SERVICE OF WORD AND PRAISE

1st Week of Easter Earth Day

Gathering Music

Please gather at the font for the return of Alleluia and the lighting of the paschal candle. **Return of Alleluia**

During the chanting of the antiphon, the banner is unfurled and placed on the banner holder.

Alleluia. This word, which was sealed up in the secret of your heart until the appointed time, may come forth. Alleluia. Alleluia. You may say it with great joy because the day of the resurrection has come. Alleluia. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Lighting of the Paschal Candle

P: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

C: He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

P: May the light of Christ, who is risen in glory from the dead, scatter all the darkness of our hearts and mind

C: Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

-Follow the procession, filling in the pews from the front to the back of the nave-



Dialog in Thanksgiving for Creation At the beginning of time and space, God gave us a world. And God filled it with the usefulwith granite, with gravity, with grapes. And God gave us minds and hands to engineer the granite, to probe the forces of gravity, to squeeze the grapes. At the beginning of time and space, God gave us a world. And God filled it with the beautifulwith marble, with molds, with marigolds. And God gave us compassion and imagination to shape the marble into sculptures, the molds into medicines, the marigolds into tapestries of yellow and bronze. At the beginning of time and space, God gave us a world. And God filled it with the comic with croaking bullfrogs, with the buoyancy of water, with duck-billed platypuses. And God gave us, as image bearers of God, a sense of humor and different ways of seeing in order to delight in the world. At the beginning of time and space, God gave us a world. And God filled it with mystery with living cells and dying stars, with black holes and the speed of light, with human beings. And God gave us dominion over the earth, to till it and to nurture it with curiosity and creativity. At the beginning of time, God gave us a world. Let us give praise and thanksgiving to God, our Creator.

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Reading	Luke 24:13-35
Homily	
Hymn	Thank You, God, for Water, Soil, and Air

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Prayers of the Seminary Community Litany of Creation For the earth and the gift of good land, **we give thanks, O Lord.** For the anticipation of a new growing season, we give thanks, O Lord. For those who labor on the farm and in the marketplace, we give thanks, O Lord. For the abundance of food and the opportunities to share, we give thanks, O Lord. For the delight of eating and the challenge of self-denial, we give thanks, O Lord. O God, our help, we lift up our hearts for the needs of your people: to those who continue to be burdened with financial problems, give strength, O Lord. To those who have lost their land or livelihood. who have experienced the pain of displacement, give hope, O Lord. To those serving people who are troubled and discouraged, give wisdom, O Lord. To those who are strong and have prospered, give humility, O Lord. To those seeking to be open to your gifts and calling, give us grace to be patient in suffering and sensitive to the pain of others. Help us to be faithful to that which you have committed to us so that we may realize your kingdom where we are. Through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen Benediction Sending Music

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