April 30, 2023
Fourth Sunday of Easter

9 & 11 AM
Holy Eucharist — Rite II

Welcome!

We have sealed cups and wafers on the left side (facing the altar) and the common cup on the right side (pulpit side). It is truly a gift to be able to kneel alongside one another again and partake in the body and blood of Jesus together. We are not offering the option of intinction as it has proven to spread illness more than drinking from the cup. If you would like to receive a blessing from a Priest, come forward and cross your arms at the rail.

Listening assistance devices are provided – ask any usher



Children's worship bulletins and bags are located in the vestibules

Altar flowers are given to the glory of God and in great gratitude for our family, past and present, by Bill and Jan Vincent.

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Prelude *Come thou fount of every blessing-2 settings* Burkhardt/Manz

Processional Hymn — 392 *Come we that love the Lord*

Opening Acclamation

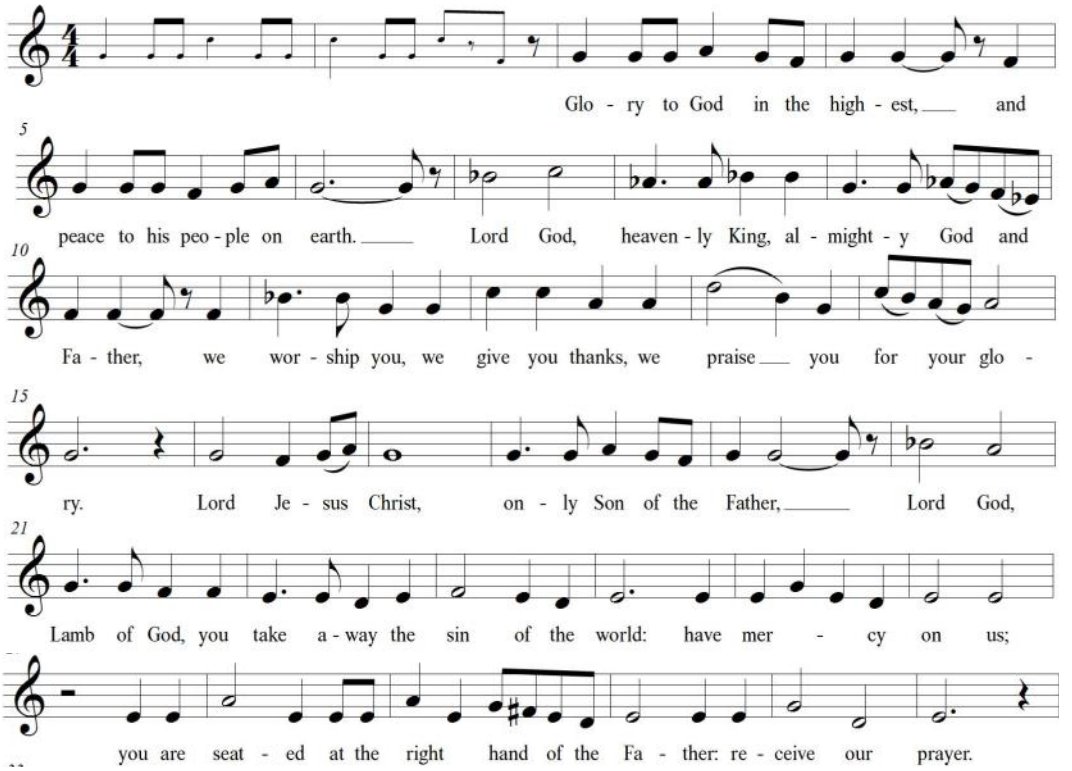
Celebrant Alleluia. Christ is risen.
People ***The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.***

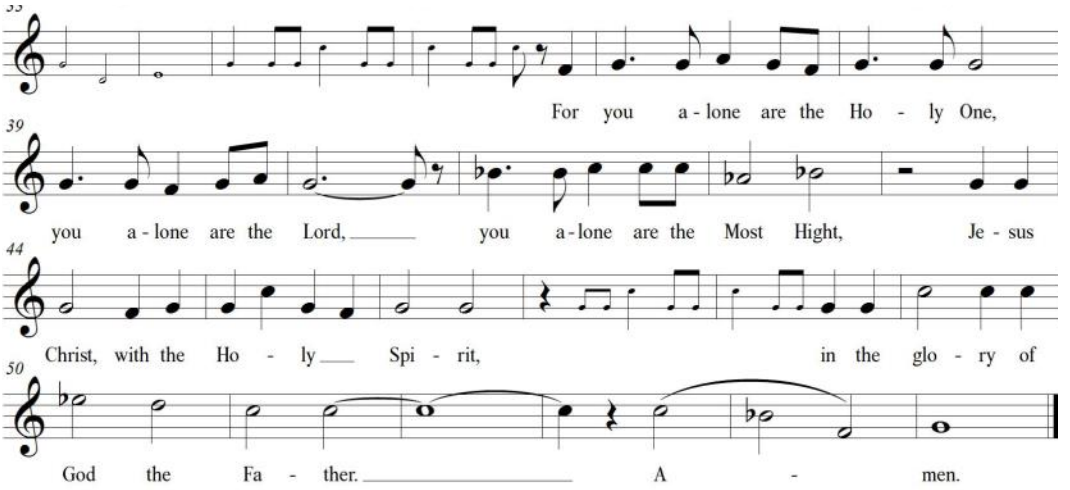
Collect for Purity

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

Gloria

Wm. Mathias





The Collect of the Day

Priest The Lord be with you.
People *And also with you*
Priest Let us pray.

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 Word of God

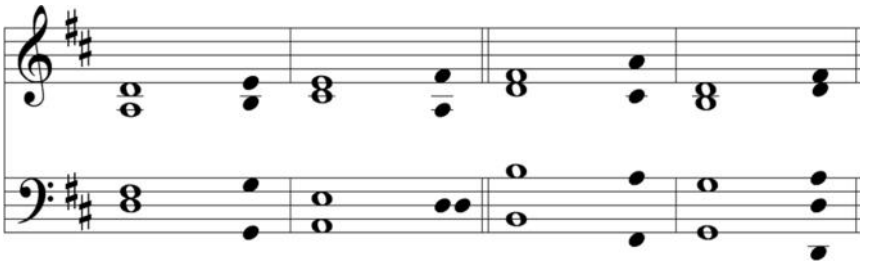
The First Lesson *(seated)* Acts 2:42-47

Those who had been baptized devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers.

Awe came upon everyone, because many wonders and signs were being done by the apostles. All who believed were together and had all things in common; they would sell their possessions and goods and distribute the proceeds to all, as any had need. 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, 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.*

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 Epistle — 1 Peter 2:19-25

It is a credit to you if, being aware of God, you endure pain while suffering unjustly. 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. 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.

"He committed no sin,

and no deceit was found in his mouth."

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. 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. 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.***

Sequence Hymn — 645, v1,2,6 — *The King of Love My Shepard Is*

The Gospel Reading — John 10:1-10

Gospeler The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to John.
People ***Glory to you, Lord Christ.***

Jesus said, "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. The one who enters by the gate is the shepherd of the sheep. The gatekeeper opens the gate for him, and the sheep hear his voice. He calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. When he has brought out all his own, he goes ahead of them, and the sheep follow him because they know his voice. They will not follow a stranger, but they will run from him because they do not know the voice of strangers." Jesus used this figure of speech with them, but they did not understand what he was saying to them.

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

Gospeler The Gospel of the Lord.
People ***Praise to you, Lord Christ.***

Sermon — The Rev. Mark D. Riley

A brief silence is observed following the sermon

Nicene Creed *(standing)*

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. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He 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.

Prayers Of The People Form III

Father, we pray for your holy catholic Church; ***That we all may be one.***

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you; ***That your Name may be glorified by all people.***

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons; for Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury; for Michael, our Presiding Bishop and Susan, our Bishop; and for Samantha and Mark our clergy; for this gathering; and for all ministers and people. *That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.*

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world; Joe, our president, Glenn, our governor, Donnie, our mayor; and for our nation's security forces and for all who go in harm's way. *That there may be justice and peace on the earth.*

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake; *That our works may find favor in your sight.*

Almighty God our heavenly Father, guide the nations of the world into the way of justice and truth, especially those involved in the war in Ukraine, and establish among them that peace which is the fruit of righteousness, *that they may become the kingdom of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.*

I ask your thanksgivings for the birthdays of Val and Leslie, and the anniversary of Mary Pat & Bob.

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble. We pray especially for those on our prayer list; *That they may be delivered from their distress.*

Give to the departed eternal rest; *Let light perpetual shine upon them.*

Let us pray, silently or aloud, for our own needs and those of others.

Confession *(kneeling)*

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

Absolution (*kneeling)*

The Peace

Priest The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People ***And also with you.***

Welcome and Announcements *(seated)*

Offertory Music **9am** *Andante and Allegro for Flute Clock* F. J. Haydn
11am *The Lord is my Shepherd* Thomas Matthews

Doxology *(standing)*

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

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer A

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People ***And also with you.***

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

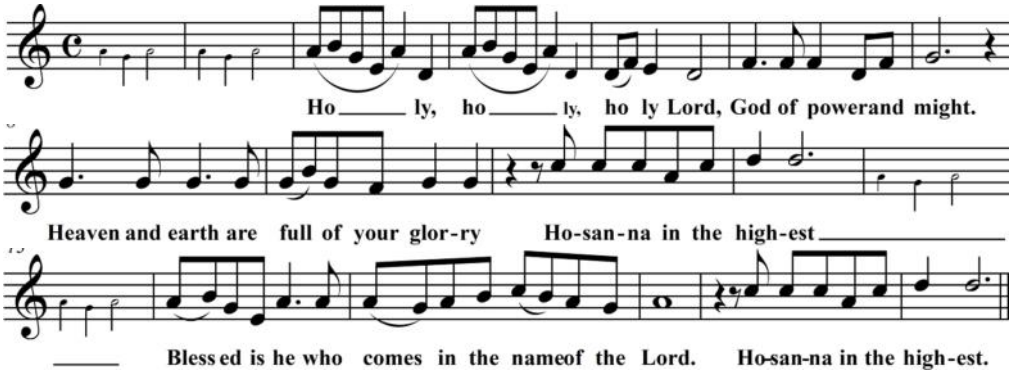
People ***We lift them to the Lord.***

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 every-where 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



Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he 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 shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

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

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. ***AMEN.***

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

The Lord's Prayer *(together)*

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 (*Silence is kept)*

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
People ***Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.***

The Distribution

Communion Music **11am** — *Brother James' Air* Gordon Jacobs

Post-Communion Prayer *(kneeling)*

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 Blessing

Recessional Hymn — 708 *Savior, like a Shepherd lead us*

Dismissal

Postlude *Trumpet Tune in D*

Participating In Today's Service

LEM 9AM Billie Rae Jeffries, Charlie Edmonson
Ushers 9AM Dave Messersmith, Carter Barrett
Altar Guild 9AM Barbara & Pat Dennehey
Acolyte Master 9AM David Bishop
Music Director/Organist Deborah Carr
Flower Delivery Jane Price

11AM Dan Clark, James Klotz
11AM Darden Barrett, H. Shaw
11AM Emily Klotz, Beth Shumate
11AM Scott Curtis
Special Music 11AM St John's Choir
Coffee Hour

Prayers And Thanksgivings

We pray for healing in the lives of Ruth Purinton, Bill Harper, Mary Scalisi, Charlotte Weber, Diana Youngclaus, Kevin Rowe, Ron Forbes, Mary Virginia Strup, Martha Messersmith, John Hutson, Susan Cowling, Linda McMahon, Inmates and Staff at Hampton City Jail, Bob Ridle, Regina Cicchetti, Eileen, Brenda Ayers, Linda Carwile, Jessica McCready, Kaleb, Frank Robert, Mike Fox, George Edmonson, Lauren, John Stant, Pam Lawson, Dave Forrest, Paige, Mimi, Sue Tillery, Cabel Potts, Bobby Phillips, Julia Mulherin, Ann Sawyer, and John MacFarland.

We give thanksgivings for the birthdays of Val Bowen (4/30) and Leslie Stay (5/5).

We give thanksgivings for the anniversary of Mary Pat & Bob Croft (5/2).

Calendar

April 30 - May 6, 2022

Sunday, 4/30

9AM Holy Eucharist—Rite II
10AM Christian Formation
11AM Holy Eucharist—Rite II

Monday, 5/1

8PM AA
9PM Compline

Tuesday, 5/2

10:30AM St Anne's Guild
9PM Compline

Wednesday, 5/3

3PM Zoom Bible Study
5:30PM THRIVE
6PM Handbells
7PM Choir
9PM Compline

Thursday, 5/4

11AM THRIVE
12PM Bible Study
8PM AA
9PM Compline

Friday, 5/5

9:15AM Women's Al-Anon

Announcements

Nursery Closed: Unfortunately we are down a nursery person. We are currently looking for a new person to work in our nursery. However, we will have to close it until we find that person.

Bible Study: "The Acts of the Apostles"; our new in-person bible study group is just beginning. We meet on Thursday at Noon in the parish hall. Drop in visitors are always welcome. We begin and end in prayer for those on our hearts. Questions? Email Mark.

Zoom Bible Study: "The Acts of the Apostles"; if you are unable to join us in person, we are continuing our zoom study group. We meet at 3PM on Wednesday via Zoom. We begin and end in prayer for those on our hearts. Join us! Questions? Email Mark.

Book Club: The St. John's Book Club will meet Monday, May 8, at 4PM on the stage in the parish house. For that meeting we will read *City of Thieves* by David Benioff through page 124 (end of Chapter 13). New members are welcome! For more information, please contact Susan Edmonson at 757-325-6676 or edmonson4@cox.net.

St Anne's Guild Meeting: Our next meeting is Tuesday, May 2nd at 10:30am in the parish house. Master Naturalist Jackie Spencer will present on beavers - God's natural bioengineers - and how they can help solve our current climate crisis. A mid-morning snack will be provided.

Christian Formation

Children and Youth Christian Formation: We have two Christian Formation classes for children and youth ages 3-7 and ages 8 and up on Sunday mornings at 10AM. All are welcome!

Adult Christian Formation: "The Walk: Five Essential Practices of the Christian Life". This Adam Hamilton (Author) series focuses on five essential spiritual practices rooted in Jesus' own walk with God and taught throughout the New Testament. Each is intended as part of our daily walk with Christ and an essential part of growing together in the church. We meet on the stage at 10AM (Materials provided). All are welcome.

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2025 — Darden Barrett; Ron Kindley; Brad Norris

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