St. Dunstan's Episcopal Church Atlanta, Georgia



The Great Vigil of Easter

April 16, 2022

The Holy Eucharist

Streaming Facebook Live at 7 P.M.

The Lighting of the Paschal Candle

The congregation gathers in the Memorial Garden, where fire is kindled.

The Celebrant addresses the people with these words

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

The Paschal Candle is then lighted from the newly kindled fire. Others light their candles from the Paschal Candle. The Cantor leads the procession to the church, pausing three times and singing



The procession continues into the church, where the Paschal Candle is placed in its stand. The people remain standing as the Cantor, standing near the Candle, sings the Exsultet, as follows

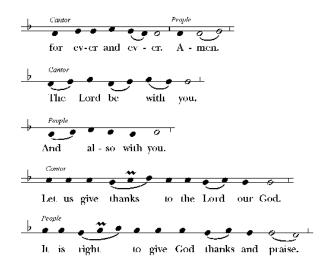
The Exsultet sung by the Cantor

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 God's Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with God, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God,



The Cantor continues with

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.

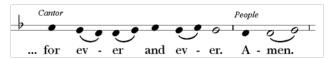
This is the night, when you brought our forebears, the children of Israel, out of bondage in Egypt, and led them through the Red Sea on dry land. This is the night, when all who believe in Christ are delivered from the gloom of sin, and are restored to grace and holiness of life. This is the night, when 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 we are reconciled to God.

Holy God, 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



The Liturgy of the Word

The Celebrant introduces the Scripture readings with these words

Let us hear the record of God's saving deeds in history, how God saved God's people in ages past; and let us pray that our God will bring each of us to the fullness of redemption.

The First Lesson The Story of Creation Genesis 1:1-2:4a

Hymn 398 I sing the almighty power of God Forest Green

Hymn on page 10

Celebrant

Let us pray. (Silence)

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 Second Lesson Israel's deliverance at the Red Sea **Exodus 14:10-31, 15:20-21**

Hymn 648 When Israel was in Egypt's land Go Down, Moses

Hymn on page 11

Celebrant

Let us pray. (Silence)

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 Third Lesson Salvation offered freely to all Isaiah 55:1-11

Hymn 679 Surely it is God who saves me Thomas Merton

Hymn on page 12

Celebrant: Let us pray. (Silence)

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.**

The Fourth Lesson The gathering of God's people **Zephaniah 3:14-20**

Psalm Psalm 98

Sing to the Lord a new song, *

for he has done marvelous things.

With his right hand and his holy arm st

has he won for himself the victory.

The Lord has made known his victory; *
his righteousness has he openly shown in

the sight of the nations.

He remembers his mercy and faithfulness to the house of Israel, *

and all the ends of the earth have seen the victory of our God.

Shout with joy to the Lord, all you lands; * lift up your voice, rejoice, and sing.

Sing to the Lord with the harp, * with the harp and the voice of song.

With trumpets and the sound of the horn * shout with joy before the King, the Lord.

Let the sea make a noise and all that is in it, * the lands and those who dwell therein.

Let the rivers clap their hands, *
and let the hills ring out with joy before the Lord,
when he comes to judge the earth.

In righteousness shall he judge the world * and the peoples with equity.

Celebrant: Let us pray. (Silence)

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

The Celebrant continues with

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 now proclaim, therefore, that our Lenten observance is ended.

Celebrant Alleluia! Christ is risen!

People The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!

Hymn 207 Jesus Christ is risen today Easter Hymn

Hymn on page 13

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

The Collect said by all

O God, who made this most holy night to shine with the glory of the Lord's resurrection: Stir up in your Church that Spirit of adoption which is given to us in Baptism, that we, being renewed both in body and mind, may worship you in sincerity and truth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

The Epistle Romans 6:3-11

Sequence Hymn 199 Come, ye faithful, raise the strain St. Kevin

Hymn on page 14

The Gospel Luke 24:1-12

Homily The Rev. Maggie Harney

Celebrant Let us now renew our baptismal covenant.

The Renewal of Baptismal Vows

Celebrant Do you reaffirm your renunciation of evil and renew your commitment to Jesus Christ?

People I do.

Celebrant Do you believe God the Father?

People I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth

Celebrant Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

People I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and

born of the Virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate,

was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven,

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

Celebrant Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

People I believe in the Holy Spirit,

the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,

the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.

Celebrant Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the

prayers?

People I will, with God's help.

Celebrant Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

People I will, with God's help.

Celebrant Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

People I will, with God's help.

Celebrant Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?

People I will, with God's help.

Celebrant Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human

being?

People I will, with God's help.

The Celebrant says,

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.

Amen.

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

Greetings & Announcements

The Holy Communion

Offertory Anthem

"Lead Us, Heavenly Father"

Music by Ian Higginson (b.1959)

Lead us, heavenly Father, lead us
O'er the world's tempestuous sea;
Guard us, guide us, keep us, feed us,
For we have no help but thee;
Yet possessing every blessing,
If our God our Father be.

Saviour, breathe forgiveness o'er us:
All our weakness thou dost know:
Thou didst tread this earth before us,
Thou didst feel its keenest woe;
Lone and dreary, faint and weary,
Through the desert thou didst go.

Spirit of our God, descending, Fill our hearts with heavenly joy, Love with every passion blending, Pleasure that can never cloy: Thus provided, pardoned, guided Nothing can our peace destroy.

Hymn 174

At the Lamb's high feast we sing Hymn on page 15 Salzburg

The Great Thanksgiving (Eucharistic Prayer A)

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 God thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. But chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again he has won for us everlasting life.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Sanctus

S. 128 Holy, holy, holy Lord



The people stand or kneel.

Then the Celebrant continues

Holy and gracious God: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

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

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

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

Celebrant continues

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

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him, Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By Him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. *AMEN*.

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your Name,

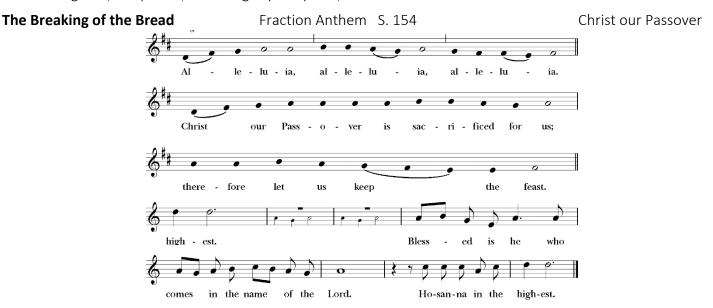
your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.



Celebrant

The gifts of God for the people of God.

The Communion of the People All people are invited to receive Communion.

Hymn at Communion

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Christ the Lord is risen again

Hymn on page 16

Christ ist erstanden

Prayer after Communion Celebrant and 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

Easter Blessing

The blessing of God who creates life, Be upon you as you celebrate life.

The blessing of God who restores life, Be upon you as you seek new life.

The blessing of God, who sanctifies life,

Be upon you as you give life to others.

Amen.

Recessional Hymn 182 Christ is alive! Let Christians sing

Hymn on page 16

The Dismissal

Response Thanks be to God! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Postlude "Crown Him with Many Crowns"

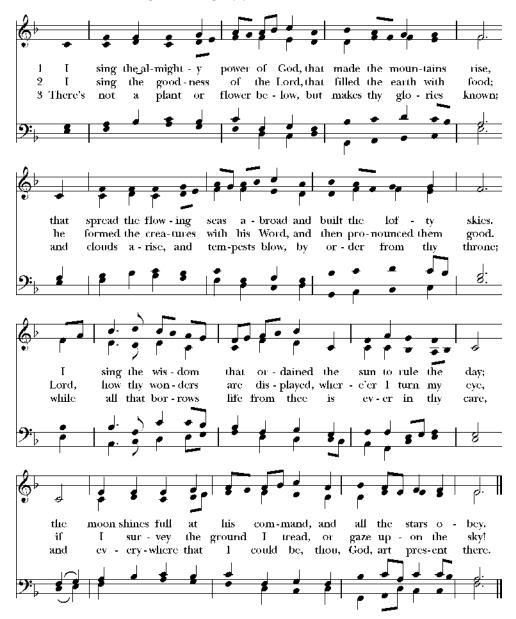
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Hymn 398

I sing the almighty power of God

Forest Green



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Hymn 648

When Israel was in Egypt's land

Go Down, Moses

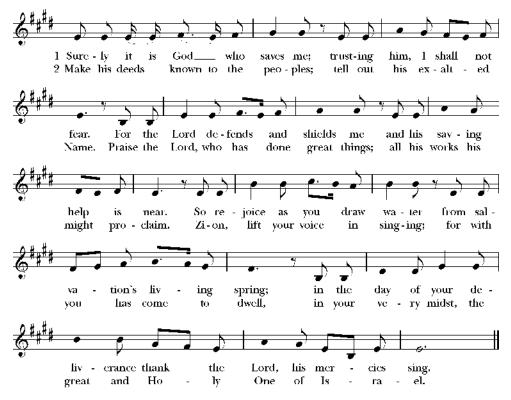


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Hymn 679

Surely it is God who saves me

Thomas Merton



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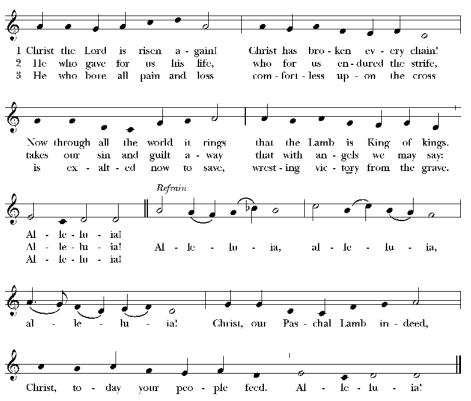
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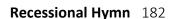


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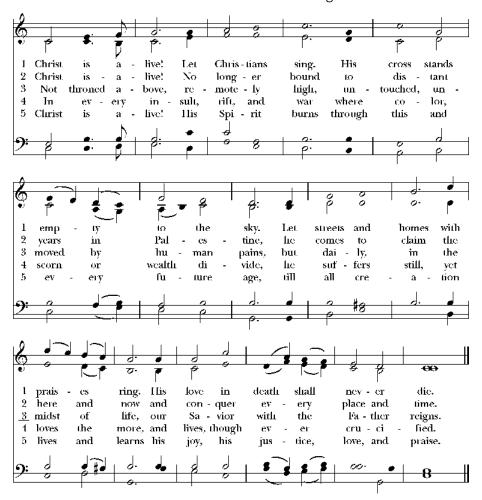


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Christ is alive! Let Christians sing



Easter Flowers & Music have been given by:

Bessie & Hollis Holland in loving memory of Alfonso Carlos Valle III.

Ralph Paulk in loving memory of Kay Adams.

Debbie Beverly in memory of Anne & Charles Stewart and Lee Stewart and Bob Beverly.

In memory of Gilda Morris (Mom & "Granny")
- Love, Jessie, Tim, Roy, & Max.

Tricia & Joe in memory of our parents

Josephine & Henry Monti and Bob Templeton.

Gloria Nelson in memory of my sisters Narda, Jean, and Janet, and in thanksgiving for God's grace and blessings.

Charis Bowling in memory of Richard & Agatha Bowling.

Sherri Crawford in memory of my parents, Elmo & Dorothy Segrest and in thanksgiving for Family and Friends.

In memory of Gilda Morris and Jim Grube from Lee Morris & Marilyn Morgan.

CeeGee in celebration of Mallory Ader's birthday with love.

Claudia in thanksgiving for my Family and Friends.

Claudia in thanksgiving for my right-hand helper, Rhea Hannah.

The Kaltenbach Family in memory of our parents & grandparents, Gretchen & Walter Friede and Jack & Kay Kaltenbach.

Happy Anniversary Bessie & Hollis Holand April 16

Happy Birthday

Lee Morris April 16 Ellisa Gaul April 17 Max Changus April 19

Jace & Wallis Kaltenbach April 20 Christine Bird April 21 Maggie Harney April 22

Prayers

Parishioners: Alan & Beth Zimmerman; Wallis Kaltenbach; Nancy Knight & Keith Lattimore; Lee Morris; John Maloney; Susan Glenz-Pierce; and Bishop Keith Whitmore.

Family: Pamela V. Bowers, sister of Suzanne Van de Mark; Cheryl Morand, sister-in-law, Arvis Morris, mother, and Katy Greenawalt, sister of Lee Morris; Hilary Foster, niece of Claudia Gimson; Fred Gimson, uncle of John Gimson; Trina Gordon, Jack & Linda Mobley and Vincent Lafitte, family of Daria Jones & Bruce Lafitte; Clare Richardson, sister-in-law of Penny France; Danny Woodard, son of Sheila Woodard; Tiffani Lucas, niece, Linda Johnson, sister of Vivian Siggers; Deborah Ellis-Williams, mother of Jackie O'Connell; Aaron Atkinson, family of Bob Longino; Gloria DeSilva, cousin of Anil Weerakoon; Preston Wilson; Valerie Wilson; Nick Raj; The Deater Family, family of Mary Jane Hannah; Martha Springer, mother of Randy Springer; Priscilla Williams, sister of Bessie Holland; Jeannette Davis, sister-in-law of Priscilla Davis; Mary Jane Hobbs, sister of Sara Thomas; Barbara Martello, niece of Mimi Gold; Deni Omundson & Gary Dorsey, Sydney Cortez & Family, relatives of Jeanne & Josh Taylor.

Friends: Angela Mattson, (Lee Morris); Loretta Roberts (Cathy Leake); The Snider & Poll Families (Jackie & Mark O'Connell); Cas Smith (Jace Kaltenbach); Anne Henry, Tim Embry, Irmgard Tatic, (Davis Family); Sam Sterling Mitchell, (Sandra & Joe Dobbs); Bob Gabel, Pat Park & Rev. Canon Lynell Walker, Gladys Pfaff (Andrea Patten-Weerakoon & Anil Weerakoon); S.J. Purdy, William Page, (Debbie Jones); Mike Carscaddon (Bob Longino); Sherrel Howard, (Mimi Gold); Sara Jane Gower (Lindsey Reece); Paul Deater, Don & Pat Buffington, Mary Ann Yeargin, Sonny, Sona; Eric Copeland; Beth, Tabitha & Max Wagner; Anna Marie Soper-O'rouke, (Rhea Hannah); Benjamin Banas, (Cathy Leake); Marilyn McCroskey, Tammy McCullough, Michellene Tipton, Joshua Dowd, Debbie Bogard, James Bogard, (Jeanne and Josh Taylor).

We pray for those who have died remembering especially **Tom Morin**, friend of Bruce Lafitte; and **Yvonne Penland**, friend of Tricia Templeton. †

We give thanks for our parish community, especially **Sara Thomas; Susie & Jon Throop; Alan Toney; Katie & Drew Turner;** and **Suzanne Van de Mark.** †

Participants in this evening's service

Lay reader Bruce Lafitte

Lector Sandra Dobbs

Lector Lucinda Kaltenbach

Lector Andrea Patten-Weerakoon

Lector John Morgan

Lector Rhea Hannah

Usher Mimi Gold

Videographer Ralph Paulk

St. Dunstan's Choir

St. Dunstan's Flower Guild

St. Dunstan's Altar Guild

Announcements

Covid Remembrance

We'd like to think that the pandemic is over, but hundreds of people are still dying from Covid every day. At some point in the next week or so our country will reach a sad milestone -- a million deaths from Covid. Next Sunday we will have a service of remembrance for those who have died. If you have friends or family who have died from Covid who you'd like to remember please send the names to Tricia this week.

Annual Parish Meeting

On Sunday, May 1, we will have our first annual parish meeting since 2019. We are going to do it a little differently this year. We will have one service at 10 a.m. that will incorporate the meeting. Afterwards we will gather in the parish hall for a potluck lunch.

Hidden Gems of the Prayer Book

Beginning April 24 the adult Sunday school class will focus on the hidden gems of the Book of Common Prayer, those services and prayers that we do not use on Sundays. Come join us to learn what the treasure of our prayer book has to offer. Class is at 9:30 in the Founders' Room.

Vestry 2021 – 2022

Bob Longino, Sr. Warden; Bruce Lafitte, Jr. Warden; Lucy Kaltenbach; Jackie O'Connell; Gwen McAlpine Lynn Hood; Elizabeth Wong Mark; Vivian Siggers; Michele Smither

The Reverend Patricia Templeton, Rector

The Reverend Maggie Harney, Priest Associate
Cameron Carey, Parish Musician
Dr. Luis Ottley, Seminarian
Claudia Gimson, Parish Administrator
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