2025 Paschal Candle Dedication at Peace

Being of a Single Presence

One in Love, One in Heart, and One in Mind, We Light this Candle Honoring Christ

Who, being in the form of God,

did not count equality with God

something to grasp

But he emptied himself

taking the form of servant

becoming as human beings are...1

The Source of All lending Itself as

Fragments of Water, Fire, Air, and Earth, forming into physical body

Expressed with Cosmic Energy and Breath

A Whole, Fully Alive Human yet also Completely and Utterly Divine

Alpha and Omega, Beginning and End, yet Present before Every Beginning and of No End

Honoring, Teaching, Nourishing, Healing... Drinking from Cup of God's Will

Disappeared, Tortured, Crucified... Wounded and Killed by Human Betrayal

Turning towards God amidst Excruciating Pain

Conquering Death through Death

In Communion with Whole Expression of Life—Bees' whose Wax forms this Candle, Plants, Trees, Earth, and All Creatures Together—

Reflecting and Dispersing God, Reminding us of the Covenant—God's Unrelenting,
Pursuing Commitment of Life-Giving Relationship—

With us... In us... Through us

We humbly ask for You to show us The Way

Thanks be to God this Day and Forever More

Amen

¹ Philippians Verse 2