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# The Great Vigil of Easter

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**Holy Eucharist Rite II**

*A warm welcome to all this Saturday Evening! Our worship is guided using the **red** Book of Common Prayer (BCP). Supplemental material from other sources is in this bulletin. Music is found in the **blue** Gather hymnal. Page numbers are as indicated. Feel free to ask a neighbor for help if you have questions about the service. Thank you for being here!!*

**Bold text indicates parts for the Assembly to say.**

*Smaller Italic text offers directions for the service.*

## **The Paschal Triduum**

The Paschal Triduum (the Sacred Three Days) is a single three-fold liturgy, beginning Maundy Thursday, continuing through Good Friday and culminating with the Great Vigil of Easter. Throughout our celebration of these three days, we enter deeply into the mystery of Christ's passion, inviting the power of his resurrection to remake and renew us.

The service begins outside of the church.

### LIGHTING OF THE NEW FIRE

In the darkness, fire is kindled; after which the Presider greets the people. The Presider concludes with

Let us pray.

The Presider prays a prayer of blessing over the fire. The people respond

**Amen.**

The presider leads a procession into the church, stopping twice before placing the candle in its stand to sing



The light of Christ. Thanks be to God.

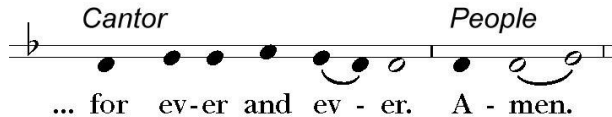
*At the second and third pause, the Versicle and Response is sung successively a step higher.*

The candles—except those at the Altar—are lit from the Paschal Candle.

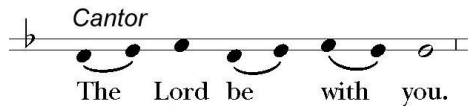
### THE EXSULTET

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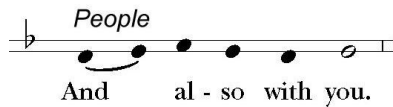
A cantor sings the Exsultet, pausing at



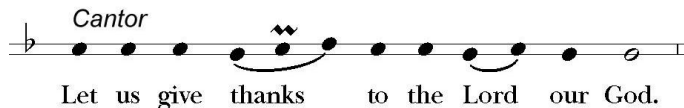
... for ev-er and ev - er. A - men.



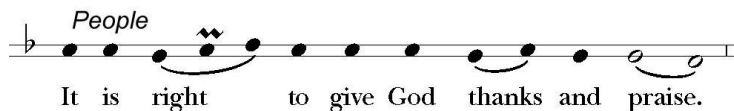
The Lord be with you.



And al - so with you.

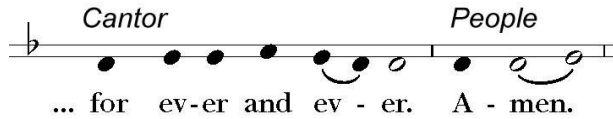


Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



It is right to give God thanks and praise.

The cantor gives thanks to God for God's acts of salvation through time, including Christ's defeat of death and offers the Paschal Candle to God concluding



## THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

BCP P. 288

After each reading, a minute of silence is kept before the response. A collect, sung by the Presider, follows each reading and its response. The people sing their "Amen" on a monotone.

## THE STORY OF CREATION

GENESIS 1.1-2.4A

### THE RESPONSE

LET THERE BE LIGHT

BLUE GATHER 561

Silence following the collect is marked by bells.

## THE FLOOD

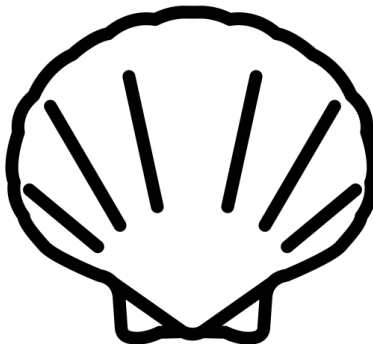
GENESIS 7:1-5, 11-18, 8:6-18, 9:8-13

### THE RESPONSE

WADE IN THE WATER

GATHER 898

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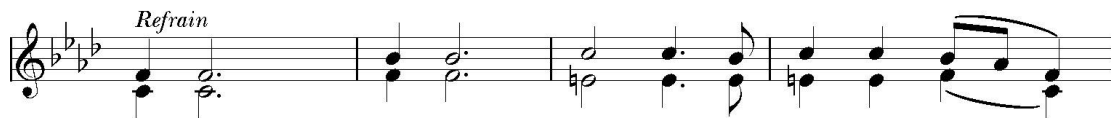
## THE RESPONSE



- 1 When Is - rael was in E - gypt's land, let my peo-ple go;  
 2 The Lord told Mo - ses what to do, let my peo-ple go;  
 3 They jour-neyed on at his com - mand, let my peo-ple go;  
 4 Oh, let us all from bond - age flee, let my peo-ple go;



op - pressed so hard they could not stand, let my peo-ple go.  
 to lead the chil-dren of Is - rael through, let my peo-ple go.  
 and came at length to Ca - naan's land, let my peo-ple go.  
 and let us all in Christ be free, let my peo-ple go.



Go down, Mo - ses, way down in E - gypt's land;



tell old Pha - raoh to let my peo-ple go.

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*Silence following the collect is marked by bells.*

## THE VALLEY OF DRY BONES

EZEKIEL 37:1-14

### RESPONSE

PSALM 143

BCP P. 798

### THE RENEWAL OF BAPTISMAL VOWS

BCP P. 292

### PRAYERS FOR THE CANDIDATES

BCP P. 305

The people respond to each bidding with “**Lord, hear our prayer.**”

### THANKSGIVING OVER THE WATER

BCP P. 306

*Celebrant* *People*

The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

*Celebrant*

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*People*

It is right to give him thanks and praise.

The presider gives thanks to God for saving God's people through water through history; for joining new Christians to Christ's death and resurrection in baptism; and asking God to make the water holy for use in baptism.

*Celebrant* *People*

A - men.

### RENEWAL OF PROMISES

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The candles at the Altar are now lit from the Paschal Candle, and the lights of the church are turned on!

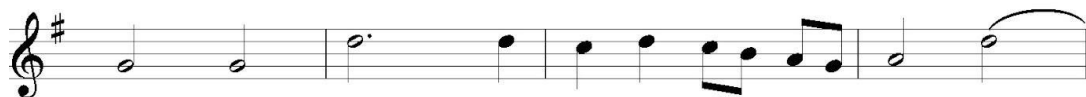
The canticle Christ Our Passover is sung while the assistants asperge the assembly and the presider censes the altar.



1. God's Pas - chal Lamb is sac - ri - ficed for us;
2. Now Christ is raised and will not die a - gain;
3. In Christ we see the first fruits of the dead:



There - fore with joy we keep the Eas - ter feast; for -  
death has no more do - min - ion o - ver him; Through  
though Ad - am's sin had doomed all flesh to die, in



sak - ing sin, we share the bread of truth. Al -  
him we die to sin and live to God. Al -  
Christ's new life shall all be made a - live. Al -



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

## COLLECT OF THE DAY

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*The presider and people sing on a monotone.*

Presider The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Let us pray.

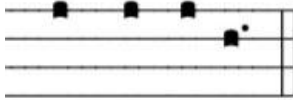
*The presider prays the Collect of the Day. The people respond **Amen.***

*The people are seated.*

**THE EPISTLE**

**ROMANS 6.3-11**

*Reader* Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.



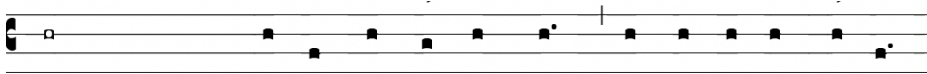
*People* Thanks be to God  
The people stand as they are able.

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

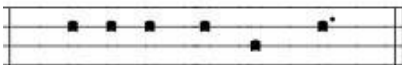
**ALLELUIA**

**GATHER 241**

**THE GOSPEL**

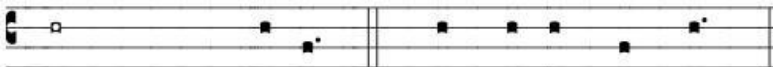


✠ The Holy Gospel of our Lord Je - sus Christ ac-cord-ing to Matt-hew.



✠ *Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

*The Gospeller proclaims the Gospel and concludes*



✠ The Gospel of the Lord. ✠ *Praise to you, Lord Christ.*

**SERMON**

**THE REV. JOSEPH PETERS-MATHEWS**

*There will be a period of reflection and silence after the sermon. The people stand as they are able, when the presider stands.*

## THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Please respond to the bidding “We give thanks to you, O God,” with **“For you have answered us.”**

## THE PEACE

BCP P. 360

Presider The peace of the Lord be always with you

People **And also with you.**

The people greet one another with the peace of Christ, using a friendly gesture such as a smile, wave, or bow.

## The Holy Communion

The presider begins the Offertory with a sentence of scripture.

### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING – EUCHARISTIC PRAYER D\*

If not already standing, please stand as able.

The musical notation is presented in four systems, each with a staff and lyrics below. The first system is for the Celebrant and the People. The second system is for the Celebrant and the People. The third system is for the Celebrant. The fourth system is for the People. The notation uses a single treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The lyrics are as follows:

*Celebrant*      *People*  
The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

*Celebrant*      *People*  
Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

*Celebrant*  
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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



The presider offers thanks to God for the grace and mercy made available in Christ, and in response people sing:

Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly

Lord, God of hosts. Heav-en 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, ho - san - na in the high - est.

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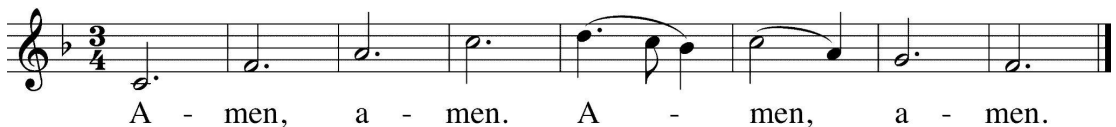
We recall God's acts of salvation history. The presider says the "Words of Institution" that Jesus said at the Last Supper. At the Memorial Acclamation we remember Christ's death, resurrection, and promise to return at the end of the age saying

... and offering to you from the gifts you have given us, this bread and this cup, we praise you and we bless you :



During the prayer, the Holy Spirit is invoked to bless and sanctify the gifts of bread and wine and the people gathered in worship. The Great Amen is when the congregation with a unified great voice concurs with all that the presider has prayed. It is the only "Amen" in all capitals found in the Book of Common Prayer, signifying the greatness of the congregation's response.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, all honor and glory are yours, Almighty God and Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, for ever and ever.



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## THE LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your Name,  
your kingdom come,  
your will be done,  
on earth as in heaven.**

**Give us today our daily bread.**  
**Forgive us our sins**  
     **as we forgive those**  
     **who sin against us.**  
**Save us from the time of trial,**  
     **and deliver us from evil.**  
**For the kingdom, the power,**  
     **and the glory are yours,**  
     **now and forever. Amen.**

# **THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD**

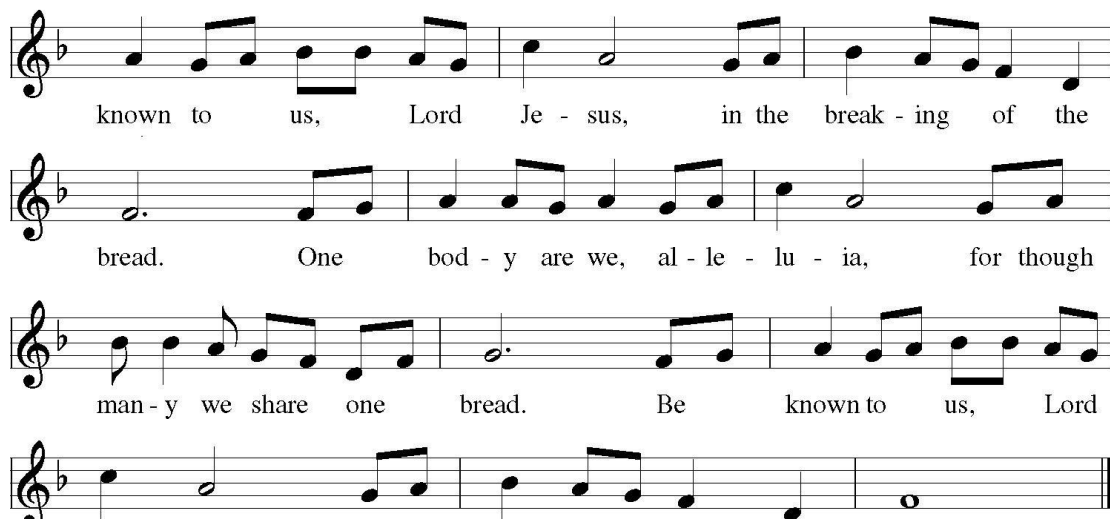
*A minute of silence is observed as the Bread is broken and Wine divided into separate vessels.*

## **FRACTION ANTHEM**

## **BE KNOWN TO US LORD JESUS**

**WLP 875**

Be known to us, Lord Je - sus, in the  
 1. break - ing of the bread. Be bread. The  
 2. bread which we break, al - le - lu - ia, Is the com -  
 mun - ion of the bod - y of Christ. Be



known to us, Lord Je - sus, in the break - ing of the  
bread. One bod - y are we, al - le - lu - ia, for though  
man - y we share one bread. Be known to us, Lord  
Je - sus, in the break - ing of the bread.

Music: Gary James (b. 1957)

## THE INVITATION

**BCP p.364**

As soon as the invitation is given, the people move forward to receive Communion.

*Please come down an aisle to an empty space around the altar platform. Hold your hands in front of you to receive the Bread, and leave it there if you would prefer not to receive Wine from a shared cup. A server will dip your bread and serve you. Alcohol- and gluten-free options are available; let a server know your needs.*

*If you would prefer not to receive Communion, you are invited to come forward, cross your arms over your chest, and receive a blessing. Please join in singing the Communion Songs after receiving.*

## COMMUNION SONG

## HOW FIRM A FOUNDATION

**GATHER 694**

## COMMUNION SONG

## I WANT TO WALK AS A CHILD OF THE LIGHT

**GATHER 593**

## POST COMMUNION PRAYER

*When the presider bids the people pray, the assembly stands. Please remain standing through the brief announcements.*

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

#### **THE BLESSING**

*The blessing is in four parts. After each part the Presider will pause, and the people respond*  
**Amen.**

**CLOSING HYMN**

**JESUS CHRIST IS RISEN TODAY**

**GATHER 540**

#### **THE DISMISSAL**

*The presider dismisses the people who respond*

People      **Thanks be to God.**

## Liturgical notes

- The Opening Acclamation is from *Enriching Our Worship*, a supplement to the *Book of Common Prayer*.
- The Eucharistic Prayer differs from that printed in the Prayer Book. The Episcopal Church's 79th General Convention, in 2018, authorized (Resolution D078) a trial service of Holy Eucharist in "expansive language." This means, in this context, that the use of gender-specific pronouns and words such as "Lord," etc., are minimized, but are by no means eliminated. The dismissal is from this resource as well.

## Announcements

- Bible Study is on Zoom every Thursday at 7 p.m. There are no prerequisites! Anyone is welcome to join any time. The group discusses the gospel for the following Sunday.
- 20s/30s monthly Zoom social is the Third Monday of each month. The next 20s/30s monthly Zoom social will be **April 17**, at 7 p.m.
- Creative Tuesday, Hilda's Time, is the third Tuesday of each month! Bring your supplies and projects, we'll sit together and discuss life and the universe, our projects, and the impact we have with these activities. This group meets from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. The next gathering is **April 18**.
- Chelsea Zybach is looking for assistance with the bread baking ministry! Find her at coffee hour or email her for more information.
- **As part of outreach efforts, Carol Rypkema is collecting money for**
  - another round of backpacks for students at Scriber Lake High School
  - food baskets and Easter baskets for families to celebrate Easter
  - the Little Free Pantry if your Lenten fast is leading to a savings in other spending
- **Holy Week Schedule**
  - **Sunday, April 9, 9:30 a.m. — Easter Day**



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### **Sunday Service 9:30 a.m.**

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