



ST. DAVID'S
EPISCOPAL CHURCH

**THE PROPER LITURGY FOR
THE GREAT VIGIL OF EASTER**

April 3, 2021

7:30 p.m.

- Celebrant** The Rev. Dr. Chuck Treadwell, Rector
- Preachers** The Rev. Angela Cortiñas, Associate Rector
The Rev. Santi Rodriguez, Deacon
- Music** Dr. David Stevens, Director of Music
Jean Farris Fuller, organist
Page Stephens, mezzo soprano

🌿 The flowers on the High Altar are given to the glory of God by members of the parish. 🌿

WELCOME TO ST. DAVID'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH!

We are so glad you are worshiping with us today. Even though we are in a new phase of church life, we are committed to offering a meaningful Sunday worship experience for all who tune in to our virtual services (Liturgy of the Word at 9 a.m. and Compline at 8 p.m. on Sundays). Formation for children, youth, and adults is offered after the morning service beginning at 10 a.m. You can find links to the children, youth, and adult formation classes at www.stdave.org.

We miss seeing you in person and long for the day when we can be back together. Until then, we hold you in our hearts, and hope you enjoy the service.

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If you are new to St. David's, we especially welcome you! If you want more information about the church, please complete the guest card on the [Newcomers](#) page of our website. Amy Moehnke, our Director of Newcomer and Young Adult Ministries, will get back to you very soon!

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THE PROPER LITURGY FOR THE GREAT VIGIL OF EASTER

THE LIGHTING OF THE PASCHAL CANDLES

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As the new fire is lit, the Celebrant says

Dear friends in Christ: On this most holy night, in which our Lord Jesus passed over from death to life, the Church invites her members, dispersed throughout the world, to gather in vigil and prayer. For this is the Passover of the Lord, in which, by hearing his Word and celebrating his Sacraments, we share in his victory over death.

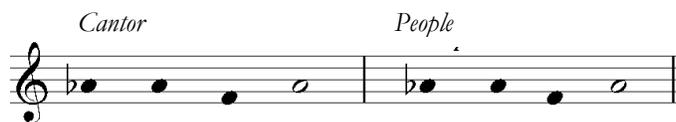
Let us pray.

O God, through your Son you have bestowed upon your people the brightness of your light: Sanctify this new fire, and grant that in this Paschal feast we may so burn with heavenly desires, that with pure minds we may attain to the festival of everlasting light; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

✠ **Amen.**

The Paschal Candles are then lighted from the newly lit fire, and the Celebrant leads the singing of the Versicle and Response.

VERSICLE AND RESPONSE *(Please sing three times.)*



The light of Christ. Thanks be to God.

At the second and third pause, the Versicle and Response is sung successively a step higher.

THE EXSULTET: RESPONSES

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The Deacon will sing the Exsultet, and the People join at the appropriate times.

Rejoice now, heavenly hosts and choirs of angels,
and let your trumpets shout Salvation
for the victory of our mighty King.

Rejoice and sing now, all the round earth,
bright with a glorious splendor,
for darkness has been vanquished by our eternal King.

Rejoice and be glad now, Mother Church,
and let your holy courts, in radiant light,
resound with the praises of your people.

All you who stand near this marvelous and holy flame,
 pray with me to God the Almighty
 for the grace to sing the worthy praise of this great light;
 through Jesus Christ his Son our Lord,
 who lives and reigns with him,
 in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
 one God,

Cantor *People*

... for ev-er and ev - er. A - men.

Cantor

The Lord be with you.

People

And al - so with you.

Cantor

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People

It is right to give him thanks and praise.

It is truly right and good, always and everywhere, with our whole heart and mind and voice, to praise you, the invisible, almighty, and eternal God, and your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who at the feast of the Passover paid for us the debt of Adam's sin, and by his blood delivered your faithful people.

This is the night, when you brought our fathers, the children of Israel, out of bondage in Egypt, and led them through the Red Sea on dry land.

This is the night, when all who believe in Christ are delivered from the gloom of sin, and are restored to grace and holiness of life.

This is the night, when Christ broke the bonds of death and hell, and rose victorious from the grave...

...Holy Father, accept our evening sacrifice, the offering of this candle in your honor. May it shine continually to drive away all darkness. May Christ, the Morning Star who knows no setting, find it ever burning—he who gives his light to all creation, and who lives and reigns

Cantor *People*

... for ev-er and ev - er. A - men.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Celebrant

Let us hear the record of God's saving deeds in history, how he saved his people in ages past; and let us pray that our God will bring each of us to the fullness of redemption.

LESSON ONE: Genesis 1:1—2:4a (The Story of Creation)

Dianne Kaderli

In the beginning when God created the heavens and the earth, the earth was a formless void and darkness covered the face of the deep, while a wind from God swept over the face of the waters. Then God said, "Let there be light"; and there was light. And God saw that the light was good; and God separated the light from the darkness. God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day.

And God said, "Let there be a dome in the midst of the waters, and let it separate the waters from the waters." So God made the dome and separated the waters that were under the dome from the waters that were above the dome. And it was so. God called the dome Sky. And there was evening and there was morning, the second day.

And God said, "Let the waters under the sky be gathered together into one place, and let the dry land appear." And it was so. God called the dry land Earth, and the waters that were gathered together he called Seas. And God saw that it was good. Then God said, "Let the earth put forth vegetation: plants yielding seed, and fruit trees of every kind on earth that bear fruit with the seed in it." And it was so. The earth brought forth vegetation: plants yielding seed of every kind, and trees of every kind bearing fruit with the seed in it. And God saw that it was good. And there was evening and there was morning, the third day.

And God said, "Let there be lights in the dome of the sky to separate the day from the night; and let them be for signs and for seasons and for days and years, and let them be lights in the dome of the sky to give light upon the earth." And it was so. God made the two great lights—the greater light to rule the day and the lesser light to rule the night—and the stars. God set them in the dome of the sky to give light upon the earth, to rule over the day and over the night, and to separate the light from the darkness. And God saw that it was good. And there was evening and there was morning, the fourth day.

And God said, "Let the waters bring forth swarms of living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth across the dome of the sky." So God created the great sea monsters and every living creature that moves, of every kind, with which the waters swarm, and every winged bird of every kind. And God saw that it was good. God blessed them, saying, "Be fruitful and multiply and fill the waters in the seas, and let birds multiply on the earth." And there was evening and there was morning, the fifth day.

And God said, "Let the earth bring forth living creatures of every kind: cattle and creeping things and wild animals of the earth of every kind." And it was so. God made the wild animals of the earth of every kind, and the cattle of every kind, and everything that creeps upon the ground of every kind. And God saw that it was good.

Then God said, "Let us make humankind 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 humankind 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.

Thus the heavens and the earth were finished, and all their multitude. And on the seventh day God finished the work that he had done, and he rested on the seventh day from all the work that he had done. So God blessed the seventh day and hallowed it, because on it God rested from all the work that he had done in creation. These are the generations of the heavens and the earth when they were created.

(Please stand and sing.)

RESPONSE: Hymn 398 - I sing the almighty power of God

Forest Green



1 I sing th'al-might-y pow'r of God, that made the moun-tains rise,
 2 I sing the good-ness of the Lord, that filled the earth with food;
 3 There's not a plant or flow'r be - low, but makes thy glo - ries known;



that spread the glow-ing seas a - broad and built the loft - y skies.
 he formed the crea-tures with his Word, and then pro - nounced them good.
 and clouds a - rise, and tem - pests blow, by or - der from thy throne;



I sing the wis - dom that or - dained the sun to rule the day;
 Lord, how thy won - ders are dis-played, wher - e'er I turn my eye,
 while all that bor - rows life from thee is ev - er in thy care,



the moon shines full at his com-mand, and all the stars o - bey.
 if I sur - vey the ground I tread, or gaze up - on the sky!
 and ev - 'ry - where that I could be, thou, God, art pres-ent there.

Celebrant

Let us pray. *Silence.*

O God, who wonderfully created, and yet more wonderfully restored, the dignity of human nature: Grant that we may share the divine life of him who humbled himself to share our humanity, your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. ✠ **Amen.**

LESSON TWO: Exodus 14:10-31; 15:20-21 (Israel's deliverance at the Red Sea) Ben Sargent

As Pharaoh drew near, the Israelites looked back, and there were the Egyptians advancing on them. In great fear the Israelites cried out to the LORD. They said to Moses, "Was it because there were no graves in Egypt that you have taken us away to die in the wilderness? What have you done to us, bringing us out of Egypt? Is this not the very thing we told you in Egypt, 'Let us alone and let us serve the Egyptians'? For it would have been better for us to serve the Egyptians than to die in the wilderness." But Moses said to the people, "Do not be afraid, stand firm, and see the deliverance that the LORD will accomplish for you today; for the Egyptians whom you see today you shall never see again. The LORD will fight for you, and you have only to keep still."

Then 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.

Then 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. And Miriam sang to them:

"Sing to the LORD, for he has triumphed gloriously;
horse and rider he has thrown into the sea."

(Please stand and sing.)

RESPONSE: Hymn 187 - Through the Red Sea brought at last

Straf mich nicht



1 Through the Red Sea brought at last,
2 Like the cloud that o - ver - head, Al - le - lu - ia!
3 In that cloud and in that sea,



E - gypt's chains be - hind we cast, deep and wide
through the bil - lows Is - rael led, Al - le - lu - ia! by his tomb
bur - ied and bap - tized were we, Earth - ly night



flows the tide sev-'ring us from bond-age past,
Christ makes room, souls re - stor - ing from the dead, Al - le - lu - ia!
brought us light which is ours e - ter - nal - ly,

Celebrant

Let us pray. *Silence.*

O God, whose wonderful deeds of old shine forth even to our own day, you once delivered by the power of your mighty arm your chosen people from slavery under Pharaoh, to be a sign for us of the salvation of all nations by the water of Baptism: Grant that all the peoples of the earth may be numbered among the offspring of Abraham, and rejoice in the inheritance of Israel; through Jesus Christ our Lord. ✠ **Amen.**

LESSON THREE: Ezekiel 37:1-14 (The valley of dry bones)

Joy Harris Philpott

The hand of the Lord came upon me, and he brought me out by the spirit of the Lord and set me down in the middle of a valley; it was full of bones. He led me all around them; there were very many lying in the valley, and they were very dry. He said to me, "Mortal, can these bones live?" I answered, "O Lord God, you know." Then he said to me, "Prophesy to these bones, and say to them: O dry bones, hear the word of the Lord. Thus says the Lord God to these bones: I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live. I will lay sinews on you, and will cause flesh to come upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath in you, and you shall live; and you shall know that I am the Lord."

So I prophesied as I had been commanded; and as I prophesied, suddenly there was a noise, a rattling, and the bones came together, bone to its bone. I looked, and there were sinews on them, and flesh had come upon them, and skin had covered them; but there was no breath in them. Then he said to me, "Prophesy to the breath, prophesy, mortal, and say to the breath: Thus says the Lord God: Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe upon these slain, that they may live." I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived, and stood on their feet, a vast multitude.

Then he said to me, “Mortal, these bones are the whole house of Israel. They say, ‘Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost; we are cut off completely.’ Therefore prophesy, and say to them, Thus says the Lord God: I am going to open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people; and I will bring you back to the land of Israel. And you shall know that I am the Lord, when I open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people. I will put my spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you on your own soil; then you shall know that I, the Lord, have spoken and will act,” says the Lord.

RESPONSE: Give ear unto me

Benedetto Marcello

Page Stephens, mezzo soprano; David Stevens, tenor

Give ear unto me, Lord, I beseech Thee; for I have walked in Thy commandments.

Let me judged with righteous judgement. O let my sentence, come from Thy presence.

O show Thy lovingkindness, Thy marvelous lovingkindness.

O Thou that art the Savior of them that trust in Thee.

Celebrant

Let us pray. *Silence.*

Almighty God, by the Passover of your Son you have brought us out of sin into righteousness and out of death into life: Grant to those who are sealed by your Holy Spirit the will and the power to proclaim you to all the world; through Jesus Christ our Lord. ✠ **Amen.**

HOMILY: The Rev. Angela Cortiñas, Associate Rector

RECOGNITION OF ST. DAVID'S BAPTISM

Jack Arthur McComas

Will all of you who have witnessed these baptisms do all in your power to support this child in his life in Christ?

✠ **We will.**

Let us welcome the newly baptized.

✠ **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.**

(Please stand.)

RENEWAL OF BAPTISMAL VOWS

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Celebrant:

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

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

✠ **I do.**

Do you believe in God the Father?

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

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

✠ **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.**

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

✠ **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.**

Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?

✠ **I will, with God's help.**

Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

✠ **I will, with God's help.**

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

✠ **I will, with God's help.**

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

✠ **I will, with God's help.**

Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?

✠ **I will, with God's help.**

Celebrant

May Almighty God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has given us a new birth by water and the Holy Spirit, and bestowed upon us the forgiveness of sins, keep us in eternal life by his grace, in Christ Jesus our Lord. ✠ **Amen.**

PROCLAMATION OF EASTER

(The following will be said three times.)

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

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

The People ring bells, as Easter is proclaimed!

(Please join in singing.)

SONG OF PRAISE

☒ Christ our Passover (*Pascha nostrum*)



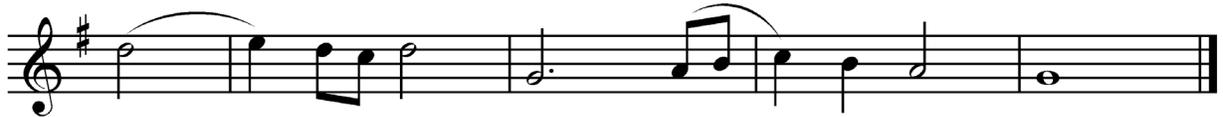
1 God's Pas - chal Lamb is sac - ri - ficed for us;
2 Now Christ is raised and will not die a - gain;
3 In Christ we see the first fruits of the dead:



there - fore with joy we keep the Eas - ter feast;
death has no more do - min - ion o - ver him;
though Ad - am's sin had doomed all flesh to die,



for - sak - ing sin, we share the bread of truth.
through him we die to sin and live to God.
in Christ's new life shall all be made a - live.



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

The Lord be with you.

☒ And also with you.

Let us pray.

COLLECT FOR THE GREAT VIGIL OF EASTER

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Almighty God, who for our redemption gave your only- begotten Son to the death of the cross, and by his glorious resurrection delivered us from the power of our enemy: Grant us so to die daily to sin, that we may evermore live with him in the joy of his resurrection; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. ☒ Amen.

(Please be seated.)

EPISTLE: Romans 6:3-11

Nathan Brownell

A Reading from the Letter of Paul to the Romans.

Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? Therefore we have been buried with him by baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of 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.

The Word of the Lord.

✘ **Thanks be to God.**

(Please stand and sing.)

SEQUENCE HYMN 178

✘ **Alleluia, alleluia! Give thanks to the risen Lord**

Alleluia No. 1

Refrain



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Give thanks to the ris - en Lord.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Give praise to his Name.



1 Je - sus is Lord of all the earth.
2 Spread the good news o'er all the earth:
3 We have been cru - ci - fied with Christ.
4 Come, let us praise the liv - ing God,



Repeat Refrain

he is the King of cre - a - - - tion.
Je - sus has died and has ris - - - en. Al - le
Now we shall live — for ev - - - er.
joy - ful - ly sing to our Sa - - - vior.

The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Mark.

✠ **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

GOSPEL: Mark 16:1-8

A Reading from the Gospel according to Mark.

When the sabbath was over, Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices, so that they might go and anoint Jesus. And very early on the first day of the week, when the sun had risen, they went to the tomb. They had been saying to one another, "Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance to the tomb?" When they looked up, they saw that the stone, which was very large, had already been rolled back. As they entered the tomb, they saw a young man, dressed in a white robe, sitting on the right side; and they were alarmed. But he said to them, "Do not be alarmed; you are looking for Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has been raised; he is not here. Look, there is the place they laid him. But go, tell his disciples and Peter that he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him, just as he told you." So they went out and fled from the tomb, for terror and amazement had seized them; and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.

The Gospel of the Lord.

✠ **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

HOMILY: The Rev. Santi Rodriguez, Deacon

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE: FORM III

BCP, P. 388

The Leader and People pray responsively

Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;

✠ **That we all may be one.**

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

✠ **That your Name may be glorified by all people.**

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;

✠ **That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.**

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;

✠ **That there may be justice and peace on the earth.**

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

✠ **That our works may find favor in your sight.**

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;

✠ **That they may be delivered from their distress.**

Give to the departed eternal rest;

✠ **Let light perpetual shine upon them.**

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

✠ **May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.**

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

The People may add their own petitions.

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

Lord Jesus Christ, you said to your apostles, "Peace I give to you; my own peace I leave with you." Regard not our sins, but the faith of your Church, and give to us the peace and unity of that heavenly City, where with the Father and the Holy Spirit, you live and reign, now and for ever.

✠ **Amen.**

OFFERTORY

ANTHEM: I will always give thanks

Charles King

Page Stephens, mezzo soprano; David Stevens, tenor

I will always give thanks unto the Lord. His praise shall be ever in my mouth.

Hallelujah!

Psalm 34:1

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

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- The Women's Group will have a virtual meeting on Wednesday, April 7 from 6 to 7:15 p.m. You are invited to join with other women from St. David's for a time of fellowship and fun! Zoom link will be provided in your confirmation email.
- GLEE (Gay, Lesbian, and Everyone Else) is meeting virtually Thursday, April 8 from 7 to 8 p.m. Email glee@stdave.org to get the link.
- Next Sunday, April 11, during formation hour, we will be joined via Zoom by Belden Lane, the author of *Backpacking with the Saints*. Many of you read this book through our Journey Groups this past Lent. Whether you were part of a journey group or not, we invite you to register for this event and hear Belden talk about his experiences of finding God in literature and in the wilderness. Registration is through our website.
- On the Sundays of Eastertide, April 18 through May 16, we will be studying the Book of Acts during the Sunday morning Bible Study hour at 10 a.m. Join the exploration of the message of this book of the New Testament as it speaks to the nature of the church today. Register on the web site for the Zoom link.
- Beginning April 14, please join Dr. Amy Moehnke and Dr. Mona West for Wednesday night Bible study at 7 p.m. as they lead a study of the Book of Ruth. Their approach will consider issues of border crossings, migration, overcoming stereotypes, and the importance of amplifying stories of generosity during times of polarization and suspicion of the other. Register on the web site. The group will not meet on Wednesday, April 7.
- There are also three new Journey Groups starting in mid-April, with Dr. Mona West, Mark Wischkaemper, and the Rev. Angela Cortiñas. Details in the newsletter and on the web site.
- Also, during the season of Easter, we will be using our various social media platforms to feature staff and parishioners' experiences of "Things to Love About St. David's" and we need your help! just think of something you love about St. David's, and then tell us about it! You might make a video of an event, or just one of you talking about something that captures the spirit of St David's. You might write a poem, prayer or short story; you might create a drawing or some other kind of art piece that represents what you love. It could also be something else entirely! We plan to share a few of these each week throughout the Easter season, so we will be collecting them from now until May 23. Please send your submissions to Amy Moehnke (Amy.M@stdave.org) as they are ready!
- We are excited to introduce a new prayer resource for you. Director of Music Mark Wischkaemper and Associate Music Director Eric Mellenbruch have created Sunday Morning Prayer podcasts. The Morning Prayer is sung by a cantor to traditional chant, and available for you to listen to and pray with on Sunday or at any time during the week. It is currently available for download on Spotify with other platforms like iTunes and YouTube to follow. Find Daily Prayer resources under the Worship tab on the stdave.org web site.
- More upcoming events are listed on the next page and on our web site – www.stdave.org

(Please stand and sing.)

HYMN 210

✠ The day of resurrection

Ellacombe



1 The day of re - sur - rec - tion! Earth, tell it out a - broad!
2 Our hearts be pure from e - vil, that we may see a - right
3 Now let the heav'ns be joy - ful, let earth her song be - gin,



the Pass - o - ver of glad - ness, the Pass - o - ver of God.
the Lord in rays e - ter - nal of re - sur - rec - tion light;
the round world keep high tri - umph, and all that is there - in;



From death to life e - ter - nal, from earth un - to the sky,
and, lis - t'ning to his ac - cents, may hear so calm and plain
let all things seen and un - seen their notes to - geth - er blend,



our Christ hath brought us o - ver with hymns of vic - to - ry.
his own 'All hail!' and, hear - ing, may raise the vic - tor strain.
for Christ the Lord is ris - en, our joy that hath no end.

EASTER BLESSING

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. ✠ **Amen.**

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. ✠ **Amen.**

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. ✠ **Amen.**

And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. ✠ **Amen.**

POSTLUDE: Postlude on *Bryn Calafaria*

Ralph Vaughan Williams

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UPCOMING EVENTS (All events happen virtually)

- High School EYC happens on Tues at 6 p.m., and Middle School EYC on Wed at 5:30 p.m.
- On Wed evening, you can join Evening Prayer at 5:30 p.m. and Bible study at 6:30 p.m.
- And, don't forget - Café Divine and Holy Grounds Curbside To-Go – Tues-Fri, place your order 4 a.m.-1 p.m., and pick up 11:30 a.m.-6 p.m.

WANT TO KNOW MORE ABOUT ST. DAVID'S?

If you want more information about the church, please email Amy Moehnke (Amy.M@stdave.org), our Director of Newcomer and Young Adult Ministries, and she will get back to you very soon!