

The Fourth Sunday of Easter

May 8, 2022 8:45am

Liturgy of the Word

Prelude

Praise Music Medley

Opening Hymn

I Will Follow

Chris Tomlin, Jason Ingram, Reuben Morgan

Misc 1: (Intro) Where You go I'll go. Where You stay I'll stay. When You move I'll move. I will follow.
Oh oh oh

Verse 1: All Your ways are good, All Your ways are sure. I will trust in You alone,
Higher than my sight; High above my life. I will trust in You alone

Chorus 1: Where You go I'll go. Where You stay I'll stay. When You move I'll move. I will follow You. Whom You
love I'll love. How You serve I'll serve. If this life I lose. I will follow (You)

Misc 2: (Interlude) Yeah I will follow You yeah

Verse 2: Light into the world. Light into my life. I will live for You alone. You're the One I seek. Knowing I will
find, All I need in You alone, In You alone.

Misc 3: (Bridge) In You there's life everlasting. In You there's freedom for my soul.
In You there's joy unending joy. And I will follow.

Misc 4: (Ending) Yeah I will follow You yeah. I will follow You yeah. I will follow You yeah.

Easter Acclamation

pg. 355 in Book of Common Prayer

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ is risen.

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

Collect for Purity

Gloria

Matt Baumler

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

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: Acts 9:36-43

³⁶Now in Joppa there was a disciple whose name was Tabitha, which in Greek is Dorcas. She was devoted to good works and acts of charity. ³⁷At that time she became ill and died. When they had washed her, they laid her in a room upstairs. ³⁸Since Lydda was near Joppa, the disciples, who heard that Peter was there, sent two men to him with the request, "Please come to us without delay." ³⁹So Peter got up and went with them; and when he arrived, they took him to the room upstairs. All the widows stood beside him, weeping and showing tunics and other clothing that Dorcas had made while she was with them. ⁴⁰Peter put all of them outside, and then he knelt down and prayed. He turned to the body and said, "Tabitha, get up." Then she opened her eyes, and seeing Peter, she sat

up. ⁴¹He gave her his hand and helped her up. Then calling the saints and widows, he showed her to be alive. ⁴²This became known throughout Joppa, and many believed in the Lord. ⁴³Meanwhile he stayed in Joppa for some time with a certain Simon, a tanner.

The Psalm: 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 Second Reading: Revelation 7:9-17

⁹I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. ¹⁰They cried out in a loud voice, saying, "Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!" ¹¹And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, ¹²singing, "Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen." ¹³Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?" ¹⁴I said to him, "Sir, you are the one that knows." Then he said to me, "These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. ¹⁵For this reason they are before the throne of God, and worship him day and night within his temple, and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them. ¹⁶They will hunger no more, and thirst no more; the sun will not strike them, nor any scorching heat; ¹⁷for the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of the water of life, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

Alleluia

Celtic Alleluia/Christopher Walker

The Gospel – John 10:22-30

²²At that time the festival of the Dedication took place in Jerusalem. It was winter, ²³and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the portico of Solomon. ²⁴So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, "How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah, tell us plainly." ²⁵Jesus answered, "I have told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father's name testify to me; ²⁶but you do not believe, because you do not belong to my sheep. ²⁷My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me. ²⁸I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand. ²⁹What my Father has given me is greater than all else, and no one can snatch it out of the Father's hand. ³⁰The Father and I are one."

Gospel Response/Alleluia

The Sermon

Nicene Creed

Prayers of the People

All remain standing.

Presider or deacon

In joy and hope let us pray to the Father saying, **Hear our prayer.**

The Peace

HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory Music

The Table

Chris Tomlin | Jesse Reeves | Ed Cash

Verse 1: I will feast at the table of the Lord. I will feast at the table of the Lord
I won't hunger anymore at His table.

Chorus: Come all you weary come and find His yoke is easy His burden is light
He is able He will restore At the table of the Lord (At the table of the Lord)

Verse 2: There is peace at the table of the Lord. There is peace at the table of the Lord
I won't worry anymore at His table

Verse 3: There is healing at the table of the Lord. There is healing at the table of the Lord
Oh and I won't suffer anymore at His table

Verse 4: I'm invited to the table of the Lord. I'm invited to the table of the Lord
He says come just as you are to His table

Bridge: I know He has a place for me. Oh what joy will fill my heart With the saints around the mercy seat of God

Offertory

Celebrant All things come of thee, O Lord.
People **And of thine own have we given thee**

The Great Thanksgiving - *Eucharistic Prayer A*

pg. 361 in Book of Common Prayer

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 him 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.

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:

Sanctus

American Folk Hymn - Elswick

People **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. . .

. . .Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People **Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

Celebrant We celebrate the memorial of our redemption. . .

. . .Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

The Lord's Prayer

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

A period of silence is kept.

Fraction Anthem

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.
People ***Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.***
Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Communion Music

Remembrance

Maher | Redman

Verse 1: Oh how could it be that my God would welcome me Into this mystery.
Say take this bread take this wine, Now the simple made divine for any to receive.

Misc 1 (Pre-Chorus) By Your mercy we come to Your table, By Your grace You are making us faithful.

Chorus 1: Lord we remember You, And remembrance leads us to worship
And as we worship You Our worship leads to communion
We respond to Your invitation (We respond to Your invitation)
We remember You

Verse 2: See His body His blood. Know that He has overcome ev'ry trial we will face
And none too lost to be saved. None too broken or ashamed, all are welcome in this place.

Misc 2 (Bridge): Dying You destroyed our death, Rising You restored our life
Lord Jesus come in glory. Lord Jesus come in glory. Lord Jesus come in glory. Lord Jesus come in glory.

Sending Forth

Postcommunion Prayer

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.

Easter Blessing

Closing Music

Jesus is the Rock

Tony Congi

Refrain: Jesus is the rock and he rolls my blues away. Jesus is the rock and he rolls my blues away.
Jesus is the rock and he rolls my blues away-

Verse 1: When you're out on the street and you really feel down and low.
When you're out on the street and there ain't no place to go.
When you're out on the street well, Jesus gonna save your soul. Refrain

Verse 2: When you wake up in the morning, and the sky ain't bright and blue.
When you wake up in the morning, and the big world's after you.
When you wake up in the morning, well, Jesus gonna pull you through. Refrain

Dismissal

Celebrant Let us go forth rejoicing in the power of the spirit.
Alleluia, Alleluia.

People ***Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia!***

Postlude

Jesus is the Rock

Verse 3: When you look in the mirror, and your face causes it to crack.
When you're through with your day, and you feel you've been attacked.
Well, come to St. Thomas and get your life on track. Refrain

Verse 4: When you go to school and the kids don't like your clothes.
When they take your picture, and the photographer makes you pose.
Take your troubles to the Lord, and HE ALREADY KNOWS. Refrain

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