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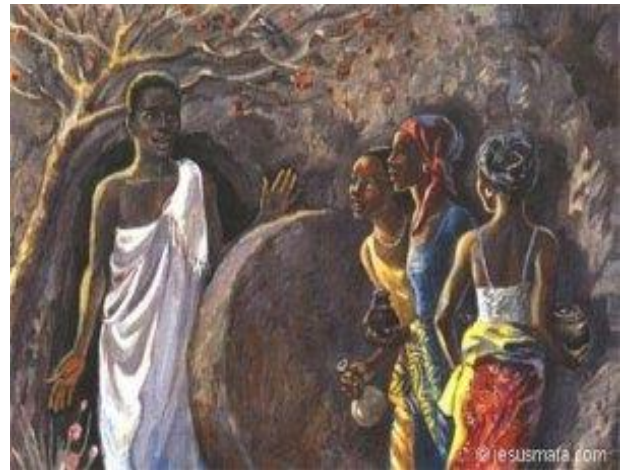
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## HOLY EUCHARIST- RITE TWO

Instrumental Prelude

### Opening prayer

Grant , O God, that your holy and life-giving Spirit may so move every human heart [and especially the hearts of the people of this land], that barriers which divide us may crumble, suspicions disappear, and hatreds cease; that our divisions being healed, we may live in justice and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Processional Hymn

H288 v 1-2, Crown Him With Many Crowns

Diademata

1. Crown Him with many crowns, The Lamb upon His throne;  
Hark! how the hev'nly anthem drowns All music but its own.  
Awake my soul, and sing Of Him who set us free,  
And hail Him as your hev'nly King Through all eternity.

2. Crown Him the Lord of years, The risen Lord sublime,  
Creator of the rolling spheres, The Master of all time.  
All hail, Redeemer, hail! For You have died for me;  
Your praise and glory shall not fail Throughout eternity.

### **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**

O God, whose blessed Son made himself known to his disciples in the breaking of bread: Open the eyes of our faith, that we may behold him in all his redeeming work; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of 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 (3:12-19)**

Peter addressed the people, "You Israelites, why do you wonder at this, or why do you stare at us, as though by our own power or piety we had made him walk? The God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, the God of our ancestors has glorified his servant Jesus, whom you handed over and rejected in the presence of Pilate, though he had decided to release him. But you rejected the Holy and Righteous One and asked to have a murderer given to you, and you killed the Author of life, whom God raised from the dead. To this we are witnesses. And by faith in his name, his name itself has made this man strong, whom you see and know; and the faith that is through Jesus has given him this perfect health in the presence of all of you. "And now, friends, I know that you acted in ignorance, as did also your rulers. In this way God fulfilled what he had foretold through all the prophets, that his Messiah would suffer. Repent therefore, and turn to God so that your sins may be wiped out."

The Word of the Lord

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

**Psalm 4** (*Read responsively by whole verse*)

**1. Answer me when I call, O God, defender of my cause;\***  
**you set me free when I am hard-pressed;**  
**have mercy on me and hear my prayer.**

*2. "You mortals, how long with you dishonor my glory;\**  
*how long will you worship dumb idols*  
*and run after false gods?"*

**3. Know that the Lord does wonders for the faithful;\***  
**when I call upon the Lord, he will hear me.**

*4. Tremble, then, and do not sin;\**  
*speak to your heart in silence upon your bed.*

**5. Offer the appointed sacrifices\***  
**and put your trust in the Lord.**

*6. Many are saying, "Oh, that we might see better times!"\**  
*Lift up the light of your countenance upon us, O Lord.*

**7. You have put gladness in my heart,\***  
**more than when grain and wine and oil increase.**

*8. I lie down in peace; at once I fall asleep;\**  
*for only you, Lord, make me dwell in safety.*

**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 the First Epistle of John (3:1-7)

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. And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure. Everyone who commits sin is guilty of lawlessness; sin is lawlessness. You know that he was revealed to take away sins, and in him there is no sin. No one who abides in him sins; no one who sins has either seen him or known him. Little children, let no one deceive you. Everyone who does what is right is righteous, just as he is righteous.

The Word of the Lord.

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

**Gradual Hymn**            **H294 v1, Baptized in Water**

Point Loma

1. Baptized in water, sealed by the Spirit,  
Cleansed by the blood of Christ our King;  
Heirs of salvation, trusting his promise,  
Faithfully now God's praise we sing.

### The Holy Gospel

**Gospeler**            **The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus according to Luke (24:36b-48)**

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

Jesus stood among the disciples and said to them, "Peace be with you." They were startled and terrified, and thought that they were seeing a ghost. He said to them, "Why are you frightened, and why do doubts arise in your hearts? Look at my hands and my feet; see that it is I myself. Touch me and see; for a ghost does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have." And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. While in their joy they were disbelieving and still wondering, he said to them, "Have you anything here to eat?" They gave him a piece of broiled fish, and he took it and ate in their presence. Then he said to them, "These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you – that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled." Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, and he said to them, "Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day,

and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things.”

After the Gospel the Reader says:

The Gospel of the Lord.

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

**Sequence Hymn**

**H294 v2, Baptized in Water**

Point Loma

2. Baptized in water, sealed by the Spirit,  
marked with the sign of Christ our King:  
born of one Father, we are his children,  
joyfully now God's praise we sing

**Sermon**

The Reverend Hugh Chapman

**The Nicene Creed**

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the

Father, God from God, Light from Light, True God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into Heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

## **Prayers of the People Form V**

*Deacon or other leader*

In peace, let us pray to the Lord, saying, "Lord, have mercy"

For the holy Church of God, that it may be filled with truth and love, and be found without fault at the day of your coming, we pray to you, O Lord.

*Here and after every petition the People respond by saying Lord, have mercy.*

For **Justin**, Archbishop of Canterbury, for **Michael**, our Presiding Bishop, for **Samuel**, our Bishop, for **Hugh**, our Rector, for all bishops and other ministers, and for all the holy people of God, we pray to you, O Lord.

For all who fear God and believe in you, Lord Christ, that our divisions may cease, and that all may be one as you and the Father are one, we pray to you, O Lord.

For the mission of the Church, that in faithful witness it may preach the Gospel to the ends of the earth, we pray to you, O Lord.

For those who do not yet believe, and for those who have lost their faith, that they may receive the light of the Gospel, we pray to you, O Lord.

For the peace of the world, that a spirit of respect and forbearance may grow among nations and peoples, we pray to you, O Lord.

For those in positions of public trust especially **Joseph**, our President, **Kamala** our Vice-President, **Ron** our Governor, **Al** our Congressman, and **John** our Mayor, that they may serve justice, and promote the dignity and freedom of every person, we pray to you, O Lord.

For all who live and work in this community, we pray to you, O Lord.

For a blessing upon all human labor, and for the right use of the riches of creation, that the world may be freed from poverty, famine, and disaster, we pray to you, O Lord.

For the poor, the persecuted, the sick, and all who suffer; for refugees, prisoners, and all who are in danger; that they may be relieved and protected, we pray to you, O Lord.

For **St. Michael and All Angels** congregation both present and absent, that we may be delivered from hardness of heart, and show forth your glory in all that we do, we pray to you, O Lord.

For our enemies and those who wish us harm, and for all whom we have injured or offended, we pray to you, O Lord.

For all who have commended themselves to our prayers; for our families, friends, and neighbors; that being freed from anxiety, they may live in joy, peace, and health, we pray to you, O Lord.

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation especially our sick and homebound 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, Williamae 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, Pamela 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, Ann Davis, Fred Hickman, Barbara Gruden, Carolyn Allen, Lamar Nottage, Cn. Nelson Pinder and Diane Martindale.

**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.

**For those in the Military:**

Linzie Bogan II, Clark Bogan, Brianne Edwards, Vashti Thompson, Thandi Williams and you may add your own .we pray to you, O Lord.

For all who have died in the communion of your Church, and those whose faith is known to you alone, that, with all the saints, they may have rest in that place where there is no pain or grief, but life eternal, we pray to you, O Lord.

Rejoicing in the fellowship of the ever-blessed Virgin Mary, St. Michael and all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and our life to Christ our God.



To you, O Lord our God.

*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.*

*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 peace on earth, and let it begin with me. Let there be 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 peace begin with me; let us each other be the moment now. With every step I take, let this be my solemn vow; to take each moment, and live each moment in peace eternally! Let there be peace on earth, and let it begin with me.

**Offertory**

Organ Interlude

**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.

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 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*

## **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 1 A249, He Looked Beyond My Fault**

Londonderry Aire

Amazing grace shall always be my song of praise,  
For it was grace that bought my liberty;  
I do not know just why Christ came to love me so,  
He looked beyond my fault and saw my need.  
I shall forever lift mine eyes to Calvary,  
To view the cross where Jesus died for me;  
How marvelous the grace that caught my falling soul,  
He looked beyond my fault and saw my need.

## **Communion Hymn 2 A243 v2 & 3, When I Survey The Wonderous Cross**

Hamburg

2. When I survey the wondrous cross  
On which the Prince of glory died,  
My richest gain I count but loss,  
And pour contempt on all my pride.

3. Were the whole realm of nature mine,  
That were a present far too small:  
Love so amazing, so divine,  
Demands my soul, my life, my all.

**Meditation Hymn      Musical Interlude**

**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.

**Announcements**

**Recessional Hymn**

**A246, At Calvary**

At Calvary

1. Year I spent in vanity and pride, Caring not my Lord was crucified,
2. Knowing not it was for me He died on Calvary.
3. Mercy there was great and grace was free,
4. Pardon there was multiplied to me,
5. There my burdened soul found liberty At Calvary!

**Dismissal**

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

People      **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia**

**Postlude**

**Appeal launched for the people of St. Vincent**

Sharon Jones, special assistant to Presiding Bishop Michael Bruce Curry and a Vincentian, is reporting that an appeal has been launched on behalf of her people, as they battle fear, uncertainty and daily inconveniences, since the volcano erupted on St. Vincent. Many have been displaced, with some being offered temporary shelter on cruise ships. Electricity and other services have been severely hampered.

In light of this on-going tragedy, we ask that you consider making a donation to Sharon at the Presiding Bishop's Office, by sending your check to the parish treasurer, Laureatte Scott – with the memo line – St. Vincent appeal.

## 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!**

Ama Erefah (4/18), E. Netwon Jackson (4/20), Danny & Cassandra Werner (4/20).

#### **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*

#### **Anniversary Prayer**

God our Father, who made men and women to live together in families: we pray that marriage may be held in honor; that husbands and wives may live together faithfully, according to their vows; and that members of every family may grow in mutual love and understanding. In courtesy and kindness, so that they may bear one another's burdens and so fulfill the law of Christ; for His name's sake. *Amen*

## From the Rector's Desk

### Imagining a New City

I did ask Leah Wiley, the new Lead Organizer for the Capital Area Justice Ministry, to give a brief synopsis explaining what this organization hopes to achieve. Some of us may remember when she visited with us last year, to speak briefly about this "coming together" of lay and clergy persons who were wrestling with the idea of new vision for Tallahassee.

Leah responded by offering the following:-

Tallahassee, the capital of Florida, is not unlike many Southern cities in that it has existed as two separate cities for generations. Quite literally, the railroad tracks that run near and parallel to Gaines Street separate Tallahassee into Black and white spheres. One Tallahassee, known as South City, is predominantly Black and is marked by generational poverty, grade schools with low reading scores, food deserts, economic underdevelopment, and hundreds of residents living with felony records-- unable to vote nor otherwise repair and build their own futures.

The "other" Tallahassee is the rest of the city, and is predominantly white, middle-income or wealthy, and where all the good schools, grocery stores with fresh produce, infrastructure, and opportunities are. For many, crossing from "their" part of town to the other is a foreign experience.

Angry about living in a still-segregated city, 30 clergy met together in the basements of several downtown congregations over the course of nine months, and decided to build a cross-congregational, interfaith ministry that will powerfully address the systemic ills plaguing the Capital City. In the winter of 2019, AME, Episcopal, Presbyterian, Baptist, Lutheran, Church of God in Christ, United Methodist, Jewish and Unitarian faith leaders voted to launch a community wide effort called the Capital Area Justice Ministry. Together, these clergy share a vision of uniting a segregated Tallahassee by fighting for just local policies, and by fostering authentic relationships that are rooted in stories rather than stereotypes.

The mission of the Capital Area Justice Ministry is for religious congregations -- from Protestant and Jewish to Evangelical and Catholic and Muslim -- to work together over the long haul to put into practice the shared value of loving your neighbor as yourself by dismantling local policies and practices that have codified bias and created generational inequality. By uniting their worshipping

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communities, members of the Capital Area Justice Ministry seek to advance justice and opportunity throughout local marginalized communities.

They will achieve this by establishing justice ministries within and among their congregations that listen to the cries of their people, research for institutional solutions, powerfully demand implementation, follow-up to ensure fulfillment, and financially invest in the longevity of the ministry.

Through direct action, scriptural study, and cultivating relationships around common ground and shared values, the Capital Area Justice Ministry will reimagine and recreate Tallahassee into one city of God, where “justice rolls on like a river, and righteousness like a mighty stream.”

Keep an ear out for activities that will bring congregants and pastors from across the denominational spectrum together, so that we can truly imagine a New City.

### **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 19-April 24.**

|               |                       |                       |                             |
|---------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------------|
| <b>Mon.</b>   | <b>Exod. 18:13-27</b> | <b>Psalm 25</b>       | <b>Matt. (1:1-17);3:1-6</b> |
| <b>Tue.</b>   | <b>Exod.19:1-16</b>   | <b>Psalm 26, 28</b>   | <b>Matt. 3:7-12</b>         |
| <b>Wed.</b>   | <b>Exod. 19:16-25</b> | <b>Psalm 38</b>       | <b>Matt. 3:13-17</b>        |
| <b>Thurs.</b> | <b>Exod. 20:1-21</b>  | <b>Psalm 37:1-18</b>  | <b>Matt. 4:1-11</b>         |
| <b>Fri.</b>   | <b>Exod. 24:1-18</b>  | <b>Psalm 105:1-22</b> | <b>Matt. 4:12-17</b>        |
| <b>Sat.</b>   | <b>Exod. 25:1-22</b>  | <b>Psalm 30, 32</b>   | <b>Matt. 4:18-25</b>        |