



St. Andrew's Episcopal Church

The Fourth Sunday of Easter

21 April 2024

**The Holy Eucharist: Rite II
Book of Common Prayer (BCP 355)**

*Welcome to St. Andrew's'. We are honored by your presence.
Keep a quiet space: This is a house of prayer for all people.
Please silence cell phones and pagers.*

Celebration of Earth Day

For Joy in God's Creation

BCP 814

O Heavenly Father, who hast filled the world with beauty: open our eyes to behold thy gracious hand in all they works;
that, rejoicing in thy whole creation, we may learn to serve thee with gladness; for the sake of him through whom all things were made, thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The Word of God

Opening Voluntary

Hymn at the Procession

"Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee!"

Hymnal 376

Hymn to Joy

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People: The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

The Collect for Purity

BCP 355

The Pascha nostrum

WLP 880

God's Paschal Lamb is sacrificed for us
Therefore with joy we keep the Easter feast;
Forsaking sin, we share the bread of truth.
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!
Now Christ is raised

And will not die again
Death has no more
Dominion over him
Through him we die
To sin and live to God
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!
In Christ we see
The first fruits of the dead
Though Adam's sin
Had doomed all flesh to die,
In Christ's new life
Shall all be made alive.
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Let us pray

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.*

A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles

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, who 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 (*Sung by ALL, seated*)

Hymnal 645

"The King of Love My Shepherd Is"

St. Columba

A Reading from the First Letter of 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 to 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!*

The Sequence Hymn:
“Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us”

Hymnal 708
Sicilian Mariners

The Gospel

John 15:1-8

Priest: 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 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.

Priest: The Gospel of our Lord

People: *Praise to you, Lord Christ*

The Homily

The Rev. Annie Knazs Jung

The Nicene Creed

BCP 358

The Prayers of the People: Form IV

BCP 388

The Peace

Welcome and Announcements

During this time, our Rector will welcome friends, new and old, and offer the opportunity to come forward for birthday and anniversary blessings and prayers for safe travels. Please come forward as you are able. We thank you kindly for your participation and initiative

in our many parish activities. Please continue to lead, with God's help, our parish on our mission and vocation.

The Liturgy of the Table

The Offertory Anthem

“For Everyone Born”

Shirley Murray/Brian Mann

Arr. Tom Trenney

For everyone born, a place at the table, clean water and bread, a shelter, a space, a safe place for growing, a star overhead. And God will delight when we are creators of justice and joy, compassion and peace, justice and joy! For young and for old, a place at the table, a voice to be heard, a part of the song. The hands of a child in hands that are wrinkled, for young and for old the right to belong, to live without fear and simply to be, to work, to speak out, to witness and worship, a right to be free.

Hymn at the Presentation

Hymnal 400

“Praise God from whom All Blessings Flow...Alleluia!

Eucharistic Prayer D

BCP 372

Sanctus and Benedictus

Hymnal S129 *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.

The Lord's Prayer

BCP 365

The Fraction Anthem: Christ Our Passover

WLP 866

All who seek God and a deeper life in Christ are welcome to receive Holy Eucharist. (If you prefer, you are invited to come forward and cross your hands over your heart to receive a blessing.)

The Communion Anthem:

“Now the Green Blade Riseth”

Medieval French Carol

Text: Hymnal # 204.

Post Communion Prayer

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 Eastertide Blessing

The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting

covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. *Amen.*

Hymn at the Procession

“Good Christians All, Rejoice and Sing!

Hymnal 205, v.1 and 3-5

Gelobt sei Gott

The Dismissal

“Let us go forth in the in the Name of Christ.” Alleluia, Alleluia.” **BCP 366**

Closing Voluntary