

Welcome. Peace be with you.

Welcome to all who are joining us virtually. In this time of social distancing and COVID-19 pandemic response, we are grateful for the opportunity to gather in spirit.

Children are welcome in worship. Kids, grab your SPARK Story Bibles and set up your craft tables!

We welcome your feedback as we experiment with live streaming worship! What works or doesn't work? What should we try? Our contact info is on the back page of this bulletin.

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The Vigil of Easter

April 3, 2021

7:00 p.m.

Today's Worship Leaders:

Pastor Jen Nagel and Pastor Barbara Johnson (presiding ministers);
Zach Busch, Hope Choir (music); Storytellers - Katie Hale and
Micki Kruse (Red Sea), Ann Wagner and Eric Ringham (The
Flood), Hope Choir (Creation), ULCH Youth Group (Jonah);
Dan Bielenberg, Rebecca Tetlie (tech facilitators)



gathering

We gather for worship on the land of our Creator.

*Many of us and our church building dwell in the traditional home of the Dakota people,
and a land over which the Anishinaabeg people and others also moved.*

They gathered and ate food, rested, died and gave birth, and prayed here, and many still do.

*Assembly parts are marked in **bold**.*

Welcome and Greeting

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

Beloved in Christ, on this most holy night when our Savior Jesus Christ passed from death to life, we gather with the church throughout the world in vigil and prayer. This is the passover of Jesus Christ. Through light and the word, through water and oil, bread and wine, we proclaim Christ's death and resurrection, share Christ's triumph over sin and death, and await Christ's coming again in glory.

Blessing the New Fire

Let us pray. Eternal God, in Jesus Christ you have given the light of life to all the world. Bless this new fire, and increase in us a desire to shine forth with the brightness of Christ's rising, until we feast at the banquet of eternal light; through the Sun of righteousness, Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Paschal Candle Inscription

The Paschal Candle is inscribed with symbols of God's reign over eternal time.

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*Christ yesterday and today,
the beginning and the ending.*

*To Christ belongs all time
and all the ages;*

*To Christ belongs glory and dominion
now and forever.*

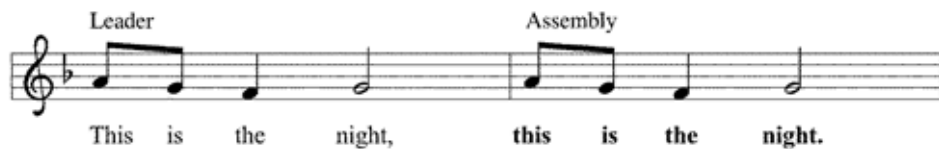
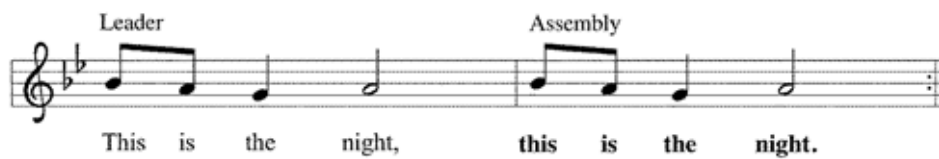
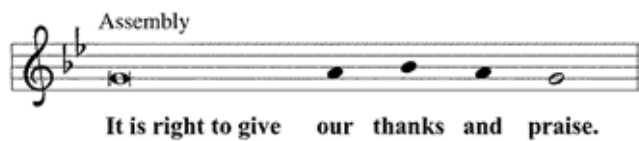
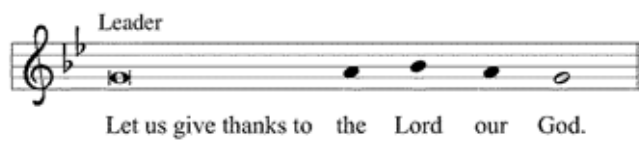
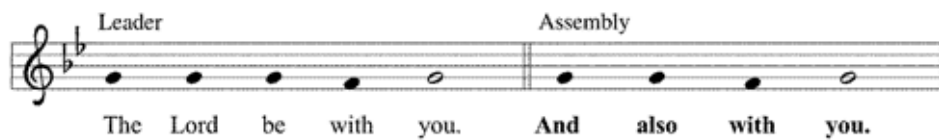
Amen.

Passing the Christ Light

The Paschal Candle is lit from the new fire. Then, we all light our candles. Keep your candles lit throughout the service.



Easter Proclamation



Prayer of the Day

Let us pray. O God,
you are the creator of the world, the liberator of your people, and the wisdom of the earth. By the resurrection of your Son free us from our fears, restore us in your image, and ignite us with your light, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

word

First Reading - The story of Creation from Genesis

Told in song: "It Is Good" by Zach Busch, recorded virtually by Hope Choir

Response - Joyous Light of Heavenly Glory, stanza 1

Joyous light of heavenly glory, loving glow of God's own face,
you who sing creation's story, shine on every land and race.
Now as evening falls around us, we shall raise our songs to you.
God of daybreak, God of shadows, come and light our hearts anew.

Prayer

Let us pray. Mother, O God, your creation is very good: the darkness of this church, the light of your life, our birth in these waters, your image in us all. O good mother, O God, we rest in you. **Amen.**

Second Reading - The story of Deliverance at the Red Sea from Exodus

Told on video by Micki Kruse and Katie Hale

Response - Come and Go With Me

Come and go with me to that land,
Come and go with me to that land where I'm bound.

Prayer

Let us pray. Merciful God, save all whom oppression drowns. Wash away injustice. With Miriam we sing to the majestic mercy of your baptismal waters. And this time, O God, we implore you: save also the Egyptians in your mercy, wider and deeper than all the oceans of the earth. **Amen.**

Third Reading - The story of the Great Flood from Genesis

Told on video by Ann Wagner and Eric Ringham

Response - Be Still and Know

Be Still and Know

The musical score is written on two staves in G major (one sharp). The first staff begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp. It contains two measures: the first measure is marked '1*' and contains the notes G4, A4, B4, and C5; the second measure is marked '2' and contains the notes D5, C5, B4, and A4. The lyrics 'Be still and know that I am God.' are written below the first staff. The second staff continues the melody with the notes G4, A4, B4, C5, D5, C5, B4, A4, G4, and ends with a fermata over the final G4. The lyrics 'Be still and know that I am God.' are written below the second staff. A note below the first staff reads: ** May be sung in canon*

Text: Psalm 46:10

Music: BE STILL AND KNOW (BELL), John L. Bell, b. 1949

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Prayer

Let us pray. O God, your wrath is short; your favor lasts a lifetime. We walk hopefully toward the promise of Joy coming in the morning. In the deluge of your mercy, flood us with your visionary power to see beyond the raging stormcloud. Open our eyes to see that in the blessed, holy ark of planet earth, we are all in this together. Unfurl your promise in the skies. In the coo of the dove, in the plumpness of a green leaf, remind us that all shall be well. **Amen.**

Fourth Reading - The story of Jonah and the Whale from the book of Jonah

Told on video by the ULCH Youth Group

Response - In the Lord I'll be Ever Thankful

The musical score is written on two staves in B-flat major (two flats). The first staff begins with a treble clef and a key signature of two flats. It contains the notes Bb4, C5, D5, Eb5, D5, C5, Bb4, and A4. The lyrics 'In the Lord I'll be ev - er thank - ful, in the Lord I will re -' are written below the first staff. The second staff continues the melody with the notes Bb4, C5, D5, Eb5, D5, C5, Bb4, and A4. The lyrics 'In the Lord I'll be ev - er thank - ful, in the Lord I will re -' are written below the second staff.



Prayer

Let us pray. Your anger is the storm of justice, O God, and we are apt to drown in our violence. But you are gracious and merciful, slow to anger and quick to relent. Look upon the city you have made and all your creatures who dwell there, and save us, Endless Grace. **Amen.**

baptismal remembrance

Thanksgiving for Water

Blessed be the holy Trinity,
✠ one God,
the fountain of living water,
the rock who gave us birth,
our light and our salvation.
Amen.

Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism, we are clothed with God's mercy and forgiveness. Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning you created us in your image and placed us in a well-watered garden. In the desert, you promised pools of water for the parched, and you gave us water from the rock. When we did not know the way, you sent the Good Shepherd to lead us to still waters. At the cross, you washed us from Jesus' wounded side, and on this day, you shower us again with the water of life.

We praise you for your salvation through water, for the water in this font, and for all water everywhere, for the Mississippi winding toward the gulf, for Bde Maka Ska , Johanna, Nokomis, and Como, for Minnehaha Creek and Shingle Creek. Bathe us in your forgiveness, grace, and love. Satisfy all who thirst, and give us the life only you can give.

To you be given honor and praise through Jesus Christ, our living water, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever. **Amen.**

Remembrance of Baptism

Beloved in Christ, in Holy Baptism our Savior Jesus Christ received you and made you members of the Church, giving you gifts of faith, love, life, and forgiveness. Remember now your Baptism, that you may daily die to sin and rise to new life in Christ. Amen.

You are invited to dip your hand in the water and make the sign of the cross on your or another's forehead, using words such as, "Remember that you are a beloved child of God."

Join in humming "Borning Cry."



word renewed

Reading - Romans 6:3-5, adapted

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 God, 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.

Word of God, Word of Life. **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Acclamation

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He - le - lu - yan, he - le - lu - yan; he - le, he - le - lu - yan.
Hal - le - lu - jah, hal - le - lu - jah; hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah.

He - le - lu - yan, he - le - lu - yan; he - le, he - le - lu - yan.
Hal - le - lu - jah, hal - le - lu - jah; hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah.

** May be sung in canon.*

Gospel Reading - John 20:1-18, adapted

The gospel according to John, the twentieth chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the tomb. So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, "They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him." Then Peter and the other disciple set out and went toward the tomb. The two were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. He bent down to look in and saw the linen wrappings lying there, but he did not go in. Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen wrappings lying there, and the cloth that had been on Jesus' head, not lying with the linen wrappings but rolled up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; for as yet they did not understand the scripture, that he must rise from the dead. Then the disciples returned to their homes.

But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb; and she saw two angels in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had been lying, one at the head and the other at the feet. They said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping?" She said to them, "They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him." When she had said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it was

Jesus. Jesus said to her, “Woman, why are you weeping? Whom are you looking for?” Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, “Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away.” Jesus said to her, “Mary!” She turned and said to him in Hebrew, “Rabbouni!” (which means Teacher). Jesus said to her, “Do not hold on to me, because I have not yet ascended to God. But go to my brothers and say to them, ‘I am ascending to my God and your God.’” Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, “I have seen the Lord”; and she told them that he had said these things to her.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Hymn - Woman, Weeping in the Garden



1 Wom - an, weep - ing in the gar - den, who has
 2 Wom - an, wait - ing in the gar - den, af - ter
 3 Wom - an, walk - ing in the gar - den, Je - sus
 4 Wom - an, weep - ing in the gar - den, weep for
 5 Wom - an, danc - ing from the gar - den, find the

pushed the stone a - side? Who has tak - en Je - sus'
 men have come and gone, af - ter an - gels give their
 takes you by sur - prise; when the gar - d'ner calls you,
 joy, for you have seen Je - sus, the Mes - si - ah,
 oth - ers and pro - claim Christ is ris - en as he

bod - y, Je - sus Christ the cru - ci - fied?
 wit - ness, si - lent - ly you watch the dawn.
 “Mar - y!” faith and joy meet in your eyes.
 ris - en; Christ, of whom the proph - ets dream.
 prom - ised; tell the world he knew your name!

Text: Daniel Charles Damon, b. 1955

Music: CEDARWOLF, Thomas Pavlechko, b. 1962

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Sharing the Peace

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

¡Aleluya! ¡Christo ha resucitado!

Cristo ha en verdad resucitado! ¡Aleluya!

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

La paz de Cristo sea siempre con ustedes.

Y también contigo.

*All are invited to share the peace of Christ in whatever way is comfortable, using these or similar words
“Peace be with you” or “La paz del Señor”*

meal

Offering

Thank you for your continued generosity!
Offerings can be sent electronically or by mail.
Information on the last page of the bulletin.

The Great Thanksgiving

God be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to our God.

Let us give thanks to our gracious God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee, stanza 2

**All thy works with joy surround thee, earth and heav’n reflect thy rays,
stars and angels sing around thee, center of unbroken praise.
Field and forest, vale and mountain, flow’ry meadow, flashing sea,
chanting bird and flowing fountain call us to rejoice in thee.**

Eucharistic Prayer and Words of Institution

The Lord's Prayer

Our Creator, Our Mother, 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.

Creador nuestro, Madre nuestra, Padre nuestro que estás en el cielo, santificado sea tu nombre. Venga tu reino. Hágase tu voluntad en la tierra como en el cielo. Danos hoy nuestro pan de cada día. Perdona nuestras ofensas como también nosotros perdonamos a los que nos ofenden. No nos dejes caer en tentación y líbranos del mal. Porque tuyo es el reino, tuyo es el poder y tuya es la gloria, ahora y siempre. Amén

Holy Communion

We believe that Jesus Christ is present in Holy Communion with gifts of forgiveness, life and salvation. All who hunger for the presence of Christ in their life are invited to partake. By our participation in this meal, we are strengthened in faith and in life. All are welcome to commune. If you are sitting with others, when sharing the bread with someone, say to them: "This is the body of Christ, given for you." When sharing the wine or grape juice, say, "This is the blood of Christ, shed for you." If you aren't with others, today, hear the voice of the pastor naming these promises of grace and life for you. If you'd prefer a blessing, hear these promises: "You are a beloved child of God. May God strengthen you with grace through Christ for all we face today."

Music During Communion

The image displays a musical score for a hymn. It consists of two systems of music, each with a treble and bass staff. The melody is written in the treble staff, and the bass staff provides a harmonic accompaniment. The lyrics are written below the treble staff. The key signature has one flat (B-flat), and the time signature is 4/4. The lyrics are: "Be not a-fraid, sing out for joy! Christ is ris-en, al-le - lu - ia!"

Text: Matthew 28:5; Taizé Community
Music: BE NOT AFRAID, Jacques Berthier, 1923-1994
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Table Blessing

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in God's grace.
Amen.

Prayer after Communion

Let us pray. Mighty and compassionate God,
you have brought us over from death to life through your Son, our risen Savior. You have fed us with the food of life. Send us out now in peace, and grant us courage to love and serve you and this world. Amen.

Hymn - Alleluia! Jesus Is Risen!



1 Al - le - lu - ia! Je - sus is ris - en!
2 Walk - ing the way, Christ in the cen - ter
3 Je - sus the vine, we are the branch - es;
4 Weep - ing, be gone; sor - row, be si - lent:
5 Cit - y of God, Eas - ter for - ev - er,



Trum - pets re - sound - ing in glo - ri - ous light!
tell - ing the sto - ry to o - pen our eyes;
life in the Spir - it the fruit of the tree;
death put a - sun - der, and Eas - ter is bright.
gold - en Je - ru - sa - lem, Je - sus the Lamb,



Splen - dor, the Lamb, heav - en for - ev - er!
break - ing our bread, giv - ing us glo - ry:
heav - en to earth, Christ to the peo - ple,
Cher - u - bim sing: O grave, be o - pen!
riv - er of life, saints and arch - an - gels,



Oh, what a mir - a - cle God has in sight!
Je - sus our bless - ing, our con - stant sur - prise.
gift of the fu - ture now flow - ing to me.
Clothe us in won - der, a - dorn us in light.
sing with cre - a - tion to God the I AM!



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Blessing

May our glorious God grant you a spirit of wisdom
to know and to love the risen Lord Jesus.
The God of life,
Creator, ☩ Christ, and Holy Spirit,
bless you now and forever.

Amen.

Dismissal

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

Go in peace. Share this good news. Alleluia!

Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

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