

May 3, 2020

Fourth Sunday of Easter

# Children Celebrate!

Liturgy of the Word with Children

## Today's Readings

Acts 2:14a, 36–41  
Psalm 23:1–3a, 3b–4, 6  
John 10:1–10



## We Pray

Jesus, you are the Good Shepherd.  
Guide us every day. Amen.



## The Word of God This Week

### Jesus Is the Savior

Jesus said, "Only thieves and robbers climb over the fence. The gatekeeper always opens the gate for the shepherd. The shepherd calls each sheep by name. The sheep know the shepherd's voice and will follow him. They will not follow a stranger's voice."

The people didn't understand what he was saying, so he said, "I am the gate through which everyone must come to be saved. Anyone who has come before me was false."



## Activity

Beginning at the arrow, write down every other letter to find out what Jesus said in this week's Gospel.



### Family Corner

#### Faith Focus

So often we tell our children not to follow the crowd. We want them to become independent thinkers. So how do we get across the concept of following Christ? Perhaps the best way is to make the mention of Jesus' name and goodness part of our everyday vocabulary. If we give examples of doing things or handling situations as Jesus would, the more meaningful the concept of the Good Shepherd will become.

#### Family Activity

Cut an outline of a sheep out of construction paper. Keep a supply of cotton balls and a bottle of glue near the sheep. During this coming week, invite each family member to place a cotton ball in the sheep's body every time he or she has done something helpful for others. At a meal or another gathering time toward the end of the week, share some of the good things each family member has done.