



Triduum



Maundy Thursday

Good Friday

Easter Vigil

Maundy Thursday

April 2 – 6:00 pm

~ *Congregation to sit at the table* ~

Land Acknowledgement

Gathering

This is the day
that Christ the Lamb of God
gave himself into the hands of those who would slay him.

This is the day
that Christ gathered with his disciples in the upper room.

This is the day
that Christ took a towel and washed the disciple's feet,
giving us an example that we should do to others
as he has done to us.

This is the day
that Christ our God gave us this holy feast,
that we who eat this bread and drink this cup
may here proclaim his Holy Sacrifice
and be partakers of his resurrection,
and at the last day may reign with him in heaven.

Opening Hymn: "O Blessed Spring" (SNC #114) *verses 1 & 5*

The Collect

Let us pray:

God our Maker, your Son Jesus Christ was obedient to the end and drank the cup prepared for him: May we who share his table watch with him through the night of suffering and be faithful. Amen.

~ Soup is served ~

First reading: Exodus 12:1-14

Psalm 116:1, 10-17

I love the Lord who has heard the voice of my supplication,

I believed, even when I said, "I have been brought very low."

In my distress I said, "No one can be trusted."

How shall I repay you, O Lord, for all the good things you have done for me?

I will lift up the cup of salvation and call upon your name.

I will fulfil my vows to the Lord in the presence of all the people.

Precious in your sight, O Lord is the death of your servants.

**O Lord, I am your servant; I am your servant and the child of your handmaid;
you have freed me from my bonds.**

I will offer you the sacrifice of thanksgiving and call upon the name of the Lord.

**Glory to God, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever.**

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 11:23-26

Gradual Hymn: "Ubi Caritas" (CP #553)

The Gospel: John 13:1-17, 31b-35

The Sermon: *The Reverend Marnie Peterson*

~ Discussion questions for reflection on the table ~

Foot washing

On this night, we have heard Jesus' commandment to love one another as he has loved us. We who receive God's love in Jesus Christ are called to love one another, to be servants to each other as Jesus became our servant. Our commitment to this loving sacrifice is signified in the washing of feet, following the example Jesus gave us on the night before his death.

I invite you now, or when you are ready, to come forward.

~ *Anyone who wishes to participate may come forward* ~

Hymn: “Jesus, Remember Me” (CP #634)

Prayers of Intercession

Holy One, on this, the night he was betrayed, your Son Jesus Christ washed his disciples’ feet. We commit ourselves to follow his example of love and service. Lord, hear us.

and humble us.

On this night, he prayed for his disciples to be one. We pray for the unity of your Church. Lord, hear us.

and unite us.

On this night, he prayed for those who were to believe through his disciples’ message. We pray for the mission of your Church. Lord, hear us

and renew our zeal.

On this night, he commanded his disciples to love, but suffered rejection himself. We pray for the rejected and unloved. Lord, hear us

and fill us with your love.

On this night, he reminded his disciples that if the world hated them it hated him first. We pray for those who are persecuted for their faith. Lord, hear us.

and give us your peace.

On this night, he accepted the cup of death and looked forward to the new wine of the kingdom. We remember those who have died in the peace of Christ. Lord, hear us

and welcome all your children into paradise.

The Confession

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all. **And also with you.**

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

~ *Silence and stillness for reflection and self-examination.* ~

Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal, have mercy on us.

For self-centred living, and for failing to walk with humility and gentleness:

Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal, have mercy on us.

For longing to have what is not ours, and for hearts that are not at rest with ourselves:

Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal, have mercy on us.

For misuse of human relationships, and for unwillingness to see the image of God in others: **Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal, have mercy on us.**

For jealousies that divide families and nations, and for rivalries that create strife and warfare: **Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal, have mercy on us.**

For reluctance in sharing the gifts of God, and for carelessness with the fruits of creation: **Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal, have mercy on us.**

For hurtful words that condemn, and for angry deeds that harm:

Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal, have mercy on us.

For idleness in witnessing to Jesus Christ, and for squandering the gifts of love and grace:

Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal, have mercy on us.

God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved.

In the name of Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven.

Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith. **Amen.**

The Peace

Offertory Hymn: "O God Why are You Silent" (SNC #80)

The Celebration of the Eucharist

God our provider, **you have not fed us with bread alone, but with words of grace and life. Bless us and these your gifts, which we receive from your bounty, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

May God be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them up to God.**

Let us give thanks to God our Creator. **It is right to give thanks and praise.**

And now we give you thanks because, having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end; and on the night before he suffered, sitting at table with his disciples, he instituted these holy mysteries, that we, redeemed by his death and restored to life by his resurrection, might be partakers of his divine nature.

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.

We praise and bless you, loving God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord; and as we obey his command, send your Holy Spirit, that broken bread and wine outpoured may be for us the body and blood of your dear Son.

On the night before he died he had supper with his friends and, taking bread, he praised you. He broke the bread, gave it to them and said: Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me.

When supper was ended he took the cup of wine. Again he praised you, 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. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

We remember all that Jesus did, in him we plead with confidence his sacrifice made once for all upon the cross.

Bringing before you the bread of life and cup of salvation, we proclaim his death and resurrection until he comes in glory. Praise to you, Jesus.

Dying you destroyed our death, rising you restored our life: Lord Jesus, come in glory.

Creator of all life, help us to work together for that day when your kingdom comes and justice and mercy will be seen in all the earth.

Look with favour on your people, gather us in your loving arms and bring us with all the saints to feast at your table in heaven.

Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory are yours, O loving Father, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

~ Bread and wine/juice are passed around the table ~

The Lord's Prayer

As our Saviour taught us, let us pray,

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 for ever. Amen.

Prayer After Communion

Compassionate God, **you have fed us with the bread of heaven. Sustain us in our Lenten pilgrimage; may our fasting be hunger for justice; our alms, a making of peace; and our prayer, the song of grateful hearts; through Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Lord. Amen.**

~ At the end of the meal, all are invited into the Sanctuary to help with the stripping of the altar. ~

The Stripping of the Sanctuary

The ornaments and cloths on the altar and in the sanctuary will now be removed.

During their removal, Psalm 22 is read.

An altar of repose will be set up in the side chapel.

“Chaconne Violin Solo” BWV 1004 by Bach (Jonathan Der)

When you leave the church tonight, please do so quietly.

You are welcome to leave or be seated in the chapel for a time of silent reflection.

Good Friday

April 3 – 10:00 am

Stations of the Cross

Gathering

In the name of God: Creator, Redeemer and Sustainer. **Amen.**

Jesus told his disciples, “If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it. - *Matthew 16:24, 25*

Once we were far off, but now in union with Christ Jesus we have been brought near through the shedding of Christ’s blood, for he is our peace. - *Ephesians 2:13, 14*

Land Acknowledgement

Let us pray: Everlasting God, who in your tender love towards the human race sent your Son, Jesus Christ, to take upon him our flesh and to suffer death upon the cross: Grant that we may follow the example his patience and humility, and also be made partakers of his resurrection; through Jesus Christ, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Holy God,
Holy and strong,
Holy and immortal,
Have mercy upon us.**

First Station

Jesus in agony in the Garden of Gethsemane

We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you.

Because by your holy cross you have redeemed the world.

Reading: Mark 14:32-36

They went to a place called Gethsemane, and he said to his disciples, "Sit here while I pray." He took with him Peter and James and John and began to be distressed and agitated. And he said to them, "My soul is deeply grieved, even to death; remain here, and keep awake." And going a little farther, he threw himself on the ground and prayed that, if it were possible, the hour might pass from him. He said, "Abba, Father, for you all things are possible; remove this cup from me, yet not what I want but what you want."

Reflection

~ Silence and stillness for contemplation ~

Prayer

Jesus, you entered the garden of fear and faced the agony of your impending death: be with those who share that agony and face death unwillingly this day. You shared our fear and knew the weakness of our humanity: give strength and hope to the dispirited and despairing. To you, Jesus who sweated blood, be honour and glory with the Creator and the Holy Spirit, now and forever. **Amen.**

**Holy God,
Holy and strong,
Holy and immortal,
Have mercy upon us.**

Second Station

Jesus betrayed by Judas and arrested

We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you.

Because by your holy cross you have redeemed the world.

Reading: Mark 14:43-46

Immediately, while he was still speaking, Judas, one of the twelve, arrived, and with him there was a crowd with swords and clubs, from the chief priests, the scribes, and the elders. Now the betrayer had given them a sign, saying, "The one I will kiss is the man; arrest him and lead him away under guard." So when he came, he went up to him at once and said, "Rabbi!" and kissed him. Then they laid hands on him and arrested him.

Reflection

~ Silence and stillness for contemplation ~

Prayer

Jesus, you were betrayed by the kiss of a friend: be with those who are betrayed and slandered and falsely accused. You knew the experience of having your love thrown back in your face for mere silver: be with families which are torn apart by mistrust or temptation. To you, Jesus who offered your face to your betrayer, be honour and glory with the Creator and the Holy Spirit, now and forever. **Amen.**

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Have mercy upon us.**

Third Station

Jesus Condemned by the Sanhedrin

We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you.

Because by your holy cross you have redeemed the world.

Reading: Mark 14:55-64

Now the chief priests and the whole council were looking for testimony against Jesus to put him to death, but they found none. For many gave false testimony against him, and their testimony did not agree. Some stood up and gave false testimony against him, saying, "We heard him say, 'I will destroy this temple that is made with hands, and in three days I will build another, not made with hands.'" But even on this point their testimony did not agree. Then the high priest stood up before them and asked Jesus, "Have you no answer? What is it that they testify against you?" But he was silent and did not answer. Again the high priest asked him, "Are you the Messiah,[a] the Son of the Blessed One?" Jesus said, "I am, and 'you will see the Son of Man seated at the right hand of the Power' and 'coming with the clouds of heaven.'" Then the high priest tore his clothes and said, "Why do we still need witnesses? You have heard his blasphemy! What is your decision?" All of them condemned him as deserving death.

Reflection

~ Silence and stillness for contemplation ~

Prayer

Jesus, you were the victim of religious bigotry: be with those who are persecuted by small-minded authority. You faced the condemnation of fearful hearts: deepen the understanding of those who shut themselves off from the experience and wisdom of others. To you, Jesus, unjustly judged victim, be honour and glory with the Creator and the Holy Spirit, now and forever. **Amen.**

**Holy God,
Holy and strong,
Holy and immortal,
Have mercy upon us.**

Sing: "Were You There" (VU #144) *verse 1*

Fourth Station

Peter denies Jesus

We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you.
Because by your holy cross you have redeemed the world.

Reading: Mark 14:72

At that moment the cock crowed for the second time. Then Peter remembered that Jesus had said to him, "Before the cock crows twice, you will deny me three times." And he broke down and wept.

Reflection

~ Silence and stillness for contemplation ~

Prayer

Jesus, as Peter betrayed you, you experienced the double agony of love rejected and friendship denied: be with those who know no friends and are rejected by society. You understand the fear within Peter: help us to understand the anxieties of those who fear their future. To you, Jesus, who gazed with sadness at your lost friend, be honour and glory to the Creator, and the Holy Spirit, now and forever. **Amen.**

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Holy and immortal, Have mercy upon us.**

Fifth Station

Jesus judged by Pilate

We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you.

Because by your holy cross you have redeemed the world.

Reading: Mark 15:14-15

Pilate asked them, “Why, what evil has he done?” But they shouted all the more, “Crucify him!” So Pilate, wishing to satisfy the crowd, released Barabbas for them, and after flogging Jesus he handed him over to be crucified.

Reflection

~ Silence and stillness for contemplation ~

Prayer

Jesus, you were condemned to death for political expediency: be with those who are imprisoned for the convenience of the powerful. You were the victim of unbridled injustice: change the minds of oppressors and exploiters to your way of peace. To you, Jesus, innocent though condemned, be honour and Glory with the Creator, and the Holy Spirit, now and forever. **Amen.**

**Holy God,
Holy and strong,
Holy and immortal,
Have mercy upon us.**

Sixth Station

Jesus scourged and crowned with thorns

We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you.

Because by your holy cross you have redeemed the world.

Reading: Mark 15:17-19

And they clothed him in a purple cloak, and after twisting some thorns into a crown they put it on him. And they began saluting him, “Hail, King of the Jews!” They struck his head with a reed, spat upon him, and knelt down in homage to him.

Reflection

~ Silence and stillness for contemplation ~

Prayer

Jesus, you faced the torment of barbaric punishment and mocking tongue: be with those who cry out in physical agony and emotional distress. You endured unbearable abuse: be with those who face torture and mockery in our world today. To you Jesus, crowned with thorns, be honour and glory with the Creator, and the Holy Spirit now and forever. **Amen.**

**Holy God,
Holy and strong,
Holy and immortal,
Have mercy upon us.**

Sing: "Were You There" (VU #144) *verse 2*

Seventh Station

Jesus carried the cross

We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you.
Because by your holy cross you have redeemed the world.

Reading: Mark 15:20

After mocking him, they stripped him of the purple cloak and put his own clothes on him. Then they led him out to crucify him.

Reflection

~ Silence and stillness for contemplation ~

Prayer

Jesus, you carried the cross through the rough streets of Jerusalem: be with those who are loaded with burdens beyond their strength. You bore the weight of our sins with you carried the cross: help us to realize the extent and the cost of your love for us. To you, Jesus, bearing a cross not your own, be honour and glory with the Creator and the Holy Spirit, now and forever. **Amen.**

**Holy God,
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Have mercy upon us.**

Eighth Station

Simon of Cyrene helps Jesus to carry the cross

We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you.

Because by your holy cross you have redeemed the world.

Reading: Mark 15:21

They compelled a passer-by, who was coming in from the country, to carry his cross; it was Simon of Cyrene, the father of Alexander and Rufus.

Reflection

~ Silence and stillness for contemplation ~

Prayer

Jesus, you were worn down by fatigue: be with those from whom life drains all energy. You needed the help of a passing stranger: give us the humility to receive from others. To you, Jesus, weighed down with exhaustion and in need of help, be honour and glory with the Creator and the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

**Holy God,
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Holy and immortal,
Have mercy upon us.**

Sing: "Were You There" (VU #144) *verse 3*

Ninth Station

Jesus meets the women of Jerusalem

We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you.

Because by your holy cross you have redeemed the world.

Reading: Luke 23:27-31

A great number of the people followed him, and among them were women who were beating their breasts and wailing for him. But Jesus turned to them and said, “Daughters of Jerusalem, do not weep for me, but weep for yourselves and for your children. For the days are surely coming when they will say, ‘Blessed are the barren, and the wombs that never bore, and the breasts that never nursed.’ Then they will begin to say to the mountains, ‘Fall on us,’ and to the hills, ‘Cover us.’ For if they do this when the wood is green, what will happen when it is dry?”

Reflection

~ Silence and stillness for contemplation ~

Prayer

Jesus, the women of Jerusalem wept for you: move us to tears with the plight of the broken world. You embraced the pain of Jerusalem, the ‘city of peace’: bless Jerusalem this day and lead it to the path of peace. To you Jesus, bringer of peace who wept for the city, be honour and glory with the Creator and the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

Amen.

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Have mercy upon us.**

Tenth Station

Jesus is crucified

We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you.

Because by your holy cross you have redeemed the world.

Reading: Mark 15:24

And they crucified him and divided his clothes among them, casting lots to decide what each should take.

Reflection

~ Silence and stillness for contemplation ~

Prayer

Jesus, you bled in pain as the nails were driven into your flesh: transform through the mystery of your love the pain of those who suffer. To you, Jesus the crucified one, be honour and glory with the Creator and the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

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Holy and strong,
Holy and immortal,
Have mercy upon us.**

Eleventh Station

Jesus Promises the kingdom to the penitent thief

We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you.

Because by your holy cross you have redeemed the world.

Reading: Luke 23:39-43

One of the criminals who were hanged there kept deriding him and saying, "Are you not the Messiah? Save yourself and us!" But the other rebuked him, saying, "Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? And we indeed have been condemned justly, for we are getting what we deserve for our deeds, but this man has done nothing wrong." Then he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come in your kingdom." He replied, "Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in paradise."

Reflection

~ Silence and stillness for contemplation ~

Prayer

Jesus, even in your deepest agony you listened to the crucified thief: hear us as we unburden to you our deepest fears. You spoke words of love in your hour of death: help us to speak words of life to a dying world. To you, Jesus, who offer hope to the hopeless, be honour and glory with the Creator and the Holy Spirit, now and forever. **Amen.**

**Holy God,
Holy and strong,
Holy and immortal,
Have mercy upon us.**

Twelfth Station

Jesus on the cross; his mother and his friend

We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you.

Because by your holy cross you have redeemed the world.

Reading: John 19, 26-27

When Jesus saw his mother and the disciple whom he loved standing beside her, he said to his mother, “Woman, here is your son.” Then he said to the disciple, “Here is your mother.” And from that hour the disciple took her into his own home.

Reflection

~ Silence and stillness for contemplation ~

Prayer

Jesus, your mother and your friend stayed with you to the bitter end, yet even while racked with pain you ministered to them: be with all broken relationships today and care for those who long for companionship. You cared for your loved ones even in your death throes: give us a love for one another that is stronger even than the fear of death. To you, Jesus, loving in the face of death, be honour and glory with the Creator and the Holy Spirit, now and forever. **Amen.**

**Holy God,
Holy and strong,
Holy and immortal,
Have mercy upon us.**

Sing: “Were You There” (VU #144) *verse 4*

Thirteenth Station

Jesus dies on the cross

We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you.

Because by your holy cross you have redeemed the world.

Reading: Mark 15:34-37

At three o'clock Jesus cried out with a loud voice, "Eloi, Eloi, lema sabachthani?" which means, "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?" When some of the bystanders heard it, they said, "Listen, he is calling for Elijah." And someone ran, filled a sponge with sour wine, put it on a stick, and gave it to him to drink, saying, "Wait, let us see whether Elijah will come to take him down." Then Jesus gave a loud cry and breathed his last.

Reflection

~ Silence and stillness for contemplation ~

Prayer

Jesus, you died on the cross and entered the bleakest of all circumstances: give courage to those who die at the hands of others. In death you entered into the darkest place of all: illumine our darkness with your glorious presence. To you, Jesus, your lifeless body hanging on the tree of shame, be honour and glory with the Creator and the Holy Spirit, now and forever. **Amen.**

Fourteenth Station

Jesus laid in the tomb

We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you.

Because by your holy cross you have redeemed the world.

Reading: Mark 15:46

Then Joseph bought a linen cloth and, taking down the body, wrapped it in the linen cloth and laid it in a tomb that had been hewn out of rock. He then rolled a stone against the door of the tomb.

Reflection

~ Silence and stillness for contemplation ~

Prayer

Jesus, Liberator of life, you became as nothing for us: be with those who feel worthless and as nothing in the world's eyes. You were laid in a cold, dark tomb and hidden from sight: be with all who suffer in secret, hidden from the eyes of the world. To you, Jesus, your body imprisoned in a tomb be honour and glory with the Creator and the Holy Spirit, now and forever. **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

Let us pray for the coming of God's kingdom in the words that Jesus taught us.

Our Father/Mother 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 for ever. Amen.

Sing: "Were You There" (VU #144) verse 5

May God bless us, that in us may be found love and humility, obedience and thanksgiving, discipline, gentleness and peace. **Amen.**

~ You are welcome to remain and pray or leave in silence ~

Easter Vigil

April 4 – 8:00 pm

The Service of Light

~ *Everyone gathers outside – the new fire is lit and blessed* ~

Opening

Dear friends in Christ, on this most holy night, when our Lord Jesus Christ passed from death to life, the Church invites her children throughout the world to come together in vigil and prayer. This is the Passover of the Lord. We remember his death and resurrection by hearing his word and celebrating his mysteries; we are confident that we shall share his victory over death and live with him for ever in God.

Let us pray. **Holy One, we share in the light of your glory through your Son, the light of the world. Sanctify this new fire, and inflame us with new hope. Purify our minds by this Easter celebration and bring us one day to the feast of eternal light. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

The light of Christ. **Thanks be to God.**

~ *The paschal candle is processed into the church followed by the congregation.
The church is in darkness. Congregants have tapers,
to be lit at entering the sanctuary.*~

The light of Christ. **Thanks be to God.**

The light of Christ. **Thanks be to God.**

~ *The Pascal candle and congregation process into the sanctuary* ~

The Exultet

*Rejoice, heavenly powers! Sing, choirs of angels!...
...echoing the mighty song of all God's people!*

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

(Deacon) Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is truly right that with full hearts and minds....

...for ever and ever. Amen.

~ The congregational candles are extinguished ~

The Liturgy of the Word

Reading: Genesis 1:1-2:4a

Almighty and eternal God, you created all things in wonderful beauty and order. Help us now to perceive how still more wonderful is the new creation, by which in the fullness of time you redeemed your people through the sacrifice of our Passover, Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

Reading: Exodus 14:10–31; 15:20–21

God of steadfast love, your wonderful deeds of old shine forth even to our own day. By the power of your mighty arm you once delivered 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. We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Reading: Ezekiel 37:1-14

Living 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 power to proclaim you to all the world; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

The Easter Acclamation

Alleluia! Christ is risen. **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!** *(3 times, bells after each)*

May grace and peace be with you. **May our hearts be filled with joy!**

The Collect

Light of all creation, **may the radiance of this night fill us with the Spirit of love and unite us in faith, so that we may bear witness to the resurrection and show forth your glory to all the world; in the name of Jesus Christ, the risen Lord, our light and our salvation. Amen.**

Scripture: Romans 6:3-11

Psalm 114

Hallelujah! When Israel came out of Egypt,
the house of Jacob from a people of strange speech,
Judah became the sanctuary of the Lord
and Israel the dominion of God.

The sea beheld it and fled;

Jordan turned and went back.

The mountains skipped like rams,
and the little hills like young sheep.

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?

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.

Hymn: "Glory to God on High" (CP #365)

The Gospel

May God be with you. **And also with you.**

The Holy Gospel of Jesus Christ, according to Matthew.

Matthew 28:1-10

This is the Gospel of Christ. **Praise to you, Jesus Christ.**

The Sermon: *The Reverend Marnie Peterson*

~ *Silence and Stillness* ~

Prayers of Intercession

The Renewal of Baptismal Vows

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

We thank you, Almighty God, for the gift of water. Over water the Holy Spirit moved in the beginning of creation. Through water you led the children of Israel out of their bondage in Egypt into the land of promise. In water 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, 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 celebrate our fellowship in him in faith.

We pray that all who have passed through the water of baptism may continue for ever in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Saviour.

To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be all honour and glory, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Dear friends, through the paschal mystery we have been buried with Christ in baptism, so that we may rise with him to a new life. Now that our Lenten observance is ended, let us renew the promises we made in baptism, when we rejected Satan and all his works, and promised to serve God faithfully in his holy catholic Church.

The Baptismal Covenant

Do you reaffirm your renunciation of evil and renew your commitment to Jesus Christ?
I do.

Do you believe in God the Creator?

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

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

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.

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

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

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

I will, with God's help.

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

I will, with God's help.

Will you proclaim by word and example the good news of God in Christ?

I will, with God's help.

Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbour as yourself?

I will, with God's help.

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

I will, with God's help.

Will you strive to safeguard the integrity of God's creation, and respect, sustain and renew the life of the Earth?

I will, with God's help.

God the creator, the rock of our salvation, has given us new birth by water and the Holy Spirit, and bestowed upon us the forgiveness of sins, through our Lord Jesus Christ. May he keep us faithful to our calling, now and for ever. Amen.

The Peace

The peace of the risen Christ be always with you. **And also with you.**

Offertory Hymn: "Come Ye Faithful, Raise the Strain" (CP #215)

Prayer Over the Gifts

Blessed are you, O God, **ruler of heaven and earth. Day by day you shower us with blessings. As you have raised us to new life in Christ, give us glad and generous hearts, ready to praise you and to respond to those in need, through Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Lord. Amen.**

The Eucharist

May God be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them up to God.**

Let us give thanks to God our Creator. **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, for the glorious resurrection of our Saviour Jesus Christ, the true Paschal Lamb who gave himself to take away our sin; who in dying has destroyed death, and in rising has brought us to eternal life.

And so with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the resurrection, with earth and sea and all their creatures, and with angels and archangels and seraphim, we praise your name and join their unending hymn: *(CP #732)*

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heav'n and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest. Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.

Gracious God, in the fullness of time you sent Jesus the Christ to share our fragile humanity. Through Jesus' life, death, and resurrection you open the path from brokenness to health, from fear to trust, from pride and conceit to reverence for you. Rejected by a world that could not bear the Gospel of life, Jesus knew death was near. His head anointed for burial by an unknown woman, Jesus gathered together those who loved him.

He took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it and gave it to his friends, saying, "Take and eat: this is my body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." After supper, Jesus took the cup of wine, gave you thanks, and said "Drink this all of you, this is my blood of the new covenant which is shed for you and for many. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

And now we gather at this table in response to his commandment, to share the bread and cup of Christ's undying love, and to proclaim our faith.

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

Breathe your Holy Spirit, the wisdom of the universe, upon these gifts that we bring to you: this bread, this cup, ourselves, our souls and bodies, that we may be signs of your love for all the world and ministers of your transforming purpose.

Through Christ, with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory is yours, Creator of all, and we bless your holy name for ever. **Amen.**

Sung Lord's Prayer by Gordon Light

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name; your kingdom come, your will be done on earth, as in heav'n. 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 for ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

Lord, we died with you on the cross.

Now we are raised to new life.

We were buried in your tomb.

Now we share in your resurrection.

Live in us, that we may live in you.

Communion Anthem: "Come, Share with God" (VU #469) *verses 1, 2, 1*

Come to the banquet for now all is ready.

These are the gifts of God for you, the people of God.

Communion Hymn: "All Shall Be Well" (CP #222)

Prayer After Communion

Life-giving God, in the mystery of Christ's resurrection you send light to conquer darkness, water to give new life, and the bread of life to nourish your people. Send us forth as witnesses to your Son's resurrection, so that we may show your glory to all the world, through Jesus Christ, our risen Lord. Amen.

The Doxology

Glory to God, whose power working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine. Glory to God from generation to generation, In the Church and in Christ Jesus, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Blessing

Closing Hymn: "That Eastertide with Joy was Bright" (CP #231)

The Dismissal



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