

A CELEBRATION OF NEW LIFE IN CHRIST

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Two o'clock in the Afternoon

A Note About this Service

The liturgy for the dead is an Easter liturgy. It finds all its meaning in the resurrection. Because Jesus was raised from the dead, we, too, shall be raised.

The liturgy, therefore, is characterized by joy, in the certainty that “neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.”

This joy, however, does not make human grief unchristian. The very love we have for each other in Christ brings deep sorrow when we are parted by death. Jesus himself wept at the grave of his friend. So, while we rejoice that one we love has entered into the nearer presence of our Lord, we sorrow in sympathy with those who mourn.

About Worship

If the liturgy (worship) of the Episcopal Church is unfamiliar, then we hope you will find this information helpful.

The worship of the Episcopal Church is rooted in the practices of ancient Christianity. The structure of our services, the architecture of our building, the music, our physical postures and participatory responses ALL hold rich meaning about our beliefs and are intentional expressions of our relationship with God.

- In this bulletin you will find:

Responses spoken by the people are printed in bold italics.

Directions for the people are printed in italics.

- Episcopalians customarily pray either standing or kneeling, so please do what you find most comfortable.
- Notify an usher if you require an assisted listening device or any other assistance.
- Restrooms are located in the parish hall; the men's to the right as you enter the Parish House (before the Chapel) and women's to the right, under the stairs on the right. An usher will be happy to direct you.

About Receiving The Holy Communion

ALL who come in faith are invited to receive Holy Communion at Saint Paul's.

- During communion, the people form two short lines in the center aisle at the Chancel steps. After receiving the bread and wine or a blessing a, please return to your pew via the side aisles.
- For those who are unable to receive communion at the center of the church, the clergy will bring the bread and wine to your seat. Please notify us before the service begins.
- To receive a blessing without receiving Communion, cross both arms over your chest, palms on your collar.

The Burial of the Dead: Rite Two

Organ Voluntary

Keith Shafer

All stand

At the Procession, Hymn 427

“When morning gilds the skies”

Laudes Domini



1 When morn - ing gilds the skies, my heart, a - wak - ing, cries, may
2 When mirth for mu - sic longs, this is my song of songs: may
3 No love - lier an - ti - phon in all high heav'n is known than,
4 Ye na - tions of man - kind, in this your con - cord find: may
5 Sing, suns and stars of space, sing, ye that see his face, sing,



Je - sus Christ be praised! When eve - ning sha - dows fall, this
Je - sus Christ be praised! God's ho - ly house of prayer hath
Je - sus Christ be praised! There to the e - ter - nal Word the e -
Je - sus Christ be praised! Let all the earth a - round ring
Je - sus Christ be praised! God's whole cre - a - tion o'er, both



rings my cur - few call, may Je - sus Christ be praised!
none that can com - pare with: Je - sus Christ be praised!
ter - nal psalm is heard: may Je - sus Christ be praised!
joy - ous with the sound: may Je - sus Christ be praised!
now and ev - er - more shall Je - sus Christ be praised!

Burial Anthem

Celebrant I am Resurrection and I am Life, says the Lord.

Whoever has faith in me shall have life,
even though he die.

And everyone who has life,
and has committed himself to me in faith,
shall not die for ever.

As for me, I know that my Redeemer lives
and that at the last he will stand upon the earth.

After my awaking, he will raise me up;
and in my body I shall see God.

I myself shall see, and my eyes behold him
who is my friend and not a stranger.

Celebrant For none of us has life in himself,
and none becomes his own master when he dies.
For if we have life, we are alive in the Lord,
and if we die, we die in the Lord.
So, then, whether we live or die,
we are the Lord's possession.

Happy from now on
are those who die in the Lord!
So it is, says the Spirit,
for they rest from their labors.

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People ***And also with you.***

Celebrant Let us pray.

O God of grace and glory, we remember before you this day our sister Kathy. We thank you for giving her to us, her family and friends, to know and to love as a companion on our earthly pilgrimage. In your boundless compassion, console us who mourn. Give us faith to see in death the gate of eternal life, so that in quiet confidence we may continue our course on earth, until, by your call, we are reunited with those who have gone before; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

The congregation is seated

The Liturgy of the Word

The Old Testament

read by Tom Cathey

Isaiah 25:6-9

On this mountain the Lord of hosts will make for all peoples a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wines, of rich food filled with marrow, of well-aged wines strained clear. And he will destroy on this mountain the shroud that is cast over all peoples, the sheet that is spread over all nations; he will swallow up death forever. Then the Lord God will wipe away the tears from all faces, and the disgrace of his people he will take away from all the earth, for the Lord has spoken. It will be said on that day, Lo, this is our God; we have waited for him, so that he might save us. This is the Lord for whom we have waited; let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

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

Psalm 121

Prayed in unison, lead by Tom Cathey.

- 1 ***I lift up my eyes to the hills; ****
from where is my help to come?
- 2 ***My help comes from the LORD, ****
the maker of heaven and earth.
- 3 ***He will not let your foot be moved ****
and he who watches over you will not fall asleep.

- 4 *Behold, he who keeps watch over Israel *
shall neither slumber nor sleep;*
- 5 *The LORD himself watches over you; *
the LORD is your shade at your right hand,*
- 6 *So that the sun shall not strike you by day, *
nor the moon by night.*
- 7 *The LORD shall preserve you from all evil; *
it is he who shall keep you safe.*
- 8 *The LORD shall watch over your going out and your coming in, *
from this time forth for evermore.*

The Epistle

read by Katie McKie

1 John 3:1-2

See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is.

Lector The Word of the Lord.
People *Thanks be to God.*

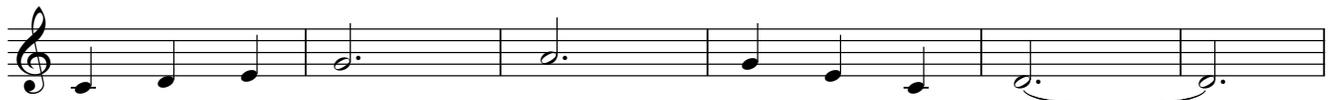
Hymn 8

"Morning has broken"

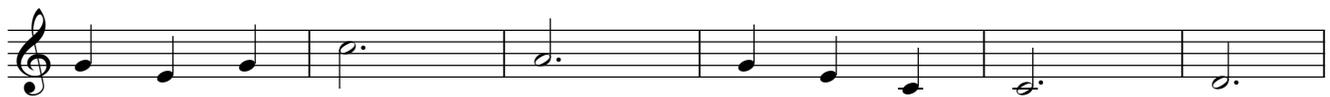
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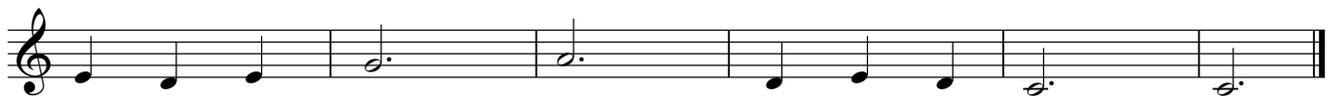
1 Morn - ing has bro - ken like the first morn - ing,
2 Sweet the rain's new fall sun - lit from hea - ven,
3 Mine is the sun - light! Mine is the morn - ing



black - bird has spo - ken like the first bird. _____
like the first dew - fall on the first grass. _____
born of the one light E - den saw play! _____



Praise for the sing - ing! Praise for the morn - ing!
Praise for the sweet - ness of the wet gar - den,
Praise with e - la - tion, praise ev - ery morn - ing,



Praise for them, spring - ing fresh from the Word! _____
sprung in com - plete - ness where his feet pass. _____
God's re - cre - a - tion, of the new day! _____

The people remain standing for the reading of the Gospel.

The Holy Gospel

John 14:1-6

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

People ***Glory to you, Lord Christ.***

Jesus said, "Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father's house there are many dwelling places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also. And you know the way to the place where I am going." Thomas said to him, "Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?" Jesus said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.

People ***Praise to you, Lord Christ.***

The Apostles' Creed

Said by all standing

Celebrant In the assurance of eternal life given at Baptism, let us proclaim our faith and say,

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

***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.***

***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.***

Please kneel as you are able

The Prayers of the People

Celebrant For our sister Kathy, let us pray to our Lord Jesus Christ who said, "I am Resurrection and I am Life."

Leader Lord, you consoled Martha and Mary in their distress; draw near to us all who mourn for Kathy and dry the tears of those who weep.

People **Hear us, Lord.**

You wept at the grave of Lazarus, your friend; comfort us in our sorrow.

Hear us, Lord.

You raised the dead to life; give to our sister eternal life.

Hear us, Lord.

You promised paradise to the thief who repented; bring our sister to the joys of heaven.

Hear us, Lord.

Our sister was washed in Baptism and anointed with the Holy Spirit; give her fellowship with all your saints.

Hear us, Lord.

She was nourished with your Body and Blood; grant her a place at the table in your heavenly kingdom.

Hear us, Lord.

Comfort us in our sorrows at the death of our sister; let our faith be our consolation, and eternal life our hope.

Celebrant Lord Jesus Christ, we commend to you our sister Kathy, who was reborn by water and the Spirit in Holy Baptism. Grant that her death may recall to us your victory over death, and be an occasion for us to renew our trust in your Father's love. Give us, we pray, the faith to follow where you have led the way; and where you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, to the ages of ages. **Amen.**

The Peace

All stand

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

The Ministers and People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

The Holy Communion

The Offertory Sentence

Officiant

The Offertory Solo

"Pie Jesu" (Requiem)
Brianna Shields, Soloist
Sung in Latin

Gabriel Faure

Merciful Lord Jesus, grant them rest, grant them everlasting rest.

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People ***And also with you.***

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People ***We lift them to the Lord.***

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

Celebrant It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord; who rose victorious from the dead, and comforts us with the blessed hope of everlasting life. For to your faithful people, O Lord, life is changed, not ended; and when our mortal body lies in death, there is prepared for us a dwelling place eternal in the heavens.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

All ***Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.***

Please kneel as you are able.

Celebrant Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Celebrant Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

All ***Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.***

Celebrant We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. ***AMEN.***

Lord's Prayer

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

All ***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.***

The Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People ***Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.***

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

The Communion

*All who come in faith are welcome at the Lord's table.
More information is available on the inside front cover of this bulletin.*

The Communion Music

Jean Berger

**"A rose touched by the sun's warm rays"
Brianna Shields, Soloist**

A rose touched by the sun's warm rays all its petals gently does unfold.
So you, when touched by God's great mercy, let joy and gladness win your soul.
- Maria Brubacher, 1825

A Gaelic Blessing

John Rutter

Brianna Shields, Soloist

Deep peace of the running wave to you. Deep peace of the flowing air to you. Deep peace of the quiet earth to you. Deep peace of the shining stars to you. Deep peace of the gentle night to you. Moon and stars pour out their healing light on you. Deep peace of Christ, the light of the world, to you
 - Traditional Gaelic Blessing

The Post Communion Prayer

Said by all, kneeling

All *Almighty God, we thank you that in your great love you have fed us with the spiritual food and drink of the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ, and have given us a foretaste of your heavenly banquet. Grant that this Sacrament may be to us a comfort in affliction, and a pledge of our inheritance in that kingdom where there is no death, neither sorrow nor crying, but the fullness of joy with all your saints; through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.*

Hymn 645

“The King of love my shepherd is”

St. Columba



1 The King of love my shep - herd is, whose good - ness
 2 Where streams of liv - ing wa - ter flow, my ran - somed
 3 Per - verse and fool - ish oft I strayed, but yet in
 4 In death's dark vale I fear no ill with thee, dear
 5 Thou spread'st a ta - ble in my sight; thy unc - tion
 6 And so through all the length of days thy good - ness



fail - eth nev - er; I noth - ing lack if
 soul he lead - eth, and where the ver - dant
 love he sought me, and on his shoul - der
 Lord, be - side me; thy rod and staff my
 grace be - stow - eth; and oh, what trans - port
 fail - eth nev - er: Good Shep - herd, may I



I am his, and he is mine for ev - er.
 pas - tures grow, with food ce - les - tial feed - eth.
 gent - ly laid, and home, re - joic - ing, brought me.
 com - fort still, thy cross be - fore to guide me.
 of de - light from thy pure chal - ice flow - eth!
 sing thy praise with - in thy house for ev - er.

The Commendation

All stand

Celebrant Give rest, O Christ, to your servant with your saints,

People ***where sorrow and pain are no more,
neither sighing, but life everlasting.***

Celebrant You only are immortal, the creator and maker of mankind; and we are mortal, formed of the earth, and to earth shall we return. For so did you ordain when you created me, saying, "You are dust, and to dust you shall return." All of us go down to the dust; yet even at the grave we make our song: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

People ***Give rest, O Christ, to your servant with your saints,
where sorrow and pain are no more,
neither sighing, but life everlasting.***

Celebrant Into your hands, O merciful Savior, we commend your servant Kathy. Acknowledge, we humbly beseech you, a sheep of your own fold, a lamb of your own flock, a sinner of your own redeeming. Receive her into the arms of your mercy, into the blessed rest of everlasting peace, and into the glorious company of the saints in light. ***Amen.***

Dismissal

Celebrant Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

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

Organ Voluntary

Keith Shafer

The family would like to greet everyone at a reception in the River Room immediately following this service.

Participants in this Service

Celebrant	The Reverend Eric Biddy
Assisting Priest	The Reverend Kimberly E. Dunn
Eucharistic Ministers	Mat Merriman Robin Merriman
Lectors	Tom Cathey Katie McKie
Torch Bearers	Charlie Cathey Isaac Biddy
Element Bearers	Pete Cathey Tom Cathey
Director of Music and Organist	Keith Shafer
Soloist	Brianna Shields
Ushers	Glenn Barinowski Trey Drew Russell McKie Sally Simkins Nick Uros
Vestry	Linda Hardy



Saint Paul's Church is a parish of the Episcopal Diocese of Georgia.
The Church is open for prayer daily 9 AM – 3 PM, Monday - Thursday, 9 AM – 12 PM, Friday.
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