

# THE HOLY BAPTISM AND HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE TWO

Sunday of the Resurrection: Easter Sunday 11 am • March 31, 2024

Welcome to Church of the Nativity on this Sunday of the Resurrection: Easter Sunday, when we commemorate our Lord Jesus Christ's resurrection and victory over death.

Everything you need to participate in today's service is found in this bulletin, including all readings, responses, prayers, and hymns. Text in *italic type* indicates a hymn tune name when next to a hymn title, designates the speaker in responsive readings and prayers, or is instructional. Text in **bold type** is to be spoken by the People.

If you have any questions about the service or about Nativity, please don't hesitate to ask our Vestry Representative of the day, who greeted you in the Narthex as you came in today. If you would like to fill out a welcome card or make a donation, you can do that by scanning the QR code on the back of this bulletin.

#### THE PRE-SERVICE MUSIC

"Alleluia", from Exultate Jubilate Praeludium in F, BuxWV 156

Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart, arr. Clair W. Johnson Dietrich Buxtehude

THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN: 207. Jesus Christ is risen today (sung by all) Easter Hymn is risen to-day, Al le - lu - ia! our tri - um-phant ho - ly day, Je - sus Christ 2. Hymns of praise then let us sing, Al le - lu - ia! un - to Christ, our heaven-ly King, But the pains which he en-dured, Al le - lu - ia! our sal - va - tion have pro-cured, 3. Sing we our God a-bove, Al le - lu - ia! praise e - ter - nal as his love. to A1 lu ia! A1 who did once, up - on the cross, Al lu A1 le ia! who en-dured the cross and grave, le -Al le lu ia! now a - bove the sky he's King, Al le -Al le ia! praise him, all ye heaven-ly host, Al -- le ia! suf - fer re - deem our loss. Al to lu ia! sin - ners to re - deem and save, A1le lu ia! ia! ia! where the an - gels A1lu ev - er sing, le ia!

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## THE WORD OF GOD

#### THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia

Celebrant There is one Body and one Spirit;

People There is one hope in God's call to us;

Celebrant One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;

People One God and Father of all.

#### THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty God, who through your only-begotten Son Jesus Christ overcame death and opened to us the gate of everlasting life: Grant that we, who celebrate with joy the day of the Lord's resurrection, may be raised from the death of sin by your life-giving Spirit; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.** 

#### THE CHILDREN'S HOMILY

The First Lesson Acts 10:34–43

Peter began to speak to Cornelius and the other Gentiles: "I truly understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all. That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name."

Reader The Word of the Lord.People Thanks be to God.

PSALM 118 (sung by the choir)

Isaac Watts / W. A. Mozart

This is the day the Lord hath made, He calls the hours his own; Let heaven rejoice, let earth be glad, and praise surround the throne. Hosanna in the highest strains the church on earth can raise; The highest heavens, in which he reigns, shall give him nobler praise. The God of our salvation. Give thanks to God for he is good. Alleluia!

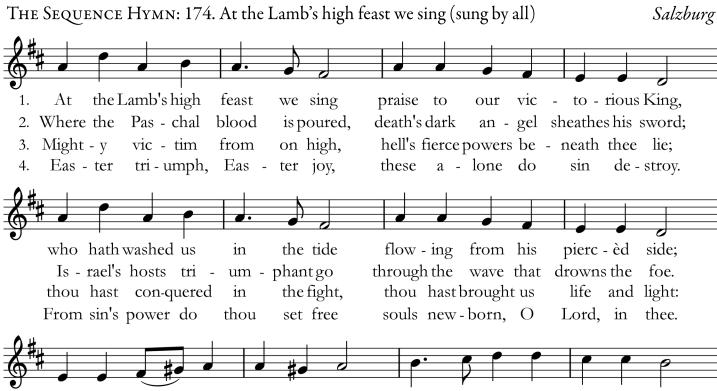
### THE SECOND LESSON

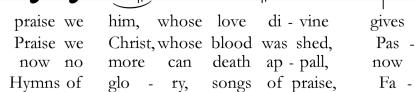
1 Corinthians 15:1–11

I would remind you, brothers and sisters, of the good news that I proclaimed to you, which you in turn received, in which also you stand, through which also you are being saved, if you hold firmly to the message that I proclaimed to you--unless you have come to believe in vain.

For I handed on to you as of first importance what I in turn had received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures, and that he was buried, and that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures, and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers and sisters at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died. Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me. For I am the least of the apostles, unfit to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace toward me has not been in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them-though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me. Whether then it was I or they, so we proclaim and so you have come to believe.

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.





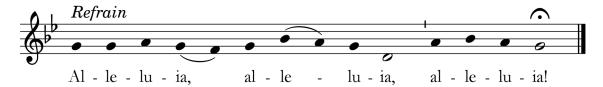
his sa - cred Blood for wine, Pas chal vic - tim. Pas - chal bread: no more the grave en-thrall; thee we raise: Fa ther, un - to



gives his Bo - dy for the feast, with sin - cer - i and love ty thou hast o - pened par - a dise, ris - en Lord, all praise thee to

vic - tim, Christ the priest. from a - bove. eat man - na we and in thee thy saints shall rise. with the Spi - rit ev - er be.

The Alleluia refrain is sung first by the Choir and then by the People. After the appointed verse is sung by the Choir, the People repeat the refrain. After the reading of the Gospel, the refrain is sung once more.



Choir Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

People (sung) Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Choir This is the day the Lord has made; we shall rejoice and be glad in it.

People (sung) Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

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

People (spoken) Glory to you, Lord Christ.

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 the Father. But go to my brothers and say to them, I am ascending to my Father and your Father, 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.

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

People (spoken) Praise to you, Lord Christ.

People (sung) Alleluia, alleluia!

# THE HOLY BAPTISM

We welcome Dorah Rian Bosch, Clay Myers Albertson, and Sloane Mast Albertson into the household of God through the rite of Holy Baptism.

#### Presentation and Examination of the Candidates

Celebrant The candidates for Holy Baptism will now be presented.

The candidates who are able to answer for themselves are presented individually by their Sponsors:

*Sponsor* I present *N*. to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.

The Celebrant asks each candidate when presented

Do you desire to be baptized?

Candidate I do.

Then the candidates unable to answer for themselves are presented individually by their Parents and Godparents:

I present N. to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.

When all have been presented the Celebrant asks the parents and godparents

Will you be responsible for seeing that the child you present is brought

up in the Christian faith and life?

Parents and Godparents I will, with God's help.

Celebrant Will you by your prayers and witness help this child to grow into the

full stature of Christ?

Parents and Godparents I will, with God's help.

Then the Celebrant asks the following questions of the candidates who can speak for themselves, and of the parents and godparents who speak on behalf of the infants and younger children:

Question Do you renounce Satan and all the spiritual forces of wickedness that rebel against

God?

Answer I renounce them.

Question Do you renounce the evil powers of this world which corrupt and destroy the

creatures of God?

Answer I renounce them.

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

Answer I renounce them.

Question Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Savior?

Answer I do.

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

Answer I do.

Question Do you promise to follow and obey him as your Lord?

Answer I do.

After all have been presented, the Celebrant addresses the congregation, saying

Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support these

persons in their life in Christ? Will you who witness these vows do all in your power

to support these persons in their life in Christ?

People We will.

Celebrant Let us join with those who are committing themselves to Christ and renew our own

baptismal covenant. Let us join with those who are committing themselves to Christ

and renew our own baptismal covenant.

#### THE BAPTISMAL COVENANT

Celebrant Do you believe in 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 the

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.

## PRAYERS FOR THE CANDIDATES

The Celebrant then says to the congregation

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

A Person appointed leads the following petitions:

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 Keep them in the faith and communion of your holy Church.

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.

Celebrant 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.

People Amen.

#### THANKSGIVING OVER THE WATER

The Celebrant blesses the water, first saying

The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Celebrant We thank you, Almighty God, for the gift of water. Over it the Holy Spirit moved in the beginning of creation. Through it you led the children of Israel out of their bondage in Egypt into the land of promise. In it 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, we pray you, by the power of your Holy Spirit, that those who here are cleansed from sin and born again may continue for ever in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Savior.

To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

#### THE BAPTISM

Each candidate is presented by name to the Celebrant, or to an assisting priest or deacon, who then immerses, or pours water upon, the candidate, saying

N., I baptize you in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

When this action has been completed for all candidates, the Bishop or Priest, at a place in full sight of the congregation, prays over them, saying

Let us pray.

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. **Amen.** 

Then the Bishop or Priest places a hand on the person's head, marking on the forehead the sign of the cross [using Chrism if desired] and saying to each one

N., you are sealed by the Holy Spirit in Baptism and marked as Christ's own for ever. Amen.

When all have been baptized, the Celebrant says

Let us welcome the newly baptized.

Celebrant and 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.

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People ' And also with you.

# THE HOLY COMMUNION

Music During the Offering: Ye Choirs of New Jerusalem (sung by the choir) C. V. Stanford

Ye choirs of new Jerusalem, your sweetest notes employ, the Paschal victory to hymn in strains of holy joy. For Judah's Lion bursts His chains, crushing the serpent's head; and cries aloud through death's domains to wake th'imprison'd dead. Devouring depths of hell their prey at His command restore; His ransom'd hosts pursue their way where Jesus goes before. Triumphant in His glory now to Him all power is given; to Him in one communion bow all saints in earth and heaven. While we, His soldiers, praise our King, His mercy we implore, within His palace bright to bring and keep us evermore. All glory to the Father be, all glory to the Son, all glory, Holy Ghost, to Thee, while endless ages run. Alleluia! Amen.

THE HYMN AT THE PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS (sung by all)

Christ ist erstanden



Christ the Lord is risen a-gain! Christ hath bro-ken ev-ery chain! Now through all the world it rings



that the Lamb in King of kings. Al - le - lu - ia!

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING: Eucharistic Prayer A

Celebrant The Lord be with you.People And also with you.Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

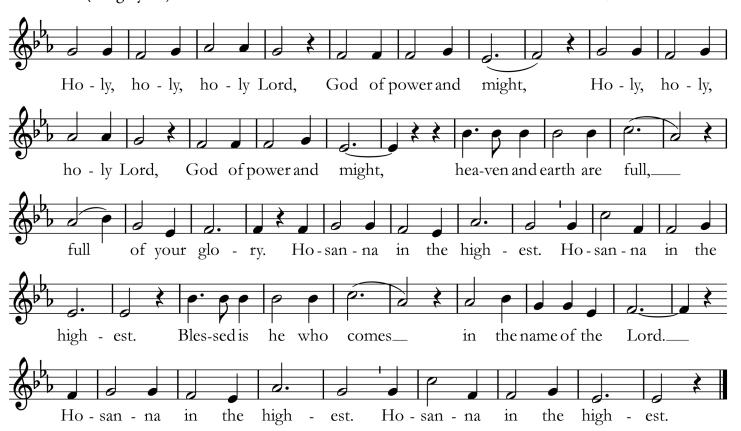
People We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.People It is right to give him thanks and praise.

*Celebrant* 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:



Celebrant Holy and gracious Father: 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 many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

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

## The Lord's Prayer

Contemporary Version

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

Celebrant and People

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 for ever. Amen.

THE FRACTION ANTHEM (sung by all)

Franz Schubert, Deutsche Messe



us. Je-sus, re-deem-er, re-deem-er of the world: give us your peace, give us your peace.

*Celebrant* The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

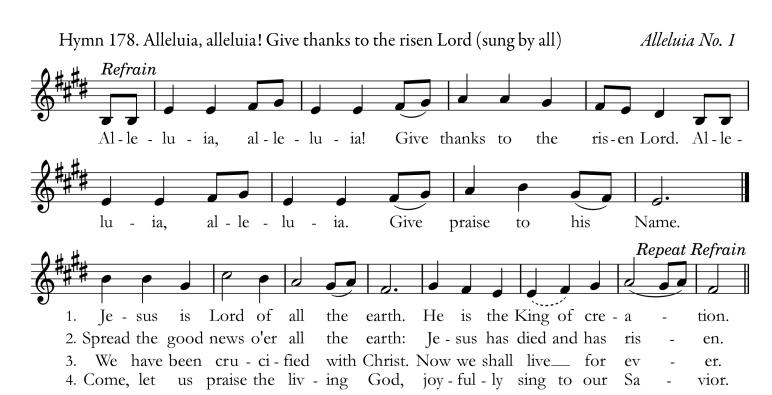
All are welcome to receive the Eucharist in the Episcopal Church.

#### Music during Communion

This Joyful Eastertide (sung by the choir)

Vernon Hoyle

This joyful Eastertide, away with care and sorrow! My Love, the Crucified, hath sprung to life this morrow. *Had Christ, that once was slain, ne'er burst his threeday prison, our faith had been in vain; but now is Christ arisen.* Death's flood hath lost its chill, since Jesus crossed the river: Lover of souls, from ill my passing soul deliver. My flesh in hope shall rest, and for a season slumber, till trump from east to west shall wake the dead in number.



#### THE POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Celebrant Let us pray.

Celebrant and People Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### THE BLESSING

Celebrant 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.

Celebrant 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 for ever.

People Amen.

Celebrant 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.

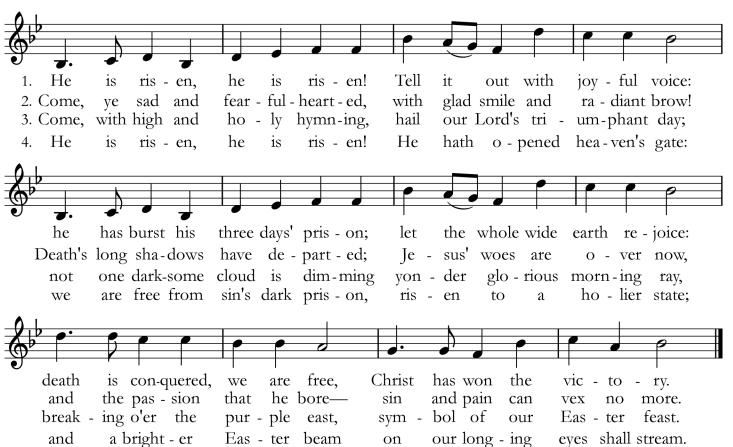
Celebrant And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon

you and remain with you for ever.

People Amen.







#### THE DISMISSAL

The Deacon or Celebrant dismisses the People, and the People respond:

## Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

The Voluntary: Festival Toccata

Percy Fletcher



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We thank the following for their participation in this evening's service:

CELEBRANT The Rev. Dr. Cathy Deats

PREACHER The Rev. Stephanie Yancy

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MUSICIANS Bradley Burgess, Organist and Choirmaster

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Harlan Hagge, trumpet

CRUCIFER Davis Dutton

BANNER Owen McKimmon

TORCHES Raylan Neece, Beatrice Tarry

ALTAR GUILD Robin Rhaney, Anne Sena, Brian Fentress

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