

ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CATHEDRAL



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WELCOME

The congregation gathers in the Cathedral Rain Garden and receives bulletins, candles, and instructions for the procession that will make its way down 9th Street after the Paschal candle is lit. The congregation will enter the church via the entrance on 9th and High Streets. Those who need a level entry are invited to use the north door from the parking lot.

THE LIGHTING OF THE PASCHAL CANDLE

Celebrant

Dear friends in Christ: On this most holy night, in which our Lord Jesus 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 God's Word and celebrating the Sacraments, we share in his victory over death.

A Deacon or acolyte strikes the flint for the new fire

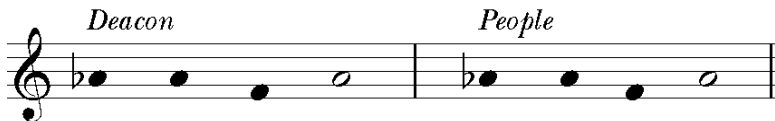
Celebrant

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 lighted from the newly kindled fire. The Deacon, bearing the Candle, leads the procession to the chancel, pausing three times and singing



The light of Christ. Thanks be to God.

At the second and third pause, the Versicle and Response is sung successively a step higher.

The procession continues indoors to the Nave for the third proclamation of Christ's light. The congregation lights their candles upon entering the church from candles lit from the Paschal Candle. The church is kept as dark as possible until the Resurrection is announced.

The Paschal Candle is placed in its stand. Then the Deacon stands near the Candle and all remain standing as able while the cantor sings the Exsultet.

The Cantor

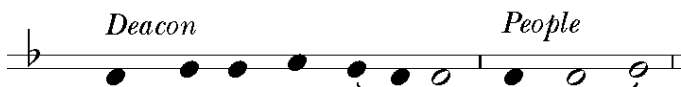
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Rejoice now, heavenly hosts and choirs of angels, and let your trumpets shout Salvation for the victory of our mighty King.

Rejoice and sing now, all the round earth, bright with a glorious splendor, for darkness has been vanquished by our eternal King.

Rejoice and be glad now, Mother Church, and let your holy courts, in radiant light, resound with the praises of your people.

All you who stand near this marvelous and holy flame, pray with me to God the Almighty for the grace to sing the worthy praise of this great light; through Jesus Christ his Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**



... for ev-er and ev - er. A - men.

Deacon

The Lord be with you.

People

And al - so with you.

Deacon

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People

It is right to give him thanks and praise.

The Cantor

It is truly right and good, always and everywhere, with our whole heart and mind and voice, to praise you, the invisible, almighty, and eternal God, and your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who at the feast of the Passover paid for us the debt of Adam's sin, and by his blood delivered your faithful people.

This is the night, when you brought our fathers, the children of Israel, out of bondage in Egypt, and led them through the Red Sea on dry land.

This is the night, when all who believe in Christ are delivered from the gloom of sin, and are restored to grace and holiness of life.

This is the night, when Christ broke the bonds of death and hell, and rose victorious from the grave.

How wonderful and beyond our knowing, O God, is your mercy and loving-kindness to us, that to redeem a slave, you gave a Son.

The Flood [Genesis 7: 1 – 5, 11 – 18; 8: 16 – 18; 9: 8 – 13]

Ms. Greta Levis

Choral Response *Canticle 9, The First Song of Isaiah* CANON MARK BABCOCK

The Rev. Don Keeler

Let us pray. *(Silence)*

Almighty God, you have placed in the skies the sign of your covenant with all living things: Grant that we, who are saved through water and the Spirit, may worthily offer to you our sacrifice of thanksgiving; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Israel's deliverance at the Red Sea [Exodus 14: 10 – 31, 15: 20 – 21]

Mr. Mike McCarthy

Choral Response *Canticle 8, The Song of Moses* Babcock

The Rev. Jean McCarthy

Let us pray. *(Silence)*

O God, whose wonderful deeds of old shine forth even to our own day, you once delivered by the power of your mighty arm your chosen people from slavery under Pharaoh, to be a sign for us of the salvation of all nations by the water of Baptism: Grant that all the peoples of the earth may be numbered among the offspring of Abraham, and rejoice in the inheritance of Israel; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Valley of Dry Bones [Ezekiel 37: 1 – 14]

Mr. John Levis

Choral Response *Dry Bones* Ben Allaway

The Rev. Martin Chevalier

Let us pray. *(Silence)*

Almighty God, by the Passover of your Son you have brought us out of sin into righteousness and out of death into life: Grant to those who are sealed by your Holy Spirit the will and the power to proclaim you to all the world; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Gathering of God's People [Zephaniah 3: 12 – 20] Ms. Anna Whipple
Choral Response *Sing Praise* Taizé

The Rev. Canon Kathleen Milligan

Let us pray. (*Silence*)

O God of unchangeable power and eternal light: Look favorably on your whole Church, that wonderful and sacred mystery; by the effectual working of your providence, carry out in tranquility the plan of salvation; let the whole world see and know that things which were cast down are being raised up, and things which had grown old are being made new, and that all things are being brought to their perfection by him through whom all things were made, your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Celebrant

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

The Celebrant leads the people in renewing their baptismal vows and asperges the people with Holy Water as a reminder of the waters of our own baptism.

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 the life everlasting.

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 I 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.**

EASTER GREETING

The Celebrant Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!

THE FIRST EUCHARIST OF EASTER

The frontal is revealed and the candles at the Altar are now placed and lighted from the Paschal Candle. The lights rise, and the people extinguish their candles.

The Gloria

S280

1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and
peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly
King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we
give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus
Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you
take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy
on us; 5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -
ceive our prayer. 6. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One,
you a - lone are the Lord, 7. you a - lone are the Most

High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the
glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

The Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

The Celebrant 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 the 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 for ever. **Amen.**

The congregation is seated.

THE EPISTLE

A Reading from the Letter of Paul to the Romans

[6: 3 - 11]

Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? Therefore we have been buried with him by baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life. For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we will certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. We know that our old self was crucified with him so that the body of sin might be destroyed, and we might no longer be enslaved to sin. For whoever has died is freed from sin. But if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. The death he died, he died to sin, once for all; but the life he lives, he lives to God. So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

Leader
People

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Hymn 178 (St. 1)

Alleluia

ALLELUIA NO. 1

Descant
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le -

Refrain
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Give thanks to the
lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
ris - en Lord. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Give

1-4 Praise to his Name. Name.
Praise to his Name. Name.

Final Ending

1 Je - sus is Lord of all the earth.
2 Spread the good news o'er all the earth:
3 We have been cru - ci - fied with Christ.
4 Come, let us praise the liv - ing God,

Repeat Refrain

He is the King of cre - a - tion.
 Je - sus has died and has ris - en.
 Now we shall live for ev - er. Al - le -
 joy - ful - ly sing to our Sa - vior.

The descant may be sung after stanzas 3 and 4.

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The Holy Gospel

[Luke 24: 1 – 12]

All Stand

The Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to
 Luke.

People Glory be to you, Lord Christ.

On the first day of the week, at early dawn, they came to the tomb, taking the spices that they had prepared. They found the stone rolled away from the tomb, but when they went in, they did not find the body. While they were perplexed about this, suddenly two men in dazzling clothes stood beside them. The women were terrified and bowed their faces to the ground, but the men said to them, 'Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here, but has risen. Remember how he told you, while he was still in Galilee, that the Son of Man must be handed over to sinners, and be crucified, and on the third day rise again.' Then they remembered his words, and returning from the tomb, they told all this to the eleven and to all the rest. Now it was Mary Magdalene, Joanna, Mary the mother of James, and the other women with them who told this to the apostles.

But these words seemed to them an idle tale, and they did not believe them. But Peter got up and ran to the tomb; stooping and looking in, he saw the linen cloths by themselves; then he went home, amazed at what had happened.

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE HOMILY

The Rev. Canon Kathleen Milligan

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory Anthem

Alleluias

Robert Lau

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Eucharistic Prayer D

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The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

The Celebrant continues

It is truly right to glorify you, Father, and to give you thanks; for you alone are God, living and true, dwelling in light inaccessible from before time and for ever. Fountain of life and source of all goodness, you made all things and fill them with your blessing; you created them to rejoice in the splendor of your radiance. Countless throngs of angels stand before you to serve you night and day; and, beholding the glory of your presence, they offer you unceasing praise. Joining with them, and giving voice to every creature under heaven, we acclaim you, and glorify your Name, as we sing,

Sanctus

S125

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

The People stand or kneel. Then the Celebrant continues

We acclaim you, holy Lord, glorious in power. Your mighty works reveal your wisdom and love. You formed us in your own image, giving the whole world into our care, so that, in obedience to you, our Creator, we might rule and serve all your creatures. When our disobedience took us far from you, you did not abandon us to the power of death. In your mercy you came to our help, so that in seeking you we might find you. Again and again you called us into covenant with you, and through the prophets you taught us to hope for salvation.

Father, you loved the world so much that in the fullness of time you sent your only Son to be our Savior. Incarnate by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, he lived as one of us, yet without sin. To the poor he proclaimed the good news of salvation; to prisoners, freedom; to the sorrowful, joy. To fulfill your purpose he gave himself up to death; and, rising from the grave, destroyed death, and made the whole creation new.

And, that we might live no longer for ourselves, but for him who died and rose for us, he sent the Holy Spirit, his own first gift for those who believe, to complete his work in the world, and to bring to fulfillment the sanctification of all.

When the hour had come for him to be glorified by you, his heavenly Father, having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end; at supper with them he 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."

Father, we now celebrate this memorial of our redemption. Recalling Christ's death and his descent among the dead, proclaiming his resurrection and ascension to your right hand, awaiting his coming in glory; and offering to you, from the gifts you have given us, this bread and this cup, we praise you and we bless you.

Celebrant and People:

We praise you, we bless you, we give thanks to you, and we pray to you, Lord our God.

The Celebrant continues

Lord, we pray that in your goodness and mercy your Holy Spirit may descend upon us, and upon these gifts, sanctifying them and showing them to be holy gifts for your holy People, the bread of life and the cup of salvation, the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ.

Grant that all who share this bread and cup may become one body and one spirit, a living sacrifice in Christ, to the praise of your Name. Remember, Lord, your one holy catholic and apostolic Church, redeemed by the blood of your Christ. Reveal its unity, guard its faith, and preserve it in peace.

Remember, Lord, your one holy catholic and apostolic Church, redeemed by the blood of your Christ. Reveal its unity, guard its faith, and preserve it in peace.

Deacon

Remember Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Betsey, our bishop, and for all clergy and people. In our diocese, companion dioceses, and the Anglican Communion we pray for St John by the Campus, Ames; St. Ninian, Dundee, Brechin; Nambia Parish, Nzara; Lay Ministers serving in parishes and congregations throughout Swaziland; and The Diocese of Kutigi – The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion), and all who minister in your Church.

Remember all your people, and those who seek your truth.

Remember all people who suffer acts of violence and oppression.

Remember all who have died in the peace of Christ, and those whose faith is known to you alone; bring them into the place of eternal joy and light.

The Celebrant continues

And grant that we may find our inheritance with the Blessed Virgin Mary, with patriarchs, prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with St. Paul and all the saints who have found favor with you in ages past. We praise you in union with them and give you glory through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, all honor and glory are yours, Almighty God and Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, for ever and ever.

AMEN.

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

In Unison

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

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

Fraction Anthem

S161

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world:
have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sins of the world: have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God,
you take a - way the sins of the world: grant us peace.

Celebrant The gifts of God for the People of God.

All baptized persons are welcome to receive Holy Communion. Alternatively you are invited to receive a blessing, by crossing your arms over your chest.

Communion Music

Alleluia

Andrew Miller

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

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After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

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.

THE BLESSING


May almighty God, who has redeemed us and made us his children through the resurrection of his Son our Lord, bestow upon you the riches of his blessing. **Amen.**

May God, who through the water of baptism has raised us from sin into newness of life, make you holy and worthy to be united with Christ for ever. **Amen.**

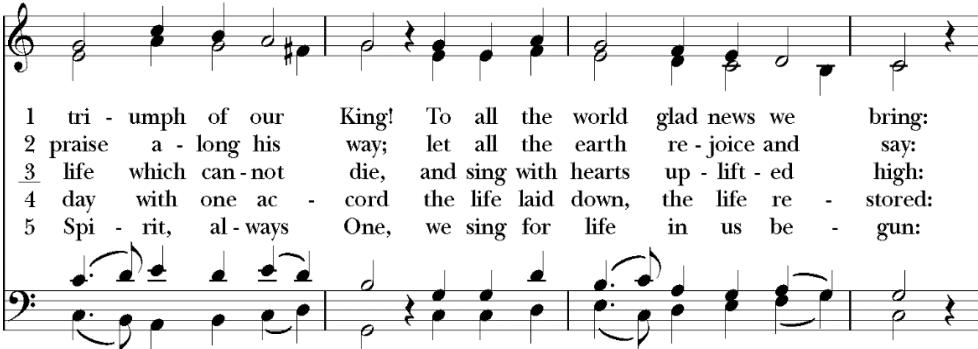
May God, who has brought us out of bondage to sin into true and lasting freedom in the Redeemer, bring you to your eternal inheritance. **Amen.**

And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. **Amen.**

Hymn 205 (St. 1 – 3) *Good Christians all, rejoice and sing!* GELOBT SEI GOTT



1 Good Chris - tians all, re - joice and sing! Now is the
*2 The Lord of life is risen to - day! Sing songs of
3 Praise we in songs of vic - to - ry that love, that
4 Your Name we bless, O ris - en Lord, and sing to -
5 To God the Fa - ther, God the Son, to God the



1 tri - umph of our King! To all the world glad news we bring:
2 praise a - long his way; let all the earth re - joice and say:
3 life which can - not die, and sing with hearts up - lift - ed high:
4 day with one ac - cord the life laid down, the life re - stored:
5 Spi - rit, al - ways One, we sing for life in us be - gun:

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

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DISMISSAL

Deacon Let us go forth in the name of the risen Christ. Alleluia, alleluia!

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!

Organ Voluntary

Thank you for joining us tonight. God bless you.

Have a Joyous Eastertide!

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PARTICIPANTS IN TONIGHT'S LITURGY

Celebrant	The Rev. Nicola Bowler Acting Dean of the Cathedral
Homilist	The Rev. Canon Kathleen Milligan
Deacon of the Gospel & Dismissal	The Rev. Jean Davis
Deacon of the Table	The Rev. John Doherty
Crucifer	Ms. Catherine Gillespie
Thurifer	Mr. Alex Kane
Boat Bearer	Ms. Zara Bowler
Vigil Collect Intercessors	The Rev. Benjamin Webb The Rev. Don Keeler The Rev. Jean McCarthy The Rev. Martin Chevalier The Rev. Canon Kathleen Milligan
Story Tellers	
The Creation	Ms. Lindy Ireland
The Flood	Ms. Greta Levis
The Red Sea	Mr. Mike McCarthy
The Valley of Dry Bones	Mr. John Levis
The Gathering of God's People	Ms. Anna Whipple
Epistler	Ms. Peggy Aerisolphal
Cathedral Organist/Choirmaster	Canon Mark A. Babcock
Cantor	Mr. Austin Rozendaal
Choir	St. Paul's Cathedral Choir
Eucharistic Ministers	The Rev. Nicola Bowler, The Rev. Canon Kathleen Milligan, The Rev. Jean McCarthy, Ms. Catherine Gillespie, Ms. Anna Whipple, Mr. Mike McCarthy
Audio	Mr. Josiah Sutton
Video	Mr. Nathan Thiessen
Ushers	Mr. Bill Smith



**Easter Offerings and Flowers are Given to the Glory of God
and in Loving Memory of:**

As of April 16, 2022

Mark Babcock & Anthony
Braida

In memory of our grandparents

John & Jan Doherty

*In memory of Joe & Nia Doherty, and Frank
&*

Jean Cate

Barbara Duro

In memory of Bill Duro

Hagir Elgota

John Fletcher & Mark
Thompson

In memory of Elaine Boyd

Carol Clay Hall

In memory of Muffy

Henry Harmon

In memory of Robin Jeneary

Scott Jeneary

In memory of The Rev. Jean B. McKinney

John McKinney

In Memory of Thomas and Suzanne

Phyllis & Terry Melton

Mary E. Whisenand

Rick Williams

*In Memory of our parents Marvin F.
Williams & Betty M. Williams, and our sister
Sue Williams*

Deever

Tom & John Stender-Custer

*In memory of Mary Stender and Don & Mary
Custer*

John Zickefoose & Elvin
McDonald

Laura & Skeet Wootten

*In celebration of our grandson, Brooks Riley
Krueger*

Dennis & Sally Bates

*In memory of Clark Davies and
Stephen Robert Davies*

Announcements for April 16, 2022

We hope you will join us for Easter Services tomorrow either in person or online.

Sunday, April 17

Easter Sunday Services at 8:00 & 10:00 am
10:00 am service will be livestreamed

*Please note that the Cathedral Office will be closed
on Easter Monday, April 18, 2022*

Earth Day Sunday, April 24

The Rev. Benjamin Webb returns to St. Paul's on Sunday April 24 as guest preacher with focus on Earth Day, April 22, a service that will include a prayer of blessing and commissioning for anyone who is devoting themselves to the care of creation.

An Invitation from the Care of Creation Cloister Celebrate Earth Day with 2 Events!

- Here is an opportunity that we have to celebrate God's creation: The Ames United Church of Christ is sponsoring a 2-day webinar as part of their Theologian-in-Residence program. On Saturday, April 23 there a talk by Rev Dr Brooks Berndt titled "The Faith of Prophets: Lessons for the Climate Crisis" followed by a panel discussion. On Sunday, there will be a worship service. To register for this free webinar, go to: <https://www.amesucc.org/2022-theologian-in-residence.html>
- **Register for the Ecumenical Conference on Climate Change: April 22-23, 2022!**
This is a free two-day event: Friday, April 22, 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm and Saturday, April 23, 8:30 am to 4:00 pm. We are inspired to take action, and hope you'll join us in discussing the implications climate change has on our lives.
[Register here](#)

About tonight's cover:

Tonight's cover features a detail of the window given in 1885 by John L. Weeks and his wife Deborah. Designed by the Philadelphia firm of Groves & Stiel, the windows in the Nave are original to St. Paul's, and they reflect two artistic influences at the time: the Gothic Revival and the Aesthetic Movement. The floral symbolism is noteworthy: passionflowers for the Christian faith, and lily-of-the-valley for purity and humility.