



St. Luke's Cathedral

# The Fourth Sunday of Easter

April 21st, 2024

**Welcome!**



The Cathedral Church of St. Luke  
in the  
Episcopal Diocese of Maine  
and the  
City of Portland

*Whoever you are,  
and wherever you may be on the journey of the spirit,  
The Episcopal Church welcomes you.*

**Holy Eucharist, Rite II**  
**7:30AM** in Emmanuel Chapel  
**10:00AM** in the Nave & Livestreamed

## Welcome to St. Luke's Cathedral!

We are a faith community with ancient worship and modern thought, catholic traditions and progressive theology. We proclaim a Biblical perspective for thinking people, a respect for reason, science, and a diversity of perspective. This empowers compassion and care for both the wider community and one another. Our commitment to welcome and inclusion is central to our mission modeled on the Kingdom of God and proclaimed by Jesus Christ. We are part of the 1.7 million-member **Episcopal Church** in the United States, and the 85 million-member worldwide **Anglican Communion**.

### St. Luke's Territorial Acknowledgement

St Luke's acknowledges that we are worshiping on "unceded territory taken by force and previously occupied by the **Wabanaki people**." (*Amended City Charter, Portland, Maine*). Some of the resources that built this cathedral came from industry related to the slave trade in the Eighteenth and Nineteenth Centuries. We join our fellow residents in honoring the Wabanaki knowledge and culture that continues to thrive in the Tribal Nations. We ask for Blessing and Peace upon all indigenous peoples that have called, and always will call, this place—"The Dawnland"—HOME.

THE  
*Episcopal*  
CHURCH



### Our Mission

**Today, St. Luke's welcomes every person** to share in the Episcopal Church's mission "to restore all people to unity with God and each other in Jesus Christ." As a cathedral, St. Luke's is the seat of the bishop and the chief mission church of the Diocese and people of Maine. St. Luke's first service was held on Christmas Day in 1868, and continues over 150 years of reaching out to the city and people of Portland.

### Service Participants

<i>Preacher &amp; Celebrant</i>	The Reverend George Stevens, <i>Interim Dean</i>
<i>Assisting</i>	The Reverend Rebecca Grant, <i>Deacon</i>
<i>Music Leader &amp; Organist</i>	Christian Clough, <i>Canon for Liturgy &amp; Music</i>
<i>Vergers</i>	Randi Hogan
<i>Crucifer</i>	Eleanor Roberts
<i>Ushers</i>	Bob Parshley, Martha Parshley, Chester Bishop, Mary Linneman
<i>Lector</i>	Judd Hume
<i>Prayers Leader</i>	William Salomon
<i>Live Streaming</i>	Jack Swanton, Sam Allen
<i>The Healing Team</i>	Elise Magnuson, Judd Hume
<i>Eucharistic Ministers</i>	Philip Hamilton, Joseph deKay
<i>Contributing Ministries</i>	The Cathedral Choir, Acolytes, Vergers, Flower Guild, Altar Guild, The Kneeler Guild

*The altar flowers for this morning's services are given in celebration  
of the 35th wedding anniversary of the Reverend Suzanne Roberts & M. Parker Roberts*

### We invite you to pray this morning for... *members of our parish family*

Garrison Murrell, Sarah Braik, Muffie Fernald, The Reverend Anne Fowler

### *members of our extended parish family*

Melissa Conaway (*sister-in-law of Christian Clough*), Kelvin Worthley (*father of the Reverend Christopher Worthley*),  
Michael Jones (*cousin of Anna Messmer*)

## Prelude

## Chorale Prelude on “Christ ist erstanden” (“*Christ is arisen*”)

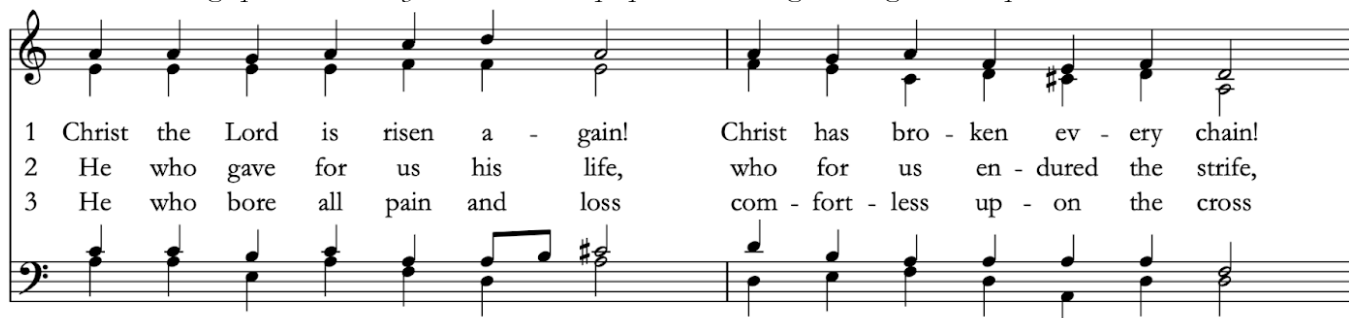
setting: Peter Piel (1835 - 1904), after a 16th c. German melody

## Words of Welcome

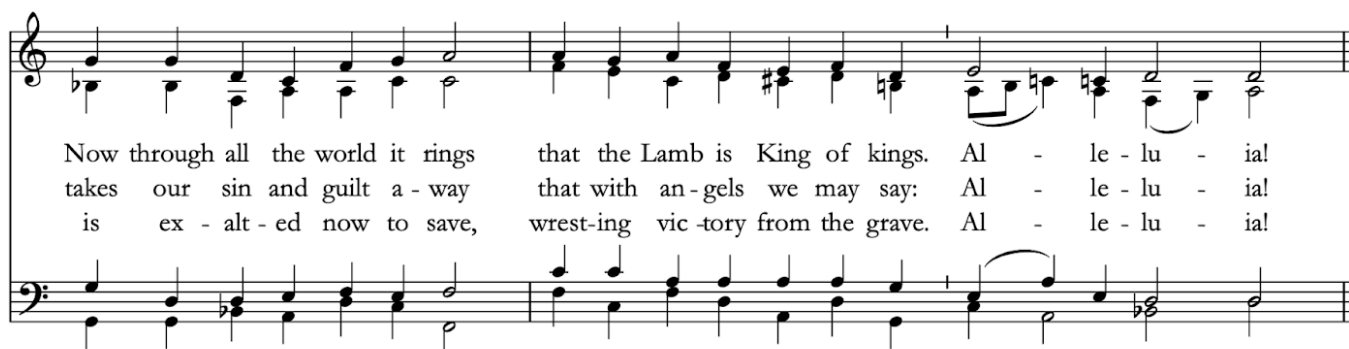
The Reverend George Stevens, *Interim Dean*

## The Word of God

*When the tower bell rings, please stand as you are able. The people are encouraged to sing all music printed in the bulletin.*



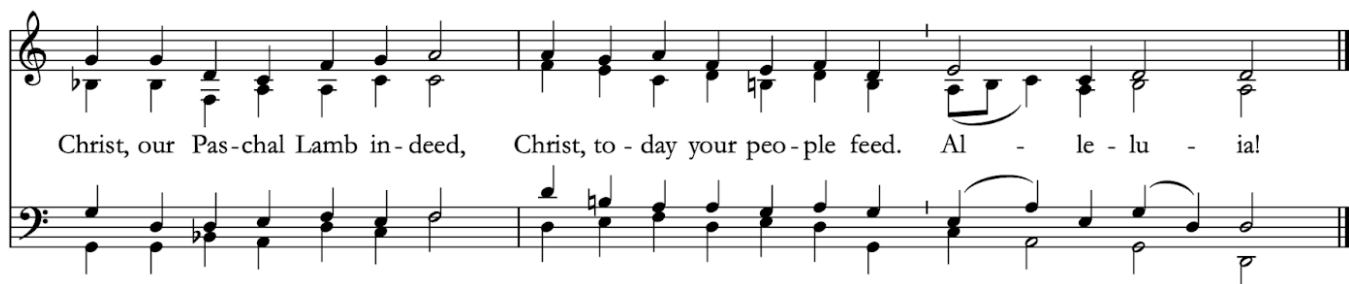
1 Christ the Lord is risen a - gain! Christ has bro - ken ev - ery chain!  
2 He who gave for us his life, who for us en - dured the strife,  
3 He who bore all pain and loss com - fort - less up - on the cross



Now through all the world it rings that the Lamb is King of kings. Al - le - lu - ia!  
takes our sin and guilt a - way that with an - gels we may say: Al - le - lu - ia!  
is ex - alt - ed now to save, wrest - ing vic - tory from the grave. Al - le - lu - ia!



*Refrain*  
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!



Christ, our Pas - chal Lamb in - deed, Christ, to - day your peo - ple feed. Al - le - lu - ia!

*The Hymnal 1982 – #184 “Christ the Lord is risen again” Words: Michael Weisse (1480-1534); tr. Catherine Winkworth (1827-1878), alt.  
Music: Christ ist erstanden, 77. 77. 4 with Refrain, melody from Geistliche Lieder, 1533; harm. after Hans Leo Hassler (1564-1612)*

## The Opening Acclamation

*Celebrant*

Alleluia. Christ is risen!

*People*

Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

*Celebrant* May God be with you  
**People** And also with you.  
*Celebrant* Let us pray.

### The Collect for Purity

**People** 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 Savior. Amen.

### Song of Praise

*Gloria in excelsis*

*The choir introduces the refrain, which all then repeat together. The choir sings the verses, with the people joining in singing the refrain where indicated.*

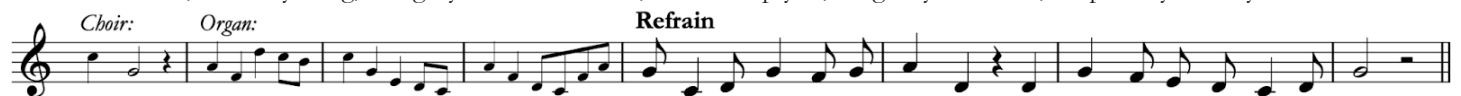
**Refrain**



Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to his peo-ple on earth.

*Choir:* Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your...

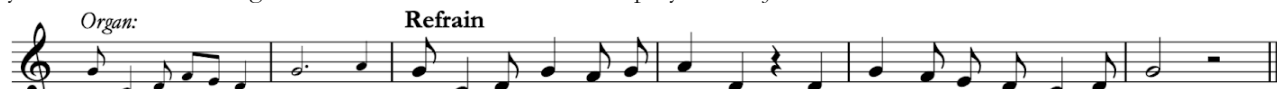
*Choir:* *Organ:* **Refrain**



glo ry. Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to his peo-ple on earth.

*Choir:* Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer. *Refrain*

*Organ:* **Refrain**



Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to his peo-ple on earth.

*Choir:* For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the...

*Choir:* *Organ:* *People:*



Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the glo-ry of God the Fath-er. A - men.

Words: 4th c. hymn; tr. ICET. Music: from *Missa Pax et Bonum*, Roland E. Martin (b. 1955), Copyright © 2000 St. James Music Press

*Celebrant* May God be with you.  
**People** And also with you.  
*Celebrant* Let us pray.

### Collect of the Day

*Celebrant* 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.  
**People** Amen.

*Please sit.*

### First Reading

*Acts 4:5-12*

*Reader* A reading from the fourth chapter of Acts.

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.”

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

*People* Thanks be to God.

### Psalm 23 at the Gradual

*sung by the choir*

O God, you are my shepherd; I shall not be in want.  
You make me lie down in green pastures and lead me beside still waters.  
You revive my soul and guide me along right pathways for the sake of your Name.  
Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I shall fear no evil;  
or you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.  
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.  
Surely your goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life,  
and I will dwell in the house of God for ever.

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Music: Anglican chant by Jeffrey Smith, *composed for Psalm 23*

### Second Reading

*1 John 3:16-24*

*Reader* A reading from the third chapter of the first letter of John.

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.

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

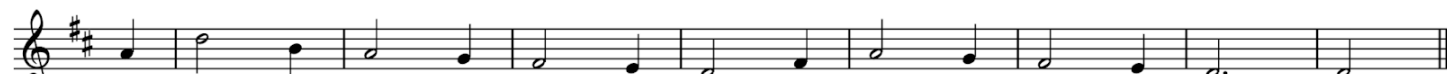
*People* Thanks be to God.

*Please stand as you are able.*

### Hymn at the Sequence



1. The King of love my\_ shep - herd is, whose good - ness fail - eth\_ nev - er;  
2. Where streams of liv - ing\_ wa - ter flow, my\_ ran - somed soul he\_ lead - eth,  
3. Per - verse and fool - ish\_ oft I strayed, but\_ yet in love he\_ sought me,  
4. In\_ death's dark vale I\_ fear no ill with thee, dear Lord, be - side me;  
5. Thou spread'st a ta - ble\_ in my sight; thy\_ unc - tion grace be - stow - eth;  
6. And so through all the\_ length of days thy\_ good - ness fail - eth\_ nev - er:



I noth - ing lack if I am his, and he is mine for ev - er.  
and where the ver - dant pas - tures grow, with food ce - les - tial feed - eth.  
and on his shoul - der gent - ly laid, and home, re - joic - ing, brought me.  
thy rod and staff my com - fort still, thy cross be - fore to guide me.  
and oh, what trans - port of de - light from thy pure chal - ice flow - eth!  
Good Shep - herd, may I sing thy praise with - in thy house for ev - er.

The Hymnal 1982 – #645 “The King of love my shepherd is” Words: Henry Williams Baker (1821-1877); para. Psalm 23. Music: *St. Columba*, Irish melody, harm. *Hymnal 1982*

*Deacon* The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to John.  
*People* **Glory to you, O Christ.**

**Gospel** *John 10:11-18*

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."

*Deacon* The Gospel of our Savior.  
*People* **Praise to you, O Christ.**

*Please sit.*

**Sermon**

The Reverend George Stevens, *Interim Dean*

*Please stand as you are able.*

**The Nicene Creed**

from *Enriching our Worship*

*People* **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,  
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human.**

**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,  
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.**

## The Prayers of the People

*Form IV*

*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*

*People* Lord, in your mercy  
**Hear our prayer.**

*Leader* Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good.

*Silence*

*People* Lord, in your mercy  
**Hear our prayer.**

*Leader* 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*

*People* Lord, in your mercy  
**Hear our prayer.**

*Leader* 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.

*The Leader reads the names from the parish prayer list, printed on the inside cover of your bulletin.*

*During the silence that follows, you are invited to add names, silently or aloud.*

*Silence*

*People* Lord, in your mercy  
**Hear our prayer.**

*Leader* 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.

*Silence*

*People* Lord, in your mercy  
**Hear our prayer.**

*Leader* 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*

*People* Lord, in your mercy  
**Hear our prayer.**

*Leader* In the Diocesan cycle of prayer we pray for St. Philip, Wiscasset; for the spread of the Gospel to all the world; and for the Diocesan Climate Justice Council.

*People* **Hear our prayer.**

## Concluding Collect

*Celebrant* O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of your mercies, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to you we give glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and for ever.

*People* **Amen.**

## The Peace

*Celebrant* The peace of Christ be always with you.

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

*The People may greet one another in the name of God. Afterward, please sit.*

## Announcements

# The Holy Communion

## Offertory

*Celebrant*

Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, as an offering and sacrifice to God.



Give to St. Luke's

*A free will offering in support of the mission and ministry of the Cathedral is taken at this time.*

*All quarters in the offering plate go to support lunches for the school children in Duni, Haiti.*

*Online giving is available at <[stlukesportland.org/give/](http://stlukesportland.org/give/)>.*

*The choir sings*

My Shepherd will supply my need,  
Jehovah is his name;  
In pastures fresh he makes me feed,  
Beside the living stream.

He brings my wand'ring spirit back  
When I forsake his ways,  
And leads me for his mercy's sake,  
In paths of truth and grace.

When I walk thro' the shades of death,  
Thy presence is my stay;  
One word of thy supporting breath  
Drives all my fears away.

Thy hand in sight of all my foes  
Doth still my table spread;  
My cup with blessings overflows,  
Thine oil anoints my head.

The sure provisions of my God  
Attend me all my days;  
O may thy house be mine abode,  
And all my work be praise!

There would I find a settled rest,  
(While others go and come)  
No more a stranger or a guest,  
But like a child at home.

Text: Isaac Watts (1674-1748), para. Psalm 23. Music: arr. Virgil Thompson (1896-1989), after *Resignation*, anon. (*Southern Harmony*)

1 Praise the Lord, rise up re - joic - ing, wor - ship, thanks, de - vo - tion voic - ing;  
2 Scat - tered flock, one shep - herd shar - ing, lost and lone - ly, one voice hear - ing,  
3 Sins for - giv - en, wrongs for - giv - ing, we go forth a - lert and liv - ing

glo - ry be to God on high! Christ, your cross and pas - sion shar - ing,  
ears at - ten - tive to your word; by your Blood new life re - ceiv - ing,  
in your Spi - rit, strong and free. Part - ners in your new cre - a - tion,

by this Eu - cha - rist de - clar - ing yours the fi - nal vic - to - ry.  
in your Bo - dy, firm be - liev - ing, we are yours, and you the Lord.  
seek - ing peace in ev - ery na - tion, may we faith - ful fol - lowers be.

*The Hymnal 1982 – #334 “Praise the Lord, rise up rejoicing” Words: Howard Charles Adie Gaunt (1902-1983), alt. By permission of Oxford University Press. Music: *Alles ist an Gottes Segen*, 887. 887, melody att. Johann Balthasar König (1691-1758), alt.; harm. Johann Löhner (1645-1705), after chorale ver. Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)*



## The Great Thanksgiving

## Eucharistic Prayer A

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

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

*Celebrant* Lift up your hearts.

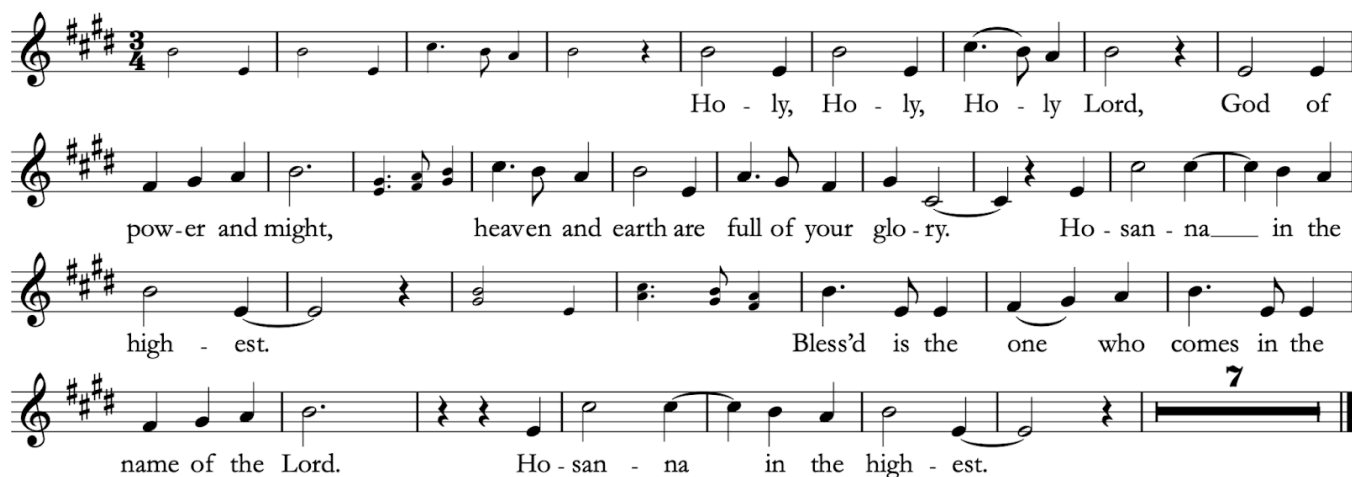
*People* **We lift them to the Lord.**

*Celebrant* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*People* **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

*Celebrant* It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. But chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again he has won for us everlasting life.

*Celebrant* 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:



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*Please stand or kneel as you are able.*

*Celebrant* Holy and gracious God: 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:



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*Celebrant*

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption 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.



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*Celebrant*  
*People*

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,  
**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



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*Celebrant*

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

### Communion of the People

*All are welcome to receive Holy Communion. As the Iona Community says, "Come to this table, you who have much faith and you who would like to have more; you who have been here often and you who have not been here in a long time; you who have tried to follow Jesus and you who have failed. Come. It is Christ who invites us to meet him here."*

*Ushers will assist you to approach by the center and return by the side aisles. You are welcome to receive the bread and/or the wine when presented; we believe that the divine presence is fully present in both the bread and the wine, and you may refuse either. For example, you may choose to receive only the bread, and then walk away; or, if you would like, you may touch the chalice with your hand, and not actually consume any wine. If you would like to receive the blessing of the Church, but not communion, indicate to the clergy by crossing your arms when approached. If you are not able to come forward, please motion to an usher, and communion will be brought to you.*

**Prayers of Healing** are offered in *All Saints Chapel* (to the right of the kneeling rail). Members of the prayer team will assist you in offering prayer of healing for yourself or a loved one.



1 I am the Good shep-herd and know all my flock that fol-low my foot-steps and list' to my voice;  
2 I am the Good Shep-herd and lay down my life to res-cue the least one when dan-ger is near.  
3 Still oth-ers have I which are not of this fold, they too must be gath-ered and nur-tur'd thro' pray'r;



I've gath-ered them in - to the arms of my love. They all are the lambs of my choice.  
To give them pro - tec - tion from pit - fall and strife, and lead them a - way from all fear.  
and those that have wan-der'd a - far in the cold, must yet seek the Good Shep-herd's care.



I'll guide to the fold my lov'd and my cho - sen, nev - er a - gain need they roam;  
A - bide in the fold, my lov'd and my cho - sen, gent - ly I'll watch o - ver you;  
Then come to the fold, ye wan-d'ring and wear - y, safe from the temp - est that rolls,



trust - ing my care no e - vil can harm them. For safe are the bor - ders of home.  
guard - ed and sav'd, oh share of my bless - ing, and trust in my love ev - er true.  
ye shall be mine, I'll guard you for ev - er, I am the Good Shep-herd of souls.

*The Good Shepherd*, Words & Music: Shaker song, Mt. Lebanon, NY

1 A - bide with me: fast falls the e - ven - tide; the dark - ness deep - ens;  
 2 Swift to its close ebbs out life's lit - tle day; earth's joys grow dim, its  
 3 I need thy pres - ence ev - ery pass - ing hour; what but thy grace can  
 4 I fear no foe, with thee at hand to bless; ills have no weight, and  
 5 Hold thou thy cross be - fore my clos - ing eyes; shine through the gloom, and

1 Lord, with me a - bide: when oth - er help - ers fail and com - forts  
 2 glo - ries pass a - way. Change and de - cay in all a - round I  
 3 foil the temp - ter's power? Who, like thy - self, my guide and stay can  
 4 tears no bit - ter - ness. Where is death's sting? Where, grave, thy vic - to -  
 5 point me to the skies; heaven's morn - ing breaks, and earth's vain shad - ows

1 flee, help of the help - less, O a - bide with me.  
 2 see. O thou who chan - gest not, a - bide with me.  
 3 be? Through cloud and sun - shine, Lord, a - bide with me.  
 4 ry? I tri - umph still, if thou a - bide with me.  
 5 flee; in life, in death, O Lord, a - bide with me.

*The Hymnal 1982 – #662 “Abide with me: fast falls the eventide” Words: Henry Frances Lyte (1793-1847) Music: Eventide, 10 10. 10 10, William Henry Monk (1823-1889)*

*Please stand as you are able.*

### **Postcommunion Prayer**

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

**People** Eternal God,  
 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 Easter Blessing**

*Celebrant* May Almighty God, who has redeemed us and made us children through the resurrection of Jesus our Lord, bestow upon you the riches of his blessing.

**People** Amen.

*Celebrant* May God, who through the water of baptism has raised us from sin into newness of life, make you holy and worthy to be united with Christ for ever.

**People** Amen.

*Celebrant* May God, who has brought us out of bondage to sin into true and lasting freedom in the Redeemer, bring you to your eternal inheritance.

*People* **Amen.**

*Celebrant* And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever.

*People* **Amen.**

1 God is Love, let heaven a - dore God; God is Love, let earth re - joice;  
2 God is Love; and love en - folds us, all the world in one em - brace:  
3 God is Love; and though with blind-ness sin af - flicts all hu - man life,  
let cre - a - tion sing be - fore God and ex - alt God with one voice.  
With un - fail - ing grasp God holds us, ev - ery child of ev - ery race.  
God's e - ter - nal lov - ing - kind ness guides us through our earth - ly strife.  
God who laid the earth's foun - da - tion, God who spread the heavens a - bove,  
And when hu - man hearts are break - ing un - der sor - row's i - ron rod,  
Sin and death and hell shall nev - er o'er us fi - nal tri - umph gain;  
God who breathes through all cre - a - tion: God is Love, e - ter - nal Love.  
then we find that self - same ach - ing deep with - in the heart of God.  
God is Love, so Love for ev - er o'er the u - ni - verse must reign.

*The Hymnal 1982* – #379 “God is Love, let heaven adore him” Words: Timothy Rees (1874-1939), alt., further alt. CMC, Held by A.R. Mowbray & Co. Ltd.  
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*Deacon* Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia!

*People* **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!**

**Postlude** Chorale Prelude on “Christ ist erstanden” (“*Christ is arisen*”)

Music: Theophil Forchhammer (Switzerland, 1847-1923), after a 16th c. German melody

## HAPPENING AT THE CATHEDRAL TODAY

**Coffee Hour:** Please join us after the service for fellowship and refreshments in the Upper Hall, through the doors to the left of the altar. All are welcome. Interested in hosting? It is an important part of our parish life and provides us with a time for connection. Hosting is fun and easy, it requires bringing in a baked good and brewing coffee the Sunday of your choosing. Please consider signing up; a lot of gratitude comes with the job. Thank you! Check the hosting schedule by visiting <<http://tinyurl.com/coffeeatstlukes>>, and choose a date, then contact Meredith Cough <[meredith.cough@gmail.com](mailto:meredith.cough@gmail.com)>.

**5:15PM Sunday worship:** You are most welcome to join us this evening for Eucharist in Emmanuel Chapel.

## COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Park Street door code change:** In order to bolster security efforts at the cathedral, the code on the Park Street entrance has been changed. With questions, contact Acting Junior Warden Fred Fowler <[mainebeachpf@myfairpoint.net](mailto:mainebeachpf@myfairpoint.net)>, the Interim Dean, George Stevens <[gstevens@cathedralofstlukes.org](mailto:gstevens@cathedralofstlukes.org)>, or call the parish office (207)-772-5434, if you are in need of the access code. Thank you for your understanding as we make efforts to keep our building safe and secure for all.

**Volunteer to serve on the Altar Guild:** We love volunteering on the Altar Guild, and think you would, too! Volunteering with Altar Guild is fun and rewarding. Together, we can work to enable our congregation to engage in worship that is filled with order, beauty, peace, and tranquility. Contact: Kate Leschey <[cleschey@gmail.com](mailto:cleschey@gmail.com)> or Rita Siavelis <[ritasiav@hotmail.com](mailto:ritasiav@hotmail.com)>

**Interested in Christian education?** The Vestry will soon begin work on creating a fresh job description for the Interim Director of Religious Education. If you're interested in helping shape this new position. Contact: The Rev'd George Stevens, Interim Dean <[gstevens@cathedralofstlukes.org](mailto:gstevens@cathedralofstlukes.org)>

**Seeking volunteers for Treasurer & Junior Warden:** Interested in either? Contact: The Rev'd George Stevens, Interim Dean <[gstevens@cathedralofstlukes.org](mailto:gstevens@cathedralofstlukes.org)>, or Sam Allen, Senior Warden <[smallen@mit.edu](mailto:smallen@mit.edu)>

**The Healing Team** will serve on the following Sundays in April and May. Prayers of healing may be requested in the small chapel to the right of the communion rail after or during communion. Healing Team members offering prayers of healing are:

April 21 Elise Magnuson, Judd Hume  
April 28 Sara Schmalz, Peter Carleton

May 5 Sara Schmalz, Oscar Mokeme

If you have any questions, please speak with any member of the Healing Team, or contact Judd Hume: (207) 773-5611 or <[jwilliamhume@gmail.com](mailto:jwilliamhume@gmail.com)>.

### Eco-Tips for Spring from the Public Policy and Environmental Action Team (PPEAT)

Did you know that minute particles of plastic have been found in even the most pristine snow cover in the Antarctic and in the milk of breastfeeding mothers? Plastic has been shown to cause a number of cancers and to interfere with our reproductive systems and the development of our children. In addition to reducing your household's use of plastic, there are a number of steps you can take to advocate for plastic reduction on a larger scale.

- Urge your members of Congress to pass the REDUCE Act (H.R. 5564/S. 2844), a bill that would put a fee on the sale of new, virgin plastic resin used to make single-use products. This could begin a wave of positive change, shifting industries to use recycled plastics or alternatives when creating single-use products as well as funding plastic waste reduction and recycling projects.
- Sign the Anglican Communion UN team's letter <<https://tinyurl.com/anglicanplastic treaty>> in support of a UN Global plastic treaty. The letter argues that plastic is particularly damaging for people living in poverty and explains why we should continue to reduce production and accelerate a just transition away from single-use and harmful plastics.

**Apply to be an Episcopal Church Ecojustice Fellow:** The Episcopal Church Department of Reconciliation, Justice, and Creation Care invites applicants for the 2024 Ecojustice Fellows program, open to young adult Episcopalians between 21 and 30 years old. In this five-month virtual/remote program, fellows will participate six to eight hours per week between June and mid-October and receive a stipend of \$2,750. Fellows will receive training in creation care theology and advocacy and will develop a local ecojustice project in their congregation, institution, or diocese. Applications will be accepted until May 15. To apply visit <<https://tinyurl.com/ecojusticefellowship>>

**The Biblical Study Group**, Session 128: What do Christians know, or think they know, about God's being? What roles do faith and/or belief play in this system? What role does thinking or reason play? What role does feeling or emotion play? What Biblical references are essential to coming to conclusions about who or what God is? Biblical references open doors to new understandings by tracing the major prophets, the Pauline letters, and the Gospels. These many voices sing God's praises as they trace the evolution of God's character over time. An essential clue to God's being is given to us by tracing the 25 names God is assigned by the prophets and apostles. Join us to discover what God has told us about who he is, and therefore who we are. Meetings in the Oratory Room Sundays 12NOON – 1:30PM. Bring your questions and your hopes. There are handouts and suggested readings for each session. Contact: Dr. Bob Hanson (207) 405-8250.

## EVENTS IN THE WIDER COMMUNITY

**Portland Rossini Club concert 3:00PM Sunday 28 April** featuring students of Laura Kargul, Director of Keyboard Studies at the University of Southern Maine's Osher School of Music. Information @ <<https://www.rossiniclub.org/>>

**Harmony Unveiled: Nurturing Nicaragua's Future Together:** 7:00PM Tuesday 7 May at St. Nicholas Church, 350 Rt. 1, Scarborough, ME 04074. We hear and read about Central America and think we know something about the people, and about immigration, in specific, and yet oftentimes what we've been told turns out to be questionable. Come hear firsthand experience from someone who has been living and working in Nicaragua for over 35 years. Sarah Woodard has extensive experience working among those less advantaged in support of economic development, food security, and access to affordable healthcare.

**Renaissance Voices concert on May 10th:** Join Renaissance Voices under the direction of maestro Harold Stover (*St. Luke's parishioner*) for their next concert 7:30PM Friday 10 May in the Cathedral Nave. Musical selections include works by John Dowland, Thomas Morely, Edward Elgar, selections from the "Great American Songbook" and more. For information & tickets, visit <<https://renaissancevoices.net/>>.

**Screening of the "Philadelphia 11" Documentary:** In celebration of the 50th anniversary of women's ordination to the priesthood in the Episcopal Church, the compelling new documentary "The Philadelphia 11" will have a limited theatrical release in 11 selected cities—including Portland.

The screening on Tuesday, May 14 at 7 p.m. at the Nickelodeon 6 will feature a post-screening conversation with five noteworthy Maine women priests: the Rev. Merrill Bittner, one of the Philadelphia 11; the Rev. Sukie Curtis, the first woman ordained to the priesthood in the Diocese of Mississippi; the Rev. Cn. Nancy Moore of Christ Church, Norway; the Rev. Dr. Vicki Lovely Smith of St. Martin's, Palmyra; and the Rev. Portia Royal Hirschman, a parishioner of St. Mary's Falmouth and a supply priest. Tickets are \$15.

## ONGOING OPPORTUNITIES

**Join the Kneelers Guild and Prayer Shawl Knitters:** Every Tuesday 2:30–4:30PM in the Upper Hall. Everyone is welcome, whether you are curious or want to begin. Kneeler kits cost \$75, which include directions, yarn, needles & canvas. Novices are welcome; we will teach you as needed. Prayer Shawls: 20" x 60"; select your yarn & needles. Coffee & tea are available.

**Join the Young and the Restless**, St. Luke's 20s-30s-year-old ministry, an active group at CSL, which also gets together outside of the church. Join us as we hike, ice-skate, play trivia, or just enjoy each other's company! If you are new to us, welcome! We meet 6-8PM each Tuesday at Maine Beer Company in Freeport for trivia. Other events happen sporadically throughout the month, though trivia is a wonderful opportunity to meet us, if you're joining us for the first time. Contact: Shana Rose <[shanaro931@gmail.com](mailto:shanaro931@gmail.com)>

**Access your Realm profile:** The Cathedral's online database, Realm, is a useful tool for parishioners to manage their contact and pledging information. Realm helps our community by improving our record keeping in a more streamlined fashion. When joining Realm you can sign-up to be a part of the online directory. To activate your Realm profile, please contact Nina Andersen, financial administrator <nandersen@cathedralofstluke.org>. Nina will assist you with the few steps necessary to access your profile.

## COMMUNITY NOTES

**Adult Christian formation opportunities** are offered throughout the academic year Sundays following the 10AM liturgy, and occasional evenings.

**Children's Christian formation (Sunday school) and child care:** Our Sunday school and nursery are both open today. Sunday school begins in the Upper Hall at 9:45AM, with children returning to their families at the Peace. The nursery is open every Sunday 9:45–11:30AM. Families are always welcome!

**The parish prayer list:** Names will remain on the prayer list for 3 consecutive weeks unless otherwise requested. If you wish for a name to be added, contact Avery Schott, Parish Administrator <office@cathedralofstluke.org>.

**To reserve space for a group, meeting or event,** fill out a space usage form, and check with the cathedral calendar first! Thanks! Contact: Avery Schott (207) 772-5434 or <office@cathedralofstluke.org>

**Contribute to St. Luke's music ministry:** The Cathedral Choir welcomes new members anytime almost throughout the year, and is open to singers of all experience levels; novices are welcome. The choir particularly needs tenors. There is room for sharing other musical talents, too. Help us to keep our music well-supported with your offerings. Contact: current choir members, or Christian Clough, Canon for Liturgy & Music <cclough@cathedralofstluke.org>

**Thank you in advance for your offering today.** You can donate to St. Luke's through our new and secure "Give and Text" feature. Please text **"TEXTCSL" to 73256**. Our 2024 Pledge Campaign is ongoing. Pledge materials and information are available at <www.stlukesportland.org>.

**Sunday parking for St. Luke's:** Off-street parking is available in two locations for those attending Sunday services: our lot adjacent to the Parish Hall, accessed from Park St.; and the Cumberland Club's, on Spring Street between Park & High Sts. We are grateful to the Cumberland Club for sharing their space with us (except on Easter and Mother's Day). In addition, limited handicap parking is available in the traffic circle in the State Street churchyard.





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