St. David's Episcopal Church The Fourth Sunday of Easter April 21, 2024, 8 &10 AM



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Opening Hymn: Gather Us In (10 AM Only)

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- 1 Here in this place the new light is stream-ing, now is the dark ness
- 2 We are the young, our lives are a mys-t'ry, we are the old who
- 3 Here we will take the wine and the wa ter, here we will take the
- 4 Not in the dark of build-ings con fin ing, not in some heav en,



van - ished a - way; yearn for your face; bread of new birth, light years a - way—

see in this space our fears and our dream-ings we have been sung through - out all of his - t'ry, here you shall call your sons and your daugh-ters, here in this place the new light is shin - ing,



brought here the light of day. to you in this called light whole hu - man to be the race. to call us a - new be salt for the earth. to now is the king - dom, and now is the day.

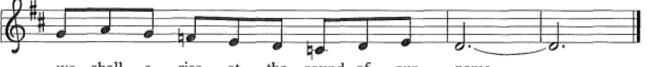


Gath-er the lost and for - sak - en, us in, Gath-er the rich and the haugh-ty, in, us Give us wine of com-pas-sion, to drink the and hold us for - ev - er, Gath-er us in

gath-er us in, the gath-er us in, the give us to eat the gath-er us in and



blind and the lame; proud and the strong; bread that is you; make us your own; call to us now, and give us a heart, so nour-ish us well, and gath-er us in, all we shall a - wak - en, meek and so low - ly, teach us to fash - ion peo - ples to - geth - er,



we shall a - rise the sound of at our name. give us the cour - age en - ter the to song. lives that ho - ly are and hearts that true. are fire . . of love our flesh and bone. in our

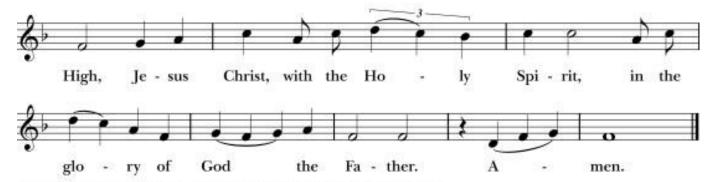
Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People: The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Collect for Purity

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 hole Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen**.





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The Collect of the Day

Celebrant: The Lord be with you People: And also with you

Celebrant: Let us pray, saying together

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 Book of 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."

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's 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.

A Reading from 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.

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This week's Altar Flowers are given by
Scott and Beth Chase
in remembrance of their mother, Pat.



Words: Isaac Watts (1674-1748); para. of Psalm 23

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The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John 10:11:18 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."

The Gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, Lord Christ.

<u>Sermon</u>

Reverend Marilyn McMillan

The Nicene Creed

All stand as able.

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. Who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified. Who 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.

People may stand, sit, or kneel.

Prayer for the Earth - by the Rt. Rev. Steven Croft, Bishop of Oxford

Creator of our common home, you fill the earth and sea and sky with life. Forgive us our neglect of your creation, the choking waste of our pollution, the damage done by careless habits, and our indifference to future generations. Help us to amend our lives to refuse more plastic if we can't reuse it, to lift our voice for lasting change, and to live well and gently on the earth to the glory of your Son, the Living Word, through whom you made this fragile world. **Amen**.

Prayers of the People for Easter (Lutheran Church of Australia, adapted)

God of infinite goodness, we pray for your church: In our Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we pray for the Anglican Church of Australia. In our Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we pray for the Churches of the Concord River Deanery; Church of the Good Shepherd, Acton; St. Andrew's, Ayer; Trinity Church, Concord; St. Andrew's, Framingham; and the Margaret Coffin Prayer Book Society.

We also pray for the election of our next diocesan bishop.

Almighty God, giver of every good gift: look graciously on your Church, and so guide the minds of those who shall choose a bishop for this Diocese, that we may receive a faithful pastor, who will care for your people and equip us for our ministries; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Loving God, you bring new life where there is lifelessness.

We praise you for the glorious resurrection of Jesus, our Lord.

Congregation may add thanksgivings aloud or silently.

Your Son met the women in the garden and sent them to proclaim his resurrection to the disciples.

Guide all who love you to know the power of resurrection in their lives.

Your Son revealed himself on the Road to Emmaus through Scripture and the breaking of the bread.

Reveal him to all people through your holy word and sacrament.

Your Son said, 'Peace be with you'.

Bring your peace to our communities, our nation, and the world.

Your Son welcomed the stranger, fed the hungry, and healed those who were ill.

Transform us to care for those who suffer or despair.

Congregation may add intercessions aloud or silently.

Your Son appeared to Mary Magdalene when she was weeping.

Comfort those who are sad, lonely, or grieving.

Congregation may add intercessions aloud or silently.

Your Son conquered death and opened the gates of eternal life.

Strengthen our faith that you will be with us in the hour of our death and gather us with our loved ones in your eternal joy.

Heavenly Father, grant that all who celebrate this joy-filled Eastertide may one day praise you with all the saints and angels in heaven, through your risen Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

The Peace

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

Announcements and Offertory Sentence

Offertory Anthem - Lamb of God Paris, arr. Larson)

Your only Son, no sin to hide, But you have sent him from your side

To walk upon this guilty sod, And to become the Lamb of God

Your gift of love they crucified, They laughed and scorned him as he died

The humble King they named a fraud, And sacrificed the Lamb of God

Refrain:

O Lamb of God, sweet Lamb of God, I love the holy Lamb of God, O wash me in his precious Blood , My Jesus Christ, the Lamb of God $\,$

I was so lost, I should have died, But you have brought me to your side

To be led by your staff and rod, And to be called a lamb of God

(Refrain)

Presentation Hymn: (Said at 8, sung at 10) All stand as able.

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God all creatures here below; Praise God above ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving (from Enriching our Worship, Eucharist 1)

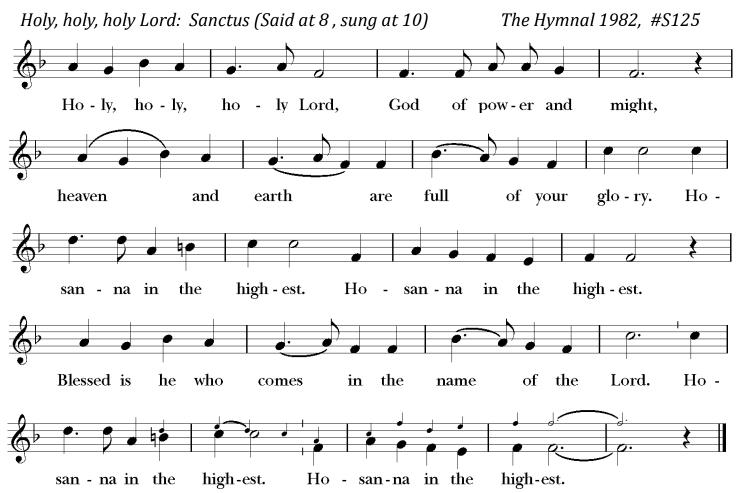
Celebrant May God be with you.
People And also with you.
Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

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.

It is truly right, and good and joyful, to give you thanks, all-holy God, source of life and fountain of mercy. You have filled us and all creation with your blessing and fed us with your constant love; you have redeemed us in Jesus Christ and knit us into one body. Through your Spirit you replenish us and call us to fullness of life.

Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we sing:



People may stand, sit, or kneel.

Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life. You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love. You gave the world into our care that we might be your faithful stewards and show forth your bountiful grace.

But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves; we would not see your goodness in the world around us; and so we violated your creation, abused one another, and rejected your love. Yet you never ceased to care for us, and prepared the way of salvation for all people.

Through Abraham, Sarah and Hagar, you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery, sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation. Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus. Born into the human family, and dwelling among us, he revealed your glory. Giving himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and life.

On the night before he died for us, Our Savior Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his friends, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said: "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me." Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine. By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ. Grant that we who share these gifts may be filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ's Body in the world. Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your daughters and sons, that with the Virgin Mary, Joseph our Lord's earthly father, David of Wales our patron and all your saints, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name for ever.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, forever and ever. **AMEN.**

Celebrant: And now as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray:

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

The priest breaks the bread in silence and then says Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

The Invitation

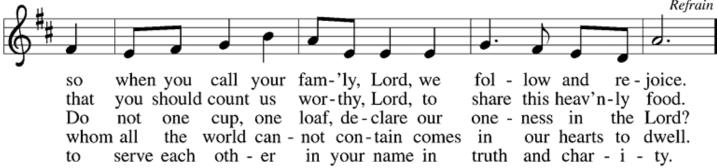
The Gifts of God for the People of God.

St. David's welcomes everyone to participate in communion.
All people so moved, please come forward and receive this great feast!
Gluten free wafers are available.

If you wish to receive a blessing, please come forward and cross your arms over your chest.

Healing Prayer is offered in the Kimber Chapel during Communion.





Text: Omer Westendorf, 1916-1997 Music: Robert E. Kreutz, 1922-1996 Text and music © 1977 Archdiocese of Philadelphia

Post-Communion Prayer

Loving God, we give you thanks for restoring us in your image and nourishing us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood. Now send us forth a people, forgiven, healed, renewed; that we may proclaim your love to the world and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

Commissioning of Eucharistic Visitors

Celebrant: We send you forth, bearing the Gifts of God, that those to whom you go, may share with us in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood.

People: We who are many, are one body, because we all share one Bread, one Cup.

The Blessing

Closing Hymn: The King of Love My Shepherd Is (10 AM Only) The Hymnal 1982 - #645



Words: Henry Williams Baker (1821-1877); para. of Psalm 23 Music: St. Columba, Irish mlody; harm. Hymnal 1982

Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia Alleluia Thanks be to God Alleluia.

Serving Today	<u>8AM</u>	<u>10AM</u>
Acolytes:	Julie Grogan	Steve Mulligan
Altar Guild Team1: Janis Rennie, Leader; Lori Flannery, Judy Lundsten and Donna Gilson		
Coffee Hosts:	Al & Jackie Frasier	John Hays
Eucharistic Ministers:		
Eucharistic Visitors:		
Greeters:	Ken & Jean Blake	Richard & Kathleen Banks
Lectors:	Neil Murray & Carol Carlson	Julie Grogan and Elizabeth Mcinnes
Prayer Ministry:		Janet Tapply and Kate Ramsay
Ushers:	Ken & Jean Blake	Robin Ward and Julie Grogan