time. It consists of four staves of music with lyrics underneath. The first staff begins with the instruction 'Cantor, then all:'. The second staff includes a first ending marked '1. and last time' and a second ending marked '2.' with the instruction 'Cantor:'. The third staff ends with 'D.C. al §'. The fourth staff begins with a repeat sign and 'Cantor:', and ends with 'D.C.'. The lyrics are: 'Cleanse us, O Lord, from all our sins; wash us, and we shall be clean, clean as new snow. snow. I will pour clean wa - ter o - ver you and wash a - way all your sins. snow. A new heart will I give you, says the Lord.'

Cantor, then all:

Cleanse us, O Lord, from all our sins; wash us, and we

§ 1. and last time 2. *Cantor:*

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pour clean wa - ter o - ver you and wash a - way all your sins.

§ *Cantor:* D.C.

snow. A new heart will I give you, says the Lord.

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At the Eucharist

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ is risen!
People **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

*The people wave the alleluias that have been kept under the altar
The candles at the Altar may now be lighted from the Paschal Candle.*

Gloria

All are invited to ring bells as the Gloria is sung.

Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and peace to his peo - ple on
earth. Lord God, heav - en - ly King, al -
might - y God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we
give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.

Choir (Congr. ad lib):
Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God,
Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world: have
mer - cy on us; you are seat - ed at the right hand of the
Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer.

All:
For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,
you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it,
in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

Collect of the Day *All stand as able.*

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty God, who for our redemption gave your only- begotten Son to the death of the cross, and by his glorious resurrection delivered us from the power of our enemy: Grant us so to die daily to sin, that we may evermore live with him in the joy of his resurrection; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People **Amen.**

Epistle - Romans 6:3-11 *The people may be seated*

Reader A reading from the book of Romans

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.**

Psalms 114 and The Great Alleluia *All remain seated.*



When Israel came out of Egypt, *
the house of Jacob from a people of strange speech,
Judah became God's sanctuary *
and Israel his dominion. *Repeat Alleluia*
The sea beheld it and fled; *
Jordan turned and went back.
The mountains skipped like rams, *
and the little hills like young sheep. *Repeat Alleluia*
What ailed you, O sea, that you fled? *
O Jordan, that you turned back?
You mountains, that you skipped like rams? *
you little hills like young sheep? *Repeat Alleluia*
Tremble, O earth, at the presence of the Lord, *
at the presence of the God of Jacob,
Who turned the hard rock into a pool of water *
and flint-stone into a flowing spring. *Repeat Alleluia*

Holy Gospel – Luke 24:1-12 *All stand as able.*

Celebrant 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, the women who had come with Jesus from Galilee 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.

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.

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

Sermon

Lizzie Gillman

The Prayers of the People

Leader Loving God, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;

People **That we all may be one.**

Leader Grant that all members of the Church may truly serve you;

People **That your Name may be glorified by all people.**

Leader We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;

People **That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.**

Leader We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;

People **That there may be justice and peace on the earth.**

Leader Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

People **That our works may find favor in your sight.**

Leader Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;

People **That they may be delivered from their distress.**

Leader Give to the departed eternal rest:

People **Let light perpetual shine upon them.**

Leader We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

People **May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.**

Leader Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

Silence

Leader Almighty and everlasting God, who in the Paschal mystery established the new covenant of reconciliation: Grant that all who have been 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, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of Christ be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

The people greet one another with signs of peace.

Holy Communion

Celebrant: Ascribe to the Lord the honor due God's Name: bring offerings and come into God's courts.

Offertory

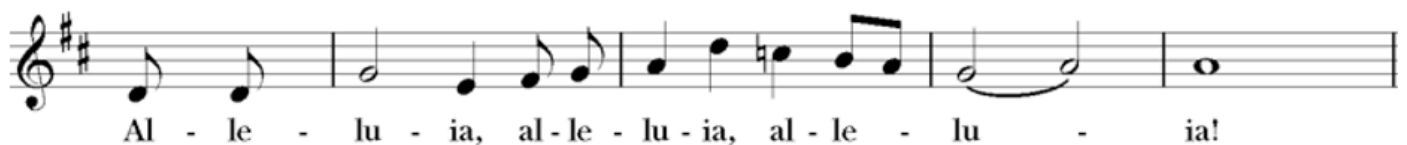
This is the Feast of Victory



- 1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose
2 Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and strength, and
3 Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and
4 Bless - ing, hon - or, glo - ry, and might be to
5 For the Lamb who was slain has be -



- 1 blood set us free to be peo - ple of God. [Ant.]
2 hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are his. [Ant.]
3 join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion. [Ant.]
4 God and the Lamb for ev - er. A - men. [Ant.]
5 gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia! [Ant.]



The Great Thanksgiving - *The people stand as able.*

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them to the Lord**

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Celebrant We praise you and we bless you, holy and gracious God, source of life abundant. From before time you made ready the creation. Your Spirit moved over the deep and brought all things into being: sun, moon, and stars; earth, winds, and waters; and every living thing. You made us in your image, and taught us to walk in your ways. But we rebelled against you, and wandered far away; and yet, as a mother cares for her children, you would not forget us. Time and again you called us to live in the fullness of your love. And so this day we join with Saints and Angels in the chorus of praise that rings through eternity, lifting our voices to magnify you as we sing:

Sanctus

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and

might, Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,

God of power and might, hea - ven and earth are

full, full of your glo - ry. Ho -

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san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na

in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes

in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na

in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

The celebrant continues;

Glory and honor and praise to you, holy and living God. To deliver us from the power of sin and death and to reveal the riches of your grace, you looked with favor upon Mary, your willing servant, that she might conceive and bear a son, Jesus the holy child of God. Living among us, Jesus loved us. He broke bread with outcasts and sinners, healed the sick, and proclaimed good news to the poor. He yearned to draw all the world to himself yet we were heedless of his call to walk in love. Then, the time came for him to complete upon the cross the sacrifice of his life, and to be glorified by you.

On the night before he died for us, Jesus was at table with his friends. He took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it, and gave it to them, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine. Again, he gave thanks to you, gave it to them, and said: "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Now gathered at your table, O God of all creation, and remembering Christ, crucified and risen, who was and is and is to come, we offer to you our gifts of bread and wine, and ourselves, a living sacrifice. Pour out your Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Body and Blood of Christ. Breathe your Spirit over the whole earth and make us your new creation, the Body of Christ given for the world you have made.

In the fullness of time bring us, with Andrew and all your saints, from every tribe and language and people and nation, to feast at the banquet prepared from the foundation of the world. Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

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

All then pray preferred translation of the Lord's Prayer:

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

**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,
forever and ever. Amen.**

Breaking of the Bread

Fraction Anthem



Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

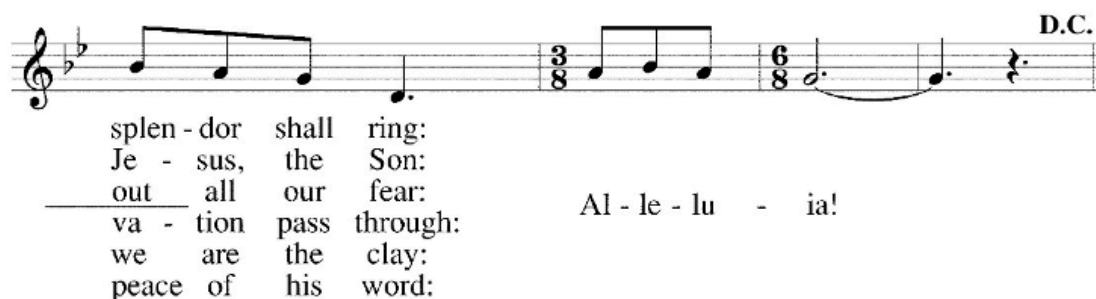
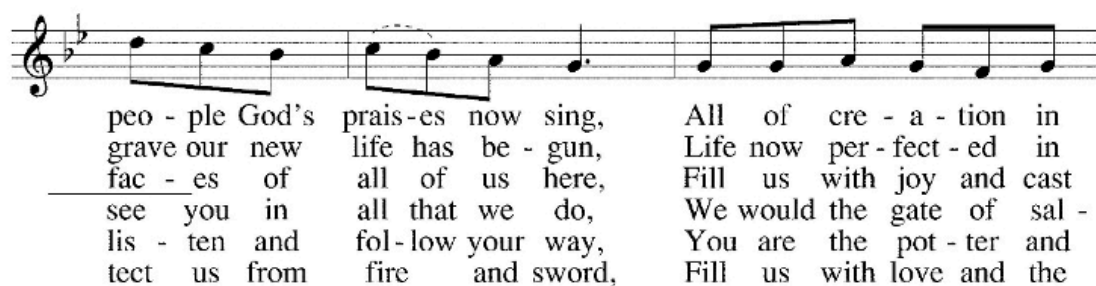
People **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

Celebrant Beloved, the Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

All are invited to come forward for communion, sanitizing hands, forming a line, keeping 6 feet between households. The wine will be offered in the common cup (wiping and turning after each use). Intinction will also be available using a separate bowl. The fullness of communion is available by receiving both or either the bread and wine. If you would like a blessing instead of bread and wine, please cross your arms over your chest. Individuals at a higher risk of Covid infection are encouraged to participate (or not!) in the way that makes them most comfortable.

Communion Hymn

Easter Alleluia



After Communion, all stand as able.

Celebrant Let us pray.

People God of abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation; you have united us with Christ and one another; and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue forever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

Blessing

Celebrant Through the resurrection of Jesus God has redeemed us and made us his children.

People May God bless us with joy. Amen.

Celebrant Our Redeemer has given us lasting freedom.

People May we inherit everlasting life. Amen.

Celebrant By faith, we rose with Jesus in baptism.

People May our lives be holy, so that we will be united with Jesus forever. Amen.

Celebrant And the blessing of God Almighty, Father, Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, Mother of us all, be upon you and remain with you always. Amen.

Dismissal

During the hymn, weather permitting, the people are invited to follow the procession outside to proclaim Easter to the world.

Jesus Christ Is Risen Today



1. Je - sus Christ is ris'n 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 heav'n-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, now his might con - fess, 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 Spir - it blest. Al - le - lu - ia!

Text: St. 1, *Surrexit Christus hodie*, Latin, 14th C.; para. in *Lyra Davidica*, 1708, alt.; st. 2, 3, *The Compleat Psalmist*, c.1750, alt.; st. 4, Charles Wesley, 1707-1788
Tune: EASTER HYMN, 77 77 with alleluias; *Lyra Davidica*, 1708

Celebrant Let us go forth in the name of the risen Christ. Alleluia, Alleluia!
People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia!

All shout 'Christ is Risen! Alleluia!' in as many languages as they know.