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SOLEMN HIGH MASS

HOLY EUCHARIST- RITE TWO

Instrumental Prelude

Opening prayer

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, now that our Lenten observance is ended, 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.

The Renewal of Baptismal Vows

Celebrant	Do you reaffirm your renunciation of evil and renew your commitment to Jesus Christ?
People	l do.
Celebrant	Do you believe in God the Father?
People	I believe in God, the Father almighty,
	creator of heaven and earth.
Celebrant	Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?
People	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.
Celebrant	Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?
People	I believe in the Holy Spirit,
	the holy catholic Church,
	the communion of saints,
	the forgiveness of sins,
	the resurrection of the body,
	and life everlasting.

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Celebrant	Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?
People	I will, with God's help.
Celebrant	Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?
People	l will, with God's help.
Celebrant	Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?
People	I will, with God's help.
Celebrant	Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?
People	I will, with God's help.
Celebrant	Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?
People	I will, with God's help

The Celebrant concludes the Renewal of Vows as follows

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.*

Introit Hymn

H210 v1, The day of resurrection

Ellacombe

1. The day of resurrection! Earth, tell it out abroad; the Passover of gladness, the Passover of God. From death to life eternal, from earth unto the sky, our Christ hath brought us over, with hymns of victory.

THE WORD OF GOD

The people standing, the Celebrant says Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

The Collect for Purity

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

Gloria

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth. Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father receive our prayer. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. *Amen.*

The Celebrant says to the people

The Lord be with you.

People And also with you

Celebrant Let us pray.

Collect for the Day

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.*

The Lessons

The people sit

A Reading from the Book of the Acts of the Apostles (10:34-43)

Peter began to speak to Cornelius and the other Gentiles: "I truly understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ--he is Lord of all. That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, not to all the people but to us who were



chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name."

The Word of the Lord

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 118:1-2,14-24 (Read responsively by whole verse)

1. Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;* his mercy endures for ever.

2. Let Israel now proclaim,* "His mercy endures for ever."

14. The Lord is my strength and my song,* and he has become my salvation.

15. There is a sound of exultation and victory* In the tents of the righteous:

16. "The right hand of the Lord has triumphed!" the right hand of the Lord is exalted! the right hand of the Lord has triumphed!"

17. I shall not die, but live,* and declare the works of the Lord.

18. The Lord has punished me sorely,* but he did not hand me over to death.

19. Open for me the gates of righteousness;* I will enter them; I will offer thanks to the Lord.

20."This is the gate of the Lord;* he who is righteous may enter."

21. I will give thanks to you, for you answered me* and have become my salvation.

22. The same stone which the builders rejected* has become the chief cornerstone.

23. This is the Lord's doing,* and it is marvelous in our eyes.

24. On this day the Lord has acted;*

we will rejoice and be glad in it.

Glory be to the Father And to the Son And to the Holy Spirit. As it was in the beginning, Is now, And ever shall be, world without end.

Amen.

Reading from St. Paul's Epistle to the Corinthians (15:1-11)

Now I would remind you, brothers and sisters, of the good news that I proclaimed to you, which you in turn received, in which also you stand, through which also you are being saved, if you hold firmly to the message that I proclaimed to you—unless you have come to believe in vain. For I handed on to you as of first importance what I in turn had received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures, and that he was buried, and that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures, and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers and sisters at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died. Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me. For I am the least of the apostles, unfit to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace toward me has not been in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them—though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me. Whether then it was I or they, so we proclaim and so you have come to believe.

The Word of the Lord.

People	Thanks be to God.	
Gradual Hymn	A276,v1, I know that My Redeemer Lives	Duke Street
1. I know that r	ny Redeemer lives:	
What joy the b	lest assurance gives!	
He lives, He liv	es, who once was dead;	
He lives, my ev	erlasting Head!	

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The Holy Gospel

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

People Glory to you, Lord 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.

After the Gospel the Reader says: The Gospel of the Lord.

People	Praise to	you, Lord Christ.		
Sequence H	ymn	A276 v4, I Know That My Redeemer	Lives	Duke Street
4. He lives, all glory to His name;				
He lives, my Savior still the same;				
What joy the blest assurance gives;				
I know that my Redeemer lives!				
Sermon		Th	e Reverend Hu	gh Chapman

Prayers of the People Form III

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;

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That your Name may be glorified by all people.

We pray for Michael our Presiding Bishop, Samuel our Bishop, our Rector Hugh and all 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 especially those who are on our sick and homebound list as well as those who are in need of prayers and healing:

For those at home:

Fr. Laughton Thomas, Sharal Jugger; Rosalyn Greene, Ella Woodbury, Sam Oliver Sr., James Manning, Toni Jarmon, Rev. Leslie R. White, , Rev. Ralph Griffith, Leonel Jones, Charles Walton, Joan Jackson Taylor, Howard Vincent Lewis, Franklyn Bramble, Christine Seymour, Mary Ann Nottage, Kove Lawson, Cynthia Holland and Genevie Vaughn.

For those in the care of the Doctor

Joycelyn Stephens, Jo Ann Robinson, Williemae Jackson, Lauren Sapp, , Dr. Derek Spencer, Marva Davis, Delores Brown, Hattie Olivia Scott, Alexis Shermise Brown, Jasmine Hartin, Shevette Newkirk, Rudolph & Marva Griffith, Delois Abraham, Stella Harris, Pamelia Harris Williams, Klcey Scott, Erica Scott, Renrick Alleyne, Jeffery Adams, Delores Cyrus, Mayleen Rosheuvel, Ena Mason, Darlene Sheppard, Merrick Winston Edwards, Devonia Sears, Landon Dyre, Brittany Lee, , Fr. William Guthrie, Herma Watson Taylor, Fred Hickman, Barbara Gruden, Carolyn Allen and Lamar Nottage.

For those on the front lines in the fight against the Coronavirus Pandemic:

Especially all doctors, nurses, scientists, and our own, Dr. Shaun Laurie, Dr. Nwamaka Onyeozili, Dr. Ross Howard McMillan, Dr. Ciara Grayson, Dr. Alaine Sharpe, Zuri A. White and Cheston Williams.

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For those in the Military:

Linzie Bogan II, Clark Bogan, Brianne Edwards, Vashti Thompson and Thandi Williams.

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.

Silence

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

Confession of Sin

The Celebrant says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept

Minister and people

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. *Amen*.

The Celebrant stands and says

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. *Amen*.

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The Celebrant then says to the people

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

The Peace	A498, Let There Be Peace on Earth	Miller	
Let there be peac	e on earth, and let it begin with me. Let there be p	peace on earth, the peace that	
was meant to be. With God as our Father, family all are we. Let us walk with each other in perfect			
harmony. Let pe	ace begin with me; let us each other be the momen	t now. With every step I take,	
let this be my sole	emn vow; to take each moment, and live each mome	nt in peace eternally! Let there	
be peace on earth	n, and let it begin with me.		

Offertory Julian White, Jr. trumpet soloist

Doxology H380, Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow Old 100th

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host: praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. *Amen*.

Presentation of the Offering – prayer to be said

Father, we offer you these gifts which you have given us; this bread, this wine, this money. With them we offer ourselves, our lives, and our work, to become through your Holy Spirit, a reasonable, holy and lively sacrifice. As this bread and wine become the Body and Blood of Christ, so may we and all your people become channels of your love; through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer A (remain standing)

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.

The Celebrant proceeds

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name. *Celebrant and People*

Sanctus

Holy, holy, holy Lord, 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.

(The people stand or kneel)

Celebrant continues

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:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died. Christ has risen. Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues

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.

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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,

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, which 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 led us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory, forever and ever. *Amen*

The Breaking of the Bread

Alleluia Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following Invitation.

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.

Communion Hymn	H324, Let all mortal flesh keep silence	Picardy
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1. Let all mortal flesh keep silence,

and with fear and trembling stand.

Ponder nothing earthly minded,

for with blessing in his hand

Christ our God to earth descending

comes, our homage to demand.

Meditation Hymn

H178, Alleluia, Alleluia,

Eugenia Chapman, vocal soloist Constance Mele, viola Julian White, Jr., trumpet

Post Communion Prayer

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

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Announcements

Recessional Hymn	A283 v1, Christ Arose			
1 Low in the grave he lay, Jesus n	1 Low in the grave he lay, Jesus my Savior,			
waiting the coming day, Jesus my Lord!				
Refrain:				
Up from the grave he arose;				
with a mighty triumph o'er his foes;				
he arose a victor from the dark domain,				
and he lives forever, with his saints to reign.				
He arose! He arose! Hallelujah! C	hrist arose			
Dismissal				

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Celebrant Go in Peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia, Alleluia.

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia.

Instrumental Postlude Jesus Christ Is Risen today

WHAT CHURCH MEMBERSHIP MEANS

It means coming in from the lake to attend Sunday school and worship services.

It means giving your tithe and offerings to support the church.

- It means coming back to church on Sunday night.
- It means taking a job somewhere in the church and doing it well.
- It means helping the church fulfill its witnessing mission.
- It means keeping the fellowship unbroken, loving, and forgiving.
- It means praying each day for the Holy Spirt to guide and empower the church.

WELCOME TO ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS

We extend a warm welcome to our guests. Thank you for worshipping with us today. If you are without a church home, we invite you to join our church family. Please sign the guest register, include your home address, phone number and, if you would like to receive the monthly newsletter, news of special events and other happenings, please also add your e-mail address.

OUR VISION is to be a cornerstone for serving the spiritual needs of the greater Tallahassee community, extending an eternal invitation to join our caring parish and to enrich the spiritual life of all people as we journey with Christ.

OUR MISSION is to experience the Gospel of Jesus Christ by feeding the mind, body and spirit of our community in fellowship and service.

HOLY COMMUNION: All baptized Christians are encouraged to receive the real and living presence of Christ in Holy Communion. To receive the Bread, extend your hands upward, palms crossed. When receiving the Wine, please guide the chalice as it is offered. If you prefer, you may leave the Bread on your palm for the person administering the chalice to dip into the Wine and place on your tongue. All persons are welcome to give thanks for God's blessings at the altar rail, simply crossing your arms at the wrist with fingertips extending upward towards your shoulders.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY/ANNIVERSARY TO OUR CHURCH FAMILY!

Zollie White II (4/6), Althemese Barnes (4/6), Brian Griffith (4/8).

Birthday Prayer

Watch over thy children, O Lord, as their days increase; bless and guide them wherever they may be. Strengthen them when they stand; comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful; raise them up if they fall; and in their hearts may thy peace, which passeth understanding, abide all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*



From the Rector's Desk

Moving the Stone

The gospel of Mark abbreviates almost all of the stories we have about Jesus – yes, even the resurrection narrative, in particular (with just eight verses). He however tells us about the three women—Mary Magdalene, Mary, the mother of James, and Salone who came to the tomb early that Sunday morning. They worried as they walked, for there was a heavy stone at the entrance. So can you imagine their surprise – the stone was removed and a young man in white robes sat within, saying to them, "You are looking for Jesus of Nazareth who was crucified? He has been raised; he is not here. Look, there is the place where they laid him!" Today's gospel ends with the three women in complete shock, amazed and terrified, resolving among themselves not to tell anyone. They obviously did, or else we would have nothing to celebrate today. No, they couldn't keep quiet, for their entire lives were radically changed when they heard the words – "He has been raised."

How has our lives been changed by the good news that Jesus rose from the dead and that no stone can hinder what our God wants to accomplish? So I ask, as we celebrate the mother of all festivals in the Church, is the stone of unbelief still standing in our way? Have we given our lives completed over to Jesus or that is a stone too for us? There are some others that need to move in our lives, like the stone of biblical ignorance, when it comes to God's word. Oh that stone can be easily moved if we just pick up our bibles at home. And what about the stone of blindness? I know we all see fairly well, but have we become blind to the situations of need, the suffering some undergo right here in Tallahassee? Agreed, we cannot fix all the awful things that are wrong with our world for it is a sinful and broken place. However redeemed by the power and resurrection of the Christ, He can roll the stone of blindness away, if we want him to.

And finally, there is the stone of familiarity – yes, we do the same thing every year – oh the kids won't get to do their Easter Egg Hunt – sorry, COVID. For us older in the faith, do we remember how we got here? On Maundy Thursday, did you stop to consider what the Last Supper meant for those disciples? Or Good Friday, did you try to walk the Way of the Cross on zoom or in your private prayer? If we can yes to all those searching questions, then the stone has indeed been rolled from our lives. Happy Easter to you and your families.

Fr, Hugh+

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SPECIAL PRAYERS

Father, you have made all people with eyes to see you at work in the world, ears to hear you cry out when right suffers wrong, when justice is brought low. Give to the people of our nation courage to stand up for goodness and right-doing in the face of an oppressive spirit, and courage to believe we may restore, in accordance with your gracious will, a light to enlighten the nations and the people with your truth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. *Amen.*

Capital Campaign Prayer

Most gracious Lord Jesus Christ and generous source of all abundance, in gratitude we invite you to expand our hearts as we seek to increase and improve this place of worship, peace, healing, forgiveness, outreach, service and fellowship. May all who enter here be restored and strengthened on their journey of faith. Guide us Heavenly Father, that we may make manifest your vision of a beloved and enlightened church and community, and be a shining example of the living presence of the Holy Spirit. May we and our Capital Campaign be a channel of God's abundant grace. Through Jesus Christ our Lord we pray. *Amen*.

Collect for the Coronavirus Pandemic

Almighty God, Heavenly Healer, we bring to you all who are affected by our present pandemic; for the infirm and infected, the anxious and afraid. By your power defend us and heal us. Let us see one another not as vectors of infection, but at opportunities for love and service, for the sake of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

Suggested daily Readings for Easter Week: April 5-April 10.

Mon.	Exod. 12:14-27	Psalm 66	Mark 16:1-8
Tue.	Exod. 12:28-39	Psalm 111, 114	Mark 16:9-20
Wed.	Exod. 12:40-51	Psalm 115	Matt. 28:1-16
Thurs.	Exod. 13:3-10	Psalm 148, 149	Matt. 28:16-20
Fri.	Exod. 13:1-2, 11-16	Psalm 118	Luke 24:1-12
Sat.	Exod. 13:17 – 14:4	Psalm 104	Mark 12:18-27

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