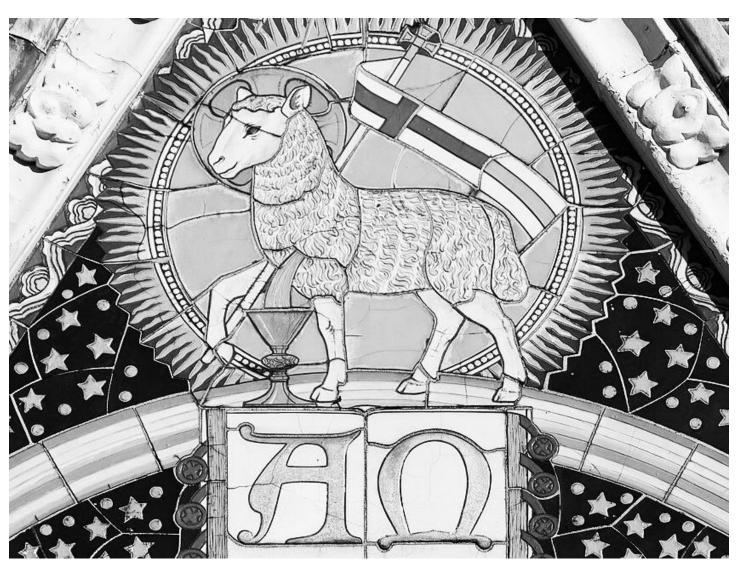


Christ Church Cathedral, Hartford, Connecticut

Easter Sunday

April 20, 2025 | 8:00 and 10:00 A.M.



We acknowledge the Tunxis, Sicaog, Wangunks and Poquonook people, the traditional custodians on the land on which Christ Church Cathedral is located. We pay respect to their elders, past and present. We respect their people and traditions as a continued call to live out the ministry of reconciliation to which we are called.

Welcome to our community! Wherever life is taking you, know that we are honored by your presence and invite you to experience God's life-giving grace with us at Christ Church Cathedral. As a community of faith we celebrate God's graciousness by proclaiming in word and deed that God's love is abundant and unconditional. At the Lord's Table, all baptized are welcome to receive Communion. Please turn off your cell phones once the prelude begins. Should you like to speak with a priest following the service, please contact an usher.

Processional Hymn ~ 1982 Hymnal # 179 Welcome, happy morning

William Mathias





6 Loose the souls long prisoned, bound with Satan's chain; all that now is fallen raise to life again; show thy face in brightness, bid the nations see; bring again our daylight: day returns with thee!

Refrain

Introit ~ Lord I lift your name on high

Rick Founds

Easter Acclamation

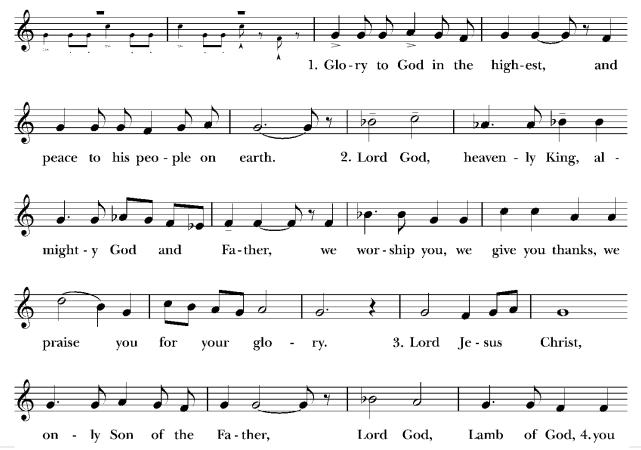
Celebrant Alleluia! Christ is risen!

People The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!

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 ~ 1982 Hymnal # S 278

William Mathias





The Collect

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty God, who through your only-begotten Son Jesus Christ overcame death and opened to us the gate of everlasting life: Grant that we, who celebrate with joy the day of the Lord's resurrection, may be raised from the death of sin by your life-giving Spirit; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Please be seated.

Reading ~ Isaiah 65:17-25

I am about to create new heavens and a new earth;

the former things shall not be remembered or come to mind.

But be glad and rejoice forever in what I am creating;

for I am about to create Jerusalem as a joy, and its people as a delight.

I will rejoice in Jerusalem, and delight in my people;

no more shall the sound of weeping be heard in it, or the cry of distress.

No more shall there be in it an infant that lives but a few days, or an old person who does not live out a lifetime;

for one who dies at a hundred years will be considered a youth, and one who falls short of a hundred will be considered accursed.

They shall build houses and inhabit them; they shall plant vineyards and eat their fruit.

They shall not build and another inhabit; they shall not plant and another eat;

for like the days of a tree shall the days of my people be, and my chosen shall long enjoy the work of their hands.

They shall not labor in vain, or bear children for calamity; for they shall be offspring blessed by the Lord-- and their descendants as well.

Before they call I will answer, while they are yet speaking I will hear.

The wolf and the lamb shall feed together, the lion shall eat straw like the ox; but the serpent-- its food shall be dust!

They shall not hurt or destroy on all my holy mountain, says the Lord.

Lector The word of the Lord. People Thanks be to God.

- 1 Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; * his mercy endures for ever.
- 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.
- 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.
- The same stone which the builders rejected * has become the chief cornerstone.
- This is the Lord's doing, * and it is marvelous in our eyes.
- On this day the Lord has acted; * we will rejoice and be glad in it.

Reading ~ Acts 10:34-43

Then Peter began to speak to them: "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."

Lector The word of the Lord. People Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn ~ LEVAS II # 62 In Christ there is no East or West



The Gospel ~ John 20:1-18

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the tomb. So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, "They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him." Then Peter and the other disciple set out and went toward the tomb. The two were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. He bent down to look in and saw the linen wrappings lying there, but he did not go in. Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen wrappings lying there, and the cloth that had been on Jesus' head, not lying with the linen wrappings but rolled up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; for as yet they did not understand the scripture, that he must rise from the dead. Then the disciples returned to their homes.

But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb; and she saw two angels in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had been lying, one at the head and the other at the feet. They said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping?" She said to them, "They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him." When she had said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping? Whom are you looking for?" Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, "Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away." Jesus said to her, "Mary!" She turned and said to him in Hebrew, "Rabbouni!" (which means Teacher). Jesus said to her, "Do not hold on to me, because I have not yet ascended to the Father. But go to my brothers and say to them, 'I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God." Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, "I have seen the Lord"; and she told them that he had said these things to her.

Deacon The Word of the Lord People Thanks be to God.

Sermon ~ The Rt. Rev. Jeffrey W. Mello, Bishop Diocesan

The Celebrants stand. Please stand as you are able.

The Renewal of Baptismal Vows

The Bishop says

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.

Bishop Do you believe in God the Father?

People I believe in God, the Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

Bishop 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

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.

Bishop 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.

Bishop 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.

Bishop 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.

Bishop Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

People I will, with God's help.

Bishop Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?

People I will, with God's help.

Bishop 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.

Bishop Will you cherish the wonderous works of God, and protect and restore the beauty and

integrity of all creation?

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**.

The Prayers of the People

With all our heart and all our mind, let us pray to the Lord, saying, "Lord, hear our prayer."

For the Church, that its leaders may proclaim by their words and actions, the good news of the Resurrection We pray especially for Archbishop of York, Stephen Cottrell; the Bishop of London, Sarah Mullally; and the Bishop of Dover, Rose Hudson-Wilkin, who have been delegated the official functions of the Archbishop of Canterbury while the seat is vacant. We pray for Sean, our Presiding Bishop; Jeff and Laura, our Bishops; Lina, our Dean; Tony, our Canon for Latino Ministry; Bonnie, our Deacon; Julia, our Intern; Jay, Harlon, Dana, Ranjit, D, and Rebekah, our Associate Clergy; and for our Congregation Committee and Ministry Teams. We pray also for our sister diocese of Aberdeen and Orkney. We pray,

Lord, hear our prayer.

For peace in our world. For our President, world leaders and elected officials at all levels that they may govern with integrity, wisdom and courage to ensure the health, safety and well-being of the people they serve. We pray,

Lord, hear our prayer.

For our Cathedral congregation that we may walk in the presence of the Risen Lord with a renewed spirit of community and mission. We pray,

Lord, hear our prayer.

For all who live in darkness and are without hope, especially the sick in body, mind and spirit, the homeless and hungry, refugees and immigrants who live fear and anxiety. We pray,

Lord, hear our prayer.

For those who have asked for our prayers, especially Will, Kathleen R., Connie, Joan Z, Maïa, Lee, Almeta, Camille, Gerard, Lourdes, Lenora, Ardyce, Mike R., Jennifer, Andrew, Benjamin, Adrianne, Felicity, Sherrod, Graham, Richard, Mark, Bill, Betty Jo, Michael, Jason, Andrew, Jeannie, Denise, Shelly N., Dennis, Charlene, Marcia, Sean, Mary, Andrew, David, Shaun, Thomas, Alberto, Kelley, Allison, Dina, Aubrey, Bill, Grace, Ben, Frank, Eric, Nelson, Joan, Treviana, Bob, Tyrone, Todd, Rosa, Miguel, Javon, Debbie, Julian, Rose, Samy, Eugenia, Louis, Sylvia, Anne, Harmony, Cristianne, Joslin, Mary Ellen, Sheila, Priscilla, Guale, Mercy, Deborah, Pam, Camden and those we now name. (pause)

We pray,

Lord, hear our prayer.

For the many blessings you have given us, and for those we love who have passed beyond death and rejoice in your kingdom. We pray,

Lord, hear our prayer.

Celebrant:

By your mercy Lord, hear the prayers we offer this day and give us new life and new hope through the resurrection of our Lord, Jesus Christ. Amen.

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

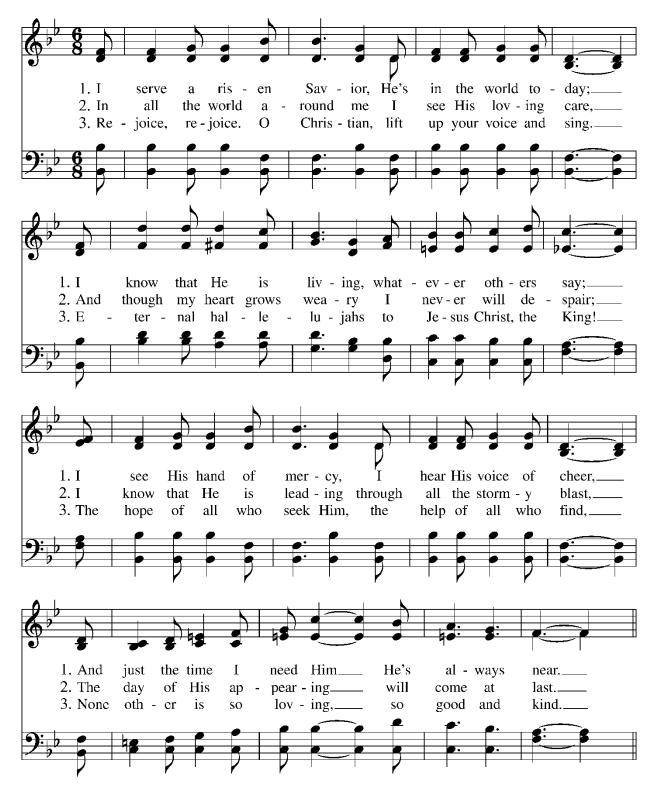
The People greet one another in the name of the Lord.

Offertory Anthem ~ Fanfare for Easter

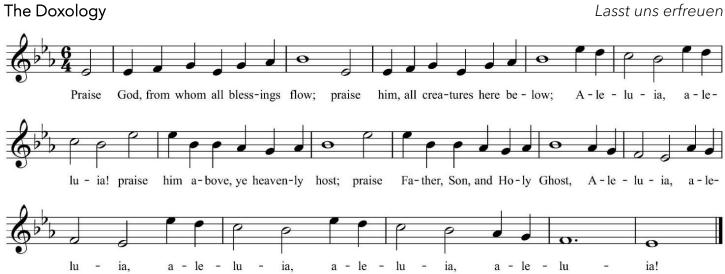
Jane Marshall

Christ is risen! Alleluia! Now is Christ risen from the dead, and is become the first-fruits of them that slept. For since by man came death, by man came also the resurrection of the dead. Christ is risen! Alleluia!

Hymn at the Presentation ~ LEVAS II # 42 | serve a risen Savior







The Holy Communion

Eucharistic Prayer B

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 God thanks and praise.

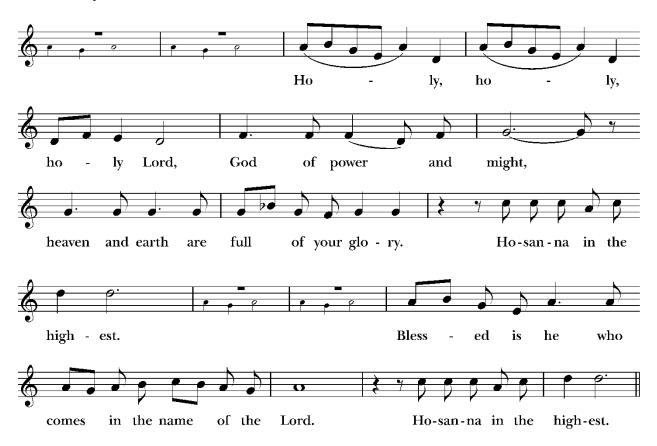
It is right, and good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

But chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again he has won for us everlasting life.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Sanctus ~1982 Hymnal # S 128

William Mathias



We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, 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, according to his command, O Father,

We remember his death, We proclaim his resurrection, We await his coming in glory;

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine. We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant.

Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

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**.

The Lord's Prayer

Celebrant And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say, Celebrant and People:

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

A period of silence is kept.

Celebrant Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!

Fraction Anthem ~ 1982 Hymnal # 417 v.1 This is the feast of victory for our God Festival Canticle



Celebrant 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.

All baptized Christians, regardless of age or denomination, are welcome to receive Holy Communion. When coming forward to receive Holy Communion, please follow the direction given by the ushers. Receive the bread in the palm of your hand. If you are unable to come to the front, please let an usher know and the Sacraments will be brought to you.

Communion Anthem ~ Most glorious Lord of life

William H. Harris

Most glorious Lord of life, that on this day didst make Thy triumph over death and sin, and having harrowed hell, didst bring away Captivity thence captive, us to win.

This joyous day, dear Lord, with joy begin, and grant that we for whom Thou didest die, being with Thy dear blood clean washed from sin, may live for ever in felicity.

And that Thy love we weighing worthily, may likewise love Thee for the same again; and for Thy sake, that all like dear didst buy, with love may one another entertain.

So let us love, dear Love, like as we ought; Love is the lesson which the Lord us taught.

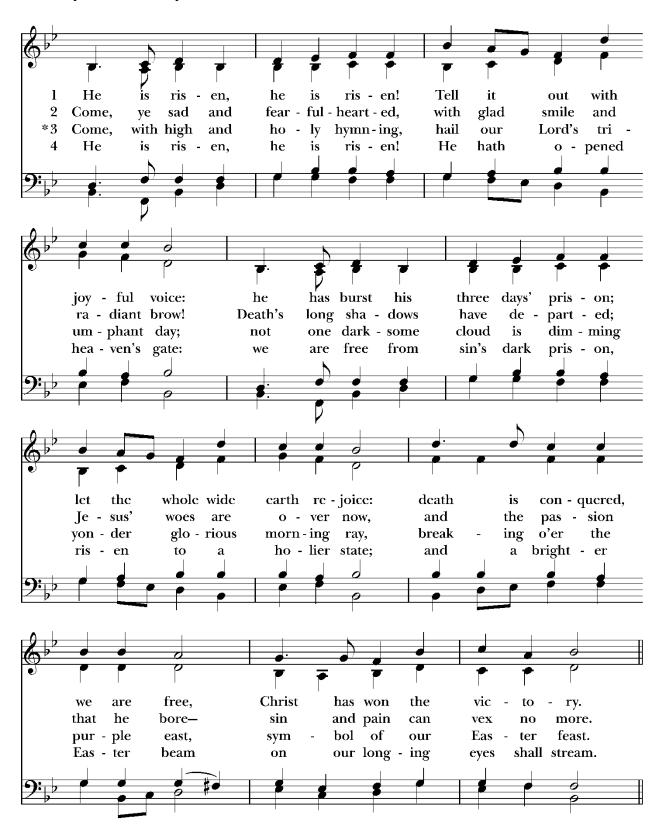


Postcommunion Prayer
Eternal God, heavenly Father,
you have graciously accepted us as living members
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,
and you have fed us with spiritual food
in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.
Send us now into the world in peace,
and grant us strength and courage
to love and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

Easter Blessing

God who through the resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ has given us the victory, give you joy and peace in your faith and the blessing of God almighty, Eternal Majesty, Incarnate Word, and Abiding Spirit, be with you and remain with you for ever. *Amen*.





The Dismissal

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

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia!

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Lucy Groening

Family of Viola Day Mullin

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In Thanksgiving for the joy of motherhood



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