

THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE II
APRIL 25, 2021 AT 10:00AM



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THE WORD OF GOD

PRELUDE

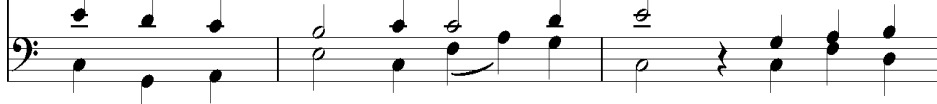
OPENING HYMN

Good Christians all, rejoice and sing

HYMN 205



1 Good Chris - tians all, re - joice and sing! Now is the
*2 The Lord of life is risen to - day! Sing songs of
3 Praise we in songs of vic - to - ry that love, that
4 Your Name we bless, O ris - en Lord, and sing to -
5 To God the Fa - ther, God the Son, to God the



1 tri - umph of our King! To all the world glad news we bring:
2 praise a - long his way; let all the earth re - joice and say:
3 life which can - not die, and sing with hearts up - lift - ed high:
4 day with one ac - cord the life laid down, the life re - stored:
5 Spi - rit, al - ways One, we sing for life in us be - gun:



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

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OPENING ACCLAMATION *(please stand)*

BCP 355

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People *The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.*

COLLECT FOR PURITY

BCP 355

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

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THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People *And also with you.*

Celebrant Let us pray.

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 FIRST LESSON: ACTS 4:5-12 *(please be seated for the readings)*

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.

People *Thanks be to God.*

PSALM 23 (*read responsively*)

- 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 LESSON: 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.

People Thanks be to God.



1 The King of love my shep-herd is, whose good-ness
 2 Where streams of liv-ing wa-ter flow, my ran-somed
 * 3 Per-verse and fool-ish oft I strayed, but yet in
 * 4 In death's dark vale I fear no ill with thee, dear
 5 Thou spread'st a ta-ble in my sight; thy unc-tion
 6 And so through all the length of days thy good-ness



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1 I am his, and he is mine for ev-er.
 2 pas-tures grow, with food ce-les-tial feed-eth.
 3 gent-ly laid, and home, re-joic-ing, brought me.
 4 com-fort still, thy cross be-fore to guide me.
 5 of de-light from thy pure chal-ice flow-eth!
 6 sing thy praise with-in thy house for ev-er.

THE HOLY GOSPEL: JOHN 10:11-18 (*please remain standing*)

Celebrant 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.”

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

SERMON

THE REV. AMANDA KNOUSE

THE NICENE CREED (*please stand*)

BCP 358

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. (*pause*)
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.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

BCP 388

Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;
That we all may be one.

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you; in the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we pray for St. Andrew's, York. In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we pray for the Anglican of the Province in West Africa. Let us pray to the Lord.
That your Name may be glorified by all people.

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;
That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;
That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;
That our works may find favor in your sight.

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble; especially Geta, Emily Lavender, Chase, Tom Hemler, Holly, Angelica, Jason Wilhelm, and Tom.
That they may be delivered from their distress.

Give to the departed eternal rest.
Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;
May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

Celebrant Almighty and eternal God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth: Mercifully accept the prayers of your people, and strengthen us to do your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE PEACE

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People And also with you.

THE HOLY EUCHARIST

THE OFFERTORY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give God thanks and praise.

It is truly right to glorify you, Father, and to give you thanks; for you alone are God, living and true, dwelling in light inaccessible from before time and for ever. Fountain of life and source of all goodness, you made all things and fill them with your blessing; you created them to rejoice in the splendor of your radiance. Countless throngs of angels stand before you to serve you night and day; and, beholding the glory of your presence, they offer you unceasing praise. Joining with them, and giving voice to every creature under heaven, we acclaim you, and glorify your Name, as we say,

*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.

We acclaim you, holy Lord, glorious in power. Your mighty works reveal your wisdom and love. You formed us in your own image, giving the whole world into our care, so that, in obedience to you, our Creator, we might rule and serve all your creatures. When our disobedience took us far from you, you did not abandon us to the power of death. In your mercy you came to our help, so that in seeking you we might find you. Again and again you called us into covenant with you, and through the prophets you taught us to hope for salvation.

Father, you loved the world so much that in the fullness of time you sent your only Son to be our Savior. Incarnate by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, he lived as one of us, yet without sin. To the poor he proclaimed the good news of salvation; to prisoners, freedom; to the sorrowful, joy. To fulfill your purpose he gave himself up to death; and, rising from the grave, destroyed death, and made the whole creation new.

And, that we might live no longer for ourselves, but for him who died and rose for us, he sent the Holy Spirit, his own first gift for those who believe, to complete his work in the world, and to bring to fulfillment the sanctification of all.

When the hour had come for him to be glorified by you, his heavenly Father, having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end; at supper with them he 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."

Father, we now celebrate this memorial of our redemption. Recalling Christ's death and his descent among the dead, proclaiming his resurrection and ascension to your right hand, awaiting his coming in glory; and offering to you, from the gifts you have given us, this bread and this cup, we praise you and we bless you.

Celebrant and People

*We praise you, we bless you,
we give thanks to you,
and we pray to you, Lord our God.*

Lord, we pray that in your goodness and mercy your Holy Spirit may descend upon us, and upon these gifts, sanctifying them and showing them to be holy gifts for your holy people, the bread of life and the cup of salvation, the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ.

Grant that all who share this bread and cup may become one body and one spirit, a living sacrifice in Christ, to the praise of your Name.

Remember, Lord, your one holy catholic and apostolic Church, redeemed by the blood of your Christ. Reveal its unity, guard its faith, and preserve it in peace.

And grant that we may find our inheritance with St. John and all the saints who have found favor with you in ages past. We praise you in union with them and give you glory through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, all honor and glory are yours, Almighty God and Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, for ever and ever. **AMEN.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

BCP 364

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

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

BCP 364

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

THE INVITATION

BCP 365

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance
that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith,
with thanksgiving.

A PRAYER FOR SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

*A spiritual communion is a devotional that anyone can pray to express their desire to receive
Communion, but in which circumstances impede them from actually receiving the sacrament.*

Beloved Jesus, I believe that you are present in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar. I
love you above all things, and I desire to receive you into my soul. Since I cannot at
this moment receive you in the Sacrament of your Body and Blood, come spiritually
into my heart. I embrace you and unite myself entirely to you. Let me never be
separated from you in this life or in the life to come. Amen.

THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER

BCP 365

Celebrant and People

Eternal God, heavenly Father,
you have graciously accepted us as living members
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,
and you have fed us with spiritual food
in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.
Send us now into the world in peace,
and grant us strength and courage
to love and serve you
with gladness and singleness of heart;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE BLESSING

Life is short and we do not have much time to gladden the hearts of those who make
the journey with us. So be swift to love and make haste to be kind. And the blessing
of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and
remain with you always. *Amen.*

1 Christ is made the sure foun - da - tion, Christ the head and
 2 All that ded - i - cat - ed ci - ty, dear - ly loved of
 3 To this tem - ple, where we call thee, come, O Lord of
 4 Here vouch - safe to all thy serv - ants what they ask of

cor - ner - stone, cho - sen of the Lord, and pre - cious,
 God on high, in ex - ult - ant ju - bi - la - tion
 Hosts, to - day; with thy wont - ed lov - ing - kind - ness
 thee to gain; what they gain from thee, for ev - er

bind - ing all the Church in one; ho - ly Zi - on's
 pours per - pet - ual mel - o - dy; God the One in
 hear thy serv - ants as they pray, and thy full - est
 with the bless - ed to re - tain, and here - af - ter

help for ev - er, and her con - fi - dence a - lone.
 Three a - dor - ing in glad hymns e - ter - nal - ly.
 ben - e - dic - tion shed with - in its walls al - way.
 in thy glo - ry ev - er - more with thee to reign.

GOOD NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE DISMISSAL

Celebrant Let us bless the Lord. Alleluia. Alleluia.

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia.

POSTLUDE



ST. JOHN'S
EPISCOPAL CHURCH
YOUTH OUTING

HIKING AT KELLY'S RUN TRAIL

Sunday, April 25, 2021
1PM

Meet at the Holtwood
Recreation Area

Questions? Contact Mike
Williams at
hmwilliams@gmail.com

MEN'S GATHERING - The men of St. John's will meet on Thursday, April 29, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. at Bruce Waskowicz house. Please contact Joe Way or John Knouse for info.

SOLES4SOULS - The St. John's Soles4Souls shoe drive will end on Friday, April 30th. We are collecting and storing donated shoes and request that you check in your closets or with friends for shoes they are no longer wearing for our shoe drive. They can be brought to the church during business hours.

WOMEN'S TRIVIA NIGHT - The women of St. John's will have a Trivia night on Tuesday, May 4th. Stay tuned for more details. A link for the event will be sent out to everyone who signs up! Please sign up to attend using this link:
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E0A4EA8AB29A3FC1-stjohns1>

UPCOMING MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK AT ST. JOHN'S:

TODAY

8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist: Rite I (In-Person)
9:00 a.m. Children's Church (Zoom)
10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist: Rite II (In-Person and Online)
11:00 a.m. Coffee Hour (Zoom)
1:00 p.m. Youth Outing (Hike at Kelly's Trail)

MONDAY, APRIL 26

7:00 p.m. Stewardship Meeting

TUESDAY, APRIL 27

9:00 a.m. Staff Meeting
2:00 p.m. Martha's Ministry (Knitters)
2:30 p.m. Food Pantry
5:00 p.m. VH Dance (Auditorium)

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 28

12:00 p.m. Holy Eucharist with Healing Prayer (Sanctuary)

THURSDAY, APRIL 29

2:30 p.m. Food Pantry
7:00 p.m. Handbell Practice (Auditorium)
7:00 p.m. Men's Gathering (Bruce Waskowicz Residence)

SATURDAY, MAY 1

10:00 a.m. End of Life Planning

Weekly Support Ministries

AA: Tuesday 6:00 - 7:00 p.m. (All Purpose Room)
NA: Monday, Wednesday, and Friday 12:00 Noon (All Purpose Room)

A SPECIAL FORUM - Please join us on May 1st at 10:00 a.m. for a special presentation regarding end-of-life planning. The presenters for this forum include: Jeremy DeBord, licensed funeral director; Brad Zuke, an estate and business law attorney; Penn Glazier also an attorney; and Amanda Knouse, priest and pastor. More information regarding this forum can be found here: <https://stjohns-lancaster.org/a-special-forum/>

AIDS GARDEN - The traditional first Saturday in May has for many years been a time where folks from St. John's, neighbors, and members from the churches who participate in ALERT activities gather for the planting of annuals at the Betty Finney AIDS Memorial Garden. The time is different this year as we will gather at 1 o'clock in the afternoon, different from our usual morning gathering. Wave petunias, begonias along with some coleus will be planted. The Garden is located just off of West Lemon Street a few yards west of Water Street. Parking is available in the Ponessa parking lot adjacent to the Garden. Bring gloves, trowel, and drinking water. The activity is a good family activity and young people are certainly invited to participate. For planning purposes please let Dave Martin know if you can spare some time that Saturday afternoon via email mdsmartinduncan@aol.com or by phone (717)519-2691.

OUR MINISTERS

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VESTRY

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Marylee Sauder, Mary Waskowicz

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Equilla Curry, Parish Administrator
Gina Keiser, Financial Secretary
Richard Kuhn, Sexton
Ben McNaboe, Interim Organist
Maria Weaver-Hollowniczky, Nursery and Security

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The Rev. Elizabeth Mollard

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Celebrant

Preacher

Server

Crucifer

Torches

Lector/Litanist

Altar Guild

Web Streaming

Ushers

The Rev. Matt MacDougall

The Rev. Amanda Knouse

Helena Carroll

Otto Williams

Evie Carroll, Ruthie Knouse

Sue Tobie

Molly Moyer, Tracy Cliff

Mike Williams

Dave Pennell, Bruce Waskowicz

GROW IN GOD, ACT IN SERVICE, WITNESS IN LOVE