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Greetings

P Grace of our Lord, Jesus Christ, the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirt be with you all.

C And also with you.

P Sisters and brothers in Christ, on this most holy night when our Savior Jesus Christ passed from death to life, we gather with the church throughout the world in vigil and prayers. This is the Passover of Jesus Christ. Through light and the word, through water and oil, bread and wine, we proclaim Christ's death and resurrection, share Christ's triumph over sin and death, and await Christ's coming again in glory.

P Let us pray.

Eternal God, in Jesus Christ you have given the light of life to all the world. Bless us with your Holy Spirit to increase in us a desire to shine forth with the brightness of Christ's rising, until we feast at the banquet of eternal light; through the Sun of righteousness, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

- P The Light of Christ
- C Thanks be to God.

P Rejoice, now, all heavenly choirs of angels, and celebrate the divine mysteries with exultation; and, for the victory of so great a King, sound the trumpet of salvation. Exult, also, O earth, enlightened with such radiance; and, made brilliant by the splendor of the eternal King, know that the ancient darkness has been banished from all the world. Be glad also, O mother Church, clothed with the brightness of such a light, and let this house resound with the triumphant voices of the peoples.

- P The Lord be with you
- C And also with you.
- P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- C It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Hymn: Drawn to the Light #593

Creation—Now Renewed in Christ

(Genesis 1:1-2:2)

Taize Response: Wait for The Lord #262

Flood—Saved By God's Grace

(Genesis 7:1-5; 11-18; 8:6-18; 9:8-13)

Taize Response: Wait for The Lord #262

Foreshadowing of the Deliverance in Baptism

(Exodus 14:10-31; 15:20-21)

Taize Response: Come and Fill our Hearts 528

Salvation for All

(Isaiah 55:1-11)

Taize Response: Come and Fill our Hearts 528

Deliverance from Fire

(Daniel 3:1-29)

Hymn: Great Is Thy Faithfulness #733

Homily

Hymn: Baptized in Water #456

Remembrance of Holy Baptism

God, who is rich in mercy and love, gives us a new birth into a living hope through the sacrament of baptism. By water and the Word God delivers us from sin and death and raises us to new life in Jesus Christ. We are united with all the baptized in the one body of Christ, anointed with the gift of the Holy Spirit, and joined in God's mission for the life of the world.

Profession of Faith

- P I ask you to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, reject sin, and confess the faith of the church.
- P Do you renounce the devil and all the forces that defy God?
- C I renounce them.
- P Do you renounce the powers of this world that rebel against God?
- C I renounce them.
- P Do you renounce the ways of sin that draw you from God?
- C I renounce them.
- P Do you believe in God the Father?
- C I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.
- P Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?
- C 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 into hell. 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.
- P Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?
- C 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.

Thanksgiving at the Font

- P The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.
- P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- C It is right to give our thanks and praise.
- P We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters and by your Word you created the world, calling forth life in which you took delight. Through the waters of the flood you delivered Noah and his family, and through the sea you led your people Israel from slavery into freedom. In the river Jordan your Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit. By the baptism of Jesus' death and resurrection you set us free from the power of sin and death and raise us up to live in you. Pour out your Holy Spirit, the power of your living Word, that those who are washed in the waters of baptism may be given new life. To you be given honor and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

C Amen. Blessed be God, the source of all life, the word of salvation, the spirit of mercy.

- P Let us pray.
- P We give you thanks, O God, that through water and the Holy Spirit you have given your people new birth, cleansed us from sin, and raised us to eternal life. Sustain us with the gift of your Holy Spirit: the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord, the spirit of joy in your presence, both now and forever.

C Amen.

Sharing the Light

P Let your light so shine before others that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven.

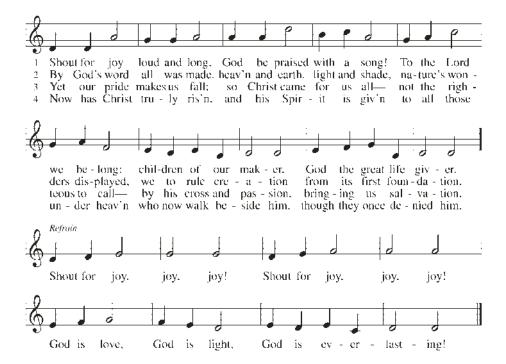
Prayer of Blessing

P Let us pray.

Merciful God, we thank you that you have made us your own by water and the Word in baptism. You have called us to yourself, enlightened us with the gifts of your Spirit, and nourished us in the community of faith. Uphold us and all your servants in the gifts and promises of baptism, and unite the hearts of all whom you have brought to new birth. We ask this in the name of Christ.

C Amen.

Shout For Joy



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