

Easter Vigil 2024

Saturday March 29, 2024 8:00pm

Including the Confirmation of Genevieve Michael Olsen

Responses of the people are in *bold*

Welcome/Announcements: NO ANNOUNCEMENTS.

Liturgy of the Word

Opening Song: # 401 Tree of Life, Verses 1 and 2, regular verses.

Tree of Life



1. Tree of Life and awe - some mys - t'ry, In your
2. Seed that dies to rise in glo - ry, May we
3. We re - mem - ber truth once spo - ken, Love passed
4. Gen - tle Je - sus, might - y Spir - it, Come in -
5. Christ, you lead and we shall fol - low, Stum - bling



death we are re - born, Though you die in all of
see our - selves in you, If we learn to live your
on through act and word, Ev - 'ry per - son lost and
flame our hearts a - new, We may all your joy in -
though our steps may be, One with you in joy and



his - t'ry, Still you rise with ev - 'ry morn, Still you
sto - ry We may die to rise a - new, We may
bro - ken Wears the bod - y of our Lord, Wears the
her - it If we bear the cross with you, If we
sor - row, We the riv - er, you the sea, We the



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bod - y of our Lord.
bear the cross with you.
riv - er, you the sea.

Teri: Hello, and welcome to the Light of Christ Easter Vigil Liturgy. Let us begin our time together as one expression of God's people, in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

May our loving God, our brother Jesus, and the movement of the Breath of God be with you all. **And also with you.**

We are glad to share this time together, knowing that God and God's great love story is in our midst. Tonight, we will share the story of God's great love throughout history, and now rising up anew among us, and within us. This is the Easter story, the story of Resurrection. God's grace and resurrection pursues us. Along with all of Creation, we await this time with hope. We crave this time. God is the one who blesses the space between us. We are one with God. Our God. Our creator, and our greatest love. The story we share tonight is of God's present and pervasive love, that has been woven throughout creation and throughout all time. It is an all-inclusive love. A bold love. It rises in our hearts, in our lives and in our world. Let us begin with the with the Rite of Light. You may be seated.

Rite of Light

Teri: "Dear friends in Christ, On this most holy night, when our brother Jesus the Christ passed from death to life, the Church invites her children throughout the world to come together in vigil and prayer. We are a part of that coming together. May we may be confident that we shall share in Christ's victory over death, the resurrection, and live with Christ forever in God. We sit on this bench with Jesus Tonight, to share in the most wonderful story. God's love story With us, and the entire world."

Blessing of Fire

Teri: Let us pray. God, our Beloved Creator, we share in the light of your glory through your Eternal Son, the light of the world, the Light of Christ.

Make this new fire + to be holy, and inflame us with new hope. We crave that hope, O God, in this time of uncertainty. Open our minds and hearts by this Easter Vigil celebration and bring us one day to the feast of eternal goodness. We ask this through Christ our Brother. **Amen.**

Teri: Christ yesterday and today, the beginning and the end. The Alpha and Omega, all time belongs to Christ and all the ages, including now; to Christ be glory forever. **Amen.**

Teri: Christ our Light. **Thanks be to God.**

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Readings: Birthing of the Cosmos

Shannon: We begin the Story of God's love for us by remembering The Birthing of the Cosmos. A Reading from Genesis (1:1-3)

In the beginning, when God created the cosmos, and within it, the earth, the earth was a formless void. Darkness covered the face of the deep. The Spirit, in a sweeping wind, hovered over the waters. God said, "Light!" And there was light.

Teri: "Stars beyond the stars..." by Rumi

There are stars beyond the visible stars where
there is no risk of burning up or colliding;
where astral travelers wander in other heavens...
Those stars have inherited the shining light of God
and are neither joined nor separated from each other.
Souls whose rising sign derives from those stars
are like meteors burning all that stands in their path.
Held between the two fingers of God, they emanate light
that is unaffected by disharmony.
Although God scatters light upon all souls,
only the souls who are aware are fortunate enough to have held up
their robes to receive it and have turned their face from anything but God.

Communal Sung Psalm Response:

***Dance, then, wherever you may be,
I am the source of the dance, follow me,
And I'll lead you all, wherever you may be,
And I'll lead you into the dance with me.***

Readings: Envisioning A Covenantal Life

Shannon: Envisioning A Covenantal Life. We begin again with a Reading from Genesis (8:18-19; 9:8-16 (abridged))

Noah came out of the ark with his wife, their sons and daughters in-law. Then all the animals and all the creatures that move along the ground and all the birds - every creature on the face of the earth, came out of the ark, one kind after another.

God said to them, "I am making My covenant with all of you and your descendants after you, and with every living creature...: the birds, the tame animals, and all the wild animals. I establish my covenant with you that never again, will all life be destroyed by floodwaters. No. Never again will a flood devastate the earth.

I set My bow in the clouds as a sign of the covenant between Me and Earth. When the bow appears in the clouds, I will remember my covenant between me and you and every living creature— everything that has breath—so that the waters will never again become a flood to destroy all life. When the rainbow appears, I will see it and remember the everlasting covenant between Me and every living thing, every last living creature on earth."

“Remember” by Joy Harjo

Remember the sky that you were born under,
know each of the star’s stories.
Remember the moon, know who she is.
Remember the sun’s birth at dawn,
that is the strongest point of time.
Remember sundown and the giving away to night.
Remember your birth,
how your mother struggled to give you form and breath.
You are evidence of her life, and her mother’s, and hers.
Remember your father. He is your life, also.
Remember the earth whose skin you are:
red earth, black earth, yellow earth, white earth
brown earth, we are earth.
Remember the plants, trees, animal life
who all have their tribes, their families, their histories, too.
Talk to them, listen to them.
They are alive poems.
Remember the wind.
Remember her voice.
She knows the origin of this universe.
Remember you are all people and all people are you.
Remember you are this universe and this universe is you.
Remember all is in motion, is growing, is you.
Remember language comes from this.
Remember the dance language is, that life is.
Remember.

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And I’ll lead you all, wherever you may be,
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Readings: Devastation and Restoration

Shannon: The next section of our story is about Devastation and Restoration. Here we begin with Isaiah (61:1-3b, 4, 7 (rendered in the first person plural))

The spirit of the God is upon us, because God has anointed us.
We are sent to bring good news to the oppressed,
to bind up the brokenhearted,
To proclaim liberty to captives, release to prisoners,
To announce a year of God's favor and a day of vindication by our God,
a day to comfort all who mourn.
A day to provide for those in need:
to give them a garland instead of ashes,
the oil of gladness instead of mourning,
the mantle of praise instead of a faint spirit...
They will rebuild ancient ruins,
and former wreckage they will raise up.
They will restore desolate cities,
devastations of generation upon generation.
Because the indignity inflicted upon them was far greater than their
misdeeds... everlasting joy shall be theirs.

Teri: "Broken, Unbroken", Mary Oliver

The lonely stand
in the dark corners
of their hearts.

I have seen them in cities,
and in my own neighborhood,

nor could I touch them
with the magic
that they crave

to be unbroken.
Then, I myself,
lonely,

said hello
to good fortune.
Someone

came along
and lingered
and little by little

became everything
that makes the difference.
Oh, I wish such good luck

to everyone.

How beautiful it is
to be unbroken.

Communal Sung Psalm Response:

***Dance, then, wherever you may be,
I am the source of the dance, follow me,
And I'll lead you all, wherever you may be,
And I'll lead you into the dance with me.***

Readings: The Emerging Dance

Shannon: Now we move to stories of The Emerging Dance. Let us begin with a reading from Exodus.

When the horses of Pharaoh with his chariots and chariot drivers pursued the Israelites, God brought together the divided walls of the sea; but the Israelites had walked through the sea on dry ground. 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 God, who is glorious!
In Your unfailing love, you led Your people!
You guided them by Your strength to a safe and holy place.

Teri: T.S. Eliot, "At the Still Point..." from Four Quartets, No. 1

At the still point of the turning world. Neither flesh nor fleshless; Neither from nor towards; at the still point, there the dance is, But neither arrest nor movement. And do not call it fixity, Where past and future are gathered. Neither movement from nor towards, Neither ascent nor decline. Except for the point, the still point, There would be no dance, and there is only the dance.

Teri: Let us all stand, grab those holy noisemakers, as we sing and dance to the entirety of The Lord of the Dance.

Communal Sung Psalm Response:

I Danced in the Morning



1. I danced in the morn - ing when the world was be - gun, And I
2. I danced for the scribe and the phar - i - see, But
3. I danced on the Sab - bath and I cured the lame: The
4. I danced on a Fri - day when the sky turned black; It's
5. They cut me down and I leapt up high; †



danced in the moon and the stars and the sun, And I
they would not dance, and they would - n't fol - low me; I
ho - ly peo - ple said it was a shame. They
hard to dance with the dev - il on your back. They
I am the life that - 'll nev - er, nev - er die; I'll



came down from heav - en and I danced on the earth; At
danced for the fish - er - men, for James and John; They
whipped and they stripped and they hung me high, And
bur - ied my bod - y and they thought I'd gone; But
live in you if you'll live in me: †



Beth - le - hem I had my birth.
came with me and the dance went on.
left me there on a Cross to die.
I am the dance and I still go on.
I am the Lord of the Dance, said he.



Dance then wher - ev - er you may be; I am the



Lord of the Dance, said he, And I'll lead you all, wher -



ev - er you may be, And I'll lead you all in the Dance, said he.

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Epistle Reading:

Shannon: A Reading from Paul's Letter to the Romans. (1:19-20)

What we can know about God is evident, because God is manifest in creation. Since the creation of the world God's invisible qualities - resurrection power and divine nature—have been known and seen through what God has made, through Creation itself. All we have to do is open ourselves to it.

This has been a Reading from Paul's Letter to the Romans.

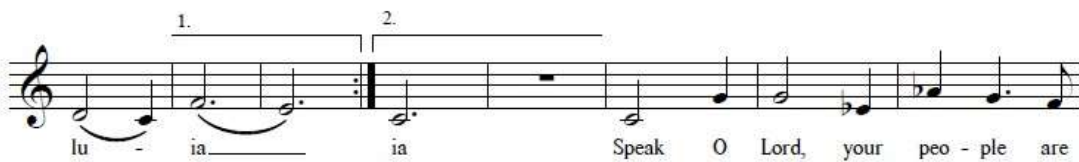
Thanks be to God.

Teri: From Rumi - We came whirling out of nothingness, scattering stars like dust... The stars made a circle, and in the middle, we dance.

Mass of Welcoming Gospel Acclamation

MJS

Intro



Final REFRAIN



GOSPEL

Teri: Our God is with you. ***And also with you.***

A Reading from the Gospel according to Mark (16:1-8)

Glory to you, O God.

When the Sabbath was over, Mary Magdalene and Mary, the mother of James, and Salome, bought spices, to anoint the body of Jesus.

Early on the first day of the week, when the sun had risen, they went to the tomb. They had been wondering to one another, "How will we roll away the stone from the entrance to the tomb?" When they looked up, they saw that the stone, which was very large, had already been rolled back.

As they entered the tomb, they saw a young person, dressed in a white robe, sitting on the right side. They were utterly amazed, speechless! The messenger said to them, "Do not be alarmed! You are looking for Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has been raised. He is not here. Look, there is the place they laid him. But go. Tell his disciples that he is going ahead of you to Galilee. You will see him there, just as he told you."

Then they fled the tomb.

They were trembling in ecstasy and awe; but they said nothing to anyone, for they were also afraid.

This has been a Reading from the Gospel of Mark.

Praise to you, Jesus the Christ.

Homily: Teri

Renewal of Baptismal Promises:

TERI: Let us renew together our baptismal promises with our Creator. You may remain seated. For each question, please respond, "we do."

TERI: "Do you reject sin, in every way that we as human beings miss the mark for which God has created us, so as to live in the freedom of God's children." **We do.....**

TERI: "Do you reject the influence of evil, and all adversaries of God?" **We do.....**

TERI: "Do you believe in God, beloved Creator of heaven and earth?" **We do.....**

TERI: Do you believe in the God of all creation, who created you, intentionally, and as with all of God's creation declared that you, you are GOOD?" **We do.....**

TERI: "Do you believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Eternal Son, who was born of his mother Mary, was crucified, died, and was buried, was raised from the dead, and is now seated at the right hand of God?" **We do.....**

TERI: "Do you believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints whose breath we share, the saints yet to be, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection, and life everlasting?" **We do.....**

TERI: "This is our faith. We are proud to profess it, in Christ Jesus our eternal brother, the Incarnation of God. Amen." **Amen.**

Teri: Before we invite our Confirmation Candidate forward, let us sing together our Litany of Saints.

Litany of Saints (Sung)

Litany of the Saints

Cantor: Lord, have mer - cy.
Christ, have mer - cy.

Assembly: Lord, have mer - cy.
Christ, have mer - cy.

Cantor: Lord, have mer - cy.

Assembly: Lord, have mer - cy.

<i>Cantor:</i>	<i>Assembly:</i>
Holy Mary, Mother of	God, pray for us.
Saint	Mich - ael, pray for us.
Holy angels of	God, pray for us.
Saint John the	Bap - tist, pray for us.
Saint	Jo - seph, pray for us.
Saint Peter and Saint	Paul, pray for us.
Saint	An - drew, pray for us.
Saint	John, pray for us.
Saint Mary	Mag - dalene, pray for us.
Saint	Ste - phen, pray for us.
Saint Ig -	na - tius, pray for us.
Saint	Law - rence, pray for us.
Saint Perpetua and Saint Fe -	lic - ity, pray for us.
Saint	Ag - nes, pray for us.
Saint	Gre - gory, pray for us.
Saint Au -	gus - tine, pray for us.
Saint Atha -	na - sius, pray for us.
Saint	Ba - sil, pray for us.
Saint	Mar - tin, pray for us.
Saint	Ben - edict, pray for us.
Saint Francis and Saint	Dom - inic, pray for us.
Saint Francis	Xa - vier, pray for us.
Saint John Vi -	an - ney, pray for us.
Saint	Cath - erine, pray for us.
Saint Te -	re - sa, pray for us.
All holy men and	wom - en, pray for us.

Cantor: Lord, be mer - ci - ful,
From all e - vil,
From ev - 'ry sin,
From ev - er - last - ing death,

Assembly: Lord, save your peo - ple.
Lord, save your peo - ple.
Lord, save your peo - ple.
Lord, save your peo - ple.

Cantor: By your com - ing as man,
By your death and ris - ing to new life,
By your gift of the Ho - ly Spir - it,

Assembly: Lord, save your peo - ple.
Lord, save your peo - ple.
Lord, save your peo - ple.

Cantor: Be merciful to us sin - ers. Lord, hear our prayer.
 Give new life to these chosen ones by the grace of bap - tism. Lord, hear our prayer.
 Jesus, Son of the liv - ing God. Lord, hear our prayer.

Assembly:

Cantor: Christ, hear us. Christ, hear us.

Assembly:

Cantor: Lord Je - sus, hear our prayer. Lord Je - sus, hear our prayer.

Assembly:

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 Tune: *Litany of the Saints, Roman Missal*

Confirmation:

(Read Jenni's Gospel of Luke Summary)

The Gospel of Luke, Chapter by Chapter as a Haiku, by Genevieve

My soul magnifies
and my spirit rejoices
Mary's voice resounds.

Tempted and tested
His Lenten journey begun
To bear the good news.

Shepherds in the night
Angels in the glory light
Bearing the good news.

Lying in the bed
His comrades tear down the roof
Forgiven and healed.

A ragged preacher
He's shouting in the desert
Washing weary souls.

"Blessed are the poor"
He sits on the grassy plain
teaching his sermon.

Christ, like Elijah
only son of a widow
raised up to new life.

Seed scattered, seed thrown
In the dirt and on the stone
Hear if you have ears.

Five loaves and two fish
people sitting row by row
Thousands have been fed.

Fallen on the ground
The honorable pass by
The good stranger stopped.

Child asks for an egg
Don't give them a scorpion,
So is the Spirit.

Settle with your foe
before your joy turns to woe
and be thrown to jail.

Lowly mustard seed
Plant grows and becomes a tree
small, bountiful faith.

Carry your own cross
And step by step follow him
Be a disciple.

The Prodigal Son
Wasted his whole life away
Back in open arms.

Lazarus on high
The rich man deep down below
Begging for reprieve.

If brother repents
Forgive, seven times, forgive
And be reconciled.

Rich man seeking life
"Good teacher, what must I do?"
Sell all and follow.

On an ass he rides
In Jerusalem they cry
A loud Hosanna.

Do we pay taxes?
Give unto Caesar; Caesar's
And unto God; God's

Look at the fig tree
When leaves begin to appear
Know summer is near.

The Passover Meal
This is my body, my blood.
Take it. Eat and drink.

Jesus on the cross
In pain, high upon the post
He gives up the ghost.

It's Sunday morning
On the road to Emmaus
He teaches and eats.

Teri: Hello Light of Christ.

What you are all about to witness here today is truly a celebration of love, and of life! Genevieve has spent a year in learning, prayer, and discernment, and comes this day seeking Confirmation. (Presentation of the Candidate) At this time, I would like to invite Genevieve and her sponsor Tim to please come forward.

Celebration of Confirmation (Stoles, Laying on of Hands, Anointing with Chrism)

The Presentation of Stoles

Teri: Tim, would you please place the stole around Genevieve. Genevieve, your sponsor Tim, is placing a stole around you, to remind you that you are united with Christ in all aspects of life. On the stole you have placed symbols of your life, your faith, and the movement of the Holy Spirit already within your life. May this stole remind you that you are always wrapped in God's love.

The Laying On of Hands

Teri: "The laying of hands upon the candidates represents the biblical gesture by which the gift of the Holy Spirit is invoked".

Teri:

"Beloved of God, in Baptism, our Creator gave the gift of the new birth of eternal life to this beloved child of God...

Let us pray that the Holy Spirit will now come forth upon Genevieve, strengthen her with special spiritual gifts, and anoint her to be more like Christ in all parts of her life.

Teri: God of Wonder and Beauty, through Jesus Christ your Son, and by water and the Holy Spirit, you freed you affirmed your children as your beloved ones, and promised them the love of resurrection.

Send Genevieve the special presence of the Holy Spirit to be her Helper and Guide. Give her the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of right judgment and courage, the spirit of knowledge and reverence. Fill her with a spirit of wonder and awe in your presence. We pray through our brother, Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

The Anointing of Chrism

Teri: "The anointing with Chrism and the accompanying words express clearly the effect of the giving of the Holy Spirit. Signed with the perfumed oil, the baptized receive the permanent character and seal of God, together with the gift of the Holy Spirit. This helps them to imitate the life of Christ with confidence and strength and gives them the grace to conquer fear and live the Gospel message."

Teri: "Genevieve Michael Genevieve Olsen", be sealed with the gift of the Holy Spirit."

Genevieve: "Amen."

Teri: "Peace be with you".

Genevieve: "And also with you".

Teri: I present to you, our newly confirmed Genevieve!!!! (Affirmation)

Prayers of the People:

Teri: Let us turn to our God now in prayer.

Shannon: Our response today is. Let us pray that Easter matters. ***Let us pray that Easter matters.***

Let us pray for those who are hurting, and for those who hurt others. Let us pray for the places in our world that experience war. Let us pray for those whose voices are silenced and those who misuse the voice that they have.

Let us pray for discernment on how God wants us to use our voices. We pray: ***Let us pray that Easter matters.***

Let us pray for those who are hungry, who are threatened, or those who live with violence. Let us pray for our neighbors. Let us pray for those who have no-where to call home. We pray: ***Let us pray that Easter matters.***

Let us pray for our church, and their church. Let us pray for their temple and their mosque. Let us pray for all sanctuaries and sacred spaces. Let us pray for connection and community in all its many manifestations. We pray: ***Let us pray that Easter matters.***

Let us pray for our earth, created by God, just like us, holding Jesus' body after his death on the cross. Let us pray for water and dirt, sky and sea, bird and fish and mammals and all of life that our earth sustains. We pray: ***Let us pray that Easter matters.***

Let us pray for those who are sick, especially Linda Kay Christon, for those who have died, and for those who have asked for our prayers. Let us pray for healing for all in body, mind, and spirit, and let us pray for resurrection for all of life. We pray: ***Let us pray that Easter matters.***

Fr. Teri will now read the prayers that have been typed in the comments.

Shannon: For these and for all the prayers we share though our hearts, we pray: ***Let us pray that Easter Matters.***

Shannon: In addition, we want to remind you that at Light of Christ, we have a Prayer Companion Team of pastoral care givers. They welcome and invite you, in confidence, to share your concerns in more detail or depth or to pray for you when you can't find the words. You can email them at prayercompanionteam@lightofchristecc.org, and one of them will reach out to you.

Collect

Sign of Peace:

Teri: May the peace of Christ be with you all ***And also with you.***

Offertory: Now the Green Blade Rises #456

Now the Green Blade Rises



1. Now the green blade ris - es from the bur - ied grain,
2. In the grave they laid him, love by ha - tred slain,
3. Forth he came at East - er, like the ris - en grain,
4. When our hearts are win - try, griev - ing, or in pain,



Wheat that in dark earth man - y days has lain;
Think - ing that he would nev - er wake a - gain,
He that for three days in the grave had lain;
Your touch can call us back to life a - gain,



Love lives a - gain, that with the dead has been;
Laid in the earth like grain that sleeps un - seen;
Raised from the dead, my liv - ing Lord is seen;
Fields of our hearts that dead and bare have been;



Love is come a - gain like wheat a - ris - ing green.

Text: John M.C. Crum, 1872-1958, *Oxford Book of Carols*, © Oxford University Press
Tune: NOEL NOUVELET, 11 10 10 11; French Carol; acc. by Marty Haugen, b.1950

Liturgy of the Eucharist

Teri: Blessed are you, God of all life, through your goodness we have bread, wine, other food from our pantry. Let them become for us the bread of life and the cup of the new creation. ***Blessed be God, forever***

Teri: Blessed are you, Loving God of all creation. Through your goodness we have these gifts, our time and talent and treasure to offer. May these become the work of your hands, the Light of Christ in the world ***Blessed be God forever.***

Pray my sisters and brothers, my family, that these our gifts, our lives may be blessed now by our loving God.

May our God accept the sacrifice at our hands, for the praise and glory of God's name, for our good and the good of all God's people.

We thank you, God, for this Easter, when you called Jesus back from the shadows of the tomb to show us our true inheritance and the path you have chosen for each of us. As Jesus has shared our human nature, You and he have made it clear to us that we share in Christ's divine nature.

Jesus did not hold himself apart from us, but became the Incarnation, swaddled in humanity. In this title, he took all of human nature, with its long history of evolution, into himself and brought it forth again, one with himself, yet unique in each of its manifestations. Jesus taught us to treasure the smallest of creatures as they are each known and loved by the Creator. Now, with all of the earth, and all of the choirs of saints and shepherds, we praise God together as we say:

Mass of Welcoming

Holy, Holy, Holy

MJS

Text by
Fr. Teri Harroun

Intro



Ho - ly ho - ly ho - ly One God of pow-er and
love hea - ven and earth are full of your glo - ry Ho -
san - na in the high - est Bless - ed is the
One who comes in the name of this Ho - ly One Ho - san - na in the
high - est Ho - san - na in the high - est.

We thank you, Creator God, that Jesus was faithful to the commandment given to your people through Moses to celebrate the Passover in each new generation. Through his participation in this holy meal he shed great light on the mystery of all the suffering and dying that takes place on our planet, linking the wisdom of the old covenant with the evolutionary form of the new. In the holy meal we celebrate today, Christ continues to teach us the deep wisdom of living and loving life in its fullness.

God, You are most Holy. Send your Holy Spirit upon us, and what we do here, so touched by your Spirit, we may be signs of life and love to one another, and to the world. + Let also your Spirit come upon these gifts of bread and wine to make them holy so that they may become for us the Body and Blood of our brother, Jesus the Christ.

Today, we gather to remember that on the night before he died, Jesus ate with his followers and his friends. We recall how he took a loaf of bread, and after blessing it, he broke it, and gave it to them saying - "**Take this all of you and eat it. This is my body which will be given up for you.**"

That same night, Jesus also took the cup filled with wine, and after giving thanks, passed it to his disciples, saying, "**Take this all of you and drink from it. This is the cup of my blood. The blood of the new and everlasting covenant. It will be shed for you and for all so that sins may be forgiven. Do this in memory of me.**"

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith.....

Mass of Welcoming Rising You Revealed New Life

MJS
Text by
Fr. Teri Harroun

Intro



Dy - ing You de - stroyed our death ris - ing You re -
vealed new life Oh - Je - sus you are here and yet to come.

God of all people, once again you bring us to resurrection, to continue our journey of evolution, trusting in your promises and your wish for our nurturance. In this sacrament and sign of death and resurrection, bring us into the stance that is needed in our world today for our fuller participation in the mystery of God's life on earth. Bring us to full and flourishing life!! In Jesus' name we pray!!!

Together let us say.....

Through Christ, with Christ, in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor is yours all loving God, forever and ever.

Mass of Welcoming Amen

MJS

Intro

A men A men.

A men A men.

Lord's Prayer:

Teri: Let us pray the words people have played with Jesus for centuries....

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. They kin(g)dom 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 kin(g)dom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

Mass of Welcoming Agnus Dei

MJS

Text by:
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1. Liv - ing God, You feed the world that hun - gers for
2. Liv - ing God, You quench the world that thir - sts for

You Your Love trans - forms us To Verse 3
You

3. Liv - ing God You bless the world cre - a - ted by You

Grant us peace. Grant us peace.

This is the Living God, the one who passed from shadows to light and transformed the world. Blessed are we who are called to this meal....(**God, I am ready to receive you, because by your invitation I am here.**)

Invitation to Communion.....

We Come to Your Feast

Verses

Cantor or choir



1. We place up - on your ta - ble a gleam - ing cloth of
 2. We place up - on your ta - ble a hum - ble loaf of
 3. We place up - on your ta - ble a sim - ple cup of
 4. We ga - ther 'round your ta - ble, we pause with - in our



white: the weav - ing of our sto - ries,
 bread: the gift of field and hill - side,
 wine: the fruit of hu - man la - bor,
 quest, we stand be - side our neigh - bors,



the fab - ric of our lives; the dreams of those be -
 the grain by which we're fed; we come to taste the
 the gift of sun and vine; we come to taste the
 we name the stran - ger "guest." The feast is spread be -



fore us, the an - cient hope - ful cries,
 pres - ence of him on whom we feed,
 pres - ence of him we claim as Lord,
 fore us; you bid us come and dine:



the prom - ise of our fu - ture: our need - ing and our
 to strength - en and con - nect us, to chal - lenge and cor -
 his dy - ing and his liv - ing, his lead - ing and his
 in bless - ing we'll un - cov - er, in shar - ing we'll dis -



nur - ture lie here be - fore our eyes.
 rect us, to love in word and deed.
 giv - ing, his love in cup out - poured.
 cov - er your sub - stance and your sign.

Refrain

All: We come to your feast, we come to your
feast: the young and the old, the fright-ened, the
bold, the great-est and the least. We come to your
feast, we come to your feast
with the fruit of our lands and the work of our
hands, we come to your feast.

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Communion Meditation: #447 Easter Alleluia

Easter Alleluia

Refrain

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

Verses

1. Glo - ry to God who does won - drous things, Let all the
 2. See how sal - va - tion for all has been won, Up from the
 3. Now in our pres - ence the Lord will ap - pear, Shine in the
 4. Call us, Good Shep - herd, we lis - ten for you, Want - ing to
 5. Lord, we are o - pen to all that you say, Read - y to
 6. If we have love, then we dwell in the Lord, God will pro -

peo - ple God's prais - es now sing, All of cre - a - tion in
 grave our new life has be - gun, Life now per - fect - ed in
 fac - es of all of us here, Fill us with joy and cast
 see you in all that we do, We would the gate of sal -
 lis - ten and fol - low your way, You are the pot - ter and
 tect us from fire and sword, Fill us with love and the

splen - dor shall ring:
 Je - sus, the Son:
 out all our fear:
 va - tion pass through: Al - le - lu - ia!
 we are the clay:
 peace of his word:

Text: Marty Haugen, b.1950
 Tune: O FILII ET FILIAE; 10 10 10 with alleluias; adapt. by Marty Haugen, b.1950
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Prayer After Communion:

Happy Easter, my friends. Let us pray....

As we have eaten, O God, of your Word and of your Body, may we find in ourselves your word and your body, inspiring us to be Light, Light of Christ, loving and serving our neighbor and this earth you have created. In Jesus name we pray: ***Amen.***

The Love of our God rising up be with you all..... (and also with you)

Let us prepare our hearts and ask for God's blessing:

Let us be blessed, assured of God's love, and secure in God's promise of resurrection. May the Easter story, God's love story with us, rise in us, and scatter its love throughout the world. And may God bless us all, the Father and Son and Holy Spirit. ***Amen.***

Concluding Rite:

Teri: "Go in the peace of Christ, Alleluia, Alleluia"

All Respond: "***Thanks be to God, Alleluia, Alleluia***" (make some noise!!!!)

We are Light of Christ

Let us go forth as such

Loving and serving God

As we get to love and serve in God's world.

Thanks be to God.

Closing Song: #457 Jesus Christ is Risen Today (V 1 and 2)

Jesus Christ Is Risen Today



1. Je - sus Christ is ris'n to - day, Al - le - lu - ia!
2. Hymns of praise then let us sing, Al - le - lu - ia!
3. But the pains which he en - dured, Al - le - lu - ia!
4. Sing we to our God a - bove, Al - le - lu - ia!



Our tri - um - phant ho - ly day, Al - le - lu - ia!
Un - to Christ, our heav'n - ly King, Al - le - lu - ia!
Our sal - va - tion have pro - cured; Al - le - lu - ia!
Praise e - ter - nal as his love; Al - le - lu - ia!



Who did once up - on the cross, Al - le - lu - ia!
Who en - dured the cross and grave, Al - le - lu - ia!
Now a - bove the sky he's King, Al - le - lu - ia!
Praise him, now his might con - fess, Al - le - lu - ia!



Suf - fer to re - deem our loss. Al - le - lu - ia!
Sin - ners to re - deem and save. Al - le - lu - ia!
Where the an - gels ev - er sing. Al - le - lu - ia!
Fa - ther, Son, and Spir - it blest. Al - le - lu - ia!

Text: St. 1, *Surrexit Christus hodie*, Latin, 14th C.; para. in *Lyra Davidica*, 1708, alt.; st. 2, 3, *The Compleat Psalmist*, c.1750, alt.; st. 4, Charles Wesley, 1707-1788
Tune: EASTER HYMN, 77 77 with alleluias; *Lyra Davidica*, 1708