

## The Fourth Sunday after Easter

April 30, 2023 11:00am

### Liturgy of the Word

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#### Prelude

*Variations on Old 100th*

#### Opening Hymn

*All people that on earth do dwell*

Hymnal #377

All people that on earth do dwell, sing to the Lord with cheerful voice:  
him serve with mirth, his praise forth tell, come ye before him and rejoice.

Know that the Lord is God indeed; without our aid he did us make:  
we are his folk, he doth us feed, and for his sheep he doth us take.

O enter then his gates with praise, approach with joy his courts unto;  
praise, laud, and bless his Name always, for it is seemly so to do.

For why? the Lord our God is good, his mercy is for ever sure;  
his truth at all times firmly stood, and shall from age to age endure.

To Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, the God whom heaven and earth adore,  
from men and from the angel host be praise and glory evermore.

William Kethe (d. 1608?); para. of Psalm 100

#### Easter Acclamation

*Celebrant* Alleluia. Christ is risen.

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

#### Collect for Purity

#### Gloria

Hymnal #S-280 (Powell)

***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 blessed Son made himself known to his disciples in the breaking of bread: Open the eyes of our faith, that we may behold him in all his redeeming work; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

#### The Lessons

**The First Reading:** *Acts 2:42-47*

<sup>42</sup>They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers.

<sup>43</sup>Awe came upon everyone, because many wonders and signs were being done by the apostles. <sup>44</sup>All who believed were together and had all things in common; <sup>45</sup>they would sell their possessions and goods and distribute the proceeds to all, as any had need. <sup>46</sup>Day by day, as they spent much time together in the temple, they broke bread at home and ate their food with glad and generous hearts, <sup>47</sup>praising God and having the goodwill of all the people. And day by day the Lord added to their number those who were being saved.

## **The Psalm: Psalm 23**

<sup>1</sup>*The LORD is my shepherd; \**

*I shall not be in want.*

<sup>2</sup>*He makes me lie down in green pastures \**

*and leads me beside still waters.*

<sup>3</sup>*He revives my soul \**

*and guides me along right pathways for his Name's sake.*

<sup>4</sup>*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.*

<sup>5</sup>*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.*

<sup>6</sup>*Surely your goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, \**

*and I will dwell in the house of the LORD forever.*

## **The Second Reading: 1 Peter 2:19-25**

<sup>19</sup>It is a credit to you if, being aware of God, you endure pain while suffering unjustly. <sup>20</sup>If you endure when you are beaten for doing wrong, what credit is that? But if you endure when you do right and suffer for it, you have God's approval. <sup>21</sup>For to this you have been called, because Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example, so that you should follow in his steps. <sup>22</sup>"He committed no sin, and no deceit was found in his mouth."

<sup>23</sup>When he was abused, he did not return abuse; when he suffered, he did not threaten; but he entrusted himself to the one who judges justly. <sup>24</sup>He himself bore our sins in his body on the cross, so that, free from sins, we might live for righteousness; by his wounds you have been healed. <sup>25</sup>For you were going astray like sheep, but now you have returned to the shepherd and guardian of your souls.

## **Alleluia**

James Chepponis

## **The Holy Gospel: John 10:1-10**

[Jesus said,] <sup>1</sup>"Very truly, I tell you, anyone who does not enter the sheepfold by the gate but climbs in by another way is a thief and a bandit. <sup>2</sup>The one who enters by the gate is the shepherd of the sheep. <sup>3</sup>The gatekeeper opens the gate for him, and the sheep hear his voice. He calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. <sup>4</sup>When he has brought out all his own, he goes ahead of them, and the sheep follow him because they know his voice. <sup>5</sup>They will not follow a stranger, but they will run from him because they do not know the voice of strangers." <sup>6</sup>Jesus used this figure of speech with them, but they did not understand what he was saying to them.

<sup>7</sup>So again Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, I am the gate for the sheep. <sup>8</sup>All who came before me are thieves and bandits; but the sheep did not listen to them. <sup>9</sup>I am the gate. Whoever enters by me will be saved, and will come in and go out and find pasture. <sup>10</sup>The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly."

## **Alleluia response**

## **The Sermon**

## **Nicene Creed**

## Prayers of the People

*All remain standing.*

*Presider or deacon*

. . . we pray to the Lord

*Response* **Hear our prayer.**

## The Peace

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## HOLY COMMUNION

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### Offertory Music

*Risen Indeed!*

Joseph M. Martin

### Offertory

Celebrant All things come of thee, O Lord.

People **And of thine own have we given thee**

### 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 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

Richard Proulx

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

*He Shall Feed His Flock  
The King of love my shepherd is*

G. F. Handel  
Hymnal #645

The King of love my shepherd is, whose goodness faileth never; I nothing lack if I am his, and he is mine for ever.

Where streams of living water flow, my ransomed soul he leadeth, and where the verdant pastures grow, with food celestial feedeth.

Perverse and foolish oft I strayed, but yet in love he sought me, and on his shoulder gently laid, and home, rejoicing, brought me.

In death's dark vale I fear no ill with thee, dear Lord, beside me; thy rod and staff my comfort still, thy cross before to guide me.

Thou spread'st a table in my sight; thy unction grace bestoweth; and oh, what transport of delight from thy pure chalice floweth!

And so through all the length of days thy goodness faileth never: Good Shepherd, may I sing thy praise within thy house for ever.

Henry Williams Baker (1821-1877); para. Psalm 23

## 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 Hymn

*Hail, thou once despised Jesus!*

Hymnal #495

Hail, thou once despised Jesus! Hail, thou Galilean King! Thou didst suffer to release us; thou didst free salvation bring. Hail, thou universal Savior, bearer of our sin and shame! By thy merit we find favor: life is given through thy Name.

Paschal Lamb, by God appointed, all our sins on thee were laid: by almighty love anointed, thou hast full atonement made. All thy people are forgiven through the virtue of thy blood: opened is the gate of heaven, reconciled are we with God.

Jesus, hail! enthroned in glory, there for ever to abide; all the heavenly hosts adore thee, seated at thy Father's side. There for sinners thou art pleading: there thou dost our place prepare; ever for us interceding, till in glory we appear.

Worship, honor, power, and blessing thou art worthy to receive; highest praises, without ceasing, right it is for us to give. Help, ye bright angelic spirits, all your noblest anthems raise; help to sing our Savior's merits, help to chant Emmanuel's praise!

John Bakewell (1721-1819) and Martin Madan (1726-1790), alt.

## Dismissal

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

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

## Postlude

*Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us*

Sicilian Mariners



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