

**The Fourth Sunday of Easter**  
**April 21, 2024**

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Hymns are found in the blue *Hymnal 1982* in your pew.  
The 'S' numbers are located at the front of the hymnal.

The service begins in quiet and prayer.

**Prelude:** *Pastorale in F, BWV 590* Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

**THE WORD OF GOD**

**Processional Hymn 518:** *Christ is Made the Sure Foundation*

*Celebrant* Alleluia. Christ is risen.

*People* **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

*People* **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:** *Festival Eucharist* Craig Phillips (b. 1961) (10:00 am only)

May be sung in English or Spanish

Glo - - - - ry. glo - - -  
Glo - - - - ria, glo - - - -

- - ry to God in the high - - - - est.  
- - ria a Dios en el cie - - - - lo.

Choir: 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. **[Congreg. Refrain]**

Choir: 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. **[Congreg. Refrain]**

Choir: 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. **[Congreg. Refrain]**

*People* **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.**

**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*

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**

Choir The <sup>1</sup>LORD is my <sup>1</sup>shepherd; \*  
I <sup>1</sup>shall not <sup>1</sup>be in <sup>1</sup>want.  
**ALL** He makes me lie <sup>1</sup>down in green <sup>1</sup>pastures \*  
and <sup>1</sup>leads me be <sup>1</sup>side still <sup>1</sup>waters.  
Choir He re <sup>1</sup>vives my <sup>1</sup>soul \*  
and guides me along right <sup>1</sup>pathways for his <sup>1</sup>Na<sup>1</sup>me's <sup>1</sup>sake.  
**ALL** Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,  
I <sup>1</sup>shall <sup>1</sup>fear no <sup>1</sup>evil; \*  
for you are with me;  
your <sup>1</sup>rod and your <sup>1</sup>staff, they <sup>1</sup>comfort me.  
Choir You spread a table before me in the presence of <sup>1</sup>those who <sup>1</sup>trouble me; \*  
you have anointed my head with oil,  
and my <sup>1</sup>cup is <sup>1</sup>running <sup>1</sup>over.  
**ALL** Surely your goodness and mercy shall follow me all  
the <sup>1</sup>days of my <sup>1</sup>life, \*  
and I will dwell in the <sup>1</sup>house of the <sup>1</sup>LORD for <sup>1</sup>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.

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

**Sequence Hymn 343:** *Shepherd of Souls*

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

*People* **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

**The Gospel:** *John 10:11-18*

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 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.**

## The Prayers of the People

*Please stand or kneel*

O God our Shepherd, you spread a table before us and reassure our hearts with your guiding care. Hear our prayers for your creation and all your people. *A brief silence* You know your own and your own know you, good Shepherd of the sheep. In the midst of our noisy lives, help us to hear and listen to your voice, so that we may know and follow you.

*People* **O God of goodness and mercy, hear our prayer.**

Through your love, you have known us and given yourself to us. We give you thanks for this congregation of prayer and connection in which we come to know you and work to make your presence known to each other and to the world. Continue to guide the church in gentleness and peace, that we may obey your commandment to love one another and live out that love in truth and action. **O God of goodness and mercy, hear our prayer.**

O God, you have bound us together in a common life. Help us, in the midst of our struggles for justice and truth, to confront one another without hatred or bitterness, and to work together with mutual forbearance and respect. **O God of goodness and mercy, hear our prayer.**

Preserve and protect this world that you have made. May we find new life in the gardens we sow, the waters that wash us, and the springtime flowers that revive our souls. Guide our care of your creation, that our children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren may continue to be nurtured by its goodness and bounty. **O God of goodness and mercy, hear our prayer.**

God of peace and justice, we pray for all involved in the conflict in the Middle East, Ukraine, Haiti, and all those in war-torn countries. Provide safe havens for civilians and refugees, sustain those working to provide relief, and comfort those who mourn the dead. Guide the global community on the path to end the conflict and violence. Gather all your people under the banner of the Prince of Peace. **O God of goodness and mercy, hear our prayer.**

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble, including those on our prayer list, all those whose struggles are known to you alone, and those we name in our hearts. Silence We pray for nurses, physicians, therapists, caregivers, social workers, chaplains, and all who help provide healing and wholeness to others. May they find joy in their labors, that through their ministries your people might be strengthened and your creation glorified. **O God of goodness and mercy, hear our prayer.**

In a moment of silence, let us pray for those who are dear to us. *Silence* Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours. Grant that we may serve Christ in them and love one another as he loves us. **O God of goodness and mercy, hear our prayer.**

Remembering especially Katherine Tilley Schneider O'Rourke, and all those we love but see no longer, we commend to your mercy all who have died. *Silence* Let light perpetual shine upon them. May their souls, and the souls of all the departed, rest in peace. **O God of goodness and mercy, hear our prayer.**

Shepherd of all, by laying down your life for your flock you reveal your love for all. Lead us from the valley of the shadow of death to the table of abundant life, that guided by your care for us, we may rightly offer our lives in love for you and our neighbors. **Amen.**

## The Peace

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

*People* **And also with you.**

## Offertory Anthem: The Lord is my Shepherd

The St. Andrew's Adult Choir

John Rutter (b.1945)

*The Lord is my shepherd: therefore can I lack nothing. He shall feed me in a green pasture: and lead me forth beside the waters of comfort. He shall convert my soul; and bring me forth in the paths of righteousness, for his Name's sake. Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil; for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff comfort me. Thou shalt prepare a table before me against them that trouble me: thou hast anointed my head with oil, and my cup shall be full. But thy loving-kindness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: And I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever. [Psalm 23]*

## Children's Entrance Hymn 664: My Shepherd will Supply

### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING Eucharistic Prayer A

*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 our thanks and praise.**

*The Celebrant offers our thanks to God for the grace and mercy made available to us in Christ.*

## Sanctus: Festival Eucharist

Craig Phillips

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,  
God of pow - er and might, heaven and earth are  
full of your glo - ry. \* Ho - san - na in the  
Ho - san - na en - el  
high - est. Blessed is the One who comes in the  
cie - lo.  
name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.  
Ho - san - na en - el cie - lo.

*\* The "Hosanna" may be sung in English or Spanish*

*The people stand or kneel as the Celebrant gives thanks for the reconciling work of Christ through his passion and resurrection and prays over the bread and wine.*

*Celebrant* Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith.

*People* **Christ has died. Christ has risen. Christ will come again.**

*The Celebrant continues with the Eucharistic prayer.*

*Celebrant* By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit of all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and forever. **Amen.**

*Celebrant* As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray, **Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your Name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ever. Amen.**

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

## Fraction Anthem: Christ Our Passover

Jeffrey Rickard (b. 1942)

Congregational Refrain  
Al - le - lu - ia! Christ our Pass - o -  
- ver has been sac - ri - ficed for us; There - fore let us  
keep the feast, Al - le - lu - ia,  
Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia!

*Please come forward and stand or kneel at the rail. The priest will place the bread in your outstretched palm (Consecrated rice wafers are available for those with wheat allergies - simply ask the priest). You may dip (intinct) the bread in the wine in the small cup held by the Eucharistic minister. Alternatively, you may indicate your desire to drink from the common chalice by consuming the bread and remaining at the rail after the Eucharistic minister passes; another Eucharistic minister will bring the large chalice over for you to drink from directly. Please know that Christ is fully present in both the bread and the wine - there is no requirement to receive both. If you do not wish to receive communion, you may come forward, cross your hands over your chest, and receive a blessing.*

## Communion Anthem: I am the Good Shepherd

Dale Wood (1934-2003)  
The St. Andrew's Cherub Choir

*I am the good shepherd; I know my own sheep and my own know me, I am the good shepherd. As the Father knows me and I know the Father; and I lay down my life for the sheep. I am the good shepherd.*

## Communion Hymn 304: I Come with Joy

*When Lay Eucharistic Visitors are taking Holy Communion to those unable to be with us in person, we say the following*

*Celebrant* In the name of this congregation, we send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ's body and blood.

*People* **We who are many are one body, because we all share one bread, one cup.**

## Post-Communion Thanksgiving

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

*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

## Closing Hymn 708: Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us

*The young people are invited to come forward during the hymn to participate in the dismissal.*

*Young people* Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

## Postlude: Prelude, Fugue and Chaconne in C, BuxWV137

Dietrich Buxtehude (1637-1707)