

The Great Vigil of Easter

March 30, 2024 at 9:00pm

*The Cathedral Church of St. James
Diocese of Toronto • Anglican Church of Canada*

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March 31, 2024 • Easter Day

8:00am Said Eucharist

9:00am Sung Eucharist

11:00am Procession & Choral Eucharist

4:30pm Choral Evensong

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Today at St. James

<i>Presider</i>	The Very Reverend Dr. Stephen Hance
<i>Homilist</i>	The Right Reverend Andrew Asbil
<i>Deacon & Cantor</i>	The Reverend Lynn Braye
<i>Bishop's Chaplain</i>	Paul D. Seddon, ODT
<i>First Reading</i>	Matthew Waterman
<i>Second Reading</i>	Jacqui Hance
<i>Third Reading</i>	Aidan Hopperton
<i>Fourth Reading</i>	Sean Hopperton
<i>Fifth Reading</i>	Kiyan Diba
<i>Communion Ministers</i>	The Reverend Canon Dr. Stephen Fields, The Reverend Canon Beth Benson, Matt Jaeger, Matthew Waterman & Paul Seddon, ODT
<i>Sidespersons</i>	David Gates, Susan Glover, Quentin Toderick & Wairimu Nduati
<i>Sung by</i>	The Choir of St. James Cathedral
<i>Director of Music & Organist</i>	Thomas Bell
<i>Associate Organist</i>	Nathan Jeffery

Candidates for Holy Baptism

Eric Magala
Kanani Kuteesa Namawanja
Tannaz Zanganeh
Masoud Zarei
Zanefar Ramoutar
(Tim) Tianxing Wang
Owen Andrew
Ethan James
Valerie Blaire

Candidate for Confirmation

Aidan Graham Hopperton

Candidate for Re-affirmation

Edward Martin McBride

*Welcome! We are so glad you have joined us for worship this evening.
Please ensure that cell phones are turned off.*

THE SERVICE OF LIGHT

Mass Setting: Missa Brevis in C K.220 – W. A. Mozart

Welcome

The Blessing of the New Fire and Paschal Candle

Bishop Dear friends in Christ, on this most holy night, when our Lord Jesus Christ passed from death to life, the Church invites her children throughout the world to come together in vigil and prayer.

This is the Passover of the Lord. We remember his death and resurrection by hearing his word and celebrating his mysteries; we are confident that we shall share his victory over death and live with him for ever in God.

Let us pray.

Father, we share in the light of your glory through your Son, the light of the world. Sanctify this new fire, and inflame us with new hope. Purify our minds by this Easter celebration and bring us one day to the feast of eternal light. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

People **Amen.**

The Preparation of the Paschal Candle

The Bishop cuts a cross in the wax and traces the Greek letters 'Alpha' and 'Omega' and '2024'.

Bishop Christ yesterday and today, the beginning and the end, Alpha and Omega, all time belongs to him and all the ages; to him be glory and power through every age for ever.

People **Amen.**

The Bishop then inserts five grains of incense into the candle in the form of a cross:

Bishop By his holy and glorious wounds may Christ our Lord guard us and keep us.

People **Amen.**

The Bishop lights the candle from the new fire:

Bishop May the light of Christ, rising in glory, dispel the darkness of our hearts and minds.

The Procession

The Deacon lifts the paschal candle high, and sings three times:

Deacon The Light of Christ.

People **Thanks be to God.**

The candles are lit from the torches.

The Exsultet – The Easter Proclamation

Cantor Rejoice, heavenly powers! Sing, choirs of angels! Exult, all creation around God's throne! Jesus Christ, our King, is risen! Sound the trumpet of salvation!

Rejoice, O earth, in shining splendour, radiant in the brightness of your King! Christ has conquered! Glory fills you! Darkness vanishes for ever!

Rejoice, O Mother Church! Exult in glory! The risen Saviour shines upon you! Let this place resound with joy, echoing the mighty song of all God's people!

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 our thanks and praise.**

Cantor It is truly right that with full hearts and minds and voices we should praise the unseen God, the all-powerful Father, and his only Son, our Lord Jesus Christ. For Christ has ransomed us with his blood, and paid for us the price of Adam's sin to our eternal Father!

This is our passover feast, when Christ, the true Lamb, is slain, whose blood consecrates the homes of all believers.

This is the night when first you saved our forebears: you freed the people of Israel from their slavery and led them dry-shod through the sea.

This is the night when Christians everywhere, washed clean of sin and freed from all defilement, are restored to grace and grow together in holiness.

This is the night when Jesus Christ broke the chains of death and rose triumphant from the grave.

Father, how wonderful your care for us! How boundless your merciful love! To ransom a slave you gave away your Son.

The power of this holy night dispels all evil, washes guilt away, restores lost innocence, brings mourners joy.

Night truly blessed when heaven is wedded to earth and we are reconciled with God!

Therefore, heavenly Father, in the joy of this night, receive our evening sacrifice of praise, your Church's solemn offering. Accept this Easter candle. May it always dispel the darkness of this night!

May the Morning Star which never sets find this flame still burning: Christ, that Morning Star, who came back from the dead, and shed his peaceful light on all creation, your Son who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

People **Amen.**

Please be seated.

If you wish, you are invited to keep your candle lit until the Gloria.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Please remain seated.

Presider Dear friends in Christ, let us now listen attentively to the word of God, recalling how he saved his people throughout history and in the fullness of time, sent his own Son to be our Redeemer.

The First Reading

Genesis 1:1 - 2:4a

Reader The word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm *Please remain seated.*

Psalm 136:1-9, 23-26—Tone V.3.

Choir Give thanks to the Lord, for he is gracious,
 for his mercy endures for ever.
Give thanks to the God of gods,
 for his mercy endures for ever.
Give thanks to the Lord of lords,
 for his mercy endures for ever;
Who alone does great wonders,
 for his mercy endures for ever;
Who by wisdom made the heavens,
 for his mercy endures for ever;

Who laid out the earth upon the waters,
for his mercy endures for ever;
Who made the great lights,
for his mercy endures for ever;
The sun to rule the day,
for his mercy endures for ever;
The moon and the stars to govern the night,
for his mercy endures for ever;
Who remembered us when we were in trouble,
for his mercy endures for ever;
And delivered us from our enemies,
for his mercy endures for ever;
Who gives food to all creatures,
for his mercy endures for ever.
Give thanks to the God of heaven,
for his mercy endures for ever.

Silence is kept.

Presider Let us pray.

Please stand, as you are able.

Almighty and eternal God, you created all things in wonderful beauty and order. Help us now to perceive how still more wonderful is the new creation, by which in the fullness of time you redeemed your people through the sacrifice of our Passover, Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

People **Amen.**

Please be seated.

The Second Reading

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

Reader The word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm *Please remain seated.*

Psalm 46—Tone V.1.

Choir God is our refuge and strength,
a very present help in trouble;
Therefore we will not fear, though the earth be moved,
and though the mountains tremble in the heart of the sea;

Though the waters rage and swell,
 and though the mountains quake at the towering seas.
 There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God,
 the holy place of the dwelling of the Most High.
 God is in the midst of her; therefore shall she not be removed;
 God shall help her at the break of day.
 The nations are in uproar and the kingdoms are shaken,
 but God utters his voice and the earth shall melt away.
 The Lord of hosts is with us;
 the God of Jacob is our stronghold.
 Come and behold the works of the Lord,
 what destruction he has wrought upon the earth.
 He makes wars to cease in all the world;
 he shatters the bow and snaps the spear
 and burns the chariots in the fire.
 'Be still, and know that I am God;
 I will be exalted among the nations; I will be exalted in the earth.'
 The Lord of hosts is with us;
 the God of Jacob is our stronghold.

Silence is kept.

Presider Let us pray.

Please stand, as you are able.

Faithful God, you have placed the rainbow in the skies as the sign of your covenant with all living things. May we who are saved through water and the Spirit, worthily offer to you our sacrifice of thanksgiving. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

People **Amen.**

Please be seated.

The Third Reading

Exodus 14:10-31, 15:20-21

Reader The word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Canticle Canticle of Moses

Exodus 15:1b-3, 6, 11, 13, 17-18;

Choir I will sing to the Lord, who has triumphed gloriously,
 the horse and his rider he has thrown into the sea.

The Lord is my strength and my song
and has become my salvation.
This is my God whom I will praise,
the God of my forebears whom I will exalt.
The Lord is a warrior,
the Lord is his name.
Your right hand, O Lord, is glorious in power:
your right hand, O Lord, shatters the enemy.
At the blast of your nostrils, the sea covered them;
they sank as lead in the mighty waters.
In your unfailing love, O Lord,
you lead the people whom you have redeemed.
And by your invincible strength
you will guide them to your holy dwelling.
You will bring them in and plant them, O Lord,
in the sanctuary which your hands have established.

Silence is kept.

Presider Let us pray.

Please stand, as you are able.

God of steadfast love, your wonderful deeds of old shine forth even to our own day. By the power of your mighty arm you once delivered 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. We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People **Amen.**

Please be seated.

The Fourth Reading

Ezekiel 37: 1-14

Reader The word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm *Please remain seated.*

Psalm 98—Tone I.2.

Choir Sing to the Lord a new song,
for he has done marvellous things.

His own right hand and his holy arm
 have won for him the victory.
 The Lord has made known his salvation;
 his deliverance has he openly shown in the sight of the nations.
 He has remembered his mercy and faithfulness towards the house of Israel,
 and all the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.
 Sound praises to the Lord, all the earth;
 break into singing and make music.
 Make music to the Lord with the lyre,
 with the lyre and the voice of melody.
 With trumpets and the sound of the horn
 sound praises before the Lord, the King.
 Let the sea thunder and all that fills it,
 the world and all that dwell upon it.
 Let the rivers clap their hands
 and let the hills ring out together before the Lord,
 for he comes to judge the earth.
 In righteousness shall he judge the world
 and the peoples with equity.

Silence is kept.

Presider Let us pray.

Please stand, as you are able.

Living 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 power to proclaim you to all the world; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People **Amen.**

A fanfare sounds. Make a joyful noise unto the Lord!

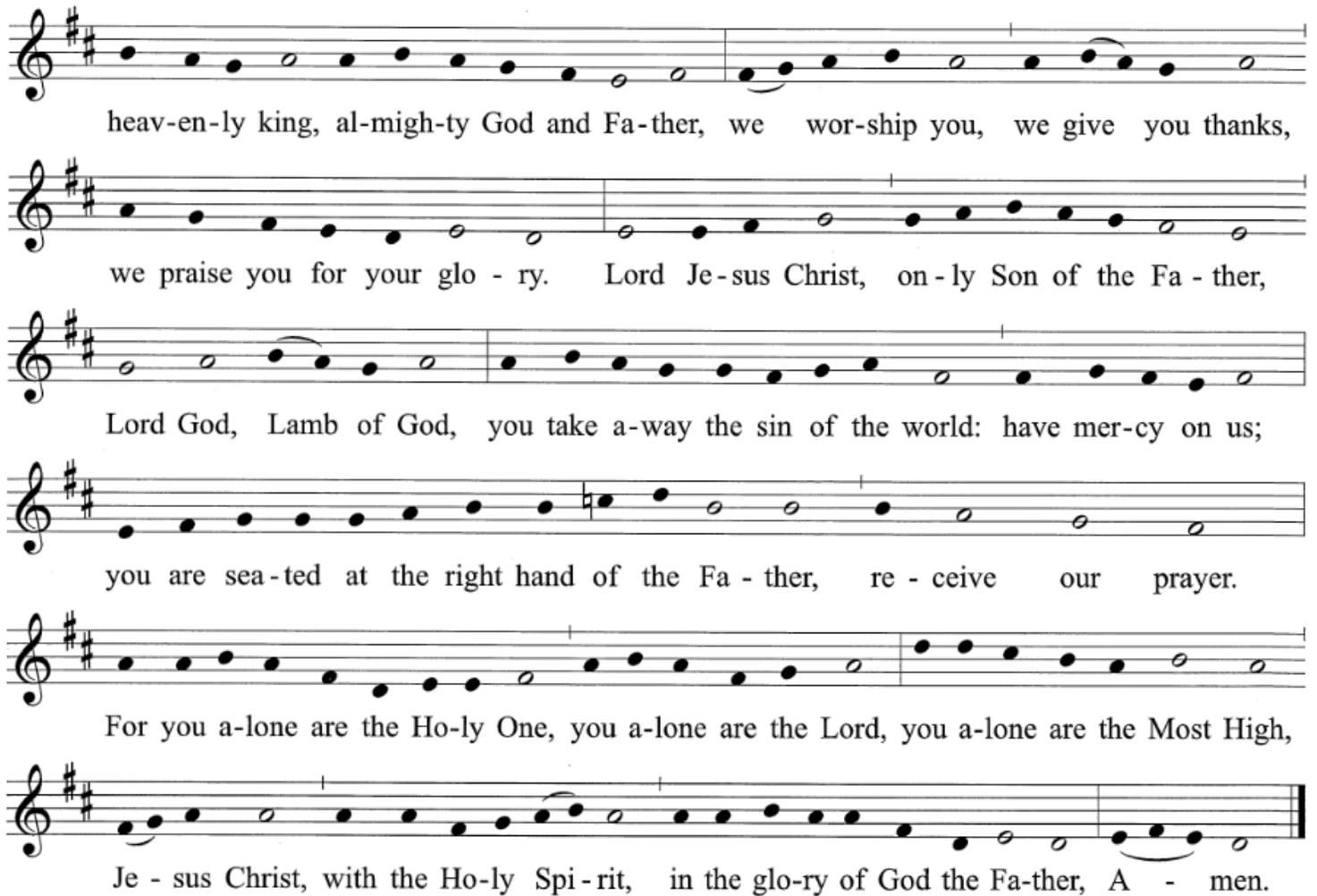
Hand candles are extinguished and lights come on.

The choir processes to the chancel.

Gloria

David Hurd

Glo-ry to God in the high - est, and peace to his peo-ple on earth. Lord God,



heav-en-ly king, al-migh-ty God and Fa-ther, we wor-ship you, we give you thanks,
 we praise you for your glo - ry. Lord Je-sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther,
 Lord God, Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world: have mer-cy on us;
 you are sea-ted at the right hand of the Fa - ther, re - ceive our prayer.
 For you a-lone are the Ho-ly One, you a-lone are the Lord, you a-lone are the Most High,
 Je - sus Christ, with the Ho-ly Spi - rit, in the glo-ry of God the Fa-ther, A - men.

Collect of the Day

Presider Let us pray.

Lord God, you have made this night bright with the radiance of the risen Christ. May we, who have been raised with him in Baptism, reflect the light of his glory and live with him for ever.

People **Amen.**

Please be seated.

The Fifth Reading

Romans 6: 3-11

Reader The word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Acclamation

Text: 1 Cor. 5.7-8, Rom. 6.9-11, 1 Cor. 15.20-22;
Music: Vulpius; Melchior Vulpius; harm. and psalm tone George Black

People **Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

Choir Christ our Passover has been sacrificed for us; Therefore let us keep the feast Not with the old leaven, the leaven of malice and evil, But with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth.

People **Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

Choir Christ being raised from the dead will never die again;
death no longer has dominion over him.
The death that he died, he died to sin, once for all;
but the life he lives, he lives to God.
So also consider yourselves dead to sin,
and alive to God in Jesus Christ our Lord.

People **Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

Choir Christ has been raised from the dead,
the first fruits of those who have fallen asleep.
For since by a man came death,
by a man has come also the resurrection of the dead.
For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ shall all be made alive.

People **Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

The Holy Gospel

Luke 24:1-12

Deacon The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

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

People **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Deacon But on the first day of the week, at early dawn, they came to the tomb, taking the spices that they had prepared. They found the stone rolled away from the tomb, but when they went in, they did not find the body. While they were perplexed about this, suddenly two men in dazzling clothes stood beside them. The women were terrified and bowed their faces to the ground, but the men said to them, 'Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here, but has risen. Remember how he told you, while he was still in Galilee, that the Son of Man must be handed over to sinners, and be crucified, and on the third day rise again.' Then they remembered his words, and returning from the tomb, they told all this to the eleven and to all the rest. Now it was Mary Magdalene,

Joanna, Mary the mother of James, and the other women with them who told this to the apostles. But these words seemed to them an idle tale, and they did not believe them. But Peter got up and ran to the tomb; stooping and looking in, he saw the linen cloths by themselves; then he went home, amazed at what had happened.

Deacon The Gospel of Christ.
People **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Homily

BAPTISM & CONFIRMATION– PRESENTATION OF CANDIDATES

Presentation and Examination of the Candidates

Presider Dear friends, as our brothers and sisters approach the waters of rebirth and renew their commitment to Christ, let us pray for them as we ask God to support them with mercy with love.

Please stand, as you are able.

Hymn

Tune: Victory

All *Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!*

The strife is o'er, the battle done;
now is the victor's triumph won;
O let the song of praise be sung: alleluia!

Death's mightiest powers have done their worst,
and Jesus hath his foes dispersed;
let shouts of praise and joy outburst: alleluia!

On the third morn he rose again,
glorious in majesty to reign.
O let us swell the joyful strain: alleluia!

Lord, by the stripes which wounded thee,
from death's dread sting thy servants free,
that we may live, and sing to thee: alleluia!

Text: Latin; tr. Francis Pott; Music: Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina; adapt. William Henry Monk.

The Bishop goes to the Baptistry. The candidates and their sponsors form a half circle at the font, facing the Bishop.

Bishop The candidates for Holy Baptism will now be presented.

Sponsor I present *Tannaz/Masoud/Zanefar/(Tim) Tianxing/Owen Andrew/Ethan James/Valerie Blaire* to receive the sacrament of baptism.

Bishop Do you desire to be baptized?

Candidates I do.

Parents & Sponsors We present *Eric Magala and Kanani Kuteesa Namawanja* to receive the sacrament of baptism.

Bishop Will you be responsible for seeing that the children you present are nurtured in the faith and life of the Christian community?

Parents & sponsors We will, with God's help.

Bishop Will you by your prayers and witness help them to grow into the full stature of Christ?

Parents & sponsors We will, with God's help.

After all have been presented, the Bishop addresses the candidates and sponsors

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

Candidates I renounce them.

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

Candidates I renounce them.

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

Candidates I renounce them.

Bishop Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Saviour?

Candidates I do.

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

Candidates I do.

Bishop Do you promise to obey him as your Lord?

Candidates I do.

Sponsor I present *Aidan Graham* for Confirmation.
I present *Edward Martin* who desires to reaffirm his baptismal vows.

Bishop Do you reaffirm your renunciation of evil?

Candidate I do.

Bishop Do you renew your commitment to Jesus Christ?

Candidate I do.

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

Candidate I do, and with God's grace I will follow him as my Saviour and Lord.

Bishop Let us now pray for these persons who are to receive the sacrament of new birth, and those who are reaffirming their commitment to follow Christ.

Prayers for the Candidates

Bishop Let us now pray for these persons who are to receive the sacrament of new birth.

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

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader Open their hearts to your grace and truth.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

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

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

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

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

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

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

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

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Bishop 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.

People **Amen.**

THE CELEBRATION OF BAPTISM

Thanksgiving over the Water

Bishop The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Bishop Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

Bishop We thank you, Almighty God, for the gift of water. Over water the Holy Spirit moved in the beginning of creation. Through water you led the Israelites out of their bondage in Egypt into the land of promise. In water 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.

Now sanctify this water by the power of your Holy Spirit, that those who are here cleansed from sin and born again, may continue for ever in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Saviour. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be all honour and glory, now and for ever.

People **Amen.**

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

The Baptismal Covenant

Bishop Do you believe in God the Father?

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

Bishop 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.**

Bishop Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

People **I believe in God the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.**

Bishop 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.**

Bishop 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.**

Bishop Will you proclaim by word and example the good news of God in Christ?

People **I will, with God's help.**

Bishop Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbour as yourself?

People **I will, with God's help.**

Bishop 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.**

Bishop Will you strive to safeguard the integrity of God's creation, and respect, sustain and renew the life of the Earth?

People **I will, with God's help.**

The Baptism

Bishop *Tannaz/Masoud/Zanefar/(Tim) Tianxing/Owen Andrew/Ethan James/Valerie Blaire/Eric/Kanani*, I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

People **Amen.**

Bishop I sign you with the cross, and mark you as Christ's own for ever.

When the candidates have been baptized:

Bishop 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.

People **Amen.**

The Giving of the Light

Each of the newly baptized receives a candle lit from the paschal candle.

Bishop Receive the light of Christ, to show that you have passed from darkness to light.

People **Let your light so shine before others that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven.**

Bishop Let us welcome the newly baptized.

People **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.**

The Asperges

During the anthem, the congregation will be sprinkled with baptismal water.

Anthem Vidi Aquam Matthew Martin

Choir I saw water flowing from the temple, on the right side, alleluia:
And all to whom that water came
have been saved, and they will say, alleluia.

Worship the Lord, for he is good: for his mercy is forever.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

CONFIRMATION

The candidate for Confirmation now stands before the Bishop.

Bishop Let us now pray for *Aidan Graham* who has renewed his commitment to Christ.

Silence is kept.

Almighty God, we thank you that by the death and resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ you have overcome sin and brought us to yourself, and that by the sealing of your Holy Spirit you have bound us to your service. Renew in this your servant the covenant you made with him at his baptism. Send him forth in the power of that Spirit to perform the service you set before him; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

People **Amen.**

Bishop Defend, O Lord, your servant *Aidan Graham* with your heavenly grace, that he may continue yours for ever, and daily increase in your Holy Spirit more and more, until he comes to your everlasting kingdom.

People **Amen.**

The Bishop lays his hands upon the candidate for reaffirmation.

Bishop *Edward Martin*, may the Holy Spirit, who has begun a good work in you, direct and uphold you in the service of Christ and his kingdom.

People **Amen.**

Bishop Almighty and everliving God, let your fatherly hand ever be over this your servant, *Edward Martin*; let your Holy Spirit ever be with him; and so lead him in the knowledge and obedience of your word, that he may serve you in this life, and dwell with you in the life to come; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People **Amen.**

The Peace

Please stand, as you are able.

We offer each other a sign of peace, as you feel comfortable.

Bishop The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

An offering will now be taken for the life and ministry of the Cathedral.

Offertory Hymn

Tune: O Filii Et Fillae

All Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

O sons and daughters, let us sing! The King of heaven, the glorious King,
o'er death today rose triumphing. Alleluia!

That Easter morn, at break of day, the faithful women went their way
to seek the tomb where Jesus lay. Alleluia!

An angel clad in white they see, who sat, and spoke unto the three,
"Your Lord goes on to Galilee." Alleluia!

On this most holy day of days, to God your hearts and voices raise
in laud and jubilee and praise. Alleluia!

Text: Latin; attrib. Jean Tisserand; tr. John Mason Neale; Music: Melody *Airs sur les hymnes sacrez, odes et noëls*, Paris, 1623.

Prayer over the Gifts

Bishop God of life and health, accept the offering of your holy people, and grant that we who are baptized into Christ may be perfected in your salvation, in the name of Jesus Christ the risen Lord.

People **Amen.**

The Great Thanksgiving

Bishop The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Bishop Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them to the Lord.**

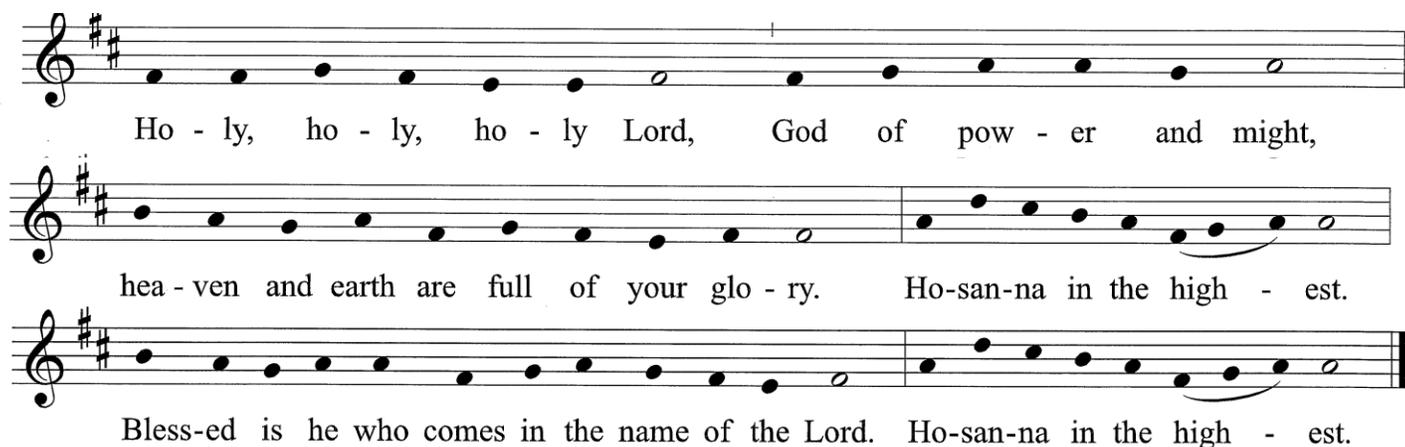
Bishop Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

Bishop Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of heaven and earth; we give you thanks and praise for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true paschal lamb who has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he destroyed death, and by his rising to life again he has won for us eternal life. Therefore, joining our voices with the whole company of heaven, we sing our joyful hymn of praise to proclaim the glory of your name.

Sanctus & Benedictus

New Plainsong Mass – David Hurd



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

Please assume a posture of prayer that is appropriate – stand, sit or kneel.

Bishop We give thanks to you, Lord our God, for the goodness and love you have made known to us in creation; in calling the Israelites 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 Saviour 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 he was handed over to suffering and death, a death he freely accepted, 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, Father, according to his command,

All **we remember his death, we proclaim his resurrection, we await his coming in glory;**

Bishop and we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, 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, made acceptable in him, may be sanctified by the Holy Spirit.

In the fullness of time, reconcile all things in Christ, and make them new, and bring us to that city of light where you dwell with all 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 whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory are yours, almighty Father, now and for ever.

All **Amen.**

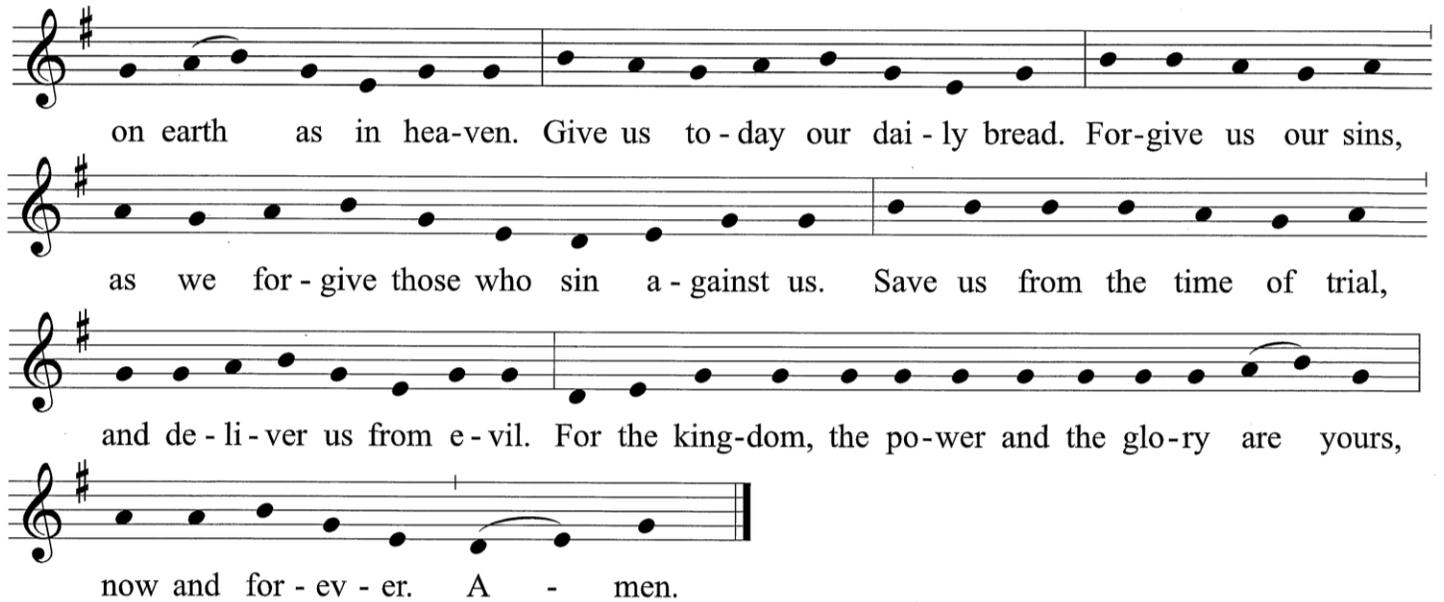
The Lord's Prayer

McNeil Robinson

Bishop As our Saviour taught us, let us pray,



Our Fath-er in hea-ven, hal-lowed be your name, your king-dom come, your will be done,



on earth as in hea-ven. Give us to-day our dai-ly bread. For-give us our sins,
 as we for-give those who sin a-gainst us. Save us from the time of trial,
 and de-li-ver us from e-vil. For the king-dom, the po-wer and the glo-ry are yours,
 now and for-ev-er. A - men.

The Breaking of the Bread

Bishop Lord, we died with you on the cross.

All **Now we are raised to new life.**

Bishop We were buried in your tomb.

All **Now we share in your resurrection.**

Bishop Live in us,

All **That we may live in you.**

The Communion

Bishop The gifts of God for the People of God. Alleluia!

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

Agnus Dei

Choir Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us.
 Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us.
 Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: grant us peace.

All are welcome to receive Holy Communion or a blessing.

If you choose not to receive communion, simply cross your hands over your chest to indicate this to the priest. For those requiring gluten-free hosts or not wanting to walk up the chancel steps, please go to the Lady Chapel. It is not permitted to dip the bread in the wine for health reasons.

Motet**A Thin Place**

Jonathan Wikeley

Choir

This is a thin place, where earth reaches up to heaven, and heaven reaches down to earth.

This is a thin place, where God stretches out his hand, and we but need to take it.

This is a thin place, where Christ our Lord is risen, and everything changes.

Communion Hymn

Tune: Noël nouvelet

Now the green blade rises from the buried grain,
wheat that in dark earth many days has lain;
love lives again, that with the dead has been;
love is come again like wheat arising green.

In the grave they laid him, Love by hatred slain;
thinking that he would never wake again,
laid in the earth like grain that sleeps unseen;
love is come again like wheat arising green.

Forth he came at Easter, like the risen grain,
he that for three days in the grave had lain;
raised from the dead, my living Lord is seen;
love is come again like wheat arising green.

When our hearts are wintry, grieving, or in pain,
your touch can call us back to life again,
fields of our hearts that dead and bare have been;
love is come again like wheat arising green.

Prayer after Communion*Bishop*

Let us pray.

Please stand, as you are able.

Giver of all, we are nourished with your Easter sacraments. Fill us with the Spirit of Love, and unite us in faith, that we may be witnesses to the resurrection and show your glory to all the world, in the name of Jesus Christ the risen Lord.

*People***Amen.**

The Blessing

Bishop May Almighty God who has redeemed us and made us his children through the resurrection of his Son our Lord, bestow upon you the riches of his blessing.

People **Amen.**

Bishop May God, who through the water of baptism has raised us from sin into newness of life, make you holy and worthy to be united with Christ forever.

People **Amen.**

Bishop May God, who has brought us out of bondage to sin into true and lasting freedom in the Redeemer, bring you to your eternal inheritance.

People **Amen.**

Bishop And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever.

People **Amen.**

Hymn

Tune: St. Albinus

All Jesus lives! thy terrors now can no longer, death, appal us;
Jesus lives! by this we know thou, O grave, canst not enthrall us. Alleluia!

Jesus lives! Henceforth is death but the gate of life immortal;
this shall calm our trembling breath when we pass its gloomy portal. Alleluia!

Jesus lives! To him the throne over all the world is given;
may we go where he is gone, rest and reign with him in heaven. Alleluia!

Jesus lives! Our hearts know well nought from us his love shall sever;
life, nor death, nor powers of hell tear us from his keeping ever. Alleluia!

Text: Christian Furchtegott Gellert; tr. Frances Elizabeth Cox, alt.; Music: Henry John Gauntlett.

Dismissal

Deacon Followers of Jesus Christ, inspired by the Holy Spirit, serve the world that God loves. Alleluia!

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

Postlude Symphonie I; VI. Final

Louis Vierne

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