

# THE PASCHAL TRIDUUM

## The Great Vigil of Easter

April 3, 2021 ♦ 8:00 p.m.

*The lighting of the New Fire.*

### The New Fire

*The Presider blesses the fire.*

*Presiding Priest* The Lord be with you.

**People** And also with you.

*Presiding Priest* Let us pray.

O God, through your Son you have bestowed upon your faithful people the brightness of your light: Now sanctify this new fire and grant that we may be so set on fire with heavenly desires by the Paschal journey, that we may come with pure hearts and minds to the feast of your eternal brightness; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

*The Presider lights the Paschal Candle from the New Fire and the people light their candles at home.*

*As the Paschal Candle is brought into the story and worship space, all sing the response:*

The light of Christ.  
**Thanks be to God**

*The Exultet is proclaimed.*

## SALVATION STORIES

### The Story of Creation

Genesis 1:1-2:4

*After the story, all sing "God of the Sparrow" as directed.*

Cantor: God of the sparrow, God of the whale, God of the swirling stars:

**All: How does the creature say Awe? How does the creature say Praise?**

Cantor: God of the earthquake, God of the storm, God of the trumpet blast:

**All: How does the creature cry Woe? How does the creature cry Save?**

Cantor: God of the neighbor, God of the foe, God of the pruning hook:

**All: How does the creature say Love? How does the creature say Peace?**

Cantor: God of the ages, God near at hand, God of the loving heart:

**All: How do your children say Joy? How do your children say Home?**

My brothers and sisters,

Once there was nothing, and now we are all here: salmon, whale, eagle, coyote, human; rivers and mountains, forests and flowers; seasons, atoms, galaxies, all things seen and unseen. We exist because God desires that we exist. We are here now because God speaks us into being and cherishes us forever.

Let us give thanks to our gracious Creator, our sacred beginning and our sacred end. Let us pray fervently for humankind, that we may repent of our careless and arrogant abuse of creation, honor the precious gift of this earth with reverence and delight, and find our proper and constructive place within its fragile and balanced harmonies.

**All: Creator of the universe, enable us to live in the Sacred Way. Amen.**

### **The Ark and the Flood**

Genesis 6:1-8:22

*After the story, all sing:*

**Been in the storm so long (singin'), been in the storm so long (singin'),  
O Lord, give me more time to pray.**

**O Lord, I need you now ...**

Dear People of Faith,

God has made a covenant with creation, a promise never to abandon us, not even when our own folly and wickedness threaten to undo the natural systems upon which life depends.

Remember that God remains deeply committed to our story, even when the flood of chaos washes away the ground beneath our feet.

Let us pray for the victims of natural disasters, and for all who have suffered from the pandemic. Let us pray for those whose lives are beset by the storms of tribulation, fear, and grief. And let us pray for all who cling to the precious ark of faith.

**All: O God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come:  
Be our shelter in the storm. Amen.**

### **Israel's Deliverance at the Red Sea**

Exodus 14:1-15:21

*After the story, all sing:*

**Wade in the water, wade in the water, children  
Wade in the water, God's gonna trouble the water**

Dear companions of the Sacred Journey,

Tonight we leave Egypt behind: everything that oppresses, everything that enslaves, everything that binds us to the world of sin is left at the edge of the baptismal sea. Once we enter the deep waters of God, we no longer belong to powers of this world. We are marked as Christ's own forever.

Let us pray for the conscience and courage to renounce our own complicity in the workings of violence, privilege, racism, and oppression. Let us pray in solidarity with all who are despised, rejected, exploited, and abused. And let us commit ourselves to the flourishing of justice and peace throughout the world.

**All: God of the Exodus, bring us home to the place of salvation. Amen.**

**The Valley of Dry Bones**

Ezekiel 37:1-14

*After the story, all sing:*

**Bless the Lord, my soul, and bless God's holy name.**

**Bless the Lord, my soul, who rescues me from death.**

Dear People of God,

There are those who tell our story as a history of defeats and diminishments, a narrative of dashed hopes and inconsolable griefs. But tonight we tell a different story, a story that does not end with a valley of dry bones, a story that inhales God's own breath and sings alleluia even at the grave.

By our baptism, we have been entrusted with this story,  
to live out its great YES against every cry of defeat.

*The people respond*

**This is the night when the Spirit stirs!**

**This is the night when God's people are raised up in Christ!**

**This is the night we come home to God.**

**Let us rejoice in the infinite imagination of our Holy and Compassionate God!**

**Let us be filled with the breath of praise!**

**And let us pray that every member of the human family  
may receive into their hearts the precious Word of life.**

*Let us pray*

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 out 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 the One through whom all things were made, our Savior Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

*All sing*

Hallelujah (v. 3 and chorus)

Music: Leonard Cohen Text: Scott Lawrence

**Now instead of fear you feel  
A love that time cannot steal;  
No darkness can conceal the light within you.  
This loving grace, this love divine,  
Seeking all that's lost will find  
The ever-living, singing Hallelujah.  
Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Hallelu—jah.**

## THE RENEWAL OF BAPTISMAL VOWS

*The Presider addresses the people in these words*

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

*Presiding Priest* Do you reaffirm your renunciation of evil and renew your commitment to Jesus Christ?

*People* **I do.**

*Presiding Priest* Do you believe in God the Father?

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

*Presiding Priest* 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.**

*Presiding Priest* 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.**

*Presiding Priest* 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.**

*Presiding Priest* 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.**

*Presiding Priest* Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

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

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

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

*Presiding Priest* 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.**

Presider

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 forever. Amen.

*We sprinkle one another with holy water, saying "Remember your baptism!"  
After renewing our baptismal vows, we find our noisemakers and prepare to crescendo!*

*(three times)*

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

**The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

*(three times)*

Christ is ri-sen from the dead, tramp-ling down death by death, and on  
those in the tombs be - stow - ing life, be - stow - ing life!

The Lord be with you.  
**And also with you.**  
Let us pray...

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.**

ALLELUIA

*Sung by cantor, then all*

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

THE GOSPEL

Mark 16:1-8

The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Mark  
**People** **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

When the sabbath was over, Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices, so that they might go and anoint Jesus. And very early on the first day of the week, when the sun had risen, they went to the tomb. They had been saying to one another, "Who will roll away the stone for us 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 man, dressed in a white robe, sitting on the right side; and they were alarmed. But he 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 and Peter that he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him, just as he told you." So they went out and fled from the tomb, for terror and amazement had seized them; and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.

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

THE PASCHAL HOMILY OF ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM

THE PEACE – *We greet one another with the Easter acclamation!*

*Presiding Priest* Alleluia, Christ is risen!  
**People** **The Lord is risen indeed, Alleluia!**



## The Liturgy of the Table

ANTHEM

*O risen Christ*

K. Lee Scott

O risen Lord, O glorious Son, Now is the mighty battle won: Songs of praising we are raising: Alleluia!  
On the third morning he arose, shining victory o'er his foes; Earth is singing heaven is ringing: Alleluia!  
After the death that him befell, Christ our Lord, has harrowed hell Sing with gladness, gone is sadness: Alleluia!  
The Lord of all things lives anew, And all his saints are rising, too: May our living be thanksgiving: Alleluia!

TEXT: *John Mason Neale, 1818-66, alt.*

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them up unto the Lord.**

Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

**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:

*Presider and People*

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

*Then the Presider gives thanks for God's work in creation and for the salvation of the world through Christ and prays over the bread and wine.*

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

*Presider and People*

**Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again**

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father. . . .

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.

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

**Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.**

*The Bread is broken.*

Alleluia, Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us!  
**Therefore let us keep the feast! Alleluia!**

*Communion of the people and post communion prayer*

**Gracious God, we give you thanks and praise that when we were still far off you met us in your Son and brought us home. Dying and rising, he declared your love, gave us grace, and opened the gate of glory. May we who share Christ's body, live his risen life; we who drink his cup, bring life to others. we whom the Spirit lights, give light to the world. Keep us firm in the hope you have set before us, so that we and all your children shall be free, and the whole world live to praise your name. Amen.**

#### THE SOLEMN BLESSING

May Almighty God, whose daughters and sons you are by adoption and grace, make you a new creation, fulfilling in you the promise of eternal life. **Amen.**

May God, who through the water of baptism has joined you with Christ's death and resurrection, fill you with the holiness and joy of the risen life. **Amen.**

May God, who has set you free in the power of the Holy Spirit, bring you home to your inheritance with all the saints in light. **Amen.**

And the blessing of God, the all-holy and undivided Trinity, be upon you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

HYMN

*Jesus Christ is Risen Today*

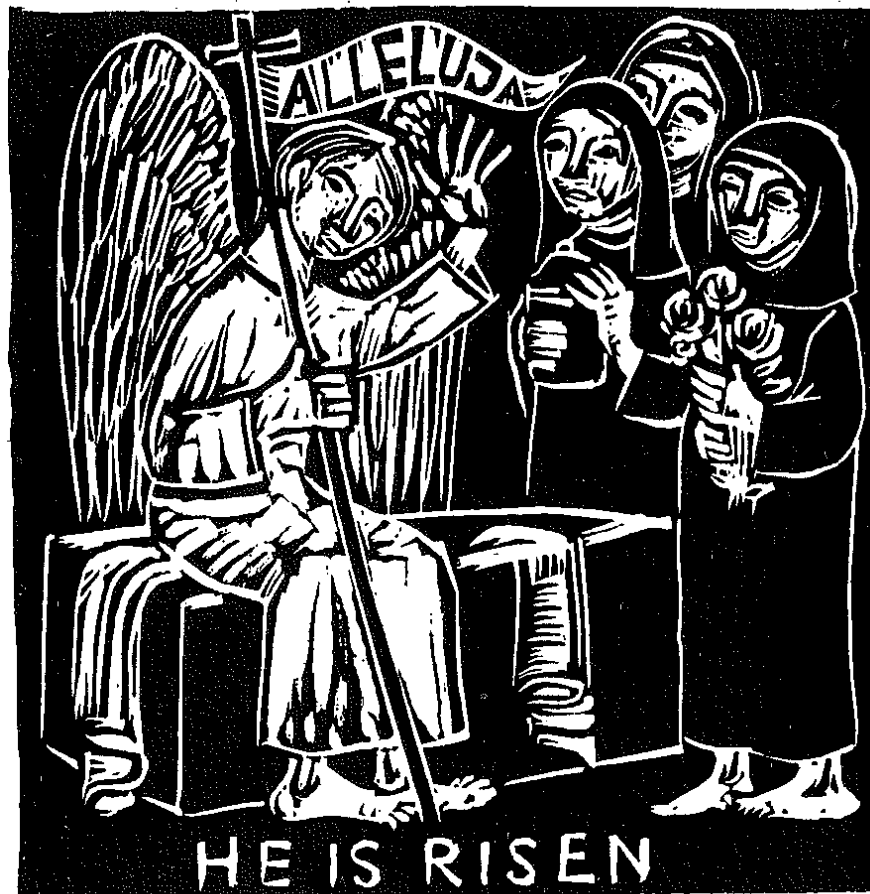
Paul Roy, organ; Allan Anderson, trumpet  
*And the voices of the St. Barnabas Community*

#### THE DISMISSAL

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Wherever you are in this moment,  
wherever you may be in the days to come:  
let your life be radiant with resurrection!

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





## MINISTERS OF THE LITURGY

Presiding Priest  
Assisting Priest & Videographer  
Organist and Choirmaster  
Song Leaders  
Trumpeter  
Storytellers & Easter Acclamation

The Rev. Karen Haig  
The Rev. Jim Friedrich  
Paul Roy  
The Parish Choir  
Allan Anderson  
Angela Lloyd, Jim Friedrich  
The people of St. Barnabas

The retellings of Old Testament stories are from *The Electronic Campfire* (1991), written and directed by Jim Friedrich and featuring California storyteller Angela Lloyd along with the director. Additional scenes were created by children of the parish (Creation) as well as adult parishioners (Flood).

**Thanks to everyone who contributed to the making of this liturgy. Christ is risen indeed!**

Join us on Zoom tomorrow morning at 10AM for Rev. Karen's Easter greeting, followed by the Easter Sunday liturgy at St Marks Cathedral. Look for an email Sunday morning with instructions for joining both services.



# ST. BARNABAS STAFF & LEADERSHIP

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