• APRIL 25 | 8:00 AM & 10:30 AM •

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

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- Prelude -

The Good Shepherd | Dale Wood

(congregational singing is not allowed within the church at this time)

Opening –

Celebrant Alleluia, Christ is risen.

People The Lord has risen indeed, Alleluia.

Celebrant 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 -

Hymnal #S277

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Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

— the Collect of the Day —

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Celebrant 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.

- First Reading: 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."

Reader The Word of the Lord **People** Thanks be to God

- Psalm 23 -

The Lord is my shepherd; *
I shall not be in want.

He makes me lie down in green pastures * and leads me beside still waters.

He revives my soul *
and guides me along right pathways for his Name's sake.

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.

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.

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.

- Second Reading: 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.

Reader The Word of the Lord **People** Thanks be to God

Sequence Hymn —

Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us | Hymnal #708 (congregational singing is not allowed within the church at this time)

- the Gospel: John 10:11-18 -

Reader The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to John. **People 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."

Reader The Gospel of the Lord

People Praise to you, Lord Christ

- the Sermon -

The Rev'd Gina Brewster-Jenkins

- the Nicene Creed -

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Prayers of the People –

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Reader In peace, let us pray to the Lord, saying, "Lord, have mercy"

For the holy Church of God, that it may be filled with truth and love, and be found without fault at the day of your coming, let us pray to

the Lord,

All Lord, have mercy.

Reader For Michael our Presiding Bishop, Morris our Bishop, Harry our

Rector, for Kristen our Postulant, for all bishops and other ministers, and for all the holy people of God, we pray to you, O

Lord,

All Lord, have mercy.

Reader For all who fear God and believe in you, Lord Christ, that our

divisions may cease, and that all may be one as you and the Father

are one, we pray to you, O Lord,

All Lord, have mercy.

Reader For the mission of the Church, that in faithful witness it may preach

the Gospel to the ends of the earth, we pray to you, O Lord.

All Lord, have mercy.

Reader For the peace of the world, that a spirit of respect and forbearance

may grow among nations and peoples, we pray to you, O Lord.

All Lord, have mercy.

Reader For Joe our president, John our governor, Mike our parish

president, Greg our mayor, and for all in positions of public trust, that they may serve justice, and promote the dignity and freedom of

every person, we pray to you, O Lord,

All Lord, have mercy.

Reader For the poor, the persecuted, the sick, and all who suffer; for

refugees, prisoners, and all who are in danger; especially Bobby, Heather, Phyllis M., Carrie, Diane, Winston, Phyllis D., Tara, Pat, Juan, the Carlisle Family, Annette, Sylvia, Daniel, Daniel S., Emily, Brad, Maria, Terry, Linda, Lynda, Mike & Kristen, Mike M., Jeff,

Bill, Ozzie, and Jas. We pray to you, O Lord.

All Lord, have mercy.

Reader For this congregation, that we may be delivered from hardness of

heart, and show forth your glory in all that we do, we pray to you, O

Lord.

All Lord, have mercy.

Reader For all who have died, especially Scott, those with addictions, and

the victims of COVID-19, in the communion of your Church, and those whose faith is known to you alone, that, with all the saints, they may have rest in that place where there is no pain or grief, but life eternal, we pray to you, O Lord. Rejoicing in the fellowship of the ever-blessed Virgin Mary, and all the saints, let us commend

ourselves, and one another, and all our life to Christ our God.

All To you, O Lord our God.

— Closing Collect —

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Celebrant

For yours is the majesty, O Father, Son, and Holy Spirit; yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory, now and for ever. *Amen.*

- the Peace -

Socially distant/virtual exchange of the peace

- Announcements -

Offertory Hymn –

The King of Love My Shepherd Is | *Hymnal #645* (congregational singing is not allowed within the church at this time)



— the Great Thanksgiving —

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Celebrant **People**Celebrant **People**

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.** Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Celebrant **People** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Celebrant

It is right, and a 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:

All

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Celebrant

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, 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 we proclaim the mystery of faith:

All

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Celebrant

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: 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 -

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Celebrant

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

All

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 -

Celebrant **People**

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us *Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.*

Celebrant

The gifts of God for the people of God.

a Prayer for Spiritual Communion —

written by Teresa Berger

Lord Jesus Christ, you are the bread of life and the one true vine. I believe that you are truly present in the Most Holy Sacrament of the Eucharist. I seek you. I worship and adore you. Since I cannot receive you in the eucharistic bread and wine, I pray that you will come into my heart and soul, that I may be united to you, by your all-powerful and ever-present Holy Spirit. Let me receive you, and be nourished by you. Become for me the manna in my wilderness, the bread of angels for my very human journey through

time, a foretaste of the heavenly banquet, and solace in the hour of my death. I pray all this, trusting that you yourself are our Life, our Peace, and our everlasting Joy. Amen.

- Communion Hymn -

St Columba/The King of Love My Shepherd Is | Dale Wood (congregational singing is not allowed within the church at this time)

Post Communion Prayer –

Celebrant

Let us pray.

All

Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

- Blessing -

Recessional Hymn –

My Shepherd Will Supply My Need | *Hymnal #664* (congregational singing is not allowed within the church at this time)

- Dismissal -

Celebrant **People** Let us bless the Lord, Alleluia, Alleluia. Thanks be to God, Alleluia, Alleluia.

- Postlude -

Rigaudon | Andre Campra (congregational singing is not allowed within the church at this time)



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