

# SAINT MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS EPISCOPAL CHURCH MISSION, KANSAS



Lambs and Ewes in Spring. Photographer: Ronnie Khan. Shared via Unsplash.

**FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**  
"GOOD SHEPHERD" SUNDAY AND CELEBRATING EARTH DAY

**Holy Eucharist: Rite Two April 25, 2021**

**10:45 AM SERVICE**

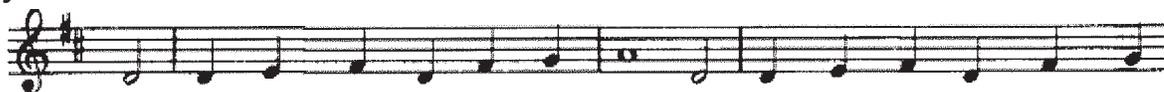
# THE WORD OF GOD

## Music before the Service

*Prelude on Rhosymedre*

Ralph Vaughn Williams

## Opening Hymn 400



1 All crea-tures of our God and King, lift up your voic - es, let us  
\* 2 Great rush - ing winds and breez - es soft, you cloudsthat ride the heavens a -  
\* 3 Swift flow - ing wa - ter, pure and clear, make mu - sic for your Lord to  
4 Dear mo - ther earth, you day by day un - fold your bless-ings on our



1 sing: Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Bright burn - ing  
2 loft, O — praise him, Al - le - lu - ia! Fair ris - ing  
3 hear, Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Fire, so in -  
4 way, O — praise him, Al - le - lu - ia! All flowers and



1 sun with gold - en beams, pale sil - ver moon that gen - tly gleams,  
2 morn, with praise re - joice, stars night - ly shin - ing, find a voice,  
3 tense and fierce - ly bright, you give to us both warmth and light,  
4 fruits that in you grow, let them his glo - ry al - so show:

### *Refrain*



O praise him, O praise him, Al - le - lu - ia,



al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Words: Francis of Assisi (1182-1221); tr. William H. Draper (1955-1933), alt. Music: *Lasst uns erfreuen*, melody from *Auserlesene Catholische Kirchenbeseng*, 1623.

*Celebrant*  
*People*

Alleluia. Christ is risen.  
The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

## The Collect for Purity

**A**lmighty 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.**

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.

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

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.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,  
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

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

### The Collect for this Day

**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.**

### First Lesson

#### A Reading from the Book 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."

Acts 4:5-12

*Reader*            The Word of the Lord.  
*People*            **Thanks be to God.**

## Psalm 23

*Together*

The Lord is my shepherd; \*  
I shall not be in want.  
He makes me lie down in green pastures \*  
and leads me beside still waters.  
He revives my soul \*  
and guides me along right pathways for his Name's sake.  
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.  
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 the Lord for ever.

## Second Lesson

### A Reading from 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.

I John 3:16-24

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.  
*People* **Thanks be to God.**

## Alleluia

*All stand for the Gospel*



*Cantors* Open our minds, O Lord, to understand the Scriptures; \*  
make our hearts burn within us when you speak.

## The Holy Gospel according to John

*The Gospel is announced and the congregation responds:*

**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.”

John 10:11-18

*Response*     **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

## **The Homily**

### **The Nicene Creed**

*BCP, 358*

*Officiant and People together*

**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.**

## **The Prayers of the People**

*Intercessor*

God of life, keep your church mindful of its responsibilities for the world you have created. Let us invest ourselves in the web of all living things, accepting our place as steward of this world, not its master. Make us grateful for the diversity of peoples, animals, plants, landscapes, and skies.

**Holy and gracious Creator, make us wise and responsible stewards of all that you have made.**

God of purpose, help our country play its part in protecting your world. Bring the people of this nation and its leaders into harmony with your intentions for creation.

**Holy and gracious Creator, make us wise and responsible stewards of all that you have made.**

God of all peoples, turn our attention to those who suffer across this planet from the potentially devastating effects of climate change. Prevent us from allowing your children to be victims of our indifference. Help us to advocate for the poor and people of color who already suffer from the effects of environmental racism.

**Holy and gracious Creator, make us wise and responsible stewards of all that you have made.**

God who never leaves us, open our eyes to your presence in our own back yards and neighborhoods. Let the beauty of the Flint Hills, the prairie grassland, and the powerful flowing rivers inspire us to action on behalf of our own small plot of the natural world.

**Holy and gracious Creator, make us wise and responsible stewards of all that you have made.**

God of compassion, we know that we, too, are fragile pieces of the web of life that envelopes this planet. And we remember those among us who are sick or suffering. We pray for [names]. Lord, hold these friends and family in your loving embrace.

**Bless your children, Lord, with the gentle assurance of your presence.**

God of eternity, we remember those who have died, leaving this earth for your paradise. Welcome them [names] into your new heaven and new earth. Bathe them in the light of your glory and give them eternal rest with the saints who have gone before.

**Bless your children, Lord, with the gentle assurance of your presence.**

*The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.*

**A**lmighty and everlasting God, you made the universe with all its marvelous order, its atoms, worlds, and galaxies, and the infinite complexity of living creatures: Grant that, as we probe the mysteries of your creation, we may come to know you more truly, and more surely fulfill our role in your eternal purpose; in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## **The Peace**

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

## **Welcome and Announcements**

# HOLY COMMUNION

## Music during Preparation for Communion

Chant K. R. Walker

Let all the earth rejoice in the Lord; serve the Lord in gladness.  
Stand in his presence with exultation; know that the Lord is God himself.  
We did not make ourselves, but it was he who made us;  
we are his people and the sheep of his pastures.  
thus saith the Lord.

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## The Great Thanksgiving

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.  
*People* **And also with you.**  
Lift up your hearts.  
**We lift them to the Lord.**  
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

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.

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*

Ho - ly, ho - ly,  
ho - ly Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the  
high - est. Bless - ed is he who  
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

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*Celebrant*

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:

*Celebrant and People*

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

*The Celebrant continues*

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in his 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,

**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

*All sing*

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.  
Christ our Pass - o - ver is sac - ri - ficed for us;  
there - fore let us keep the feast.  
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

The musical score consists of four staves of music in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics written below each staff. The first staff contains the first line of the 'Alleluia' chorus. The second and third staves contain the main body of the hymn. The fourth staff contains the final 'Alleluia' chorus line.

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## Music during Communion

### Hymn 405

All things bright and beautiful, all creatures great and small,  
all things wise and wonderful, the Lord God made them all.

Each little flower that opens, each little bird that sings,  
he made their glowing colors, he made their tiny wings.  
All things bright and beautiful, all creatures great and small,  
all things wise and wonderful, the Lord God made them all.

The purple-headed mountain, the river running by,  
the sunset, and the morning that brightens up the sky.  
All things bright and beautiful, all creatures great and small,  
all things wise and wonderful, the Lord God made them all.

The cold wind in the winter, the pleasant summer sun,  
the ripe fruits in the garden, he made them every one.  
All things bright and beautiful, all creatures great and small,  
all things wise and wonderful, the Lord God made them all.

He gave us eyes to see them, and lips that we might tell  
how great is God Almighty, who has made all things well.  
All things bright and beautiful, all creatures great and small,  
all things wise and wonderful, the Lord God made them all.

Text: Cecil Frances Alexander, 1818-1895.

### Hymn 343

Shepherd of souls, refresh and bless thy chosen pilgrim flock  
with manna in the wilderness, with water from the rock.

We would not live by bread alone, but by thy word of grace,  
in strength of which we travel on to our abiding place.

Be known to us in breaking bread, and do not then depart;  
Saviour, abide with us, and spread thy table in our heart.

Lord, sup with us in love divine, thy Body and thy Blood,  
that living bread, that heavenly wine, be our immortal food.

Text: James Montgomery, 1771-1854 (alt.)

### Prayer for Reception of Spiritual Communion

*This prayer is said for those who are participating in Spiritual Communion at home.*

**In union, blessed Jesus,  
with the faithful gathered at every table of your Church  
where your blessed Body and Blood are offered this day,  
I long to offer you praise and thanksgiving,  
for creation and all the blessings of this life,  
for the redemption won for us by your life, death, and resurrection,  
for the means of grace and the hope of glory.  
I believe that you are truly present in the Holy Sacrament,  
and, since I cannot at this time receive communion,  
I pray you to come into my heart.  
I unite myself with you and embrace you  
with all my heart, my soul, and my mind.  
Let nothing separate me from you;  
let me serve you in this life until, by your grace,  
I come to your glorious kingdom and unending peace. Amen.**

### Post-Communion Prayer

**E**ternal 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

### Closing Hymn (Next page)

## Closing Hymn

1. Lord of na - ture's grand dis - play, God of beau - ty,  
2. You who shaped with ten - der care All this rich, a -

life, and light, Heav'n and earth in vast ar - ray  
bun - dant land, Still with wa - ter, food, and air

Sing Your wis - dom, shout Your might. May we, as Your  
Give Your love with o - pen hand. Make us in life's

chil - dren here, Keep their wit - ness strong and clear.  
com - mon - place Stew - ards of Your gifts of grace.

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## The Dismissal

*People*

Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia.

## Postlude

*In thee is gladness*

J. S. Bach



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