

Easter Sunrise Service
Flint's Field
6:25 a.m.
Sunday, March 31st, 2013

Opening Words

Minister: May we be united in praise and wonder.
People: Let us bless this moment that, though brief, is precious to eternity.
Minister: Let us bless the hour, that is given to us to shape
and for us to be shaped by.
Minister: Let us bless the day, that is new and yet familiar,
fresh, and yet venerable.
People: Let us bless the power that pours forth moments,
hours, days, weeks, months, years, in careless generosity.
All: May we be united in praise and wonder, this morning.
-W. Frederick Wooden

Opening Hymn For the Beauty of the Earth

For the beauty of the earth,
For the beauty of the skies,
For the love which from our birth,
Over and around us lies,

Refrain Lord of all to thee we raise,
This our hymn of grateful praise.

For the beauty of each hour,
Of the day and of the night,
Hill and vale and tree and flower,
Sun and Moon and Stars of Lights.

Refrain

For joy of ear and eye,
For the heart and mind's delight,
For the mystic harmony
Linking sense to sound and sight

Refrain

Invocation	Aaron Stockwell
Reading:	Mr. Stockwell
Homily	"It's Always Darkest Before the Dawn." Mr. Stockwell

Closing Hymn

Christ the Lord is Risen Today!

Christ the Lord is risen today, Al-le-lu-ia!
All on earth with angels say, Al-le-lu-ia!
Raise your joys and triumphs high, Al-le-lu-ia!
Sing, ye heavens and earth reply: Al-le-lu-ia!

Love's redeeming work is done, Al-le-lu-ia!
Fought the fight, the battle won, Al-le-lu-ia!
Death in vain forbids him rise, Al-le-lu-ia!
Christ has opened Paradise, Al-le-lu-ia!

Hail the Lord of earth and heaven! Al-le-lu-ia!
Praise to thee both be given, Al-le-lu-ia!
Thee we greet triumphant now, Al-le-lu-ia!
Hail, the Res-ur-rec-tion thou! Al-le-lu-ia!

Closing Words

Left: May we have joy this Easter, a joy of born life well lived;
Right: May we have love this Easter, a love stronger than death,
bringing healing and new growth to our lives;
Right: may we have peace this Easter, peace that allows us to be
open to the newness of the season and gives us reason to sing.
All: May we have joy this Easter.

-William Murray

Benediction

Mr. Stockwell