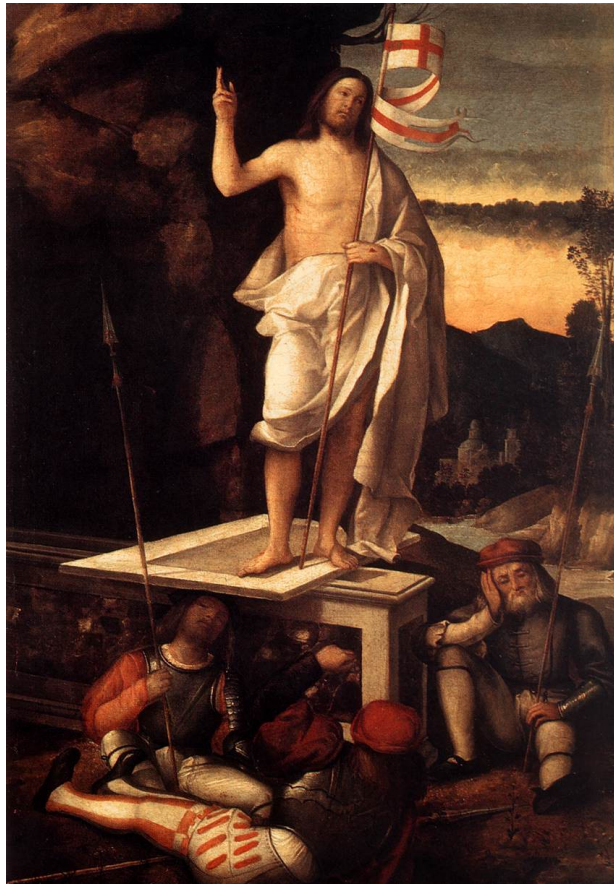


*Welcome to*

# ST PETER'S EASTERN HILL

*Diocese of Melbourne - Anglican Church of Australia  
Parish Church of the City since 1846*



Marco Basaiti (1470 – 1530) *Resurrection of Christ*

## HOLY SATURDAY

# THE GREAT VIGIL OF EASTER

**3<sup>rd</sup> April 2021, 8.00pm**

Eternal giver of life and light, this holy night shines with the radiance of the risen Christ: renew your Church with the Spirit given to us in baptism, that we may worship you in sincerity and truth, and shine as a light in the world; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

# THE GREAT VIGIL OF EASTER

*The congregation gathers outside the church. The sanctuary party assembles around the pit where the Paschal fire is to be lit. In the darkness, the fire is kindled. The celebrant then greets the people.*

Mass setting: Herbert Howells (1892 – 1983) *Collegium Regale*

## THE SERVICE OF LIGHT



*The celebrant marks the Easter paschal candle with the inscription, incorporating the cross, the symbol of life and death; the first and last letters of the Greek alphabet, Alpha and Omega, and the numerals of the current year, a reminder that the Lord of all ages is present here and now. Five grains of incense are inserted in the candle in brass containers known as 'nails' represent the five sacred wounds. After the candle is lit, and as the procession moves through the darkened church, the following versicle and response are sung three times:*

The Deacon: The light of Christ

All: **Thanks be to God**

*Please genuflect each time, after the response. Following the procession, the paschal candle is placed on its stand and censed. All remain standing.*

## THE EASTER PROCLAMATION

*Please remaining standing for the Exultet.*

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

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

The risen Saviour shines upon you! Let this place resound with joy, echoing the mighty song of all God's people!

My dearest friends, standing with me in this holy light, join me in asking God for mercy, that he might give me his unworthy minister grace to sing his Easter praises.

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

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

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

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

This is the night when the pillar of fire destroyed the darkness of sin!

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

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

What good would life have been to us, had Christ not come as our Redeemer? Father, how wonderful your care for us! How boundless your merciful love. To ransom a slave you gave away your son.

O happy fault, O necessary sin of Adam, which gained for us so great a Redeemer!

Most blessed of all nights, chosen by God to see Christ rising from the dead!

Of this night scripture says: 'The night will be as clear as day: it will become my light, my joy.'

The power of this holy night dispels all evil, washes guilt away, restores lost innocence, brings mourners joy; it casts out hatred, brings us peace, and humbles earthly pride.

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

Therefore, heavenly Father, in the joy of this night, receive our evening sacrifice of praise, your Church's solemn offering.

Accept this Easter candle, a flame divided but undimmed, a pillar of fire that glows to the honour of God.

Let it mingle with the lights of heaven and continue bravely burning to dispel the darkness of this night.

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

**Amen.**

## THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

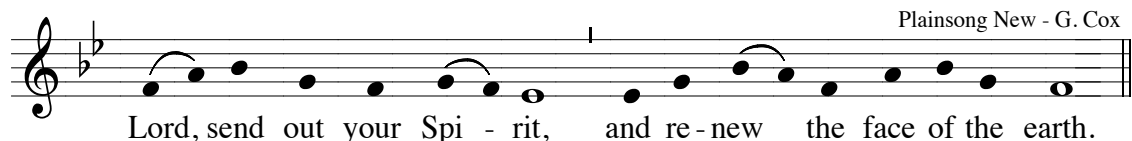
*The liturgy continues by the light of the paschal candle. The celebrant introduces the Vigil, after which please sit for the first reading.*

### **FIRST READING: GENESIS 1.1, 26–31** read by Anne Scott-Pendlebury

In the beginning when God created the heavens and the earth. Then God said, 'Let us make human beings in our image, according to our likeness; and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the birds of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the wild animals of the earth, and over every creeping thing that creeps upon the earth.' So God created human beings in his image, in the image of God he created them; male and female he created them. God blessed them, and God said to them, 'Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth and subdue it; and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the air and over every living thing that moves upon the earth.' God said, 'See, I have given you every plant yielding seed that is upon the face of all the earth, and every tree with seed in its fruit; you shall have them for food. And to every beast of the earth, and to every bird of the air, and to everything that creeps on the earth, everything that has the breath of life, I have given every green plant for food.' And it was so. God saw everything that he had made, and indeed, it was very good. And there was evening and there was morning, the sixth day.

### **RESPONSORY: PSALM 104**

Plainsong New - G. Cox



Lord, send out your Spi - rit, and re - new the face of the earth.

*Please stand for the Collect.*

### **SECOND READING: EXODUS 14.15–15.20** read by Pete Wild

The Lord said to Moses, 'Why do you cry out to me? Tell the Israelites to go forward. But you lift up your staff, and stretch out your hand over the sea and

divide it, that the Israelites may go into the sea on dry ground. Then I will harden the hearts of the Egyptians so that they will go in after them; and so I will gain glory for myself over Pharaoh and all his army, his chariots, and his chariot drivers. And the Egyptians shall know that I am the Lord, when I have gained glory for myself over Pharaoh, his chariots, and his chariot drivers.’ The angel of God who was going before the Israelite army moved and went behind them; and the pillar of cloud moved from in front of them and took its place behind them. It came between the army of Egypt and the army of Israel. And so the cloud was there with the darkness, and it lit up the night; one did not come near the other all night. Then Moses stretched out his hand over the sea. The Lord drove the sea back by a strong east wind all night, and turned the sea into dry land; and the waters were divided. The Israelites went into the sea on dry ground, the waters forming a wall for them on their right and on their left. The Egyptians pursued, and went into the sea after them, all of Pharaoh’s horses, chariots, and chariot drivers. At the morning watch the Lord in the pillar of fire and cloud looked down upon the Egyptian army, and threw the Egyptian army into panic. He clogged their chariot wheels so that they turned with difficulty. The Egyptians said, ‘Let us flee from the Israelites, for the Lord is fighting for them against Egypt.’ Then the Lord said to Moses, ‘Stretch out your hand over the sea, so that the water may come back upon the Egyptians, upon their chariots and chariot drivers.’ So Moses stretched out his hand over the sea, and at dawn the sea returned to its normal depth. As the Egyptians fled before it, the Lord tossed the Egyptians into the sea. The waters returned and covered the chariots and the chariot drivers, the entire army of Pharaoh that had followed them into the sea; not one of them remained. But the Israelites walked on dry ground through the sea, the waters forming a wall for them on their right and on their left. Thus the Lord saved Israel that day from the Egyptians; and Israel saw the Egyptians dead on the seashore. Israel saw the great work that the Lord did against the Egyptians. So the people feared the Lord and believed in the Lord and in his servant Moses. The prophet Miriam, Aaron’s sister, took a tambourine in her hand; and all the women went out after her with tambourines and with dancing. Moses and the Israelites sang this song to the Lord:

**RESPONSORY: SONG OF MOSES (EXODUS. 15)**

Plainsong New - G. Cox

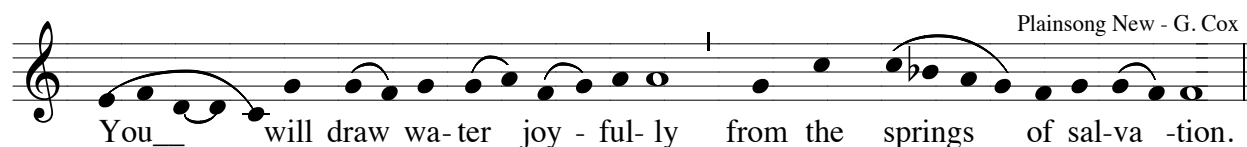
Let us sing to the Lord; he has covered himself in glory.

*Please stand for the Collect.*

**THIRD READING: ISAIAH 55.1–11** *read by Ian Thornton*

Everyone who thirsts, come to the waters, and you that have no money, come, buy and eat! Come, buy wine and milk without money and without price. Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread, and your labour for that which does not satisfy? Listen carefully to me, and eat what is good, and delight yourselves in rich food. Incline your ear, and come to me; listen, so that you may live. I will make with you an everlasting covenant, my steadfast, sure love for David. See, I made him a witness to the peoples, a leader and commander for the peoples. See, you shall call nations that you do not know, and nations that do not know you shall run to you, because of the Lord your God, the Holy One of Israel, for he has glorified you. Seek the Lord while he may be found, call upon him while he is near; let the wicked forsake their way, and the unrighteous their thoughts; let them return to the Lord, that he may have mercy on them, and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon. For my thoughts are not your thoughts, nor are your ways my ways, says the Lord. For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts. For as the rain and the snow come down from heaven, and do not return there until they have watered the earth, making it bring forth and sprout, giving seed to the sower and bread to the eater, so shall my word be that goes out from my mouth; it shall not return to me empty, but it shall accomplish that which I purpose, and succeed in the thing for which I sent it.

**RESPONSORY: SONG OF ISAIAH (IS. 12)**



*Please stand for the Collect.*


**FOURTH READING: EZEKIEL 36.16–28** *read by Stuart Hibberd*

The word of the Lord came to me: Mortal, when the house of Israel lived on their own soil, they defiled it with their ways and their deeds; their conduct in my sight was unclean. So I poured out my wrath upon them for the blood that they had shed upon the land, and for the idols with which they had defiled it. I scattered them among the nations, and they were dispersed through the countries; in accordance with their conduct and their deeds I judged them. But when they came to the nations, wherever they came, they profaned my holy name, in that it was said of them, ‘These are the people of the Lord, and yet they had to go out of his land.’ But I had concern for my holy name, which the house of Israel had profaned among the nations to which they came. Therefore say to the house of Israel, Thus says the Lord God: It is not for your sake, O house of Israel, that I

am about to act, but for the sake of my holy name, which you have profaned among the nations to which you came. I will sanctify my great name, which has been profaned among the nations, and which you have profaned among them; and the nations shall know that I am the Lord, says the Lord God, when through you I display my holiness before their eyes. I will take you from the nations, and gather you from all the countries, and bring you into your own land. I will sprinkle clean water upon you, and you shall be clean from all your uncleanness, and from all your idols I will cleanse you. A new heart I will give you, and a new spirit I will put within you; and I will remove from your body the heart of stone and give you a heart of flesh. I will put my spirit within you, and make you follow my statutes and be careful to observe my ordinances. Then you shall live in the land that I gave to your ancestors; and you shall be my people, and I will be your God.

### RESPONSORY: PSALMS 42 & 43

Plainsong New - G. Cox



Like a deer that longs for run-ning streams, my soul longs for you, my God.

*Please stand for the Collect. Remain standing as the light is shared from the Paschal Candle to the whole congregation in preparation for the joyful proclamation of the Gloria, led by the choir. During the Gloria bells are rung and the church is fully lit.*

**Glory be to God on high, and in earth peace, good will towards men.  
We praise thee. We bless thee. We worship thee. We glorify thee.  
We give thanks to thee for thy great glory,  
O Lord God, heavenly king, God the Father Almighty.  
O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesu Christ;  
O Lord God, lamb of God, Son of the Father,  
That takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.  
Thou that takest away the sins of the world, receive our prayer.  
Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us.  
For thou only art holy. Thou only art the Lord.  
Thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high  
+ in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

*The celebrant sings the Collect for Easter. Please sit for the Epistle.*

### EPISTLE: ROMANS 6.3-11 *chanted by the sub-deacon.*

Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptised 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 the Father, 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. We

know that our old self was crucified with him so that the body of sin might be destroyed, and we might no longer be enslaved to sin. For whoever has died is freed from sin. But if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. The death he died, he died to sin, once for all; but the life he lives, he lives to God. So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

*Please stand for the Easter Alleluias from Psalm 118, and join in the response.*



O give thanks to the Lord for he is good:  
His mercy endures for ever  
Let Israel now proclaim:  
That is mercy endures for ever. **A.**

The right hand of the Lord does might things:  
the right hand of the Lord raises up.  
I shall not die but live:  
And proclaim the works of the Lord. **A.**

The stone that the builders rejected:  
has become the head of the corner.  
This is the Lord's doing:  
and it is marvellous in our eyes. **A.**

*Deacon:*

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark (16:1-8)

**Glory to you + Lord Jesus 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 him. 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.

This is the Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.**

*The congregation extinguish their candles and are seated.*

*Sermon:* The Rt Rev’d Genieve Blackwell, Bishop of the Marmingatha Episcopate

## **THE LITANY OF THE SAINTS**

*Please stand. The candles are lit & held until the conclusion of the renewal of baptismal vows. The sanctuary party, and candidates with their sponsors, all process to the font as the celebrant and congregation sing the Litany of the Saints.*

Kyrie Eleison **Kyrie Eleison**

Christe Eleison **Christe Eleison**

Kyrie Eleison **Kyrie Eleison**

God the Father of Heaven

**Have mercy on us**

God the son, Redeemer of the World

**Have mercy on us**

God the Holy Spirit, the Comforter

**Have mercy on us**

Holy Trinity, one God

**Have mercy on us**

Holy Mary, Mother of God etc [Apostles, Evangelists, Doctors, Confessors, Missionaries]

**Pray for us**

Lord be merciful

**Lord, save your people**

Be merciful to us sinners

**Lord, hear our prayer**

Give new life to those chosen ones by the grace of baptism

**Lord, hear our prayer**

Christ, hear us

**Christ, hear us**

Lord Jesus, hear our prayer

**Lord Jesus, hear our prayer**

# rites of baptism, confirmation, reaffirmation & reception into the anglican communion

*Gathered around the font, the candidates for Baptism, Confirmation, Reaffirmation and Reception into the Anglican Communion are presented to the Bishop by their sponsors.*

**BISHOP** We welcome **Anne, Jamie, Lia, Pete, Rob and Russell** who come to be baptised, confirmed and received into the Anglican Communion. I invite their Sponsors to present them now.

**SPONSORS** **We/I present N who comes to be baptised/**  
(each individually) **confirmed/received into the Anglican Communion.**

**BISHOP** *[to all the candidates]* Before God and this congregation, you must affirm that you turn to Christ and reject all that is evil: do you turn to Christ?

**CANDIDATES** **I turn to Christ.**

**BISHOP** Do you repent of your sins?

**CANDIDATES** **I repent of my sins.**

**BISHOP** Do you reject selfish living, and all that is false and unjust?

**CANDIDATES** **I reject them all.**

**BISHOP** Do you renounce evil?

**CANDIDATES** **I renounce all that is evil.**

**BISHOP** Almighty God deliver you + from the powers of darkness, and lead you in the light of Christ to his everlasting kingdom. **Amen.**

**BISHOP** Will you each, by God's grace, strive to live as a disciple of Christ, loving God with all your heart, and your neighbour as yourself, until your life's end?

**CANDIDATES** **I will, with God's help**

**BISHOP** *[to the congregation]* You have heard these our brothers and sisters respond to Christ. Will you support them in this calling?

**CONGREGATION** **We will.**

**BISHOP** I now ask you all to affirm as yours the faith of the Church – those seeking baptism and confirmation, reception into the Anglican Communion, and all gathered here this night. Do you believe in God the Father?

**CONGREGATION** **I believe in God the Father almighty,  
Creator of heaven and earth.**

**BISHOP** Do you believe in God the Son?

**CONGREGATION** **I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. The third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father; from there he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**BISHOP** Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

**CONGREGATION** **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.  
Amen.**

**BISHOP** This is the faith of the Church.

**CONGREGATION** **This is our faith:  
We believe in one God:  
Father + Son and Holy Spirit.**

## **BAPTISM**

*Russell Lees comes forward. After a blessing of the water, Russell is baptised by Fr Hugh.*

*Celebrant:*

We give thanks that at the beginning of creation your Holy Spirit moved upon the waters to bring forth light and life. With water you cleanse and replenish the earth; you nourish and sustain all living things.

**Thanks be to God.**

We give thanks that through the waters of the Red Sea you led your people out of slavery to freedom, and brought them through the river Jordan to new life in the land of promise.

**Thanks be to God.**

We give thanks for your Son Jesus Christ: for his baptism by John, for his anointing with the Holy Spirit.

**Thanks be to God**

We give thanks that through the deep waters of death Jesus delivered us from our sins and was raised to new life in triumph.

**Thanks be to God**

We give thanks for the grace of the Holy Spirit who forms us in the likeness of Christ and leads us to proclaim your kingdom.

**Thanks be to God.**

We give thanks that you have called us to new birth in your Church through the waters of baptism. Pour out your Holy Spirit in blessing and sanctify this water so that those who are baptised in it tonight, and over the coming year, may be made one with Christ in his death and resurrection. May they die to sin, rise to newness of life, and continue for ever in Jesus Christ our Lord, through whom we give you praise and honour in the unity of the Spirit, now and for ever. **Amen.**

*Celebrant:*

**Russell Lloyd**, I baptise you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

I sign you with the sign of the cross + to show that you are marked as Christ's own for ever. Live as a disciple of Christ: fight the good fight, finish the race, keep the faith. **Confess Christ crucified, proclaim his resurrection, look for his coming in glory.**

God has brought you out of darkness into his marvellous light.

**Shine as a light in the world, to the glory of God the Father.**

God has called you into his Church.

**We therefore receive and welcome you as a member of the Body of Christ, as a child of the one heavenly Father, and as an inheritor of the kingdom of God.**

*After the baptism, all put aside their candles and are sprinkled with the newly blessed water.*

*During the sprinkling of the people the sanctuary party and congregation return to their places.*

*The candidates and their sponsors all kneel at the altar rail. The choir chants the Vidi Aquam.*

Antiphon VIII

*Cantor* *All*

I saw wa-ter\* flow - ing from the right side  
of the tem - ple, al - le - lu - ia:  
it brought God's life and his sal - va - tion,  
and the peo - ple sang in joy - ful praise: Al - le - lu - ia,  
al - le - lu - ia. *Fine* *Cantor* Ps. O give thanks to the Lord for he is good:  
and his mer - cy en - dures for e - ver. *Cantor* Glo - ry to God,  
Fa - ther, Son and Ho - ly Spi - rit: *All* As in the be - gin - ning, so now:  
and for e - ver. *All* A - men. *Repeat Antiphon: I saw wa - ter etc.*

## CONFIRMATION

*The congregation is seated. The candidates for confirmation and their sponsors remain kneeling at the altar rail.*

**BISHOP** We welcome **Jamie, Lia, Pete, Rob and Russell**, who have come to be confirmed.  
Our help is in the name of the Lord

**CONGREGATION** **Who made heaven and earth.**

**BISHOP** Blessed be the name of the Lord  
**CONGREGATION** **Now, and for ever. Amen.**

**BISHOP** Almighty and ever-living God, you have given your servants new birth by water and the Spirit, and have forgiven them their sins. Strengthen them, we pray, with the Holy Spirit that they may grow in grace. Increase in them the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of discernment and inner strength, the spirit of knowledge and true godliness, and fill them with wonder and awe at your presence, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

*Each candidate in turn then kneels before the bishop. Their sponsors respectively stand next to them and place a hand on their shoulder. Laying her hand on each candidate's head, the bishop prays:*

Strengthen, Lord, your servant **Jamie/Lia/Pete/Rob/Russell** with your Holy Spirit. Empower and sustain him/her for your service. **Amen.**

*The bishop anoints each of the candidates with chrism oil.*

*After all candidates have received the laying on of hands and the anointing with oil, the congregation joins with the bishop in praying:*

**CONGREGATION** **Defend, O Lord, these your servants with your heavenly grace, that they may continue yours for ever, and daily increase in your Holy Spirit more and more until they come to your everlasting kingdom. Amen.**

## **RECEPTION INTO THE ANGLICAN COMMUNION**

*The candidate for reception, Anne Shepherd, kneels before the bishop. Anne's sponsor stands next to her, lays a hand on her shoulder, and presents her to the bishop:*

**Anne** has already been baptised, and has formerly been a communicant member of Brighton Congregational Church. She now asks to be received into communicant membership of the Anglican Church of Australia, and seeks our prayers in the fellowship of this parish of St Peter's Eastern Hill.

*The bishop says to the candidate:*

Do you stand by the Christian confession and commitment made at your baptism?

**I do.**

Do you desire to be admitted into communicant membership of the Anglican Church of Australia and accept her doctrine and order?

**I do.**

*The bishop welcomes the person in these words, taking him/her by the hand:*

**Anne** we recognise you as a baptised and communicant member of the Christian Church.

*The congregation responds:*

**We receive and welcome you into the communion of the Anglican Church.**

*The bishop says:*

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Let us pray. God of wisdom and love, source of all good, by your Holy Spirit strengthen your servant Anne, and guide her in your way of peace and love. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ your Son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

*The bishop lays hands on Anne's head saying:*

**Anne Louise Shepherd**, may the Holy Spirit direct and uphold you in the service of Christ and his kingdom in the fellowship of his Church. God, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit bless, preserve and keep you. **Amen.**

## REAFFIRMATION OF VOWS

*The celebrant invites any members of the congregation or sanctuary party who wish, to come forward and kneel before the bishop, in silence, to reaffirm their vows. The bishop then prays:*

My sisters and brothers, may the Holy Spirit who has begun a good work in you direct and uphold you in the service of Christ and his kingdom. God, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, bless, preserve and keep you. **Amen.**

## THE GREETING OF PEACE

*The bishop first invites all those baptised, confirmed, received and reaffirmed to stand, turn, and face the congregation. They may receive an acclamation.*

*All are then invited to stand. The bishop says:*

We are the body of Christ. **His Spirit is with us.**

The peace of the Lord be always with you. **And also with you.**

*Please remain standing for the offertory hymn. Due to COVID-19 regulations, a collection is not taken at this point, but rather a retiring collection at the end of the Mass.*

1. **Now the green blade riseth from the buried grain,  
Wheat that in dark earth many days has lain;  
Love lives again, that with the dead has been:  
Love is come again, like wheat that springeth green.**
2. **In the grave they laid him, Love whom men had slain,  
Thinking that never he would wake again,  
Laid in the earth like grain that sleeps unseen:  
Love is come again, like wheat that springeth green.**
3. **Forth he came at Easter, like the risen grain,  
He that for three days in the grave had lain,  
Quick from the dead, my risen Lord is seen:  
Love is come again, like wheat that springeth green.**
4. **When our hearts are wintry, grieving, or in pain,  
Thy touch can call us back to life again,  
Fields of our hearts, that dead and bare have been:  
Love is come again, like wheat that springeth green.**

NEH 115

Words: J. M. C. Crum (1872-1958)

Music: Old French Melody

## **THE HOLY EUCHARIST**

*Celebrant:*

Blessed are you, Lord God . . . **Blessed be God forever.**

Pray, my brothers and sisters, that our sacrifice may be acceptable to God, the Almighty Father. **May the Lord accept this sacrifice at your hands, for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his Church.**

## **THE GREAT THANKSGIVING**

*Celebrant:*

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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



*Please kneel. The celebrant continues the prayer, leading to:*

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of hosts. Heaven and earth are full of thy glory.

Glory be to thee, O Lord most high. + Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

*The celebrant continues the prayer, leading to: Let us proclaim the mystery of faith*

*All*

Christ has died. Christ is ri - sen. Christ will come a - gain.

The musical notation is on a single staff in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of three measures: 'Christ has died.' (quarter, quarter, quarter, quarter), 'Christ is ri - sen.' (quarter, quarter, quarter, quarter), and 'Christ will come a - gain.' (quarter, quarter, quarter, quarter).

*The celebrant continues the prayer, ending with:*

*All*

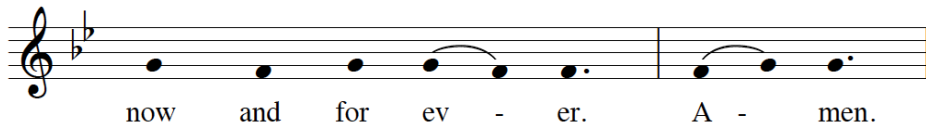
Blessing and honor and glory and power are yours for ever and e - ver. A - men.

The musical notation is on a single staff in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of two measures: 'Blessing and honor and glory and power are yours for ever and e - ver.' (quarter, quarter, quarter, quarter, quarter, quarter, quarter, quarter, quarter, quarter, quarter, quarter, quarter, quarter, quarter, quarter) and 'A - men.' (quarter, quarter, quarter, quarter).

*Celebrant*

As our Sav - iour Christ has taught us, we are con - fi - dent to pray,  
Our Fa - ther in hea - ven, hal - lowed be your name,  
your king - dom come, your will be done, on earth as in hea - ven.  
Give us to - day our dai - ly bread. For - give us our sins  
as we for - give those who sin a - gainst us. Save us  
from the time of tri - al and de - liv - er us from e - vil.  
For the king - dom, the power, and the glo - ry are yours

The musical notation is on seven staves in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. Each staff contains a line of lyrics with corresponding musical notes and rests. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with a final cadence on the last line.



*Celebrant:*

We who are many are one body. **For we all share in the one bread.**

*All remaining kneeling as the choir sings:*

O lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.

O lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.

O lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, grant us thy peace.

*Celebrant:*

Behold the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world. Blessed are those who are called to his supper. **Lord, I am not worthy to receive you, but only say the word and I shall be healed.**

*Communicant members of any Christian church are invited to receive the sacrament. All others are very welcome to come forward for a blessing.*

Communion motet: Randall Thompson (1899 – 1984) *Alleluia*

Communion antiphon: Christ, our Paschal Lamb has been sacrificed, alleluia: let us therefore celebrate the festival, alleluia, alleluia.

*At the conclusion of the communion of the people, there is a short time of silent prayer. Please then stand for the final hymn.*

**1. Thine be the glory, risen, conquering Son,  
Endless is the victory thou o'er death hast won;  
Angels in bright raiment rolled the stone away,  
Kept the folded grave-clothes where thy body lay.**

**Refrain:**

**Thine be the glory, risen, conquering Son,  
Endless is the vict'ry thou o'er death hast won.**

**2. Lo, Jesus meets us, risen from the tomb;  
Lovingly he greets us, scatters fear and gloom;  
Let the Church with gladness hymns of triumph sing,  
For her Lord now liveth, death hath lost its sting: [Refrain]**

3. No more we doubt thee, glorious Prince of Life;  
Life is nought without thee: aid us in our strife,  
Make us more than conquerors through thy deathless love;  
Bring us safe through Jordan to thy home above: [Refrain]

NEH: 120  
Text: Edmond Budry, 1854-1932  
Melody: MACCABAEUS

## SENDING OUT OF GOD'S PEOPLE

*The celebrant sings the final prayer, leading to:*

Father, we offer ourselves to you as a living sacrifice through Jesus Christ our Lord. Send us out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory.

*The bishop offers a blessing and then the deacon dismisses the congregation:*

The musical notation consists of two staves. The first staff is labeled 'Deacon' and the second is labeled 'All'. Both staves show a melody in G major with a treble clef and a common time signature. The lyrics are written below the notes.

*Deacon*  
Go in peace to love and serve the Lord, Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.\_\_\_\_

*All*  
In the name of Christ. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.\_\_\_\_

*Please stand as the sanctuary party departs.*

*Postlude: C.M. Widor (1844 - 1937) Toccata from Symphony No. 5*