



THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Holy Eucharist, Rite II

April 21, 2024, 10am

*We are glad that you are here to worship with us today.
Please take the time before the service for silent prayer and meditation.
Let us know more about you by signing the guest book near the front door.
We welcome you to be part of our programs & community life.*

*The service is found in the red Book of Common Prayer.
Hymns are found in the blue Hymnal 1982.*



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THE WORD OF GOD

Prelude	<i>Andante grazioso</i>	Kate Boundy
Processional Hymn 435 , <i>At the Name of Jesus</i>		KING'S WESTON
The Easter Acclamation		BCP, p. 355
The Collect for Purity		
Gloria S-278	<i>see Service Music pew card</i>	Mathias
The Collect of the Day		

O God, whose Son Jesus is the good shepherd of your people: Grant that when we hear his voice we may know him who calls us each by name, and follow where he leads; who, with you and the Holy Spirit, lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The Lessons

The First Reading

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

ACTS 4:5-12

The rulers, elders, and scribes assembled in Jerusalem, with Annas the high priest, Caiaphas, John, and Alexander, and all who were of the high-priestly family. When they had made the prisoners stand in their midst, they inquired, "By what power or by what name did you do this?" Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them, "Rulers of the people and elders, if we are questioned today because of a good deed done to someone who was sick and are asked how this man has been healed, let it be known to all of you, and to all the people of Israel, that this man is standing before you in good health by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead. This Jesus is
`the stone that was rejected by you, the builders;
it has become the cornerstone.'

There is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among mortals by which we must be saved."

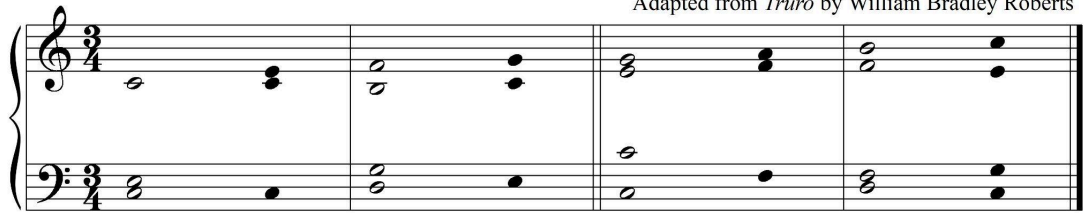
The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 23

Sung by all. Change notes at the words in bold

Adapted from *Truro* by William Bradley Roberts



- 1 The LORD is my **shepherd**; *
I shall not be in **want**.
- 2 He makes me lie down in green **pastures** *
and leads me beside still **waters**.
- 3 He revives my **soul** *
and guides me along right pathways for his Name's **sake**.
- 4 Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,
I shall fear no **evil**; *
for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they **comfort me**.
- 5 You spread a table before me in the presence of those who **trouble me**; *
you have anointed my head with oil, and my cup is running **over**.
- 6 Surely your goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my **life**,*
and I will dwell in the house of the LORD for **ever**.

The Second Reading

A reading from the First Letter of John.

1 JOHN 3:16-24

We know love by this, that he laid down his life for us-- and we ought to lay down our lives for one another. How does God's love abide in anyone who has the world's goods and sees a brother or sister in need and yet refuses help?

Little children, let us love, not in word or speech, but in truth and action. And by this we will know that we are from the truth and will reassure our hearts before him whenever our hearts condemn us; for God is greater than our hearts, and he knows everything. Beloved, if our hearts do not condemn us, we have boldness before God; and we receive from him whatever we ask, because we obey his commandments and do what pleases him.

And this is his commandment, that we should believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and love one another, just as he has commanded us. All who obey his commandments abide in him, and he abides in them. And by this we know that he abides in us, by the Spirit that he has given us.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Sequence Hymn 645, *The King of love my shepherd is*

ST. COLUMBA

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

JOHN 10:11-18

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said, "I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. The hired hand, who is not the shepherd and does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and runs away—and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. The hired hand runs away because a hired hand does not care for the sheep. I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father. And I lay down my life for the sheep. I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd. For this reason the Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again. No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it up again. I have received this command from my Father."

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

The Prayers of the People

The Leader and the People pray responsively

LEM Rejoicing in the mighty acts of God who has delivered his people from sin and death through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, Let us lift our voices and pray,

LEM Risen Lord,

People **Hear our Prayer.**

LEM Let us give thanks to God for the multitude of blessings he showers upon us: For our lives and for those whom we love, For the beauty of this home God has created for us, For our families and our friendships, Let us give thanks to the God of Life. *Silence.*

LEM Risen Lord,

People **Hear our Prayer.**

LEM Let us pray for the Church, that it may carry forward the redemptive works of God: For our clergy and our bishops, For the many lay people who serve the church, And serve the world through the church. For those gather here in worship and prayer. *Silence.*

LEM Risen Lord,

People **Hear our Prayer.**

LEM Let us pray for the newly baptized, that the joy of Easter may ever grow within them, and that the Spirit may guide them in lives of active faith.

LEM Risen Lord,

People **Hear our Prayer.**

LEM Let us pray for the nations and peoples of the world, that the powers that oppress and destroy may decline, And that justice, peace, and prosperity be lifted up. *Silence.*

LEM Risen Lord,

People **Hear our Prayer.**

LEM Let us pray for those who are sick, those who suffer, those who struggle: and who have died: That the hope born of Easter give them peace, acceptance and renewal, And that through their struggles they may come into closer communion with the God who redeems and restores. *Silence.*

LEM Risen Lord,
People **Hear our Prayer.**

Presider O God, who by the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ destroyed death and brought life and immortality to light: Grant that we, who have been raised with him, may abide in his presence and rejoice in the hope of eternal glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be dominion and praise for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The Confession of Sin & Absolution

BCP, p. 360

The Peace

Welcome and Announcements

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory

Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring
All Saints' Choir

J. S. Bach

The Doxology, Hymn 380, vs. 3 *see Service Music pew card*

The Great Thanksgiving, Eucharistic Prayer A

BCP, p. 361

Sursum Corda S-120 *see Service Music pew card*

Sanctus S-128 *see Service Music pew card*

Mathias

The Great Amen S-146 *see Service Music pew card*

Robinson

The Lord's Prayer

BCP, p. 364

The Breaking of the Bread

The Presider breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

All baptized Christians are invited to receive the Body and Blood of Christ in Communion.

If you need a gluten-free wafer, please tell the priest at the altar rail.

If you need to receive Communion in your pew, please let an usher know.

If you are not receiving today, please come forward for a blessing.

Communion Hymn 343, *Shepherd of souls, refresh and bless*

ST. AGNES

Post-Communion Prayer

BCP, p. 366

The Easter Blessing

Closing Hymn 708, *Savior, like a shepherd lead us*

SICILIAN MARINERS

The Dismissal

The response is **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!**

Postlude

Bellsong
All Saints' Handbell Choir

Douglas E. Wagner

*Please join us for refreshments & conversation in the Parish Hall following this service.
It's one of the ways we get to know one another and build our community.*

Our Ministers Today

Ushers: Roger Mederos, Dave Pagliaro

Lector: Julie Salthouse **Lay Eucharistic Minister:** Tom Hackett

Altar Guild: Suzanne Kosempel, Betty Mather, Lisa Webb

Refreshment Hour: Carol Berry

Parish Calendar *Week of April 14*

Monday - Parish Office, 10:30am-6pm

Wednesday - Bible Study, 10:15am on Zoom

Thursday - Parish Office, 9:30am-5:30pm

* Office Angels, 2pm in the Rath House

* Handbell Choir, 6:00pm in the Undercroft

* All Saints' Choir, 7:30pm in the Choir Room

Mon-Wed-Fri - Compline (Bedtime Prayers), 9:30pm on Facebook Live

All Saints' Announcements

Easter lasts fifty days, until Pentecost. Keep celebrating!

TODAY: Sunday School Workshop - 11:15am in the large classroom in the Church Undercroft for children ages 5-11. Grab a snack at coffee hour first and then come join us!

AED Grant Received - the John Taylor Babbitt Foundation has awarded All Saints' a grant for two Automated External Defibrillators (AEDs) - one for the /church and one for the Parish House. We are grateful for this funding which will help our emergency preparedness. Look for information soon asking for volunteers to be trained on how to use these medical devices.

Twelve Baskets Food Pantry Grant from ShopRite - Each year Wakefern (parent company of ShopRite) encourages the local stores to raise money for hunger relief and food insecurity. This year the Stirling store was in the top fund-raising bracket and Wakefern gave them \$2500 to award to the food pantry of their choice, and they chose Twelve Baskets! Thank you Stirling ShopRite and Wakefern for helping us feed hungry neighbors in need!

Garden Day/Spring Clean-up Day: May 4, 9am-12noon - It's time for some spring grounds clean-up; mulching and planting in the Memorial Garden, too! Please sign up on the sheet in the Narthex to let us know you can help.

Fish & Chips Dinner by Argyles of Kearny - **Thursday, May 23, 5:30-7pm.**
This is a great community fund-raiser and "friend-raiser". We will need lots of help on this - publicity, ticket sales, tickets at the door, baking/desserts, set-up/take-down, serving, packing take-out orders, etc. Please look at the poster in the Narthex and sign up for a role. Then spread the word and invite your friends!

Boy Scout Flower Sale - Troop 56's annual sale is being held on May 3, 4, & 5 at the corner of the Valley Mall parking lot in Gillette. They have flats of annuals and hanging baskets. Mark your calendar to buy some beautiful plants and support our local troop!

Save these Worship Dates in May

Rogation Sunday, 5/5 - 8 & 10am; bless the gardens and grounds at the later service.

Ascension Day, 5/9 (Thursday) - Evensong, 7:30pm

Confirmation, 5/11 (Saturday) at Calvary Church, Summit, 10am

Funeral for Charlotte Davis, 5/18 (Saturday) - 1pm; reception follows in Parish Hall

Pentecost, 5/19 - 8 & 10am

Trinity Sunday, 5/26 - 8 & 10am