

CHURCH of the GOOD SHEPHERD Changing Lives, Sharing Christ

Holy Eucharist Rite Two

10:30 A.M.

21 April, 2024

The Fourth Sunday of Easter

Prelude

The Word of God

Hymn in Procession #645

The King of Love My Shepherd Is

Opening Acclamation and Collect for Purity

BCP 355

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

Gloria in Excelsis #S-280

Robert Powell

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 Lesson 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

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 Epistle 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 #708 (v. 1)

Savior, Like a Shepherd

John 10:11-18

The Holy Gospel

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.

Sequence Hymn #455 (v. 2)

Savior, Like a Shepherd Is

Sermon

The Rev. Milton E. Black, Jr.

The Nicene Creed BCP 358
The Prayers of the People, Form III BCP 387

The Confession and Absolution

BCP 360

The Peace BCP 360

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And also with you.

Announcements

Prayer of Birthday and Anniversary

O God, our times are in your hands: Look with favor, we pray, on your servants as they begin another year. Grant that they may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen their trust in your goodness all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

The Holy Communion

Anthem

Hymn at the Presentation of Gifts

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Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him all creatures here below, Alleluia, alleluia! Praise him above, ye heavenly host: praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer A BCP 361

Sanctus #S-125 Holy, Holy, Holy Lord Richard Proulx

Prayer of Consecration BCP 362

Lord's Prayer BCP 364

The Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People: Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

The Communion

All baptized Christians are invited to receive Holy Communion at this Altar

Prayer of Thanksgiving

BCP 365

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

Hymn in Procession #296

We Know that Christ is Raised

The Dismissal

Postlude

Rev. Milton E. Black, Jr., Rector
The Rev. Philip W. May, Associate Rector
The Rev. William T. Campbell, Assistant Rector
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The Rt. Rev. David M. Reed, Bishop
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