Grace and Holy Trinity Episcopal Cathedral

This is the night

The Great Vigil of Easter
April 8, 2023 • 7 p.m.
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Following the Dismissal
Please join us for a festive reception in Founders’ Hall.

Service Notes
- Page numbers listed are from The Book of Common Prayer.
- Please rise, as able, for portions of the service marked with an asterisk (*).
The Great Vigil of Easter

The Service of Light

* The Lighting of the Paschal Candle

In the darkness, fire is kindled.

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

Let us pray.

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

People Amen.

The Paschal Candle is then lighted from the newly kindled fire. The candle is processed while the following is sung three times.

Deacon The light of Christ.

People Thanks be to God.

The Paschal Candle is placed in its stand. Then the Cantor, standing near the Paschal Candle, sings the Exsultet.

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 ever and ever. Amen.

Cantor The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Cantor Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give our 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 blessed is this night, when earth and heaven are joined and man is reconciled to God.

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

Cantor

It is customary that the Paschal Candle continue to burn at all services from Easter Day through the Day of Pentecost.
The Service of Lessons

Presider  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 Flood: Genesis 7:1-5, 11-18, 8:6-18, 9:8-13

Then the LORD said to Noah, “Go into the ark, you and all your household, for I have seen that you alone are righteous before me in this generation. Take with you seven pairs of all clean animals, the male and its mate; and a pair of the animals that are not clean, the male and its mate; and seven pairs of the birds of the air also, male and female, to keep their kind alive on the face of all the earth. For in seven days I will send rain on the earth for forty days and forty nights; and every living thing that I have made I will blot out from the face of the ground.” And Noah did all that the LORD had commanded him.

In the six hundredth year of Noah’s life, in the second month, on the seventeenth day of the month, on that day all the fountains of the great deep burst forth, and the windows of the heavens were opened. The rain fell on the earth forty days and forty nights. On the very same day Noah with his sons, Shem and Ham and Japheth, and Noah’s wife and the three wives of his sons entered the ark, they and every wild animal of every kind, and all domestic animals of every kind, and every creeping thing that creeps on the earth, and every bird of every kind—every bird, every winged creature. They went into the ark with Noah, two and two of all flesh in which there was the breath of life. And those that entered, male and female of all flesh, went in as God had commanded him; and the LORD shut him in.

The flood continued forty days on the earth; and the waters increased, and bore up the ark, and it rose high above the earth. The waters swelled and increased greatly on the earth; and the ark floated on the face of the waters.

At the end of forty days, Noah opened the window of the ark that he had made and sent out the raven; and it went to and fro until the waters were dried up from the earth. Then he sent out the dove from him, to see if the waters had subsided from the face of the ground; but the dove found no place to set its foot, and it returned to him to the ark, for the waters were still on the face of the whole earth. So he put out his hand and took it and brought it into the ark with him. He waited another seven days, and again he sent out the dove from the ark; and the dove came back to him in the evening, and there in its beak was a freshly plucked olive leaf; so Noah knew that the waters had subsided from the earth. Then he waited another seven days, and sent out the dove; and it did not return to him anymore.

In the six hundred first year, in the first month, the first day of the month, the waters were dried up from the earth; and Noah removed the covering of the ark, and looked, and saw that the face of the ground was drying. In the second month, on the twenty-seventh day of the month, the earth was dry. Then God said to Noah, “Go out of the ark, you and your wife, and your sons and your sons’ wives with you.

Bring out with you every living thing that is with you of all flesh—birds and animals and every creeping thing that creeps on the earth—so that they may abound on the earth, and be fruitful and multiply on the earth.” So Noah went out with his sons and his wife and his sons’ wives.

Then God said to Noah and to his sons with him, “As for me, I am establishing my covenant with you and your descendants after you, and with every living creature that is with you, the birds, the domestic animals, and every animal of the earth with you, as many as came out of the ark. I establish my covenant with you, that never again shall all flesh be cut off by the waters of a flood, and never again shall there be a flood to destroy the earth.” God said, “This is the sign of the covenant that I make between me and you and every living creature that is with you, for all future generations: I have set my bow in the clouds, and it shall be a sign of the covenant between me and the earth.
Psalm 46 (Coverdale Translation) sung by the choir; chant after Martin Luther

God is our hope and strength *
   a very present help in trouble.
Therefore will we not fear, though the earth be moved *
   and though the hills be carried into the midst of the sea.
Though the waters thereof rage and swell *
   and though the mountains shake at the tempest of the same.
The rivers of the flood thereof shall make glad the city of God *
   the holy place of the tabernacle of the most Highest.
God is in the midst of her, therefore shall she not be removed *
   God shall help her, and that right early.
The heathen make much ado, and the kingdoms are moved *
   but God hath shewed his voice, and the earth shall melt away.
The Lord of hosts is with us *
   the God of Jacob is our refuge.
O come hither, and behold the works of the Lord *
   what destruction he hath brought upon the earth.
He maketh wars to cease in all the world *
   he breaketh the bow, and knappeth the spear in sunder, and burneth the chariots in the fire.
Be still then, and know that I am God *
   I will be exalted among the heathen, and I will be exalted in the earth.
The Lord of hosts is with us *
   the God of Jacob is our refuge.

Collect

Presider  Let us pray.

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

People  Amen.

Israel’s Deliverance at the Red Sea: Exodus 14:10-31; 15:20-21

Lector  As Pharaoh drew near, the Israelites looked back, and there were the Egyptians advancing on them. In great fear the Israelites cried out to the Lord. They said to Moses, “Was it because there were no graves in Egypt that you have taken us away to die in the wilderness? What have you done to us, bringing us out of Egypt? Is this not the very thing we told you in Egypt, ’Let us alone and let us serve the Egyptians?’ For it would have been better for us to serve the Egyptians than to die in the wilderness.” But Moses said to the people, “Do not be afraid, stand firm, and see the deliverance that the Lord will accomplish for you today; for the Egyptians whom you see today you shall never see again. The Lord will fight for you, and you have only to keep still.”

Then the Lord said to Moses, “Why do you cry out to me? Tell the Israelites to go forward. But you lift up your staff, and stretch out your hand over the sea and divide it, that the Israelites may go into the sea on dry ground. Then I will harden the hearts of the Egyptians so that they will go in after them; and so I will gain glory for myself over Pharaoh and all his army, his chariots, and his chariot drivers. And the Egyptians shall know that I am the Lord, when I have gained glory for myself over Pharaoh, his chariots, and his chariot drivers.”

The angel of God who was going before the Israelite army moved and went behind them; and the pillar of cloud moved from in front of them and took its place behind them. It came between the army of Egypt and the army of Israel. And so the cloud was there with the darkness, and it lit up the night; one did not come near the other all night.
Then Moses stretched out his hand over the sea. The Lord drove the sea back by a strong east wind all night, and turned the sea into dry land; and the waters were divided. The Israelites went into the sea on dry ground, the waters forming a wall for them on their right and on their left. The Egyptians pursued, and went into the sea after them, all of Pharaoh’s horses, chariots, and chariot drivers. At the morning watch the Lord in the pillar of fire and cloud looked down upon the Egyptian army, and threw the Egyptian army into panic. He clogged their chariot wheels so that they turned with difficulty. The Egyptians said, “Let us flee from the Israelites, for the Lord is fighting for them against Egypt.”

Then the Lord said to Moses, “Stretch out your hand over the sea, so that the water may come back upon the Egyptians, upon their chariots and chariot drivers.” So Moses stretched out his hand over the sea, and at dawn the sea returned to its normal depth. As the Egyptians fled before it, the Lord tossed the Egyptians into the sea. The waters returned and covered the chariots and the chariot drivers, the entire army of Pharaoh that had followed them into the sea; not one of them remained. But the Israelites walked on dry ground through the sea, the waters forming a wall for them on their right and on their left.

Thus the Lord saved Israel that day from the Egyptians; and Israel saw the Egyptians dead on the seashore. Israel saw the great work that the Lord did against the Egyptians. So the people feared the Lord and believed in the Lord and in his servant Moses.

Then the prophet Miriam, Aaron’s sister, took a tambourine in her hand; and all the women went out after her with tambourines and with dancing. And Miriam sang to them:

“Sing to the Lord, for he has triumphed gloriously; horse and rider he has thrown into the sea.”

Canticle 8 sung by the choir, chant: Tonus Peregrinus, harmonization by David Willcocks

I will sing to the Lord, for he is lofty and uplifted; *  
the horse and its rider has he hurled into the sea.

The Lord is my strength and my refuge; *  
the Lord has become my Savior.

This is my God and I will praise him, *  
the God of my people and I will exalt him.

The Lord is a mighty warrior; *  
Yahweh is his Name.

The chariots of Pharaoh and his army has he hurled into the sea; *  
the finest of those who bear armor have been drowned in the Red Sea.

The fathomless deep has overwhelmed them; *  
they sank into the depths like a stone.

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

Who can be compared with you, O Lord, among the gods? *  
who is like you, glorious in holiness, awesome in renown, and worker of wonders?

You stretched forth your right hand; *  
the earth swallowed them up.

With your constant love you led the people you redeemed; *  
with your might you brought them in safety to your holy dwelling.

You will bring them in and plant them *  
on the mount of your possession,

The resting-place you have made for yourself, O Lord, *  
the sanctuary, O Lord, that your hand has established.

The Lord shall reign *  
for ever and for ever.
Presider  Let us pray.

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

People  Amen.

A NEW HEART AND A NEW SPIRIT: Ezekiel 36:24-28

Lector  Say to the house of Israel, Thus says the Lord God: 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.

Psalm 42:1-7 sung by the choir, chant by Samuel Wesley

As the deer longs for the water-brooks, *
so longs my soul for you, O God.
My soul is athirst for God, athirst for the living God; *
when shall I come to appear before the presence of God?
My tears have been my food day and night, *
while all day long they say to me, “Where now is your God?”
I pour out my soul when I think on these things: *
how I went with the multitude and led them into the house of God,
With the voice of praise and thanksgiving, *
among those who keep holy-day.
Why are you so full of heaviness, O my soul? *
and why are you so disquieted within me?
Put your trust in God; *
for I will yet give thanks to him, who is the help of my countenance, and my God.

Collect

Presider  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.

People  Amen.
The Gathering of God’s People: Zephaniah 3:14-20

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

Psalm 98 sung by the choir, chant by David Hurd

Sing to the LORD a new song, *
for he has done marvelous things.
With his right hand and his holy arm *
has he won for himself the victory.
The LORD has made known his victory; *
his righteousness has he openly shown in the sight of the nations.
He remembers his mercy and faithfulness to the house of Israel, *
and all the ends of the earth have seen the victory of our God.
Shout with joy to the LORD, all you lands; *
lift up your voice, rejoice, and sing.
Sing to the LORD with the harp, *
with the harp and the voice of song.
With trumpets and the sound of the horn *
shout with joy before the King, the LORD.
Let the sea make a noise and all that is in it, *
the lands and those who dwell therein.
Let the rivers clap their hands, *
and let the hills ring out with joy before the LORD, when he comes to judge the earth.
In righteousness shall he judge the world *
and the peoples with equity.

Collect

Presider 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.

People Amen.

The Homily
Christian Initiation and Confirmation

The Presider may first address the people in these or similar words.

Presider 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 his holy Catholic Church.

Candidates for Baptism: Mason Frederick Schmidt, Sarah Marie Lagergren
Candidates for Confirmation: Cliff Joseph Dubroc Jr., Nigel R. Jones, Steven L. King, Sarah Marie Lagergren
Candidates for Reception: Robert Lee Packett
Candidates for Reaffirmation: Daniel Welch

Presentation and Examination of the Candidates

Presider The Candidates for Holy Baptism will now be presented.

Sponsor I present N. to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.

Presider N., do you desire to be baptized?

Candidate I do.

Parents/Sponsors I present N. to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.

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

Parents/Sponsors 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/Sponsors I will, with God’s help.

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

Parents/Sponsors I renounce them.

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

Parents/Sponsors I renounce them.

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

Parents/Sponsors I renounce them.

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

Parents/Sponsors I do.

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

Parents/Sponsors I do.

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

Parents/Sponsors I do.

Bishop The other Candidates will now be presented.

Presenters I present these persons for Confirmation.

I present these persons to be received into this Communion.

Bishop Do you reaffirm your renunciation of evil?

Candidate I do.

Bishop Do you renew your commitment to Jesus Christ?

Candidate I do, and with God’s grace I will follow him as my Savior and Lord.

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

People We will.
Bishop  Let us join with those who are committing themselves to Christ and renew our own baptismal covenant.

*Baptismal Covenant*

Bishop  Do you believe in God the Father?
People  I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.
Bishop  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.
Bishop  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.
Bishop  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.
Bishop  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.
Bishop  Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?
People  I will, with God's help.
Bishop  Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?
People  I will, with God's help.
Bishop  Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?
People  I will, with God's help.

*The Prayers for the Candidates*

Presider  Let us now pray for these persons who are to receive the Sacrament of new birth and for those who have renewed their commitment to Christ.

Leader  Deliver them, O Lord, from the way of sin and death.
People  Lord, hear our prayer.
Leader  Open their hearts to your grace and truth.
People  Lord, hear our prayer.
Leader  Fill them with your holy and life-giving Spirit.
People  Lord, hear our prayer.
Leader  Keep them in the faith and communion of your holy Church.
People  Lord, hear our prayer.
Leader  Teach them to love others in the power of the Spirit.
People  Lord, hear our prayer.
Leader  Send them into the world in witness to your love.
People  Lord, hear our prayer.
Leader  Bring them 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 for ever. Amen.

A period of silence follows the prayer.
Thanksgiving over the Water

Bishop The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Bishop Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Bishop 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 we may be affirmed and strengthened 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.

People Amen.

Baptism


Let us pray.

Heavenly Father, we thank you that by water and the Holy Spirit you have bestowed upon these your servants the forgiveness of sin, and have raised them to the new life of grace. Sustain them, O Lord, in your Holy Spirit. Give them inquiring and discerning hearts, 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.

Bishop N., you are sealed by the Holy Spirit in Baptism and marked as Christ’s own for ever. Amen.

Let us welcome the newly baptized.

All 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.

Confirmation, Reception and Reaffirmation

Bishop Let us now pray for these persons who have renewed their commitment to Christ.

Almighty God, we thank you that by the death and resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ you have overcome sin and brought us to yourself, and that by the sealing of your Holy Spirit you have bound us to your service. Renew in these your servants the covenant you made with them at their Baptism. Send them forth in the power of that Spirit to perform the service you set before them; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

People Amen.

Each Candidate comes before the Bishop for the laying on of hands.

Bishop Almighty and everliving God, let your fatherly hand ever be over these your servants; let your Holy Spirit ever be with them; and so lead them in the knowledge and obedience of your Word, that they may serve you in this life, and dwell with you in the life to come; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The assembly is sprinkled with the water as a reminder of baptism.
**Holy Eucharist**

**Easter Acclamation** The greeting is exchanged three times.

**Presider** Alleluia. Christ is risen.

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

* Song of Praise: S278 “Glory to God” *Gloria in excelsis*

The Collect

Presider The Lord be with you.
People And also with you.
Presider Let us pray.

O God, who made this most holy night to shine with the glory of the Lord’s resurrection: Stir up in your Church that Spirit of adoption which is given to us in Baptism, that we, being renewed both in body and mind, may worship you in sincerity and truth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

The Lessons

Lesson: Romans 6:3-11
Lector 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 sung by the choir; chant by George Mursell Garrett

Hallelujah! 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.
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.
* Gospel Hymn: 187 “Through the Red Sea brought at last”

1 Through the Red Sea brought at last, Alleluia!
2 Like the cloud that o'erhead, Alleluia!
3 In that cloud and in that sea, Alleluia!

Egypt's chains behind we cast, Alleluia!
Through the billows Israel led, Alleluia!
Buried and baptized were we, Alleluia!

Deep and wide, flows the tide severing us from bondage past, Alleluia!
Christ makes room, souls restoring from the dead, Alleluia!
brought us light which is ours eternally, Alleluia!


* The Holy Gospel: Matthew 28:1-10

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

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

The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.
* Prayers of the People, Form III

Intercessor  Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;
            People  That we all may be one.

Intercessor  Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;
            People  That your Name may be glorified by all people.

Intercessor  We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;
            People  That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

Intercessor  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.

Intercessor  Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;
            People  That our works may find favor in your sight.

Intercessor  Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;
            People  That they may be delivered from their distress.

Intercessor  Give to the departed eternal rest.
            People  Let light perpetual shine upon them.

Intercessor  We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;
            People  May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

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

Silence

* The Peace

Presider  The peace of the Lord be always with you.
            People  And also with you.

The Holy Communion

Anthem: “Sing ye to the Lord”

Edward Bairstow

Sing ye to the Lord,
For He hath triumphed gloriously.
Pharoah’s chariots and his host
Hath He cast into the sea.

Mighty victim from the sky,
Hell’s fierce pow’rs beneath Thee lie;
Thou hast conquer’d in the fight,
Thou hast brought us life and light.

Now no more can death appall,
Now no more the grave enthrall,
Thou hast opened Paradise,
And in Thee Thy Saints shall rise.
Alleluia, Amen.

—text: Exodus 15:21, Exodus 15:4, Robert Campbell
Hymn: 174 “At the Lamb’s high feast we sing”

1 At the Lamb’s high feast we sing praise to our victorious King,
   who hath washed us in the tide flowing from his pierced side;
   praise we him, whose love divine gives his sacred Blood for wine,
   gives his Body for the feast, Christ the Victim, Christ the priest.

2 Where the Paschal blood is poured, death’s dark angel sheathes his sword;
   Israel’s hosts triumphant go through the wave that drowns the foe.
   Praise we Christ, whose blood was shed, Paschal victim, Paschal bread;
   with sincerity and love eat we manna from above.

3 Mighty victim from on high, hell’s fierce powers beneath thee lie;
   thou hast conquered in the fight, thou hast brought us life and light.
   Hymns of glory, songs of praise, Father, unto thee we raise;
   thou hast opened parable, and in thee thy saints shall rise.

4 Easter triumph, Easter joy, these alone do sin destroy.
   From sin’s power do thou set free souls new-born, O Lord, in thee.
   Hymns of glory, songs of praise, Father, unto thee we raise;
   risen Lord, all praise to thee with the Spirit ever be.
The Great Thanksgiving, Eucharistic Prayer B

Presider

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. But chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again he has won for us everlasting life. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

All

Presider

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, “Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.”

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, “Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me.”

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,
All  We remember his death,  
We proclaim his resurrection,  
We await his coming in glory;  

Presider  And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine. We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with [_________ and] all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever.

All  AMEN.

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

All  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.

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Presider  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 welcome to receive communion or a blessing. Intinction of wafers is offered, if desired. For gluten-free bread, cross your hands palms down. For a blessing, cross your hands over your chest.

Prayer for Spiritual Communion

In union, O Lord, with your faithful people at every altar of your Church, where the Holy Eucharist is now being celebrated, I desire to offer to you praise and thanksgiving. I remember your death, Lord Christ; I proclaim your resurrection; I await your coming in glory. Since I cannot receive you today in the Sacrament of your Body and Blood, I beseech you to come spiritually into my heart. Cleanse and strengthen me with your grace, Lord Jesus, and let me never be separated from you. May I live in you, and you in me, in this life and in the life to come. Amen.

— From The Prayer Book for the Armed Services

Communion Hymn: 213 “Come away to the skies”

**Postcommunion Prayer**

Presider Let us pray.

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.

**Easter Blessing**

Presider 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.

**Dismissal**

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

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.
Hymn: 208 “The strife is o’er, the battle done”

Antiphon (at the beginning)

Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia!

1 The strife is o’er, the battle done, the victo-
2 The powers of death have done their worst, but Christ their
3 The three sad days are quickly sped, he rises
4 He closed the yawning gates of hell, the bars from
5 Lord! by the stripes which wounded thee, from death’s dread

1 ry of life is won; the song of triumph
2 le-gions hath dis-persed; let shout of holy
3 glo-rious from the dead: all glory to our
4 heaven’s high por-tals fell; let hymns of praise his
5 sting thy serv-ants free, that we may live and

1 has be-gun. Al-le-lu-ia!
2 joy out-burst. Al-le-lu-ia!
3 ris-en Head! Al-le-lu-ia!
4 tri-umphs tell! Al-le-lu-ia!
5 sing to thee. Al-le-lu-ia! [Ant.]

Antiphon (at the end)

Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia!

Voluntary: Prelude and Fugue in B major, op. 7 no. 1

Marcel Dupré

Please join us for a festive reception in Founders’ Hall.
### Serving Today

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in memory of our children and grandchildren—Paget & Tom Higgins

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Laura Kemper Fields—Jonathan & Nancy Lee Kemper & family
in thanksgiving for our children, Theo and Nora—Julie Brogno &
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in memory of Alan and Phyllis Ryder—the Ryder Family

Flowers for today are given to the Glory of God and ...
This special event highlights the good work of Pete’s Garden. Sample the typical foods that Pete’s Garden distributes and learn more about how their food recovery program is helping to reduce food waste and enable family mealtime. Wine pairings have been selected by the experts at Cellar Rat Wine Merchants. Music performance by the Tim Reid Jr. Trio and their broad ranging musical style.

For tickets: forpetessake.eventbrite.com
To volunteer: bit.ly/ghtc-forpetessake
Pray for: Phineas & LaGretta Gitta; Diego Ivan Garcia; Jill Gross; Cooper Polokowski; McCarty-Wilson family; Pat & Larry Martin; Nancy Nuss; Debbie Spaulding; Loretta Stotts; Thaddeaus Withers; Lynnette Flowers; Larry Elmquist; Jim Royer; Lee Sturgill; Brad Kilpatrick; Charles Thomas; Emily M Proffit; Cherie Greene; Kathy Meehan; Dennis Meehan; George Milton; Charlotte Messbarger; Phyllis and Jim Shaffer; Patrick Bennett; Judy; Phillip Carroll; the people of Ukraine; the people of Turkey and Syria; Andrew Rowland; all families affected by gun violence.

Comfort and Peace: the Denton family; the Robker family; the Morgan family; the Matheny family; the Tangeman family; the Lancaster family; the Moore family.

Children and Youth Prayers: My cousin Ian; World peace and for wars of all kinds to cease; For Nick’s stomach pain to end and his healing to be quick; For being healthy; For my brother and cousin; For my family; For my aunt and her chemo treatments; For the children, youth, college and young adults in the world, that they know they are loved beyond all measure by our Triune God.

Pray for the Departed: Joyce Denton; Jayden Robker; Peggy Morgan; Ann Matheny; Carolyn Stockwell Tangeman; Clinton Matthew Lancaster IV (Matt); Bruce Moore; for all who have died from gun violence.

Inaugural Symposium for the William Jewell Center for Faith and Culture
Wednesday, May 3 • 10:15 a.m.
Come see featured speaker, Dr. Matthew Croasmun, associate research scholar and director of the Life Worth Living program at the Yale Center for Faith and Culture at Yale Divinity School and lecturer of Humanities at Yale University. He’ll be discussing “What’s Worth Wanting?” and he will be joined for a panel discussion by Rev. Carla Aday, Dr. Brendon Benz and Rev. Dr. Rodger Nishioka. This event is free and will be held on the William Jewell campus in the Yates-Gill College Union, Room 221/222. For more details and to register, visit jewell.edu/faith-symposium.

Patrick R. Chiodo, Ed.D.
Inaugural Symposium Chair
Center for Faith & Culture
William Jewell College

Formation Class • Sundays, 9:15 a.m.
Children are invited into a time of dynamic storytelling that communicates the story of the people of God and the liturgy of the church.

Flowering the Cross
9:30 a.m. Easter Day
Haden Hall Easter Red Room
Children, Youth and their families are invited to help us flower our Easter cross. Coffee, juice and donuts are provided.

Cathedral Kids • Sundays, 10:30 a.m.
Cathedral Kids meets during the first half of the 10:30 a.m. worship service. Children attending Cathedral Kids will meet their parents or guardians inside the tower doors during the passing of the peace.
Questions? Contact Brittany, childrensformation@kccathedral.org.

Egg Hunt
An Easter egg hunt for children (through fifth grade) takes place on the north lawn following the 10:30 Easter Day service.
Some candy may contain allergens. Caregivers should monitor their children.

Youth Formation • Sundays, 9:15 a.m.
There will be formation in the Youth Room Sunday mornings.

Youth Group • Sundays, 6–7:15 p.m.
Join us for food and fellowship at 6 p.m. in the Youth Room.
Information and signups are often found on our linktree, linktr.ee/ghtcyouthandcollegeministry.
Questions? Contact Clare at cstern@kccathedral.org.
Outreach: April Food Collection
We are collecting food for Jewish Family Services Pantry in Brookside. The JFS Food Pantries in Kansas and Missouri distributes over 29,000 pounds of food to over 400 families each month. Your donation goes directly to the shelves in the pantry, helping people right in our community. You may leave items in the box in the Tower. Visit kccathedral.org/outreach for the details.

William Baker Festival Singers presents Brahms “Ein deutsches Requiem” with Orchestra
Sunday, April 16 • 2 p.m.
The William Baker Festival Singers & Symphony Orchestra join soloists Megan Moore and Ed Frazier Davis in a performance of the Ein deutsches Requiem of Johannes Brahms in celebration of the Festival Singers’ 25th anniversary in Kansas City. The concert is the 11th annual Kenneth Babcock Memorial Concert. Tickets are available at festivalsingers.org.

Choral Evensong
Sunday, April 16 • 5 p.m.
A service of Choral Evensong will be offered by the Trinity Choir. This contemplative service lasts about 45 minutes and includes hymns, scripture readings, prayers, chanted Psalms, canticles and a choir anthem.

Kansas City Chamber Orchestra Concert: Musical Pairings for Spring!
Friday, April 28 • 8 p.m. (pre-concert talk at 7:30 p.m.)
The season finale concert celebrates spring with Mozart’s amazing Sinfonia Concertante, Haydn’s “Fire” Symphony No. 59, and more! Great music, soloists and KC’s beloved professional chamber orchestra come together to create the pairing of two iconic classical period works and two amazing soloists, along with an exciting 20th century work for strings to celebrate the return of spring and the blockbuster ending to a wonderful season of concerts by KC’s top instrumentalists. Get tickets at kccathedral.org/upcoming-events.

Youth Sunday & Graduate Recognition
Sunday, May 7 • 10:30 a.m.
Join us for Youth Sunday & Graduate Recognition as we celebrate all graduates and the youth leading the service. If you know of a graduate, send their name to communications@kccathedral.org by Sunday, April 30.

Raja Yoga Prayer Practice
Wednesday, May 3 • 6 p.m.
Raja Yoga is a practice of contemplation and experience which helps engage our being with the holy presence. This prayer practice seeks to integrate Raja Yoga philosophy and Christian theology in a way that honors both. This will be a breathwork and seated practice, not a pose (Hatha) practice. Dress comfortably, no equipment needed. All are welcome. Questions? Contact Clare, cstern@kccathedral.org.

Choral Evensong
Sunday, May 21 • 5 p.m.
A service of Choral Evensong will be offered by the Trinity Choir. This contemplative service lasts about 45 minutes and includes hymns, scripture readings, prayers, chanted Psalms, canticles and a choir anthem.

FIRST FRIDAY
June 2
5–9 p.m.
Save the date! More details coming soon!

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