

This is the night!

Easter Vigil



Saturday, April 16, 2022

Triumphant Lutheran Church

We grow in Christ to serve others.

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7:00pm

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[P] Pastor

[AM] Assisting Minister

[C] Congregation

ELW – Worship Book

Liturgy of Light

The people gather outside for the lighting of the Paschal Candle.

[P] The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

[C] And also with you.

[P] Sisters and brothers in Christ, on this most holy night when our Savior Jesus Christ passed from death to life, we gather with the church throughout the world in vigil and prayer. This is the passover of Jesus Christ. Through light and the word, through water and oil, bread and wine, we proclaim Christ's death and resurrection, share Christ's triumph over sin and death, and await Christ's coming again in glory.

A new fire is kindled.

[P] Let us pray. O God, you are like a refiner's fire, and your Spirit kindles the hearts of your faithful people. Bless this flame and those who keep this Easter Vigil so that, burning with desire for life with you, they may be found fit to take part in that festival of Light which has no ending, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

[C] Amen

The Paschal Candle is lighted.

[P] Christ, yesterday and today, the beginning and the ending.
To Christ belongs all time and all the ages;
to Christ belongs glory and dominion, now and forever.

[C] Amen.

The Procession

The people follow the Paschal Candle. After the second response, hand candles are lighted from the Paschal Candle and passed among the people, who carry them into their pews and remain standing.

[P] The Light of Christ!

[C] Thanks be to God!

(repeat 2 times)

The Easter Proclamation

Remain standing, please.

The Paschal Candle is placed in the center of the chancel while the chancel lights are brought up. During the Easter Proclamation, the acolyte lights the other candles.

[P] The Lord be with you.

[C] **And also with you.**

[P] Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

[C] **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

[P] It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

[C] **Amen.**

All extinguish their candles and are seated.

Stories of a Salvation People

While we wait in vigil for the resurrected Lord, we tell the stories of our "family" history, recalling how God loved and saved his people throughout history.

THE STORY OF CREATION: Genesis 1:1 – 2:4a

Pew Bible Pg. 1

[P] Let us pray...

[C] **Amen.**

THE STORY OF DELIVERANCE AT THE RED SEA: Exodus 14:10-31; 15:20-21

Pew Bible Pg. 108

[P] Let us pray...

[C] **Amen.**

THE VALLEY OF DRY BONES: Ezekiel 37:1-14

Pew Bible Pg. 1345

[P] Let us pray...

[C] **Amen.**

THE STORY OF DELIVERANCE FROM THE FIERY FURNACE: Daniel 3:1-29

Pew Bible Pg. 1374

[P] Let us pray...

[C] **Amen**

GOSPEL: John 20:1-18

Pew Bible Pg. 1685

[P] The Gospel of the Lord.

[C] **Thanks be to God.**

HYMN OF PRAISE

"Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds" ELW 367

Remembrance of Holy Baptism

[P] Sisters and brothers, on this most holy night, the Church keeps vigil, awaiting the glorious resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. Throughout the history of the Christian Church, this night was reserved for baptizing those who sought to be made one with the Body of Christ. After their preparation during the season of Lent, they were brought into the fellowship of those who wished to join Christ's church.

Thus, on this most holy night, we remember our baptisms and reaffirm our faith in the God of our salvation.

[P] Let us confess our faith. Do you believe in God the Father?

[C] **I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

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

[C] **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 into hell. 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.

[P] Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

[C] **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.**

[P] You have made public profession of your faith. Do you intend to continue in the covenant God made with you in holy baptism:
to live among God's faithful people,
to hear the word of God and share in the Lord's supper,
to proclaim the good news of God in Christ through word and deed,
to serve all people, following the example of Jesus,
and to strive for justice and peace in all the earth?

[C] **I do, and I ask God to help and guide me.**

[P] People of God, do you promise to support and pray for one another in your lives in Christ?

[C] **We do, and we ask God to help and guide us.**

[P] Let us pray. Pour out your Holy Spirit, so that those who are baptized may be given new life. Wash away the sin of all those who are cleansed by baptismal waters and bring them forth as inheritors of your glorious kingdom. To you be given praise and honor and worship through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

[C] **Amen**

HYMN "Baptized in Water" ELW 456

SHARING OF THE PEACE OF THE RISEN LORD

OFFERING

OFFERTORY PRAYER

[P] Merciful God, as grains of wheat scattered upon the hills were gathered together to become one bread, so let your church be gathered together from the ends of the earth into your kingdom, for yours is the glory through Jesus Christ, now and forever.

[C] **Amen**

The Feast of Victory

GREAT THANKSGIVING

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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
forever and ever. Amen.

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BENEDICTION

CLOSING HYMN

“Thine Is the Glory” ELW 376

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[C] **Thanks be to God.**

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