The GREAT VIGIL of EASTER

March 30 8:00pm Downtown

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The Lighting of the New Fire, Baptismal Renewal & Holy Eucharist according to The Book of Common Prayer, Rite Two

> March 30, 2024, at 8:00 pm The Rev. David A. Luckenbach, *Celebrant* Mr. Jeffrey Ford, *Organist-Choirmaster*

The Great Vigil of Easter—Vigil of scripture readings and lighting of the paschal candle that has been observed since the 4th century. The service begins with the lighting of candles and singing of the *Exsultet*, continues with readings from the Old and New Testament recalling the history of salvation, and culminates in a Eucharist with baptisms either after sundown on Holy Saturday or at sunrise on Easter Day. From *A Dictionary for Episcopalians*.

This liturgy begins in the Memorial Garden. All are invited to join the Clergy in the Garden.

The Lighting of the New Fire

Book of Common Prayer p. 285

Celebrant

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

Let us pray.

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

The Procession of the Paschal Candle

As the Paschal Candle is brought in procession to the Chancel, the following is sung three times:

Deacon People The light of Christ. Thanks be to God.

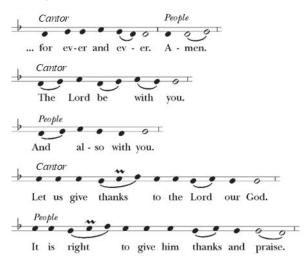
The Exsultet

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,



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

Cantor & People ... for ev-er and ev - cr. A - men.

The Liturgy of the Word

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.

I. The Story of Creation

Genesis 1:1-2:2

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 there 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.

ReaderThe Word of the Lord.PeopleThanks be to God.

Hymn, No. 389 Let us, with a gladsome mind

Tune: Monkland

Verse 1 everyone, vs. 2 men, vs. 3 everyone, vs. 4 trebles, vs. 5-7 everyone

Psalm 33:1-11	
1	Rejoice in the Lord, you righteous; * it is good for the just to sing praises.
2	Praise the Lord with the harp; * play to him upon the psaltery and lyre.
3	Sing for him a new song; * sound a fanfare with all your skill upon the trumpet.
4	For the word of the Lord is right, * and all his works are sure.
5	He loves righteousness and justice; * the loving-kindness of the Lord fills the whole earth.
6	By the word of the Lord were the heavens made, * by the breath of his mouth all the heavenly hosts.
7	He gathers up the waters of the ocean as in a water-skin * and stores up the depths of the sea.
8	Let all the earth fear the Lord; * let all who dwell in the world stand in awe of him.
9	For he spoke, and it came to pass; * he commanded, and it stood fast.
10	The Lord brings the will of the nations to naught; * he thwarts the designs of the peoples
11	But the Lord's will stands fast for ever, * and the designs of his heart from age to age.

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*.

II. Israel's Deliverance at the Red Sea

Exodus 14:10-15:21

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 Moses and the Israelites sang this song to the Lord: "I will sing to the Lord, for he has triumphed gloriously; horse and rider he has thrown into the sea."

ReaderThe Word of the Lord.PeopleThanks be to God.

Hymn No. 425 Sing now with joy

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.*

III. A New Heart and a New Spirit

Thus says the Lord God: "I will take you from the nations, and gather you from all the countries, and bring you into your own land. I will sprinkle clean water upon you, and you shall be clean from all your uncleannesses, and from all your idols I will cleanse you. A new heart I will give you, and a new spirit I will put within you; and I will remove from your body the heart of stone and give you a heart of flesh. I will put my spirit within you, and make you follow my statutes and be careful to observe my ordinances. Then you shall live in the land that I gave to your ancestors; and you shall be my people, and I will be your God."

ReaderThe Word of the Lord.PeopleThanks be to God.

Psalm 42:1-7

1 As the deer longs for the water-brooks, * so longs my soul for you, O God.

2 My soul is athirst for God, athirst for the living God; * when shall I come to appear before the presence of God?

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

O God, you have created all things by the power of your Word, and you renew the earth by your Spirit: Give now the water of life to those who thirst for you, that they may bring forth abundant fruit in your glorious kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

IV. 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

Tune: Adon Olam

Ezekiel 36:24-28

Ezekiel 37:1-14

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.

ReaderThe Word of the Lord.PeopleThanks be to God.

Hymn No. 521 Put forth, O God, thy Spirit's might Verse 1 everyone, vs. 2 men, vs. 3 trebles, vs. 4 everyone Tune: Chelsea Square

Please remain standing.

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.*

Through the Paschal mystery, dear friends, we are buried with Christ by Baptism into his death, and raised with him to newness of life. I call upon you, therefore, now that our Lenten observance is ended, to renew the solemn promises and vows of Holy Baptism, by which we once renounced Satan and all his works, and promised to serve God faithfully in his holy Catholic Church.

The Renewal of Baptismal Vows

Celebrant	Do you reaffirm your renunciation of evil and renew your commitment to Jesus Christ?
People	<i>I do.</i>
Celebrant	Do you believe in God the Father?
People	<i>I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.</i>
Celebrant People	Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God? I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.
Celebrant	Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?
People	<i>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.</i>

Celebrant People	Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers? <i>I will, with God's help.</i>
Celebrant People	Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord? <i>I will, with God's help.</i>
Celebrant People	Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ? <i>I will, with God's help.</i>
Celebrant People	Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself? <i>I will, with God's help.</i>
Celebrant	Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human
People	being? I will, with God's help.
Celebrant	May Almighty God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has given us a new birth by water and the Holy Spirit, and bestowed upon us the forgiveness of sins, keep us in eternal life by his grace, in Christ Jesus our Lord. <i>Amen</i> .

The Easter Proclamation

The Versicle and Response

CelebrantAlleluia. Christ is risen.PeopleThe Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

Hymn No. 179 "Welcome, happy morning!"

Tune: Fortunatus

The First Holy Eucharist of Easter The Word of God

Verses 1, 4, 5, & 6

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, who for our redemption gave your only-begotten Son to the death of the cross, and by his glorious resurrection delivered us from the power of our enemy: Grant us so to die daily to sin, that we may evermore live with him in the joy of his resurrection; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

The New Testament Reading | 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.

LectorThe Word of the Lord.PeopleThanks be to God.

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Psalm 114

 Hallelujah! When Israel came out of Egypt, * the house of Jacob from a people of strange speech,

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

- 3 The sea beheld it and fled; * Jordan turned and went back.
- 4 The mountains skipped like rams, * and the little hills like young sheep.
- 5 What ailed you, O sea, that you fled? * O Jordan, that you turned back?
- 6 You mountains, that you skipped like rams? * you little hills like young sheep?
- 7 Tremble, O earth, at the presence of the Lord, * at the presence of the God of Jacob,
- 8 Who turned the hard rock into a pool of water * and flint-stone into a flowing spring.

The Sequence Hymn, No. 296 We know that Christ is raised

Tune: Engelberg

Verses 1 & 2

The Gospel | Matthew 28:1-10

DeaconThe Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.PeopleGlory 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.

The Sermon

The Rev. Dr. Cole Hartin, Associate Rector

The Prayers of the People, Form III

The Intercessor and People pray responsively.

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

Intercessor Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

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People	That your Name may be glorified by all people.
Intercessor People	We pray for our bishops, priests, and deacons; <i>That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.</i>
Intercessor	We pray for Joseph, Greg, Don, and all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;
People	That there may be justice and peace on the earth.
Intercessor People	Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake; <i>That our works may find favor in your sight.</i>
Intercessor People	We pray for (). Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble; <i>That they may be delivered from their distress.</i>
Intercessor People	Give to the departed eternal rest. Let light perpetual shine upon them.
Intercessor People	We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy; <i>May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.</i>
Intercessor	Let us pray for our own needs and those of others. (The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.)
The Peace <i>Celebrant</i>	The peace of the Lord be always with you.

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

The Holy Communion

The Anthem at the Offertory Awake, Thou Wintry Earth Lane Clevenger & Christina Colley, trumpets J.S. Bach

The Festal Doxology with Alleluias

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise him, all creatures here below; Alleluia, alleluia. Praise him above, ye heavenly host: Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.



It is right to give him thanks and praise.

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The Great Thanksgiving, Eucharistic Prayer B

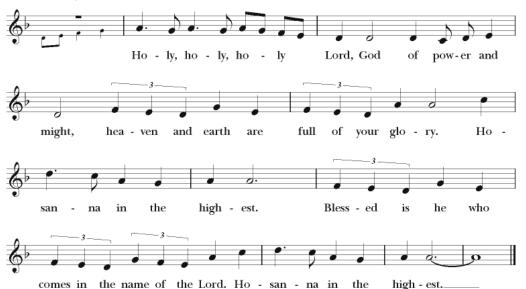
Robert Powell

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Here a Proper Preface is sung or said.

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:

The Sanctus and Benedictus, S-129



Then the Celebrant continues

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

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

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

Celebrant and People We remember his death, We proclaim his resurrection, We await his coming in glory;

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever.

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

The Lord's Prayer

Celebrant & People... 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.

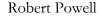
The Fraction Anthem, S 163 Lamb of God. you take a - way the of the world: sins have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you a - way the of the world: take sins have mer - cy on us. 0 Lamb of God, take a - way the sins of the world: you grant us peace.

The Invitation to Communion

The Communion Welcome

In the Episcopal Church all baptized Christians are invited to receive Holy Communion. To receive the host, place one hand over the other with palms facing upward. You may intinct (dip) the host into the chalice of wine, or you may consume the bread and then drink from the chalice, gently guiding it to your lips by the base. If you prefer not to receive, you may come forward for a blessing. Please indicate your desire to receive a blessing by crossing your arms over your chest.

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A - men.

The Communion Music

The Voluntary at Communion

The Post Communion Prayer

Celebrant & People Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

The Anthem: Hallelujah from Messiah

The Blessing Following the Blessing, the People respond: **Amen**.

The Closing Hymn, No. 199 Come, ye faithful, raise the strain

The Dismissal Following the Dismissal, the People respond: **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.**

The Closing Voluntary *The Prince of Denmark's March* Lane Clevenger, Christina Colley, *trumpets*

Jeremiah Clarke

Deacon: The Rev. Stephen Stine

Lay MINISTERS FOR THIS SERVICE

Cantor: Holly Marsh Verger/Lector/Intercessor/Preparer of the New Fire: Jerril Burnette Readers: Laurie Dowell, Jill Johnson, Uriah Johnson, and Jerril Burnette Acolytes: Robbie Meals, James Meals Altar Guild Team 4 Leaders: Linda Toney, Libby Seago

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Are you NEW to Christ Church? If yes, so that we may get to know and serve you best, please complete our newcomer card by scanning the QR code or filling out a card from the pew back.



Altar Flowers

The flowers on the altar this Easter Eve are given to the glory of God and in grateful thanksgiving for the promise of eternal life through Christ's resurrection, by Sheryl & Tim Alexander and Beth & Clayton Whitney.

G. F. Handel

Tune: St. Kevin







Saturday, April 27th 3:00pm The later you come the spicier it gets – last batch out about 6:00pm.

> CHRIST CHURCH SOUTH 15747 Old Jacksonville Hwy.

Hot dogs will be available from The Brotherhood of St. Andrew for the non-crawfish eaters :-)

The Bob Rowlett Memorial Open Golf Tournament www.christchurchtyler.org/golf-tournament

Friday, May 3, 2024 Pine Springs Golf Club 5630 CR 334 | Tyler, TX 75708



Choral Evensong featuring **Inspirata** (2) Christ Church Tyler 118 South Bois d'Arc, Tyler Sunday, April 21 | 6:00pm followed by a reception

Inspirata is an auditioned ensemble of singers dedicated to promoting a heightened awareness of sacred choral music through the performance of some of the finest works the tradition has to offer.

ADULT FAITH FORMATION CLASS | SUNDAY SCHOOL 10:00am both Compuses



A Call to Faithful Living

Bible Study Peter Women: THE Rector

Men: Tuesdays 8:00am Women: Thursdays 10:30am Christ Church *Downtown*





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