



DUKE
UNIVERSITY
CHAPEL

The Great Vigil of Easter

Holy Saturday
March 26, 2005
Ten-thirty in the Evening

THE SERVICE OF LIGHT

As the congregation gathers in the base of the Chapel tower, the new fire of Easter is kindled, the symbol of the Risen Christ, who proclaimed himself to be the Light of the world. Everyone is given an unlit candle.

THE LIGHTING OF THE PASCHAL CANDLE

Minister: Dear friends in Christ, on this most holy night, in which our Lord Jesus Christ passed over from death to life, the Church invites her members, dispersed throughout the world, to gather in vigil and prayer. For this is the Passover of the Lord, in which, by hearing his Word and celebrating his Sacraments, we share in his victory over death.

Minister: Let us pray. O God, through your Son, you have bestowed upon your people the brightness of your light: Sanctify this new fire, and grant that in this Paschal feast we may so burn with heavenly desires, that with pure minds we may attain to the festival of everlasting light; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Paschal Candle is then lit from the newly kindled fire, and the people pass by the Paschal Candle, lighting their candles from it. A minister leads the procession to the crossing of the Chapel, pausing three times and chanting:

Minister: The light of Christ.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Chapel lights are raised, and the Paschal Candle is placed in its stand near the lectern.

EXSULTET

Then the cantor, standing near the Candle, chants the Exsultet, an ancient hymn of praise celebrating the triumph of Christ over death and the grave. In the course of the chant the cantor will intone these words:

Cantor: The Lord be with you.
People: **And also with you.**
Cantor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People: **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

The Exsultet concludes with prayers for congregation, for the grace to remain faithful to Christ until he comes again.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Minister: Let us hear the record of God's saving deeds in history, how God saved his people in ages past; and let us pray that our God will bring each of us to the fullness of redemption.

All are seated. Several of the following lessons will be read, followed by a psalm, hymn, or canticle.

- I. THE CREATION Genesis 1:1-2:2
RESPONSE—HYMN 679
O Splendor of God's Glory Bright WAREHAM
- II. THE FLOOD Genesis 7:1-5, 11-18; 8:6-18; 9:8-13
RESPONSE—HYMN 110
A Mighty Fortress Is Our God EIN' FESTE BURG
- III. ABRAHAM'S SACRIFICE OF ISAAC Genesis 22:1-18
RESPONSE—Psalm 16:5-11 (*page 748 in the hymnal*)
- IV. DELIVERANCE AT THE RED SEA Exodus 14:10-15:1
RESPONSE—HYMN 731
Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken AUSTRIA
- V. SALVATION OFFERED FREELY TO ALL Isaiah 55:1-11
CHORAL RESPONSE (*Psalm 42:1-7*)
- VI. THE GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE Zephaniah 3:12-20
RESPONSE—HYMN 142
If Thou But Suffer God to Guide Thee WER NER DEN LIEBEN GOTT

THE EUCHARIST

The candles on the Altar are lit from the Paschal Candle, and Chapel lights are raised.

Minister: Alleluia! Christ is risen!
People: **The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

*HYMN OF PRAISE 610

We Know That Christ Is Raised

ENGELBERG

Minister: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Minister: Let us pray.

O God, who made this most holy night to shine with the glory of the Lord's resurrection: stir up in your Church that Spirit of adoption which is given to us in Baptism, that we, being renewed both in body and mind, may worship you in sincerity and truth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

THE EPISTLE—Romans 6:3-11

*PSALM 114 (*page 835 in the hymnal; congregation sings type in bold face*)
The congregation remains standing. Before reading the Gospel, the minister says:

Minister: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. Matthew.

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

*THE GOSPEL—Matthew 28:1-10

Minister: The Gospel of the Lord.

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

HOMILY—Death No Longer Has Dominion

*THE BAPTISMAL COVENANT

(page 33 in the hymnal. Isaiah Matthew Schlimm will come forward for baptism.)

*THANKSGIVING OVER THE WATER

(page 36 in the hymnal; sung responses on page 53)

The congregation are invited to proceed to the Font, take water and mark the sign of the cross on their foreheads to recall their baptism.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*THE PEACE

*THE OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Salvation Is Created

Pavel Tchesnokoff

(1877-1944)

Salvation is created in midst of the earth, O God, O our God. Alleluia.

*THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

...ever more praising you and singing:

(Organ) Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,
God of pow - er and might. Heav - en and earth are
full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na, ho - san -
na, ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is
he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san -
na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

...as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

(Organ) Christ has died, — Christ is
ris - en, Christ will come a - gain. —

...all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, now and forever.

(Organ) A - men, a - men, a - men.

*THE LORD'S PRAYER

*THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Minister: Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us:

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

Minister: The Gifts of God for the People of God.

(During the distribution of bread and wine, all Christians are invited to receive at the nearest station. If you do not wish to receive communion, you are welcome to come forward and receive a blessing; please indicate this desire by crossing your arms over your chest.)

MUSIC DURING DISTRIBUTION

MOTET BY CHOIR

O Salutaris Hostia

Pierre de la Rue
(c. 1460-1518)

*O salutaris Hostia, Quae coeli pandis ostium. Bella premunt hostilia;
Da robur fer auxilium. Uni trinoque Domino, Sit sempiterna gloria: Qui
vitam sine termino, Nobis donet in patria.*

O Saving Victim opening wide the gate of heaven to all below. Our foes press on from every side; thine aid supply, thy strength bestow. To thy great name be endless praise Immortal Godhead, One in Three; Oh, grant us endless length of days, in our true native land with thee. Amen.

—*St. Thomas Aquinas*

HYMN 630

Become to Us the Living Bread

GELOBT SEI GOTT

*PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION (*in unison*)

Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and forever. Amen.

*THE BLESSING

*CLOSING HYMN 318

Christ Is Alive

TRURO

*THE DISMISSAL

Minister: Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia! Alleluia!

People: **Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!**

**All who are able may stand.*

MINISTRY OF WORSHIP

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ABOUT TODAY'S GUEST PREACHER

The Reverend Dr. Richard Hays, George Washington Ivey Professor of New Testament at Duke Divinity School, is a leader in the field of New Testament studies, internationally recognized for his work on the letters of Paul and on New Testament ethics. His book, *The Moral Vision of the New Testament: Community, Cross, New Creation*, was selected by *Christianity Today* as one of the 100 most important religious books of the twentieth century. He is also the co-editor, with Ellen F. Davis, of *The Art of Reading Scripture*. An ordained United Methodist minister, he has preached in settings ranging from rural Oklahoma churches to London's Westminster Abbey.



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