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Easter Vigil



Light of Christ
A BOLDLY INCLUSIVE CATHOLIC CHURCH



Responses of the people are in ***bold/italics***

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Opening Song:

SING TO THE MOUNTAINS

Bob Dufford, SJ


Refrain



Sing to the moun-tains, sing to the sea. Raise your voic - es,
lift your hearts. This is the day the Lord has made. Let all the
earth re - joice. Last time Let all the earth re - joice.

to Verses

Verse 1



1. I will give thanks to you, my Lord. You have
1. an - swered my plea. You have saved my
1. soul from death. You are my strength and my song.

to Refrain

Verse 2



2. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord. Heav -
2. en and earth are full of your glo - ry.

to Refrain

Verse 3



3. This is the day that the Lord has made. Let us be glad and re-joice.
3. Death has lost and all is life. Sing of the glo-ry of God.

to Refrain

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Invocation and Introduction:

Hello, and welcome to the Light of Christ Easter Vigil Liturgy. Let us begin our time together as one expression of God's people, in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. ***Amen.***

May our loving God, our brother Jesus, and the movement of the Breath of God be with you all. ***And also with you.***

We are glad to share this time with you, knowing that God and God's great love story is in our midst. Tonight, we will share the story of God's great love in our midst, and now rising up anew among us, and within us. This is the Easter story, the story of Resurrection. This story invites us to meet Jesus again as if for the first time. God's grace and resurrection pursues us. Along with all of Creation, we await this time with hope. We crave this time. God is the one who blesses the space between us. We are one with God. Our God. Our creator, and our greatest love. The story we share tonight is of God's present and pervasive love, that has been woven throughout creation and throughout history. It is an all-inclusive love. It rises in our hearts, in our lives, and in our world. Let's begin with the story of creation. You may be seated.

Liturgy of the Word

First Reading (Genesis 1:1 - 2:2)

In the beginning ADONAI created the heavens and the earth. But the earth became chaos and emptiness, and darkness came over the face of the Deep — yet the Spirit of ADONAI was brooding over the surface of the waters. Then ADONAI said, "Light: Be!" and light was. God saw that light was good, and ADONAI separated light from darkness. ADONAI called the light "Day" and the darkness "Night." Evening came, and morning followed — the first day.

Then ADONAI said, “Now, an expanse between the waters! Separate water from water!” So it was: ADONAI made the expanse and separated the water above the expanse from the water below it. ADONAI called the expanse “Sky.” Evening came, and morning followed — the second day.

Then ADONAI said, “Waters under the sky: be gathered into one place! Dry ground: appear!” So it was. ADONAI called the dry ground “Earth” and the gathering of the waters “Sea.” And ADONAI saw that this was good. Then ADONAI said, “Earth: produce vegetation — plants that scatter their own seeds, and every kind of fruit tree that bears fruit with its own seed in it!” So it was: the earth brought forth every kind of plant that bears seed, and every kind of fruit tree on earth that bears fruit with its seed in it. And ADONAI saw that this was good. Evening came, and morning followed — the third day.

Then ADONAI said, “Now, lights in the expanse of the sky! Separate day from night! Let them mark the signs and seasons, days and years, and serve as luminaries in the sky, shedding light on the earth.” So it was: ADONAI made the two great lights, the greater one to illumine Then ADONAI made the stars as well, placing them in the expanse of the sky, to shed light on the earth, to govern both day and night, and separate light from darkness. And ADONAI saw that this was good. Evening came, and morning followed — the fourth day.

ADONAI then said, “Waters: swarm with an abundance of living beings! Birds: fly above the earth in the open expanse of the sky!” And so it was: ADONAI created great sea monsters and all sorts of swimming creatures with which the waters are filled, and all kinds of birds. ADONAI saw that this was good and blessed them, saying, “Bear fruit, increase your numbers, and fill the waters of the seas! Birds, abound on the earth!” Evening came, and morning followed — the fifth day. Then ADONAI said, “Earth: bring forth all kinds of living souls — cattle, things that crawl, and wild animals of all kinds!” So it was: ADONAI made all kinds of wild animals, and cattle, and everything that crawls on the ground, and ADONAI saw that this was good.

Then ADONAI said, “Let us make humankind in our image, to be like us. Let them be stewards of the fish in the sea, the birds of the air, the cattle, the wild animals, and everything that crawls on the ground.” Humankind was created as ADONAI’s reflection: in the divine image ADONAI created them; female and male, ADONAI made them. ADONAI blessed them and said, “Bear fruit, increase your numbers, and fill the earth — and be responsible for it! Watch over the fish of the sea, the birds of the air, and all the living things on the earth!” ADONAI then told them, “Look! I give you every seed-bearing plant on face of the earth, and every tree whose fruit carries its seed inside itself: they will be your food; and to all the animals of the earth and the birds of the air and things that crawl on the ground — everything that has a living soul in it — I give all the green plants for food.” So it was. ADONAI looked at all of this creation, and proclaimed that this was good — very good. Evening came, and morning followed — the sixth day.

Thus the heavens and the earth and all their array were completed. On the seventh day ADONAI finished all the work of creation, and so, on that seventh day, ADONAI rested.

This has been a reading from the Book of Genesis. ***Thanks be to God.***

Rite of Light:

“Dear friends in Christ, On this most holy night,
when our brother Jesus the Christ passed from death to life,
the Church invites her children throughout the world
to come together in vigil and prayer.
We are a part of that coming together.
May we may be confident
that we shall share in Christ’s victory over death, the resurrection,
and live with Christ forever in God.”

Blessing of Fire

Let us pray....God, our Beloved Creator, we share in the light of your glory through your Eternal Son, the light of the world, the Light of Christ. Make this new fire + be holy, and inflame us with new hope, we crave that hope, O God, in this time of uncertainty. Open our minds and hearts by this Easter Vigil celebration and bring us one day to the feast of eternal goodness. We ask this through Christ our Brother. **Amen.**

Christ yesterday and today, the beginning and the end. The Alpha and Omega, all time belongs to Christ and all the ages, including now; to Christ be glory forever. **Amen.**

Christ our Light. **Thanks be to God.**

Christ our Light. **Thanks be to God.**

Christ our Light. **Thanks be to God.**

Please rise in body and spirit. Let us all greet the Light of Christ in our midst. Love is rising, in each of us, and among us. May the Light of Christ, rising in glory, dispel the shadows of our hearts and minds and bring us peace. May we be beacons of that Light. May we be the Light of Christ.

Now, let us be seated as we listen to the Exsultet, also known as the Easter Proclamation.

Exsultet (Sung by soloist)

Let us pray.... May we be present to the holy ground on which we stand. Where we walk and run. Where our feet rest while we sit. May we be present to the holy ground even when shoes separate us. And God, may we be present to the Burning Love of You that we can see in the bushes. Just as your presence is in each and every person, may we recognize you in each and every bush. Each blade of grass. Each bird and fish. God, help us to be children of wonder noticing what burns with Divinity and calls us closer. Today, and every day, we are on holy ground. In God's good and loving name, let us pray. **Amen.**

Second Reading: (Exodus 14:15 – 15:1)

ADONAI said to Moses, “Why are you crying out to me? Tell the Israelites to march on. And you, lift up your staff and stretch out your hand over the sea, and split the sea in two, that the Israelites may pass through it on dry land. I will make the hearts of the Egyptians so stubborn that they will come in after you, and I will glorify myself at the expense of Pharaoh and all the army, chariots and charioteers. The Egyptians will know that I am ADONAI, when I glorify myself over Pharaoh and his chariots and charioteers.”

Then the angel of ADONAI, who was leading the Israelites, moved to their rear — the pillar of cloud left the front of their number and took up position behind them, between the Israelites and the Egyptians. All during the night the cloud provided light to one side and darkness to the other side, so that there was no contact between them.

Then Moses stretched his hand over the sea, and ADONAI swept the sea with a strong east wind throughout the night and so turned it into dry land. When the water was thus divided, the Israelites marched into the midst of the sea on dry land, with the water walled up on their right and on their left. The Egyptians followed in pursuit; all Pharaoh’s horses and chariots and charioteers went after them into the midst of the sea.

At dawn, ADONAI looked down upon the Egyptian forces from the column of fiery cloud, and threw the army into confusion and panic, clogging their chariot wheels so that they could hardly turn. The Egyptians turned to flee from the Israelites, saying “Their God fights for them against us!”

Then ADONAI told Moses, “Stretch out your hand over the sea, and let the water flow back upon the Egyptians, over their chariots and their charioteers.” So at sunrise, Moses stretched out his hand over the sea, and the waters rolled back in. As the Egyptians fled, ADONAI hurled them

into its midst. As the water flowed back, covering the chariots and the charioteers — Pharaoh’s whole army, who had followed the Israelites into the sea — not one of them survived. But the Israelites passed through, walking dry-shod in the sea, with the water like a wall, on their right and on their left. Thus ADONAI saved Israel on that day from the power of Egypt. When Israel saw the Egyptians lying dead on the seashore and beheld the great power that ADONAI had shown against them, the people held ADONAI in awe; and put their faith in ADONAI and in Moses, ADONAI’s trusted servant.

Then Moses and the Israelites sang this song to ADONAI: “To you, ADONAI, I sing: you have triumphed powerfully; horse and charioteer you have flung into the sea! ADONAI is our strength and our courage; you have become our deliverance.

This has been a reading from the Book of Exodus.

Thanks be to God.

Penitential Rite:

Let us rise in body or spirit.

Our God is both Creator and Creation. Is present in every blade of grass and drop of water. Our God has given us the gift of sacrament, rituals that assure us both of God's presence and share with us healing grace. We turn now to that God, the God of our ancestors and all those yet to be, and we receive God's grace of compassion and healing.

God of Imagination, You bring order to chaos.

Lord have mercy **Lord have mercy**

God of Incarnation, You share the story of our creation and reveal your presence within us. Christ have mercy **Christ have mercy.**

God of Breath, You reinforce the bonds of community.

Lord have mercy **Lord have mercy**

May our God of the Eternal Love Story, (+) have mercy on us, share with us the grace that pursues us, forgive our sins, and bring us all to everlasting joy and light. **Amen**

The love story continues with a story that reminds us of our Baptisms. You may be seated.

Third Reading: (Isaiah 55:1-11)

All you who are thirsty, come to the water!

You who have no money, come, receive grain and eat; come, buy wine and milk, without money, without cost! Why spend your money for what is not bread, your wages for what fails to satisfy?

Heed me, and you will eat well, you will delight in rich fare. Bend your ear and come to me, listen, that you may have life. I will make an everlasting covenant with you — the faithful mercies shown to David. See, I have

made of you a witness to the peoples, a leader and commander of the nations.

See, you will summon a nation you never knew, and a nation which does not know you will come hurrying to you – for the sake of ADONAI, the Holy One of Israel, who will glorify you. Seek ADONAI while ADONAI is still to be found, call to ADONAI , while ADONAI is still near.

Let the wicked abandon their ways, the evil their thoughts. Let them turn back to ADONAI , who will take pity on them, to ADONAI, who will generously forgive. For my thoughts are not your thoughts, nor are your ways my ways, says ADONAI. As high as the heavens are above the earth, so high are my ways above your ways and my thoughts above your thoughts.

This has been a reading from the Prophet Isaiah.

Thanks be to God.

Don't Be Afraid John L. Bell

Don't be a-fraid. My love is strong-er, my love is stron-ger than your
fear. Don't be a-fraid. My love is strong-er, and
I have prom - ised, prom-ised to be al - ways near.

10 Final ending
I have prom - ised, prom-ised to be al - ways near.

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Baptismal Renewal

My sisters and brothers, my family....

Let us ask God to bless this water, part of creation, which reminds us of our baptism. May God renew us and keep us faithful to the Spirit we have received.

We are renewed this day by your promises of Baptism, O God, Three in One and One in Three.

You dance in our midst, reminding us of the grace you've already shared, but sharing new grace and blessings as well.

This night, God, your people keep prayerful vigil.

Be with us as we recall the wonder of our creation

And the great wonder of our redemption.

Bless this water: it makes the seeds grow,

It refreshes us, cleanses us, nurtures us.

You have made of it a servant of your loving kindness:

Through water you set your people free,

And quenched their thirst in the desert.

With water the prophets announced a new covenant

That you would make with all of humanity.

By water, made holy by Christ in the Jordan,

You transformed our fallen condition.

Let this water remind us of our baptism;

Let us share the joys of all of the family of humanity

And the communion of saints who now live in your eternal glory.

We sign ourselves, + in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. This is the reminder of our Baptism, and your promises to us, God. The promise of Resurrection. The call to ministry like our brother Jesus as priest, prophet, and leader. May we live into the fullness of our Baptisms, loving and serving you, O God, as we love and serve in your world. We ask this through our eternal brother, Jesus the Christ.

Amen

Come to the Water



1. O let all who thirst, let them come to the
 2. And let all who seek, let them come to the
 3. And let all who toil, let them come to the
 4. And let all the poor, let them come to the



wa - ter. And let all who have noth - ing,
 wa - ter. And let all who have noth - ing,
 wa - ter. And let all who are wea - ry,
 wa - ter. Bring the ones who are lad - en,



let them come to the Lord: With - out mon - ey,
 let them come to the Lord: With - out mon - cy,
 let them come to the Lord: All who la - bor,
 bring them all to the Lord: Bring the chil - dren



with - out price. Why should you pay the price,
 with - out strife. Why should you spend your life,
 with - out rest. How can your soul find rest,
 with - out might. Eas - y the load and light:



ex - cept for the Lord?
 ex - cept for the Lord?
 ex - cept for the Lord?
 7 come to the Lord.

Fourth Reading: (Romans 6:3-11)

Do you not know that when we were baptized into Christ Jesus, we were baptized into Christ's death? We have been buried with Jesus through baptism, and we joined with Jesus in death, so that as Christ was raised from the dead by God's glory, we too might live a new life. For if we have been united with Christ in the likeness of Christ's death, we will also be united with Christ in the likeness of Christ's resurrection. We must realize that our former selves have been crucified with Christ to make the body of sin and failure completely powerless, to free us from the slavery to sin: for when people die, they have finished with sin. But we believe that, having died with Christ, we will also live with Christ — knowing that Christ, having been raised from the dead, will never die again: death is now powerless over our Savior. When Christ died, Christ died to sin, once for all, so that the life Christ lives now is life in God. In this way, you too must consider yourselves to be dead to sin — but alive to God in Christ Jesus.

This has been a reading from the Book of Romans.

Thanks be to God.

Let us all rise and sing our Glory to God.

Gloria

Marty Haugen

Refrain: Glo - ry to God in the high-est, and peace to all peo-ple on earth.

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1. Lord God, heav-en-ly King, al - might-y God and Fa-ther, we

10

wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.

16

2. Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God,

23

you take a - way the sin of the world: have mer-cy on us; you are

31

seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther: re - ceive our prayer.

37

3. For you a - lone are the Ho-ly One, you a-lone are the Lord,

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you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho-ly

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Spir-it, in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men

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Easter Alleluia

Refrain

Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia!

Verses

1. Glo - ry to God who does won - drous things, Let all the
2. See how sal - va - tion for all has been won, Up from the
3. Now in our pres - ence the Lord will ap - pear, Shine in the
4. Call us, Good Shep - herd, we lis - ten for you, Want - ing to
5. Lord, we are o - pen to all that you say, Read - y to
6. If we have love, then we dwell in the Lord, God will pro -

peo - ple God's	prais - es now sing,	All of cre - a - tion in
grave our new	life has be - gun,	Life now per - fect - ed in
fac - es of	all of us here,	Fill us with joy and cast
see you in	all that we do,	We would the gate of sal -
lis - ten and	fol - low your way,	You are the pot - ter and
tect us from	fire and sword,	Fill us with love and the

splen - dor shall ring:	
Je - sus, the Son:	
out all our fear:	Al - le - lu - ia!
va - tion pass through:	
we are the clay:	
peace of his word:	

Text: Marty Haugen, b.1950
 Tune: O FILII ET FILIAE; 10 10 10 with alleluias; adapt. by Marty Haugen, b.1950
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Gospel reading:

The Risen Christ be with you all ***And also with you***

A proclamation of God, according to the Gospel of Mark ***Glory to you, Oh God.***

When the Sabbath was over, Mary of Magdala, Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought perfumed oils so that they could anoint Jesus. Very early, just after sunrise on the first day of the week, they came to the tomb.

They were saying to one another, “Who will roll back the stone for us from the entrance to the tomb?” When they looked, they found that the huge stone had been rolled back.

On entering the tomb, they saw a young person sitting at the right, dressed in a white robe. They were very frightened, but that youth reassured them: “Do not be amazed! You are looking for Jesus of Nazareth, the One who was crucified. He has risen; he is not here. See the place where they laid him. Now go and tell the disciples and Peter ‘Jesus is going ahead of you to Galilee, where you will see him just as he told.’”

They made their way out and fled from the tomb bewildered and trembling; but they said nothing to anyone, because they were so afraid.

This has been a reading from the Gospel of Mark.

Praise to you, Jesus the Christ.

Homily: Teri

Litany of the Saints

Cantor: Lord, have mer - cy.
Christ, have mer - cy.

Assembly: Lord, have mer - cy.
Christ, have mer - cy.

Cantor: Lord, have mer - cy.

Assembly: Lord, have mer - cy.

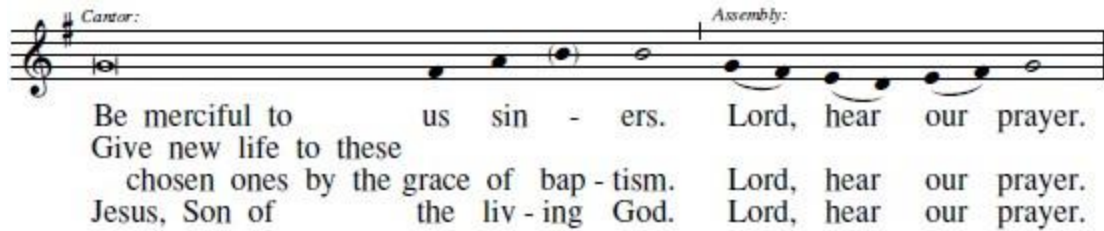
<i>Cantor:</i>	<i>Assembly:</i>
Holy Mary, Mother of	God, pray for us.
Saint	Mich - ael, pray for us.
Holy angels of	God, pray for us.
Saint John the	Bap - tist, pray for us.
Saint	Jo - seph, pray for us.
Saint Peter and Saint	Paul, pray for us.
Saint	An - drew, pray for us.
Saint	John, pray for us.
Saint Mary	Mag - dalene, pray for us.
Saint	Ste - phen, pray for us.
Saint Ig -	na - tius, pray for us.
Saint	Law - rence, pray for us.
Saint Perpetua and Saint Fe -	lic - ity, pray for us.
Saint	Ag - nes, pray for us.
Saint	Gre - gory, pray for us.
Saint Au -	gus - tine, pray for us.
Saint Atha -	na - sius, pray for us.
Saint	Ba - sil, pray for us.
Saint	Mar - tin, pray for us.
Saint	Ben - edict, pray for us.
Saint Francis and Saint	Dom - inic, pray for us.
Saint Francis	Xa - vier, pray for us.
Saint John Vi -	an - ney, pray for us.
Saint	Cath - erine, pray for us.
Saint Te -	re - sa, pray for us.
All holy men and	wom - en, pray for us.

Cantor: Lord, be mer - ci - ful,
From all e - vil,
From ev - 'ry sin,
From ev - er - last - ing death,

Assembly: Lord, save your peo - ple.
Lord, save your peo - ple.
Lord, save your peo - ple.
Lord, save your peo - ple.

Cantor: By your com - ing as man,
By your death and ris - ing to new life,
By your gift of the Ho - ly Spir - it,

Assembly: Lord, save your peo - ple.
Lord, save your peo - ple.
Lord, save your peo - ple.







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 Tune: *Litany of the Saints, Roman Missal*

Interrogatory Creed:

Let us renew together our faith. You may remain seated. For each question, please respond, “we do.”

“Do you reject sin, in every way that we as human beings miss the mark for which God has created us, so as to live in the freedom of God’s children.”

We do.....

“Do you reject the influence of evil, and all adversaries of God?”

We do.....

“Do you believe in God, beloved Creator of heaven and earth?”

We do.....

Do you believe in the God of all creation, who created you, intentionally, and as with all of God’s creation declared that you, you are GOOD?”

We do.....

“Do you believe in Jesus Christ, God’s only Eternal Son, who was born of his mother Mary, was crucified, died, and was buried, was raised from the dead, and is now seated at the right hand of God?”

We do.....

“Do you believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints whose breath we share, the saints yet to be, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection, and life everlasting?”

We do.....

“This is our faith. We are proud to profess it, in Christ Jesus our eternal brother, the Incarnation of God. Amen.”

Amen.

Prayers of the People:

Let us turn to our God now in prayer. Kathy please lead....those at home.....

Our prayer today is one long prayer. Please open your hearts and pour your own prayers into your heart where God hears, as together we pray. Our response today is. Let us pray that Easter matters ***Let us pray that Easter matters.***

Let us pray for those who are hurting, and for those who hurt others. Let us pray for the places in our world that experience war. Let us pray for those whose voices are silenced and those who misuse the voice that they have. Let us pray for discernment on how God wants us to use our voices. We pray: ***Let us pray that Easter matters.***

Let us pray for those who are hungry, who are threatened, or those who live with violence. Let us pray for our neighbors. Let us pray for those who have no-where to call home. We pray: ***Let us pray that Easter matters.***

Let us pray for our church, and their church. Let us pray for their temple and their mosque. Let us pray for all sanctuaries and sacred spaces. Let us pray for connection and community in all its many manifestations. We pray: ***Let us pray that Easter matters.***

Let us pray for our earth, created by God, just like us, holding Jesus' body after his death on the cross. Let us pray for water and dirt, sky and sea, bird and fish and mammals and all of life that our earth sustains. We pray: ***Let us pray that Easter matters.***

Let us pray for those who are sick (_____), for those who have died especially Lee Rogers, and for those who have asked for our prayers. Let us pray for healing for all in body, mind, and spirit, and let us pray for resurrection for all of life. We pray: ***Let us pray that Easter matters.***

Fr. Teri will now read the prayers that have been typed in the comments.

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For these and for all the prayers we share through our hearts, we pray: ***Let us pray that Easter Matters.***

In addition, we want to remind you that at Light of Christ, we have a Prayer Companion Team of pastoral care givers. They welcome and invite you, in confidence, to share your concerns in more detail or depth or to pray for you when you can't find the words. You can email them at prayercompanionteam@lightofchristecc.org, and one of them will reach out to you.

Collect: Fr. Teri

Sign of Peace:

May the peace of Christ be with you all ***And also with you.***

Now the Green Blade Rises



1. Now the green blade ris - es from the bur - ied grain,
2. In the grave they laid him, love by ha - tred slain,
3. Forth he came at East - er, like the ris - en grain,
4. When our hearts are win - try, griev - ing, or in pain,



Wheat that in dark earth man - y days has lain;
Think - ing that he would nev - er wake a - gain,
He that for three days in the grave had lain;
Your touch can call us back to life a - gain,



Love lives a - gain, that with the dead has been;
Laid in the earth like grain that sleeps un - seen;
Raised from the dead, my liv - ing Lord is seen;
Fields of our hearts that dead and bare have been;



Love is come a - gain like wheat a - ris - ing green.

Text: John M.C. Crum, 1872-1958, *Oxford Book of Carols*, © Oxford University Press
Tune: NOEL NOUVILET, 11 10 10 11; French Carol; acc. by Marty Haugen, b.1950

Liturgy of the Eucharist

Preface

Blessed are you, God of all life, through your goodness we have bread, wine, other food from our pantry. Let them become for us the bread of life and the cup of the new creation. ***Blessed be God, forever***

Blessed are you, Loving God of all creation. Through your goodness we have these gifts, our time and talent and treasure to offer. May these become the work of your hands, the Light of Christ in the world. ***Blessed be God forever.***

Pray my sisters and brothers, my family, that these our gifts, our lives may be blessed now by our loving God.

May our God accept the sacrifice at our hands, for the praise and glory of God's name, for our good and the good of all God's people.

Eucharistic Prayer

We thank you, God, for this Easter, when you called Jesus back from the shadows of the tomb to show us our true inheritance and the path you have chosen for each of us. As Jesus has shared our human nature, You and he have made it clear to us that we share in Christ's divine nature.

Jesus did not hold himself apart from us, but became the Incarnation, swaddled in humanity. In this title, he took all of human nature, with its long history of evolution, into himself and brought it forth again, one with himself, yet unique in each of its manifestations. Jesus taught us to treasure the smallest of creatures as they are each known and loved by the Creator. Now, with all of the earth, and all of the choirs of saints and shepherds, we praise God together as we say:

Sanctus Marty Haugen

7 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and
 13 might, heav'n and earth are full of your glo-ry.
 18 Ho - san - na in the high - est.
 23 Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
 28 Ho - san - na in the high - est. Ho -
 san - na in the high - est!

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The Words of Institution

We thank you, Creator God, that Jesus was faithful to the commandment given to your people through Moses to celebrate the Passover in each new generation. Through his participation in this holy meal he shed great light on the mystery of all the suffering and dying that takes place on our planet, linking the wisdom of the old covenant with the evolutionary form of the new. In the holy meal we celebrate today, Christ continues to teach us the deep wisdom of living and loving life in its fullness.

God, You are most Holy. Send your Holy Spirit upon us, and what we do here, so touched by your Spirit, we may be signs of life and love to one another, and to the world. + Let also your Spirit come upon these gifts of bread and wine to make them holy so that they may become for us the Body and Blood of our brother, Jesus the Christ.


Today, we gather to remember that on the night before he died, Jesus ate with his followers and his friends. We recall how he took a loaf of bread, and after blessing it, he broke it, and gave it to them saying - **"Take this all of you and eat it. This is my body which will be given up for you."**

That same night, Jesus also took the cup filled with wine, and after giving thanks, passed it to his disciples, saying, **"Take this all of you and drink from it. This is the cup of my blood. The blood of the new and everlasting covenant. It will be shed for you and for all so that sins may be forgiven. Do this in memory of me. "**

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith.....

Memorial Acclamation:

Eucharistic Acclamation IB Marty Haugen



Praise, thanks and glo - ry be to you, O Christ.

God of all people, once again you bring us to resurrection, to continue our journey of evolution, trusting in your promises and your wish for our nurturance. In this sacrament and sign of death and resurrection, bring us into the stance that is needed in our world today for our fuller participation in the mystery of God's life on earth. Bring us to full and flourishing life!! In Jesus' name we pray!!!

Together let us say.....

Through Christ, with Christ, in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor is yours all loving God, forever and ever.

Amen Marty Haugen

Al - le - lu - ia, a - men! Al - le - lu - ia, a - men!
Lent: Praise to you, Lord, a - men! Praise to you, Lord, a - men!

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Lord's Prayer:

Let us pray the words people have played with Jesus for centuries....

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kin(g)dom 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 kin(g)dom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

Lamb of God:

Agnus Dei Marty Haugen

1.&4. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the
2. Prince of Peace, Life,
3. Bread of Life,
world: have mer - cy on us.
world: grant us peace, grant us peace.

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This is the Living God, the one who passed from shadows to light and transformed the world. Blessed are we who are called to this meal....(*God, I am ready to receive you, because by your invitation I am here.*)

Invitation to Communion

We Come to Your Feast

Verses

Cantor or choir:



1. We place up - on your ta - ble a gleam - ing cloth of
2. We place up - on your ta - ble a hum - ble loaf of
3. We place up - on your ta - ble a sim - ple cup of
4. We ga - ther 'round your ta - ble, we pause with - in our



white: the weav - ing of our sto - ries,
bread: the gift of field and hill - side,
wine: the fruit of hu - man la - bor,
quest, we stand be - side our neigh - bors,



the fab - ric of our lives; the dreams of those be -
the grain by which we're fed; we come to taste the
the gift of sun and vine; we come to taste the
we name the stran - ger "guest." The feast is spread be -



fore us, the an - cient hope - ful cries,
pres - ence of him on whom we feed,
pres - ence of him we claim as Lord,
fore us; you bid us come and dine:



the prom - ise of our fu - ture: our need - ing and our
to strength - en and con - nect us, to chal - lenge and cor -
his dy - ing and his liv - ing, his lead - ing and his
in bless - ing we'll un - cov - er, in shar - ing we'll dis -



nur - ture lie here be - fore our eyes.
rect us, to love in word and deed.
giv - ing, his love in cup out - poured.
cov - er your sub - stance and your sign.

Refrain

All: We come to your feast, we come to your feast:
 the young and the old, the fright-ened, the bold,
 the great-est and the least. We come to your feast,
 we come to your feast with the fruit of our lands
 and the work of our hands, we come to your feast.

Text: Michael Joncas, b.1951
 Tune: Michael Joncas, b.1951
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Prayer After Communion:

Happy Easter, my friends. Let us pray...

As we have eaten, O God, of your Word and of your Body, may we find in ourselves your word and your body, inspiring us to be Light, Light of Christ, loving and serving our neighbor and this earth you have created. In Jesus name we pray: Amen.

May the Love of our God rising up be with you all..... (and also with you)

Let us prepare our hearts and ask for God's blessing:

Let us be blessed, assured of God's love, and secure in God's promise of resurrection. May the Easter story, God's love story with us, rise in us, and scatter its love throughout the world. May we meet Jesus again as if for the first time and enjoy the new beginnings that faith and grace offer us. And may God bless us all, the Father and Son and Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Blessing and Dismissal

"Go in the peace of Christ, Alleluia, Alleluia"

All Respond: "**Thanks be to God, Alleluia, Alleluia**" (make some noise!!!!)

We are Light of Christ. **We are Light of Christ**

We are God's love story. **We are God's love story.**

Let us go forth as such, **Let us go forth as such,**

loving and serving God **loving and serving God**

as we get to love and serve in God's world. **As we get to love and serve in God's world.**

Thanks be to God. **Thanks be to God.**

Jesus Christ Is Risen Today



1. Je - sus Christ is ris'n to - day, Al - le - lu - ia!
 2. Hymns of praise then let us sing, Al - le - lu - ia!
 3. But the pains which he en - dured, Al - le - lu - ia!
 4. Sing we to our God a - bove, Al - le - lu - ia!



Our tri - um-phant ho - ly day, Al - le - lu - ia!
 Un - to Christ, our heav'n-ly King, Al - le - lu - ia!
 Our sal - va - tion have pro - cured; Al - le - lu - ia!
 Praise e - ter - nal as his love; Al - le - lu - ia!



Who did once up - on the cross, Al - le - lu - ia!
 Who en - dured the cross and grave, Al - le - lu - ia!
 Now a - bove the sky he's King, Al - le - lu - ia!
 Praise him, now his might con - fess, Al - le - lu - ia!



Suf - fer to re - deem our loss. Al - le - lu - ia!
 Sin - ners to re - deem and save. Al - le - lu - ia!
 Where the an - gels ev - er sing. Al - le - lu - ia!
 Fa - ther, Son, and Spir - it blest. Al - le - lu - ia!

Text: St. 1, *Surrexit Christus hodie*, Latin, 14th C.; para. in *Lyra Davidica*, 1708, alt.; st. 2, 3, *The Compleat Psalmist*, c.1750, alt.; st. 4, Charles Wesley, 1707-1788

Tune: EASTER HYMN, 77 77 with alleluias; *Lyra Davidica*, 1708