

SANCTUS AND BENEDICTUS

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.

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."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:  
Christ has died.  
Christ is risen.  
Christ will come again.

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.

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

THE COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

MUSIC AT COMMUNION M. Reynolds McClatchey, flute

HYMNAL # 208 Alleluia, alleluia, the strife is o'er Victory

POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

CELEBRANT: Let us pray.  
PEOPLE: 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.

THE COMMENDATION

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 Skootie. Acknowledge, we humbly beseech you, a sheep of your own fold, a lamb of your own flock, a sinner of your own redeeming. Receive him into the arms of your mercy, into the blessed rest of everlasting peace, and into the glorious company of the saints in light. Amen.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN I'll Fly Away A. Brumley

Some glad morning when this life is o'er I'll fly away.  
To a home on God's celestial shore, I'll fly away.

Refrain  
I'll fly away, O glory, I'll fly away.  
When I die, Hallelujah, by and by I'll fly away.

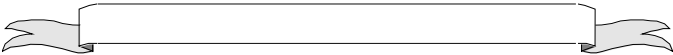
When the shadows of this life have grown, I'll fly away.  
Like a bird from prison bars has flown, I'll fly away.

Refrain

Just a few more weary days and then I'll fly away.  
To a land where joys shall never end, I'll fly away.

Refrain

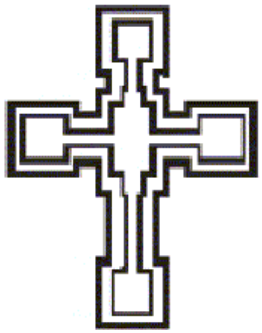
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RECEPTION IN THE PARISH HALL.. THEY  
WILL JOIN YOU AFTER THE INTERMENT.



Thanks to our guest musicians Mary Sue Taylor, Sandy Dimon, and Marty Kelly.



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DR. JOSEPH H. DIMON, III

FEBRUARY 16, 1930 - MARCH 24, 2014

THURSDAY, MARCH 27, 2014  
TWO O' CLOCK IN THE AFTERNOON

CONCERNING THE SERVICE

The liturgy for the dead is an Easter liturgy. It finds all 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.

(Book of Common Prayer p. 491)

~ THE WORD OF GOD ~

PRELUDE

THE TOLLING OF THE BELL

**PROCESSIONAL ANTHEM** [STANDING]  
**OFFICIANT:** 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.

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.

HYMNAL #376 Joyful, Joyful, we adore thee *Hymn to Joy*

**OFFICIANT:** The Lord be with you.  
**PEOPLE:** *And also with you.*  
**OFFICIANT:** Let us pray.

O God, whose mercies cannot be numbered: Accept our prayers on behalf of your servant Skootie, and grant him an entrance into the land of light and joy, in the fellowship of your saints; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

**THE OLD TESTAMENT** [SEATED] **ISAIAH 61:1-3**  
The spirit of the Lord GOD is upon me, because the LORD has anointed me; he has sent me to bring good news to the oppressed, to bind up the broken-hearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and release to the prisoners; to proclaim the year of the LORD's favour, and the day of vengeance of our God; to comfort all who mourn; to provide for those who mourn in Zion—to give them a garland instead of ashes, the oil of gladness instead of mourning, the mantle of praise instead of a faint spirit. They will be called oaks of righteousness, the planting of the LORD, to display his glory.  
**LECTOR:** The Word of the Lord.  
**PEOPLE:** *Thanks be to God.*

**PSALM 121** [IN UNISON]

I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills;  
from whence cometh my help?

My help cometh even from the LORD,  
who hath made heaven and earth.

He will not suffer thy foot to be moved,  
and he that keepeth thee will not sleep.

Behold, he that keepeth Israel  
shall neither slumber nor sleep.

The LORD himself is thy keeper;  
the LORD is thy defence upon thy right hand;

So that the sun shall not burn by day,  
neither the moon by night.

The LORD shall preserve thee from all evil;  
yea, it is even he that shall keep thy soul.

The LORD shall preserve thy going out, and thy coming in,  
from this time forth for evermore.

**THE NEW TESTAMENT** [SEATED] **2 CORINTHIANS 4:16--5:9**  
So we do not lose heart. Even though our outer nature is wasting away, our inner nature is being renewed day by day. For this slight momentary affliction is preparing us for an eternal weight of glory beyond all measure, because we look not at what can be seen but at what cannot be seen; for what can be seen is temporary, but what cannot be seen is eternal. For we know that if the earthly tent we live in is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens. For in this tent we groan, longing to be clothed with our heavenly dwelling—if indeed, when we have taken it off we will not be found naked. For while we are still in this tent, we groan under our burden, because we wish not to be unclothed but to be further clothed, so that what is mortal may be swallowed up by life. He who has prepared us for this very thing is God, who has given us the Spirit as a guarantee. So we are always confident; even though we know that while we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord—for we walk by faith, not by sight. Yes, we do have confidence, and we would rather be away from the body and at home with the Lord. So whether we are at home or away, we make it our aim to please him.  
**LECTOR:** The Word of the Lord.  
**PEOPLE:** *Thanks be to God.*

SEQUENCE HYMN #657 Love divine, all loves excelling *Hyfrydol*

**THE GOSPEL** [STANDING] **JOHN 14:1-6**  
**OFFICIANT:** The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.  
**PEOPLE:** *Glory to you, Lord Christ.*  
'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.'  
**OFFICIANT:** The Gospel of the Lord.  
**PEOPLE:** *Praise to you, Lord Christ.*

**HOMILY** The Reverend Ruth Lindberg Pattison

**REMEMBRANCES** Scoot Dimon and Roz Dimon

**THE APOSTLES' CREED** [STANDING]  
**OFFICIANT:** In the assurance of eternal life given at Baptism, let us proclaim our faith and say,  
*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.*

**THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE** [STANDING]  
For our brother Skootie let us pray to our Lord Jesus Christ who said, "I am Resurrection and I am Life."

Lord, you consoled Martha and Mary in their distress; draw near to us who mourn for Skootie, and dry the tears of those who weep.  
*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 brother eternal life.  
*Hear us, Lord.*

You promised paradise to the thief who repented; bring our brother to the joys of heaven.  
*Hear us, Lord.*

Our brother was washed in Baptism and anointed with the Holy Spirit; give him fellowship with all your saints.  
*Hear us, Lord.*

He was nourished with your Body and Blood; grant him a place at the table in your heavenly kingdom.  
*Hear us, Lord.*

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

**OFFICIANT:** Lord Jesus Christ, we commend to you our brother Skootie who was reborn by water and the Spirit in Holy Baptism. Grant that his 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**  
**OFFICIANT:** The peace of the Lord be always with you.  
**PEOPLE:** *And also with you.*

~ THE HOLY COMMUNION ~

**THE GREAT THANKSGIVING**  
**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 God 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: