

**Worship Plan for Sunday, May 3, 2020**

Fourth Sunday of Easter

Daily Morning Prayer Rite Two

Sunday, May 3, 2020

**OPENING SENTENCE (BCP p. 75)**

*The Officiant says*

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

*The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!*

The Invitatory and Psalter

**VERSICLE (BCP p. 80)**

*All stand*

*Officiant* Lord, open our lips.

*People* And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

*Officiant and People*

*Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen. Alleluia.*

**ANTIPHON (BCP p. 80)**

Alleluia. The Lord is risen indeed: Come let us adore him. Alleluia.

**INVITATORY (BCP p. 80)**

*In Easter Week, the following is sung or said. It may also be used daily until the Day of Pentecost.*

*Alleluia.*

*Christ our Passover has been sacrificed for us; \**

*therefore let us keep the feast,*

*Not with the old leaven, the leaven of malice and evil, \**

*but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth. Alleluia.*

*Christ being raised from the dead will never die again; \**

*death no longer has dominion over him.*

*The death that he died, he died to sin, once for all; \**

*but the life he lives, he lives to God.*

*So also consider yourselves dead to sin, \**

*and alive to God in Jesus Christ our Lord. Alleluia.*

*Christ has been raised from the dead, \**

*the first fruits of those who have fallen asleep.*

*For since by a man came death, \**

*by a man has come also the resurrection of the dead.*

*For as in Adam all die, \**  
*so also in Christ shall all be made alive. Alleluia.*

**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.*

*At the end of the Psalm is sung or said*

*Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: \**  
*as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.*

**FIRST READING: Acts 2:42-47**

*The people sit.*

A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

<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.

*Reader*            The Word of the Lord.

*People*            Thanks be to God.

*Silence may follow.*

## **FIRST CANTICLE (BCP p. 85)**

Canticle 10: The Second Song of Isaiah

*Quaerite Dominum Isaiah 55:6-11*

*Seek the Lord while he wills to be found; \*  
call upon him when he draws near.  
Let the wicked forsake their ways \*  
and the evil ones their thoughts;  
And let them turn to the Lord, and he will have compassion, \*  
and to our God, for he will richly pardon.  
For my thoughts are not your thoughts, \*  
nor your ways my ways, says the Lord.  
For as the heavens are higher than the earth, \*  
so are my ways higher than your ways,  
and my thoughts than your thoughts.  
For as rain and snow fall from the heavens \*  
and return not again, but water the earth,  
Bringing forth life and giving growth, \*  
seed for sowing and bread for eating,  
So is my word that goes forth from my mouth; \*  
it will not return to me empty;  
But it will accomplish that which I have purposed, \*  
and prosper in that for which I sent it.  
Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: \*  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.*

## **SECOND READING: 1 Peter 2:19-25**

*The people sit.*

A Reading from the First letter of Peter.

<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.

*Reader*            The Word of the Lord.

*People*            Thanks be to God.

*Silence may follow.*

**SECOND CANTICLE (BCP p. 85)**

Canticle P (EOW): A Song of the Spirit

*Revelation 22:12-17*

*“Behold, I am coming soon,” says the Lord,  
“and bringing my reward with me, \*  
to give to everyone according to their deeds.  
“I am the Alpha and the Omega, the first and the last, \*  
the beginning and the end.”  
Blessed are those who do God’s commandments,  
that they may have the right to the tree of life, \*  
and may enter the city through the gates.  
“I, Jesus, have sent my angel to you, \*  
with this testimony for all the churches.  
“I am the root and the offspring of David, \*  
I am the bright morning star.”  
“Come!” say the Spirit and the Bride; \*  
“Come!” let each hearer reply!  
Come forward, you who are thirsty, \*  
let those who desire take the water of life as a gift.*

**THIRD READING: John 10:1-10**

Priest The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John

People *Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

[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.”

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.

People *Praise to you, Lord Christ.*

*Silence may follow.*

## THE SERMON

### THE APOSTLES' CREED (BCP p. 96)

*Officiant and People together, all standing.*

*I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.  
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.  
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit  
and born of the Virgin Mary.  
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried.  
He descended to the dead.  
On the third day he rose again.  
He ascended into heaven,  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.  
I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.*

## The Prayers

### SALUTATION (BCP p. 97)

*The people stand or kneel*

<i>Officiant</i>	The Lord be with you.
<i>People</i>	And also with you.
<i>Officiant</i>	Let us pray.

### THE LORD'S PRAYER (BCP p. 97)

*Officiant and People*

*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,  
forever and ever. Amen.*

### **SUFFRAGES (BCP p. 97)**

V. Show us your mercy, O Lord;

R. *And grant us your salvation.*

V. Clothe your ministers with righteousness;

R. *Let your people sing with joy.*

V. Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;

R. *For only in you can we live in safety.*

V. Lord, keep this nation under your care;

R. *And guide us in the way of justice and truth.*

V. Let your way be known upon earth;

R. *Your saving health among all nations.*

V. Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;

R. *Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.*

V. Create in us clean hearts, O God;

R. *And sustain us with your Holy Spirit.*

### **THE COLLECT OF THE DAY (BCP p. 98)**

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 COLLECT FOR SUNDAYS (BCP p. 98)**

O God, you make us glad with the weekly remembrance of the glorious resurrection of your Son our Lord: Give us this day such blessing through our worship of you, that the week to come may be spent in your favor; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

### **A COLLECT FOR GRACE (BCP p. 98)**

Lord God, almighty and everlasting Father, you have brought us in safety to this new day: Preserve us with your mighty power, that we may not fall into sin, nor be overcome by adversity; and in all we do, direct us to the fulfilling of your purpose; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

### **PRAYER FOR MISSION (BCP p. 100)**

O God, you have made of one blood all the peoples of the earth, and sent your blessed Son to preach peace to those who are far off and to those who are near: Grant that people everywhere may seek after you and find you; bring the nations into your fold; pour out your Spirit upon all flesh; and hasten the coming of your kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

## **PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE...Form IV...BCP 388**

*Deacon or other leader*

Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy

*Hear our prayer.*

Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; we pray for Donald, our President, Greg, our Governor, Sylvester, our Mayor, and for leaders of all nations, that we may honor one another and serve the common good.

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy

*Hear our prayer.*

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy

*Hear our prayer.*

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us.

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy

*Hear our prayer.*

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation.

**We Pray For: Aberlene, Ralph, Frank, Ana Lupe, Cathie, Alice, Frances, Annie, Landon, John, Dion, Clara, Cory, Mrs. Goloby, Mark, Edward, John, James, Jack & Jean, Gina, Jean, Leyna, Bob, Shannon, Lance, Leigh, Lucia, Angela, Carissa, Pete, Elizabeth, Maria Isabel, C.J., Margaret, Gretchen, Mary, Dott, Henry, Maricarolyn, David, Anthony, Valerie, and those known privately to us.**

**We pray for all those afflicted by the COVID-19 virus, those who care for them, the friends and families of those who have lost the battle, and for all doctors, nurses, and medical personnel who are caring for the sick.**

**We invite your prayers at this time. (Pause long enough to allow people to offer prayers)**

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy  
*Hear our prayer.*

We pray for Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury, Michael, the presiding Bishop, Andy, our Bishop, Mark our Rector and for all Clergy and People.

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy  
*Hear our prayer.*

We pray for peace in the world.

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy  
*Hear our prayer*

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, **we pray for the Nippon Sei Ko Kai (The Anglican Communion in Japan)** and

In the Diocese of Texas Cycle of Prayer, **we pray for St. Luke the Evangelist of Houston, St. Mark's of Houston, Trinity of Baytown, and Trinity of Houston.**

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy  
*Hear our prayer.*

We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.



*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy  
*Hear our prayer.*

*The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.*

**HYMN 645** *The King of love my shepherd is* (St. Columba)

1 The King of love my shep-herd is, whose good-ness  
2 Where streams of liv-ing wa-ter flow, my ran-somed  
\* 3 Per-verse and fool-ish oft I strayed, but yet in  
\* 4 In death's dark vale I fear no ill with thee, dear  
5 Thou spread'st a ta-ble in my sight; thy unc-tion  
6 And so through all the length of days thy good-ness

1 fail-eth nev-er; I noth-ing lack if  
2 soul he lead-eth, and where the ver-dant  
3 love he sought me, and on his shoul-der  
4 Lord, be-side me; thy rod and staff my  
5 grace be-stow-eth; and oh, what trans-port  
6 fail-eth nev-er: Good Shep-herd, may I

1 I am his, and he is mine for ev-er.  
2 pas-tures grow, with food ce-les-tial feed-eth.  
3 gent-ly laid, and home, re-joic-ing, brought me.  
4 com-fort still, thy cross be-fore to guide me.  
5 of de-light from thy pure chal-ice flow-eth!  
6 sing thy praise with-in thy house for ev-er.

**THE GENERAL THANKSGIVING (BCP p. 101)**

*Officiant and People*

*Almighty God, Father of all mercies,  
we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks  
for all your goodness and loving-kindness  
to us and to all whom you have made.  
We bless you for our creation, preservation,*

*and all the blessings of this life;  
but above all for your immeasurable love  
in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ;  
for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory.  
And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies,  
that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise,  
not only with our lips, but in our lives,  
by giving up our selves to your service,  
and by walking before you  
in holiness and righteousness all our days;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit,  
be honor and glory throughout all ages. Amen.*

**A PRAYER OF ST. CHRYSOSTOM (BCP p. 102)**

*Officiant and People*

*Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication to you; and you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name you will be in the midst of them: Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come life everlasting. Amen.*

**CONCLUDING VERSICLE (BCP p. 102)**

Let us bless the Lord, alleluia, alleluia.

*Thanks be to God, alleluia, alleluia.*

**CONCLUDING SENTENCE (BCP p. 102)**

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all evermore. *Amen. 2 Corinthians 13:14*

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