



GRACE CHURCH
IN NEWARK

AN EPISCOPAL PARISH

The Great Vigil of Easter goes from darkness to light, from patient waiting to jubilation. So, it's fitting then, that the music changes quite a bit throughout the service. The first major piece of music, after the new fire has been brought into the church, is the ancient Easter Proclamation known as the Exsultet, which proclaims the vanquishing of sin. Afterward, psalms will be chanted between the readings of the history of our redemption.

As the Ministers process to the Font to prepare for the Baptism, Palestrina's Motet, *Sicut Cervus* will be sung. This setting of psalm 42 could be considered one of the "greatest hits" of sacred Renaissance Polyphony. Palestrina sets the text in a beautiful polyphonic texture, evoking the water so longed for.

After the baptism and the Litany of the Saints, the first Kyrie of the Graduale Romanum, nicknamed "Lux et origo" and appointed for use in Eastertide, will be sung. Though a plainchant Mass movement may seem musically unremarkable, the melody of this Kyrie is among the most beautiful pieces of plainchant, providing a wistful accompaniment to our preparations for the jubilant outburst of the First Mass of Easter, which begins with the Gloria in excelsis. Before the Gloria, the organ and bells, which have not been heard since the beginning of the Mass on Maundy Thursday, will sound triumphantly, beginning our celebration of the most important Feast of the church year; that of the Resurrection of our Lord. Soon afterward, after the Epistle is read, the word "Alleluia," suppressed throughout Lent in the western tradition, will be sung repeatedly before the Gospel.

At Communion, the Joseph Noyon's triumphant *Christus Vincit* will be sung. This barn-burner is structured simply, with two solo verses and a refrain. The simple setting of the text, a crescendo to "Christus imperat" or "Christ reigns," is a jubilant outburst, expressing our joy at Jesus' resurrection.

Finally, after Mass, the famous Toccata from Widor's 5th Symphony will be heard. Widor was one of the leaders of the French Symphonic organ school of the late-19th Century. He studied in Belgium with Jacques Lemmens before moving to Paris to become Organiste Titulaire on the large and revolutionary Cavaillé-Coll instrument at Saint Sulpice. He succeeded Cèsar Franck as professor of organ at the Paris Conservatoire in 1890, and counted Louis Vierne and Charles Tournemire among his pupils. Widor was a classicist, favoring conventional harmony and classical forms over some of the more adventurous experiments with both in the late 19th Century. This Toccata is a good example, essentially in A-B-A form with an introduction and coda. Widor often complained that other organists, particularly Americans, played this piece too quickly, though most organists don't have a Cavaillé-Coll in a large room at their disposal! However, our Casavant does the job admirably. So, how quickly will it be played? Well, I'm not sure even I know yet.

THE GREAT VIGIL OF EASTER

APRIL 15, 2014

LITURGY AT 8:00 PM

THE LIGHTING OF THE PASCHAL CANDLE

The Celebrant arrives at the west door of the church. In the darkness fire is kindled. The Celebrant addresses the people, saying

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.

The Celebrant sings the following prayer

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.



A- men.

The Paschal Candle is then lighted from the newly kindled fire, and an Assisting Priest, bearing the candle, leads the procession to the Chancel, pausing three times and singing



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

Servers light the people's candles from the Paschal Candle.

Exsultet

Rejoice now, heavenly hosts and choirs of angels, and let your trumpets shout Salvation for the victory of our mighty King. Rejoice and sing now, all the round earth, bright with a glorious splendor, for darkness has been vanquished by our eternal King. Rejoice and be glad now, Mother Church, and let your holy courts, in radiant light, resound with the praises of your people. All you who stand near this marvelous and holy flame, pray with me to God the Almighty for the grace to sing the worthy praise of this great light; through Jesus Christ his Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever.



A- men.



∇. The Lord be with you. Ɀ. And al- so with you. ∇. Let us give



thanks to the Lord our God. Ɀ. 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 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 give his light to all creation and who lives and reigns for ever and ever.



A- men.

All extinguish their candles. The people sit.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

The Celebrant introduces the scripture readings in these words

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.

Reading—Genesis 1: 1 – 2: 4a

In the beginning when God created the heavens and the earth, the earth was a formless void and darkness covered the face of the deep, while a wind from God swept over the face of the waters. Then God said, ‘Let there be light’; and there was light. And God saw that the light was good; and God separated the light from the darkness. God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day. And God said, ‘Let there be a dome in the midst of the waters, and let it separate the waters from the waters.’ So God made the dome and separated the waters that were under the dome from the waters that were above the dome. And it was so. God called the dome Sky. And there was evening and there was morning, the second day. And God said, ‘Let the waters under the sky be gathered together into one place, and let the dry land appear.’ And it was so. God called the dry land Earth, and the waters that were gathered together he called Seas. And God saw that it was good. Then God said, ‘Let the earth put forth vegetation: plants yielding seed, and fruit trees of every kind on earth that bear fruit with the seed in it.’ And it was so. The earth brought forth vegetation: plants yielding seed of every kind, and trees of every kind bearing fruit with the seed in it. And God saw that it was good. And there was evening and there was morning, the third day. And God said, ‘Let there be lights in the dome of the sky to separate the day from the night; and let them be for signs and for seasons and for days and years, and let them be lights in the dome of the sky to give light upon the earth.’ And it was so. God made the two great lights--the greater light to rule the day and the lesser light to rule the night--and the stars. God set them in the dome of the sky to give light upon the earth, to rule over the day and over the night, and to separate the light from the darkness. And God saw that it was good. And there was evening and there was morning, the fourth day. And God said, ‘Let the waters bring forth swarms of living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth across the dome of the sky.’ So God created the great sea monsters and every living creature that moves, of every kind, with which the waters swarm, and every winged bird of every kind. And God saw that it was good. God blessed them, saying, ‘Be fruitful and multiply and fill the waters in the seas, and let birds multiply on the earth.’ And there was evening and there was morning, the fifth day. And God said, ‘Let the earth bring forth living creatures of every kind: cattle and creeping things and wild animals of the earth of every kind.’ And it was so. God made the wild animals of the earth of every kind, and the cattle of every kind, and everything that creeps upon the ground of every kind. And God saw that it was good. Then God said, ‘Let us make humankind in our image, according to our likeness; and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the birds of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the wild animals of the earth, and over every creeping thing that creeps upon the earth.’ So God created humankind in his image, in the image of God he created them; male and female he created them. God blessed them, and God said to them, ‘Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth and subdue it; and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the air and over every living thing that moves upon the

earth.’ God said, ‘See, I have given you every plant yielding seed that is upon the face of all the earth, and every tree with seed in its fruit; you shall have them for food. And to every beast of the earth, and to every bird of the air, and to everything that creeps on the earth, everything that has the breath of life, I have given every green plant for food.’ And it was so. God saw everything that he had made, and indeed, it was very good. And there was evening and there was morning, the sixth day. Thus the heavens and the earth were finished, and all their multitude. And on the seventh day God finished the work that he had done, and he rested on the seventh day from all the work that he had done. So God blessed the seventh day and hallowed it, because on it God rested from all the work that he had done in creation. These are the generations of the heavens and the earth when they were created.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 136: 1-9, 23-26

Setting by Bruce Ford (b. 1947)

Refrain—*Cantor, then all repeat*



God’s mer- cy en- dures for ev- er.

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good, his mercy endures for ever. Give thanks to the God of gods, for his mercy endures forever. Give thanks to the Lord of lords, for his mercy endures for ever. *All repeat the refrain*

Who only does great wonders, for his mercy endures for ever; who by wisdom made the heavens, for his mercy endures for ever; who spread out the earth upon the waters, for his mercy endures for ever. *All repeat the refrain*

Who created great lights, for his mercy endures for ever; The sun to rule by day, for his mercy endures for ever; the moon and the stars to govern the night, for his mercy endures for ever. *All repeat the refrain*

Who remembered us in our low estate, for his mercy endures for ever; and delivered us from our enemies, for his mercy endures for ever; who gives food to all creatures, for his mercy endures for ever. Give thanks to the Lord of heaven, for his mercy endures for ever. *All repeat the refrain*

Here and after each Psalm or Tract the people stand. The Celebrant (or an Assisting Priest) sings, Let us pray, and the people pray in silence. The Priest then sings the Collect.

Collect

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.

After this and each collect following the five readings:



A- men.

Reading—Exodus 14: 10-31, 15: 20-21

As Pharaoh drew near, the Israelites looked back, and there were the Egyptians advancing on them. In great fear the Israelites cried out to the LORD. They said to Moses, ‘Was it because there were no graves in Egypt that you have taken us away to die in the wilderness? What have you done to us, bringing us out of Egypt? Is this not the very thing we told you in Egypt, ‘Let us alone and let us serve the Egyptians?’ For it would have been better for us to serve the Egyptians than to die in the wilderness.’ But Moses said to the people, ‘Do not be afraid, stand firm, and see the deliverance that the LORD will accomplish for you today; for the Egyptians whom you see today you shall never see again. The LORD will fight for you, and you have only to keep still.’ Then the LORD said to Moses, ‘Why do you cry out to me? Tell the Israelites to go forward. But you lift up your staff, and stretch out your hand over the sea and divide it, that the Israelites may go into the sea on dry ground. Then I will harden the hearts of the Egyptians so that they will go in after them; and so I will gain glory for myself over Pharaoh and all his army, his chariots, and his chariot drivers. And the Egyptians shall know that I am the LORD, when I have gained glory for myself over Pharaoh, his chariots, and his chariot drivers.’ The angel of God who was going before the Israelite army moved and went behind them; and the pillar of cloud moved from in front of them and took its place behind them. It came between the army of Egypt and the army of Israel. And so the cloud was there with the darkness, and it lit up the night; one did not come near the other all night. Then Moses stretched out his hand over the sea. The LORD drove the sea back by a strong east wind all night, and turned the sea into dry land; and the waters were divided. The Israelites went into the sea on dry ground, the waters forming a wall for them on their right and on their left. The Egyptians pursued, and went into the sea after them, all of Pharaoh’s horses, chariots, and chariot drivers. At the morning watch the LORD in the pillar of fire and cloud looked down upon the Egyptian army, and threw the Egyptian army into panic. He clogged their chariot wheels so that they turned with difficulty. The Egyptians said, ‘Let us flee from the Israelites, for the LORD is fighting for them against Egypt.’ Then the LORD said to Moses, ‘Stretch out your hand over the sea, so that the water may come back upon the Egyptians, upon their chariots and chariot drivers.’ So Moses stretched out his hand over the sea, and at dawn the sea returned to its normal depth. As the Egyptians fled before it, the LORD tossed the Egyptians into the sea. The waters returned and covered the chariots and the chariot drivers, the entire army of Pharaoh that had followed them into the sea; not one of them remained. But the

Israelites walked on dry ground through the sea, the waters forming a wall for them on their right and on their left. Thus the LORD saved Israel that day from the Egyptians; and Israel saw the Egyptians dead on the seashore. Israel saw the great work that the LORD did against the Egyptians. So the people feared the LORD and believed in the LORD and in his servant Moses. Then the prophet Miriam, Aaron's sister, took a tambourine in her hand; and all the women went out after her with tambourines and with dancing. And Miriam sang to them: 'Sing to the LORD, for he has triumphed gloriously; horse and rider he has thrown into the sea.'

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Tract—The Song of Moses

Mode 1

I will sing to the Lord, for he is lofty and uplifted; the horse and rider he has hurled into the sea. The Lord is my strength and 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 compare 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 forever and ever. (*Exodus 14*)

Collect

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

Reading—Isaiah 55: 1-11

Lo, everyone who thirsts, come to the waters; and you that have no money, come, buy and eat! Come, buy wine and milk without money and without price. Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread, and your labor for that which does not satisfy? Listen carefully to me, and eat what is good, and delight yourselves in rich food. Incline your ear, and come to me; listen, so that you may live. I will

Reading—Ezekiel 37: 1–14

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

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 143: 1-9

Setting by Bruce Ford

Refrain—*Cantor, then all repeat*



Re- vive me, O Lord, for your Name's sake.

Lord, hear my prayer, and in your faithfulness heed my supplications; answer me in your righteousness. Enter not into judgment with your servant, for in your sight shall no one living be justified. *All repeat the refrain*

For my enemy has sought my life; he has crushed me to the ground; he has made me live in dark places like those who are long dead. My spirit faints within me; my heart within me is desolate. *All repeat the refrain*

I remember the time past; I muse upon all your deeds; I consider the works of your hands. I spread out my hands to you; my soul gasps to you like a thirsty land.

All repeat the refrain

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.

All repeat the refrain

I remember the time past; I muse upon all your deeds; I consider the works of your hands. I spread out my hands to you; my soul gasps to you like a thirsty land.

All repeat the refrain

Collect

Almighty God, by the Passover of your Son you have brought us out of sin into righteousness and out of death into life: Grant to those who are sealed by your Holy Spirit the will and the power to proclaim you to all the world; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Reading—Zephaniah 3: 12–20

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

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 98: 1–4, 6–9

Setting by James McGregor (b. 1930)

Refrain—*Cantor, then all repeat*



Shout with joy to the Lord, all you lands: lift up your voice,



re-joice and sing.

Sing to the Lord a new song, for he has done marvelous things. With his right hand and his holy arm he has won for himself the victory. *All repeat the refrain*

The Lord has made known his victory; his righteousness he has 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. *All repeat the refrain*

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.

All repeat the refrain

Let the sea make a noise and all that is in it, the lands and all who dwell therein. Let the rivers clap their hands, and let the hills ring out before the Lord, when he comes to judge the earth.

All repeat the refrain

Collect

O God of unchangeable power and eternal light; Look favorably on your whole Church, that wonderful and sacred mystery; by the effectual working of your providence, carry out in tranquility the plan of salvation; let the whole world see and know that things which were cast down are being raised up, and things which had grown old are being made new, and that all things are being brought to their perfection by him through whom all things were made, your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

HOLY BAPTISM

The people remain standing. The ministers proceed to the font. The Candidate, Godparents, and Parents approach. Meanwhile, the Choir sings the following Motet.

Motet—Sicut cervus
Sicut cervus desiderat ad fontes
aquarum, ita desiderat anima
mea ad te, Deus.

Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina (c.1525-1594)
*As the deer longs for the water-brooks,
so longs my soul for you, O God. (Psalm
42)*

Presentation and Examination of the Candidates

Julia Simone Cadogan, Leila Joy Naa Lamiorakor Leverette, Sidney Tiffany Lowe, are the Candidates for Baptism.

The Celebrant says

The Candidates for Holy Baptism will now be presented.

Parents and Godparents

I present Julia to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.

I present Leila to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.

I present Sidney to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.

The Celebrant asks the parents and godparents

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

Parents & Godparents I will, with God's help.

Celebrant

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

Parents & Godparents I will, with God's help.

Then the Celebrant asks the following questions of the parents and godparents.

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

Candidates I renounce them.

Celebrant

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

Candidates I renounce them.

Celebrant

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

Candidates I renounce them.

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

Candidates I do.

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

Candidates I do.

Celebrant Do you promise to follow and obey him as you Lord?

Candidates I do.

The Celebrant addresses the congregation.

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

People We will.

The Celebrant then says

Through the Paschal mystery, dear friends, we are buried with Christ by Baptism into his death, and raised with him to newness of life. I call upon you therefore, now that our Lenten observance is ended, to join with those who are committing themselves to Christ and 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 the Holy Catholic Church.

The Baptismal Covenant

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.

Prayers for the Candidates

Let us now pray for these persons who are to receive the Sacrament of new birth.

☩ Deliver them, O Lord, from the way of sin and death,



℟: Lord, hear our prayer.

☩ Open their hearts to your grace and truth.	℟: Lord, hear our prayer.
☩ Fill them with your holy and life-giving Spirit.	℟: Lord, hear our prayer.
☩ Keep them in the faith and communion of your holy Church.	℟: Lord, hear our prayer.
☩ Teach them to love others in the power of the Spirit.	℟: Lord, hear our prayer.
☩ Send them into the world in witness to your love.	℟: Lord, hear our prayer.
☩ Bring them to the fullness of your peace and glory.	℟: Lord, hear our prayer.

From this collect forward "Amen" will be sung on a monotone unless otherwise indicated.

The Celebrant says

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.*

Thanksgiving over the Water

The Celebrant blesses the water, first saying

∿ The Lord be with you. ∿ And al- so with you. ∿ Let us give

thanks to the Lord our God. ∿ It is right to give him thanks and praise.

We thank you, Almighty God, for the gift of water. Over it the Holy Spirit moved in the beginning of creation. Through it you led the children of Israel out of their bondage in Egypt into the land of promise. In it your Son Jesus received the baptism of John and was anointed by the Holy Spirit as the Messiah, the Christ, to lead us, through his death and resurrection, from the bondage of sin into everlasting life.

We thank you, Father, for the water of Baptism. In it we are buried with Christ in his death. By it we share in his resurrection. Through it we are reborn by the Holy Spirit. Therefore in joyful obedience to your Son, we bring into his fellowship those who come to him in faith, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

The Celebrant immerses the paschal candle in the water three times at these words

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

A- men.

The Baptism

Each Candidate is presented by name to the Celebrant, who then pours water, saying

N., I baptize you in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

The Priest prays over him

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 an inquiring and discerning heart, the courage to will and to persevere, a spirit to know and to love you, and the gift of joy and wonder in all your works. *Amen.*

Then the Priest places a hand on the person's head, marking on the forehead the sign of the cross with Chrism, and saying

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

When the Candidate has been baptized, the Celebrant says

Let us welcome the newly baptized.

Celebrant and People

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

The Sprinkling of the People

The Litany of the Saints

The people remain standing and join in singing the Litany of the Saints.

℣. O God the Father, Creator of heaven and earth



℟. Have mer- cy up- on us.

℣. O God the Son, redeemer of the world, ℟. Have mercy upon us.

℣. O God the Holy Spirit, sanctifier of the faithful, ℟. Have mercy upon us.

℣. O Holy, Blessed, Glorious Trinity, One God, ℟. Have mercy upon us.

Then follow the petitions to the Saints, to which the people respond



℟. Pray for us.

Then the Litany continues

℣. From all evil and from all sin,



℟. Good Lord, de- liv- er us.

℣. From the crafts and assaults of the devil, ℟. Good Lord, deliver us.

℣. From everlasting damnation, ℟. Good Lord, deliver us.

℣. Through your holy incarnation, ℟. Good Lord, deliver us.

℣. Through your nativity, ℟. Good Lord, deliver us.

℣. Through your baptism, fasting, and temptation, ℟. Good Lord, deliver us.

℣. Through your cross and passion, ℟. Good Lord, deliver us.

We praise thee, we bless thee, we wor-ship thee, we glo-ri-fy
 thee, we give thanks to thee for thy great glo-ry, O Lord
 God, heav'n-ly King, God—the Fa-ther al- migh- ty—
 O Lord, the on- ly be- got- ten Son, Je- sus Christ, O Lord God
 Lamb of God, Son of the Fa-ther, that tak-est a- way the sins of the
 world, have mer- cy up- on us. Thou that tak-est a- way the sins of the
 world, re- ceive our prayer. Thou that sit- test at the right hand of
 God the Fa- ther, have mer- cy up- on us. For thou on- ly art
 ho- ly. Thou on- ly art the Lord. Thou on- ly, O
 Christ, with the Ho- ly Ghost, art Most High in the glo-ry of
 God the Fa- ther. A— men.

Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant 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 and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Epistle—Romans 6: 3–11

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

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

A brief period of silence is observed.

Great Alleluia

The Cantor sings the Alleluia three times. Each time all repeat it.



Psalm 114. The Cantor sings the first verse

Alleluia! When Israel came out of Egypt, alleluia,

The house of Jacob from a people of strange speech, alleluia.

The People respond



Judah became God's sanctuary, alleluia, *
and Israel his dominion, alleluia.

The sea beheld it and fled, alleluia *
Jordan turned and went back, alleluia.

The mountains skipped like rams, alleluia.
The little hills like young sheep, alleluia.

What ailed you, O sea, that you fled? alleluia *
O Jordan that you turned back? alleluia.

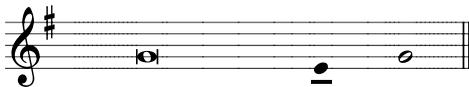
You mountains that you skipped like rams? alleluia *
You little hills like young sheep? alleluia.

Tremble, O earth, at the presence of the Lord, alleluia.
At the presence of the God of Jacob, alleluia.

Who turned the hard rock into a pool of water, alleluia.
And flint-stone into a flowing spring, alleluia

Holy Gospel—Matthew 28: 1-10

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

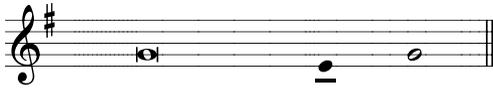


People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

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.”

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.



People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Homily

Max Woolley

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Offertory Antiphon—Dextera Domini

Dextera Domini fecit virtutem;
dextera Domini exaltavit me; non
moriar, sed vivam, et narrabo
opera Domini.

Mode 2

*The right hand of the Lord has triumphed;
the right hand of the Lord has exalted me; I
shall not die, but live, and declare the works
of the Lord. (Psalm 118)*

Hymn 174

“At the Lamb’s high feast we sing”

Eucharistic Prayer A

Sanctus arr. by James McGregor

Memorial Acclamation arr. by Mason Martens



∞ The Lord be with you. ℞ And al- so with you ∞ Lift up your



hearts. ℞ We lift them to the Lord. ∞ Let us give thanks to



the Lord our God. ℞ It is right to give him thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, through Jesus Christ our Lord; 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:

Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho-ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,
 heav'n and earth are full of your glo- ry. 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.

The people remain standing. The Celebrant continues

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world. On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, 'Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.' After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, 'Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me.' Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died. Christ is ris- en. Christ will come a- gain.

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these

gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom. All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever.



A- men.

Lord's Prayer

The Celebrant begins



And now as our Sa- vior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

All continue



Our Fa- ther, who art in hea- ven, hal- low- ed be thy Name,



thy king- dom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in



hea- ven. Give us this day our dai- ly bread, and for- give us our tres-



pass- es, as we for- give those who tres- pass a- gainst us. And lead us



not in- to temp- ta- tion, but de- liv- er us from e- vil. For thine is the



king- dom and the pow'r and the glo- ry, for ev- er and ev- er. A- men.

Breaking of the Bread



∇ Al- le- lu- ia. Christ our Pass- o- ver is sac- ri- ficed for us



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

Agnus Dei—Lux et origo

Mode 4

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata
mundi: miserere nobis.

*O Lamb of God, that takes away the sins
of the world, have mercy upon us.*

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata
mundi: miserere nobis.

*O Lamb of God, that takes away the sins
of the world, have mercy upon us.*

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata
mundi: dona nobis pacem.

*O Lamb of God, that takes away the sins
of the world, grant us your peace.*

Distribution of Holy Communion

Behold the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world.
The Gifts of God for the People of God.

All baptized Christians are welcome to receive the Communion. If you are not baptized or do not wish to receive, you are welcome to come to the rail for a blessing, indicated by crossing your arms over your chest. If you wish to discuss baptism, please speak to the priest. The ministers will bring Communion to those who tell an usher that they cannot easily climb the steps.

Communion Antiphon—Pascha nostrum

Mode 6

Pascha nostrum immolatus est
Christus, alleluia; itaque epulemur
in azymis sinceritatis et veritatis,
alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

*Christ our Pasover is sacrificed for us,
alleluia; therefore, let us keep the feast
with the unleavened bread of sincerity
and truth, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.*

(I Corinthians 5)

Motet—Christus vincit

Joseph Noyon (1888-1962)

Christus vincit, Christus regnat,
Christus imperat! ∇. Gloria Patri,
et Filio, et Spiritui Sancto. ∇.
Sicut erat in principio, et nunc, et
semper, et in saecula saeculorum.
Amen.

*Christ conquers, Christ reigns, Christ
rules! ∇. Glory to the Father, and to
the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. ∇. As
it was in the beginning, is now, and will
be forever. Amen.*

Postcommunion Prayer

Pour out upon us the Spirit of your love, O Lord: and grant in your mercy that those whom you have nourished with this Paschal Sacrament may be made one in heart and mind; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Easter Blessing

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

Here and all following



A- men.

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.*

Paschal Dismissal

∇. Go in peace to love and serve the Lord, alleluia, alleluia.



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

Hymn 207

“Jesus Christ is risen today”

Organ—Toccatà from Symphonie No. 5

Charles-Marie Widor (1844-1937)

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

Easter Day

April 16

8:00 A.M.—Said Mass

9:45 A.M.—Choristers Rehearsal

10:30 A.M.—High Mass with Procession

There will be no Church School this day.

An Easter Egg Hunt for the children follows High Mass.

Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday, April 17-19, 2017

Offices will be closed

No Mass

Thursday-Friday, April 20-21, 2017

12:10 P.M. Said Mass

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sunday, May 7

4:00 P.M.—Solemn Evensong and Benediction

With the St. Gregory Choir

Sunday, May 21

4:00 P.M.—Alkemie: Love to my Liking

Sunday, May 28

4:00 P.M.—Solemn Evensong and Benediction

With Choristers from the Grace Church Choir School and

The Choir School of St. Paul's Church, Englewood

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