



SAINT JOHN'S
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THE GREAT VIGIL OF EASTER

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THE HOLY EUCHARIST

THE GREAT EASTER VIGIL

The lighting of the Paschal candle

The People stand.

As the Celebrant addresses the People, fire is kindled.

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.

Celebrant Let us pray.

The Celebrant continues

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. Amen.

The Paschal Candle is then lit from the newly-kindled fire. The cantor, carrying the Paschal Candle, leads the procession to the chancel, pausing three times while the following is sung:

Cantor The light of Christ.

People Thanks be to God.

*The Paschal Candle is placed in its stand. Then a cantor standing near the Candle sings the Exsultet.
Paul Fisher, 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 him thanks and praise.

The Cantor continues

It is truly right and good, always and everywhere, with our whole heart and mind and voice, to praise you, the invisible, almighty, and eternal God, and your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who at the feast of the Passover paid for us the debt of Adam's sin, and by his blood delivered your faithful people.

This is the night, when you brought our fathers, the children of Israel, out of bondage in Egypt, and led them through the Red Sea on dry land.

This is the night, when all who believe in Christ are delivered from the gloom of sin, and are restored to grace and holiness of life. This is the night, when Christ broke the bonds of death and hell, and rose victorious from the grave.

How wonderful and beyond our knowing, O God, is your mercy and loving-kindness to us, that to redeem a slave, you gave a Son.

How holy is this night, when wickedness is put to flight, and sin is washed away. It restores innocence to the fallen, and joy to those who mourn. It casts out pride and hatred, and brings peace and concord.

How blessed is this night, when earth and heaven are joined and man is reconciled to God.

Holy Father, accept our evening sacrifice, the offering of this candle in your honor.

May it shine continually to drive away all darkness. May Christ, the Morning Star who knows no setting, find it ever burning—he who gives his light to all creation, and who lives and reigns for ever and ever. Amen.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

The Celebrant introduces the Scripture readings

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.

Please be seated.

The First Lesson

Genesis 2:4b-7; 2:18-3:7

Reader A reading from Genesis: The Creation

In the day that the Lord God made the earth and the heavens, when no plant of the field was yet in the earth and no herb of the field had yet sprung up - for the Lord God had not caused it to rain upon the earth, and there was no one to till the ground; but a stream would rise from the earth, and water the whole face of the ground - then the Lord God formed man from the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and the man became a living being. Then the Lord God said, "It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him a helper as his partner." So out of the ground the Lord God formed every animal of the field and every bird of the air, and brought them to the man to see what he would call them; and whatever the man called each living creature, that was its name. The man gave names to all cattle, and to the birds of the air, and to every animal of the field; but for the man there was not found a helper as his partner. So the Lord God caused a deep sleep to fall upon the man, and he slept; then he took one of his ribs and closed up its place with flesh. And the rib that the Lord God had taken from the man he made into a woman and brought her to the man. Then the man said, "This at last is bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh; this one shall be called Woman, for out of Man this one was taken." Therefore a man leaves his father and his mother and clings to his wife, and they become one flesh. And the man and his wife were both naked, and were not ashamed. Now the serpent was more crafty than any other wild animal that the Lord God had made. He said to the woman, "Did God say, 'You shall not eat from any tree in the garden?'" The woman said to the serpent, "We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden; but God said, 'You shall not eat of the fruit of the tree that is in the middle of the garden, nor shall you touch it, or you shall die.'" But the serpent said to the woman, "You will not die; for God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened,

and you will be like God, knowing good and evil.” So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate; and she also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate. Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together and made loincloths for themselves.

The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

The Psalm

Psalm 33:1-11
Puer Nobis
Pam Searcy, Flute



All who are just, sing praise to God, With harp and lyre let all rejoice; Let trumpets sound with all your skill, Sing a new song, lift every voice

For this we know: God’s word is right, And sure the working of his hands; The Lord loves justice, righteousness, His loving-kindness fills all lands.

God made the heavens and heavenly host, His word alone caused them to be; He gathers up the ocean’s waves, Stores up the waters of the sea.

Let all who dwell upon the earth, Now stand in awe and fear the Lord; For when he spoke, it came to pass; All things were finished at his word.

God thwarts the nations’ purposes, Their plans before him cannot last; His plans endure from age to age, The purpose of his heart stands fast.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Silence

Celebrant 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. Amen.

The People are seated.

The Second Lesson

Genesis 7:1-5, 11-18

Reader A reading from Genesis: The Flood

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.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

All stand.

Hymn 679

Celebrant Let us pray.

Thomas Merton
Christine Morris & Lewis Hunt, guitarists

Silence

Celebrant 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.

The People are seated.

The Third Lesson

Exodus 14:19-31; 15:20-21

Reader A reading from Exodus: Israel's deliverance at the Red Sea.

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.

All stand.

Hymn 648

(The congregation sings the refrain only.)

Go Down, Moses

Paul Fisher, soloist

Celebrant Let us pray.

Silence

Celebrantt 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. Amen.

Please be seated.

The Fourth Lesson

Ezekiel 37:1-14

Reader A reading from Ezekiel: The valley of dry bones.

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, "Prophesy 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, "Prophesy 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.

The Psalm

Psalm 114

The Psalm is read responsively by half verse.

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.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Silence

The Celebrant continues

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.

The Homily

The Very Reverend Kate Moorehead Carroll

H O L Y B A P T I S M

The People remain seated as the Candidates and Sponsors come forward.

Presentation of Candidates

The Celebrant says

The Candidates for Holy Baptism will now be presented.

I present Arabella Skye Keyser, Cameron Mitchell Skaff and Stephen Robert Usztok to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.

When the Candidates have been presented the Celebrant asks the Sponsors

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

Parents and Sponsors I will, with God's help.

Celebrant Will you by your prayers and witness help these children to grow into the full stature of Christ?

Parents and Sponsors I will, with God's help.

The Celebrant asks the following questions of the parents and godparents who speak on behalf of the infants.

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

Answer I renounce them.

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

Answer **I renounce them.**

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

Answer **I renounce them.**

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

Answer **I do.**

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

Answer **I do.**

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

Answer **I do.**

The Celebrant addresses the congregation, saying

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

Let us stand and join with those who are committing themselves to Christ and renew our own baptismal covenant.

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 humanbeing?

People I will, with God's help.

Prayers for the Candidates

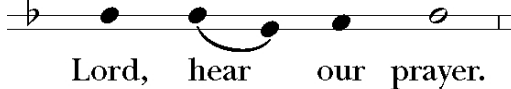
The Celebrant then says to the people

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

The Clergy, Candidate and Sponsors process to the Baptismal font.

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

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Cantor Open their hearts to your grace and truth. 

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Cantor Fill them with your holy and life-giving Spirit.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Cantor Keep them in the faith and communion of your holy Church.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Cantor Teach them to love others in the power of the Spirit.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Cantor Send them into the world in witness to your love.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Cantor Bring them to the fullness of your peace and glory.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

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

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give our thanks and praise.

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

We thank you, Father, for the water of Baptism. In it we are buried with Christ in his death. By it we share in his resurrection. Through it we are reborn by the Holy Spirit.

Therefore in joyful obedience to your Son, we bring into his fellowship those who come to him in faith, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

At the following words, the Celebrant touches the water.

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. **Amen.**

The Baptism

The Celebrant says,

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

You are sealed by the Holy Spirit in Baptism and marked as Christ's own for ever.
Amen.

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.**

Celebrant 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.

All stand.

THE EASTER PROCLAMATION AND FIRST EUCHARIST OF EASTER

The Great Noise

Celebrant Alleluia! Christ is risen!

People The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!

The People begin softly and slowly ringing bells and other noisemakers they have brought with them. The crescendo builds until it is brought to a climax with the organ. The Altar candles are lit from the Paschal Candle. The people may now extinguish their individual candles.

Easter Alleluia and Verse Mode VIII

Cantor: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia



Choir and People: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

Cantor: Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us. Therefore let us keep the feast.

Choir and People: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

The Gospel

John 20:1-18

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

People Glory to you Lord Christ.

Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the tomb. So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, "They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him." Then Peter and the other disciple set out and went toward the tomb. The two were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. He bent down to look in and saw the linen wrappings lying there, but he did not go in. Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen wrappings lying there, and the cloth that had been on Jesus' head, not lying with the linen wrappings but rolled up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; for as yet they did not understand the scripture, that he must rise from the dead. Then the disciples returned to their homes. But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb; and she saw two angels in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had been lying, one at the head and the other at the feet. They said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping?" She said to them, "They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him." When she had said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping? Whom are you looking for?" Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, "Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away." Jesus said to her, "Mary!" She turned and said to him in Hebrew, "Rabbouni!" (which means Teacher). Jesus said to her, "Do not hold on to me, because I have not yet ascended to the Father. But go to my brothers and say to them, 'I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.'" Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, "I have seen the Lord";

and she told them that he had said these things to her.

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

All stand.

The Peace

Celebrant The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

Greet one another in the name of the Lord.

Welcome and Announcements

T H E H O L Y C O M M U N I O N



As the altar is prepared for Communion, please place your offering in the collection plate as it is passed. You may also give by texting jaxcathedral \$(amount) to 73256. Or use the QR Code to the left and give online. Thank you for your generosity!

The Offertory Anthem

While Christ Lay Dead
Stanley Vann

While Christ lay dead the widowed world wore willow green for hope undone:
till, when bright Easter dew's impearled the chilly burial earth, all north and south,
all east and west, flushed rosy in the rising sun: hope laughed, and faith resumed her
rest, and love remembered mirth.

Hymn 380 *(St.3)*

Old 100th

The Great Thanksgiving

Prayer Book of the Church of England

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Father, you made the world and love your creation. You gave your Son Jesus Christ to be our Saviour. His dying and rising have set us free from sin and death. And so we gladly thank you, with saints and angels praising you, and singing:

All sing

Hymn S-125

Richard Proulx

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

The People stand or kneel. The Celebrant continues

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

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

When supper was ended he took the cup of wine. Again he praised you, gave it to them and said: "Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me."

So, Father, we remember all that Jesus did, in him we plead with confidence his

sacrifice made once for all upon the cross. Bringing before you the bread of life and cup of salvation, we proclaim his death and resurrection until he comes in glory. Great is the mystery of faith:

The Celebrant and People sing



Lord of all life, help us to work together for that day when your kingdom comes and justice and mercy will be seen in all the earth. Look with favor on your people, gather us in your loving arms and bring us with all the saints to feast at your table in heaven. Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory are yours, O loving Father, for ever and ever. Amen.

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

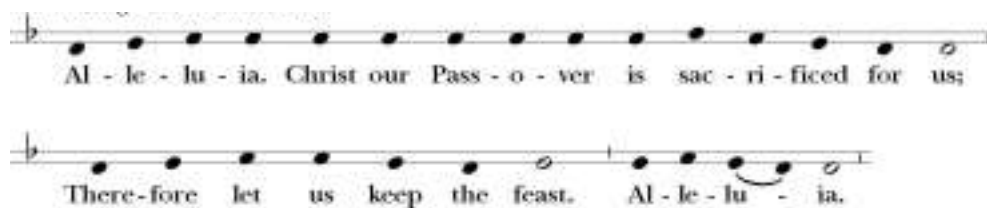
All Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

Celebrant breaks the consecrated bread.

Hymnal S-152

Mason Martens

The Celebrant and People sing the Fraction Anthem.



Celebrant 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 baptized people are welcome to receive communion. Everyone is welcome to come to the altar for a blessing. Please let clergy know if you would like a gluten free wafer. If you would like a blessing, please fold your arms across your chest. You are also invited to receive prayers in our chapel to the left of the altar

Music at Communion

Hymn 174

Salzburg

Motet

Antiphon of Spring
Everett Titcomb

I went down into my garden to see the fruits of the valley, and to see if the vines had flower'd, and the pomegranates were in blossom. Return thee, O Shulamite, that we may look upon thee. Alleluia, allelulia.

The Postcommunion Prayer

Celebrant Let us pray.

All 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

Celebrant Almighty God has redeemed us and made us his children through the resurrection of his Son our Lord. May the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. Amen.

All stand

Hymn 207

Easter Hymn

The Dismissal

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

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

Voluntary

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The Holy Savior is Arisen!
J.S. Bach

LOVE AT THE CORE

Love at the Core is our motto; it refers to the heart of our ministry and mission. For nearly 200 years, St. John's Cathedral has been in the forefront of spiritual leadership and community service in Jacksonville's Urban Core. Many ministries to care for children and the elderly and to promote the arts, education and healthcare started here, including Aging True, The Episcopal School of Jacksonville, Cathedral Care, Cathedral Arts Project, The Cathedral School and Cathedral District-Jax. These ministries are now thriving nonprofit organizations serving the downtown and beyond. Today we continue to move forward with Love at the Core. We invite you to join us.

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THE SEASON OF EASTER

More than just a Sunday, Easter is a season of fifty days from Easter Sunday to Pentecost Sunday in which we joyfully celebrate the resurrection and the renewal of creation. We invite you to join us in exploring the theme “Our Relationship with Nature” throughout this season. All creation is clearly bearing the weight of an immense human population and its excesses. How is God calling us to care for creation?

INFORMATION

For Visitors and Newcomers

Welcome! We’re glad you’ve joined us today. To learn more about membership, baptism, confirmation or to receive emails about upcoming events, fill out a connection card found in the pew and hand it to an usher or clergy. Or, visit jaxcathedral.org/welcome and fill out a card online.

Hakimian Nursery

Our nursery is staffed with trained caregivers for infants and toddlers up to 3 years old every Sunday from 8:45 to 11:15 a.m.

Children and Youth

Christian formation for ages 4 through 12th grade is offered at 10 a.m. If you need help finding a classroom, please ask an usher. All ages join the 10 a.m. service at the time of The Peace.

4 year olds - 2nd grade, Lower-level Classroom
3rd - 5th grade, Cummings Chapel.
6th grade - High School, Undercroft Youth

Prayer and Care

Our clergy and lay ministers visit hospitals, bless babies born and those that are dying, counsel the sick, and offer comfort in any way that we can. Call the Church Office anytime and ask for Pastoral Care. If you are calling after hours, just press 4, and your call will be routed to a member of the clergy. You may also choose the prayer request option under Contact on our website for a quick and confidential response.

Contact Us

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Cathedral Bookstore

Please visit the bookstore 9 a.m. to Noon every Sunday or 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday thru Friday. Join us every month for “2nd Sunday on the Porch” with special musical guests and awesome deals at the bookstore.

W O R S H I P ~ G R O W S E R V E

For the latest news and events at the Cathedral, visit our website (jaxcathedral.org) and follow us on Facebook, Instagram and Twitter (@jaxcathedral). On the website, you may subscribe to our newsletter.

Daily Dean's Morning Devotion Video,
6 a.m. SJC app or on YouTube

Evening Compline

8 p.m. Wednesday, Thursday & Saturday,
Facebook Live

Today

6 a.m. The Great Vigil of Easter (Bring Your Noise Makers) Cathedral
9 a.m. Eucharist and Flowering of the Cross (Bring Fresh Cut Flowers)* Cathedral
10 a.m. Easter Egg Hunt for Children (Bring Your Baskets) Cathedral Park
11:15 a.m. Eucharist (Incense)* Cathedral

Easter Monday

Offices are Closed

Tuesday

7 a.m. Daily Office Morning Prayer, Zoom

10:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Art Class, The Painting Place
Contact Sylvia V. Armsby at svabritspeak@aol.com

Wednesday

11 a.m. Growing Through the Word Bible Study, Busey and Zoom. Contact Deacon Sandra Kidd at Saundra@jaxcathedral.org

12:10 p.m. Healing Eucharist, Cummings Chapel

6 p.m. Free Community Yoga, Cummings Chapel
Contact Megan Cochran at Mcochran@jaxcathedral.org

6 p.m. Conversations With Scripture, Zoom

6 to 8:30 p.m. Art Class, The Painting Place
Contact Sylvia V. Armsby at svabritspeak@aol.com

8 p.m. Compline, Facebook Live

Thursday

7 a.m. Daily Office Morning Prayer, Zoom

9 a.m. Centering Prayer Circle, Cummings Chapel
Contact the Rev. Eric Kahl at ekahl@jaxcathedral.org

5:30 to 6:30 p.m. Celebration Choir Rehearsal,
Taliaferro Hall

8 p.m. Compline, Facebook Live

Friday

9 a.m. Reading Between the Lines Bible Study,
Zoom. Contact Owene Courtney at ocourtney@jaxcathedral.org

Gifts to the Easter flower fund are
given to the Glory of God, and in
loving memory of

Anonymous
Fred & Dora Allum
Mr. & Mrs. Veron Anderson
Lillian & William Armsby
Elise Baxendale
Larry Bohling
Wings Slocum Benton
Tom & David Burrell
Dick Bush
Todd, Anita & Cheryl
Thomas Saif Corey, Jr.
Jon Lott & Jean Carrington Cook
George Dorion
William Aaron Duncan Jr.
Taylor & Ed Graves
Marion A. Gregory
Pam Griffin
Bruce Hardman
James Bailey, Bobbye Bailey, & Jan Hill
John Jordan
Ralph & Juno De Long-Holt
Vivian June De Long
Jo & Curt Collins; Elda & Peter Marino
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William F. & Ella Lytton Meyer
Caroline & William Meuselbach
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Janet K. Collins
Richard Marty
Harry & Delayne Wirth; Jack & Alyce Rock
Mr. & Mrs. George L. Sargent
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Our parents, Fred and Mary Evelyn Lotterhos, and Ray
and Dorris Slocum
Lola Mae Earley Stanley
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John T. Stirrup
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Loved Ones
Loved ones waiting for us

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Lorraine Lewis Corey & Family
Tim Tuller & The Cathedral Choir
Saundra Kidd & the Outreach Council
The Marriage of Caroline Dunkle & Ryan Royce
For our daughters Caroline and Maddie Dunkle
Lewis-Tubre family

U P C O M I N G

Unveiling of our Family Tree

Come back next Sunday for an unveiling of our Baptism Family Tree, a new artwork for the narthex that celebrates our growing family. Please join us for a special reception in the breezeway to thank Brighton Hakimian, artist, and George Booth, carpenter, for this creation.

Sunday, April 16

New Series

Conversations With Kate about Creation.

Join Dean Kate on the eight Sundays of the Easter season for a conversation about Creation. “I am working on a new book. It has become a valuable practice of mine to discuss my books with you, my Cathedral family, as they unfold. This book is a look at our spiritual DNA, the double helix of the two creation stories that open the Holy Scriptures. Dive with me into the Hebrew texts and let us rediscover who we are and how God calls us to live with one another in harmony with this gorgeous planet.” Kate Moorehead Carroll, Dean.

Sundays, April 16 - May 12

9 a.m. | Taliaferro Hall

Newcomer's Luncheon

All newcomers are encouraged to join us for this time set aside to learn more about all that we have going on in and around St. John's Cathedral.

Sunday, April 23

11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. | Ingram Lounge



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