

**+WE RECEIVE THE SACRAMENT OF THE ALTAR+**

**Agnus Dei (Lamb of God)** ~ LBW Hymn #103 *O Christ, Thou Lamb of God (We stay standing as we sing about Jesus, the Lamb of God sacrificed for us to free us from the bondage of sin and death.)*

**Holy Communion**

*(Be seated while you wait to be invited forward to receive Christ's body and blood. As you come forward, form a semi-circle. There, we partake of the sacrament together with each other and the saints who have come before us. All are welcome to receive the Lord's Body and Blood who are baptized and believe that Jesus Christ, crucified and risen, is truly present in, with, and under the forms of bread and wine for the forgiveness of sins, life, and salvation.)*

**Post-Communion Cantic** ~ LBW p. 92 *Thank the Lord and sing his praise*

*(We stand and sing once everyone has received the sacrament. In this song or chant, we offer our thanks and express our faith in what God has done for us and promised to do for us in the future.)*

**+WE ARE SENT INTO THE WORLD+**

*(In the final part of our liturgy, we are sent out as evangelists into the world, bringing the Good News of Jesus Christ to all people.)*

**Post-Communion Prayer and Benediction** ~ LBW p. 94

Assisting Minister: Let us pray ... Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Congregation: Amen.**

Pastor (chanting): Almighty God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

**Congregation (chanting): Amen.**

**Recessional Hymn** ~ LBW Hymn #501 *He Leadeth Me: Oh, Blessed Thought*

*(We stay standing and sing. As the cross is carried out, we turn to follow it as we sing. Now nurtured through God's word and sacrament, we are ready to go forth into the world again.)*

**Dismissal**

Assisting Minister: Let us go in peace. The Word has been fulfilled.

**Congregation: Thanks be to God.**

**Organ Postlude**

**CALENDAR**

**Sunday, May 8** – The Fourth Sunday of Easter

9:00 am Spoken Word Service

10:00 am Sunday School for adults and children

11:00 am Worship Service with Eucharist

**Tuesday and Thursday**

9am-2pm First Friends

**Sunday, May 15** – The Fifth Sunday of Easter

9:00 am Spoken Word Service

10:00 am Special Congregational Meeting

11:00 am Worship Service with Eucharist

12:30 pm Church Council Meeting

**CHURCH STAFF**

Evan McClanahan, Pastor

Mario Aschauer, Organist

Peter Okumu, Sexton

Cheri Santibanez, Office Administrator

Jimmy Paz, Choir Director

Amanda McClanahan, Director of First Friends

Pr. Edwin Peterman, Pastor Emeritus

Carroll Shaddock, Director Emeritus of Music

**WORSHIP ENABLERS TODAY**

Greg and Christopher Ranft

Sallie Russell, Charlene Kelley

Rob Douglass

Tony Settles

Kaitlyn Ranft

Evan McClanahan

Mario Aschauer

Jimmy Paz

Ushers

Altar Guild

Assisting Minister

Server/Crucifer

Acolyte

Liturgist, Preacher

Organist

Choir Director



THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER ~ MAY 8, 2022

ORDER OF SERVICE

**+WE GATHER FOR WORSHIP+**

**Organ Prelude**

**Brief Order of Confession and Forgiveness**, p. 77 *(stand)*

**Welcome and Announcements**

**Children's Sermon**

*(Children are invited forward for a message just for them. After the message, they can go next door to the nursery with Mrs. Bella.)*

**The Ringing of the Bell**

**Introit** *(Choir)*

Ant. The merciful love of the Lord fills the earth; alleluia: by the word of the Lord the heavens were made, alleluia, alleluia.

V. Ring out your joy to the Lord, o you just; for praise is fitting for the upright. Glory be to the father and to the son and to the holy spirit. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

*(We stand and turn to face the cross at the back of the church as the choir sings. "Introit" means "to enter." Here we begin our church service with the theme of the day announced.)*

**Processional Hymn** ~ LBW #143 *Now all the Vault of Heaven Resounds*

*(We all sing the hymn and turn to follow the cross as it moves to the altar.)*

**Greeting and Kyrie** ~ LBW p. 78

**Hymn of Praise** ~ LBW p. 80 *This is the Feast*

**Prayer of the Day** ~ LBW p. 22

Pastor: Let us pray ...

**Congregation: Amen.**

*(Be seated.)*

## +WE LISTEN TO GOD’S WORD+

*(In the second part of our liturgy, we hear and respond to God’s word.)*

### **The First Lesson ~ Acts 9:36-43**

Now in Joppa there was a disciple whose name was Tabitha, which in Greek is Dorcas. She was devoted to good works and acts of charity. At that time she became ill and died. When they had washed her, they laid her in a room upstairs. Since Lydda was near Joppa, the disciples, who heard that Peter was there, sent two men to him with the request, “Please come to us without delay.” So Peter got up and went with them; and when he arrived, they took him to the room upstairs. All the widows stood beside him, weeping and showing tunics and other clothing that Dorcas had made while she was with them. Peter put all of them outside, and then he knelt down and prayed. He turned to the body and said, “Tabitha, get up.” Then she opened her eyes, and seeing Peter, she sat up. He gave her his hand and helped her up. Then calling the saints and widows, he showed her to be alive. This became known throughout Joppa, and many believed in the Lord. Meanwhile he stayed in Joppa for some time with a certain Simon, a tanner.

Assisting Minister: The Word of the Lord.

**Congregation: Thanks be to God.**

### **The Psalmody ~ Psalm 23** *(chanted responsively)*



*The choir will chant the odd numbered verses and the congregation will respond with the even numbered (bolded) verses.*

<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 be- | side still waters.**

<sup>3</sup> He re- | vives 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.**

### **The Second Lesson, Revelation 7:9-17**

After this I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. They cried out in a loud voice, saying, “Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!” And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, singing, “Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen.”

Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, “Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?” I said to him, “Sir, you are the one that knows.” Then he said to me, “These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. For this reason they are before the throne of God, and worship him day and night within his temple, and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them. They will hunger no more, and thirst no more; the sun will not strike them, nor any scorching heat; for the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of the water of life, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.”

Assisting Minister: The Word of the Lord.

**Congregation: Thanks be to God.**

*Stand*

**Gradual** *(choir only)* The congregation is invited to join the “Alleluias”

Ant. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

V. I am the good Shepherd, says the Lord; I know my sheep, and mine know me.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

### **The Gospel ~ John 10:22-30 (KJV)**

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 10<sup>th</sup> chapter.

**C: Glory to you, O Lord**

And it was at Jerusalem the feast of the dedication, and it was winter. And Jesus walked in the temple in Solomon's porch. Then came the Jews round about him, and said unto him, How long dost thou make us to doubt? If thou be the Christ, tell us plainly. Jesus answered them, I told you, and ye believed not: the works that I do in my Father's name, they bear witness of me. But ye believe not, because ye are not of my sheep, as I said unto you. My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me: And I give unto them eternal life; and they shall never perish, neither shall any man pluck them out of my hand. My Father, which gave them me, is greater than all; and no man is able to pluck them out of my Father's hand. I and my Father are one.

P: The Gospel of the Lord!

**C: Praise to you O Christ. Alleluia!**

### **Choral Anthem**

“Trotz dem alten Drachen” from “Gelobet sei der Herr täglich”, GWV 1133-18

I spite the old dragon,

I spite the jaws of death,

I spite fear as well!

Rage, World, and spring to fight:

I stand here and sing

in calm certainty.

God’s might taketh care of me;

earth and abyss must fall silent,

however much they roar.

### **The Sermon**

**Hymn of the Day LBW #456** *The King of Love My Shepherd Is*

ST. COLUMBA

**The Nicene Creed** ~ LBW p. 84

### **The Prayer of the People**

Assisting Minister: Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, and for all people according to their needs.

*(Each petition will end with the response:)*

Assisting Minister: Lord, in Your mercy.

**Congregation: Hear our prayer.**

Pastor: Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. **Congregation: Amen.**

### **The Greeting of Peace**

Pastor: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**Congregation: And also with you.**

*(We repeat this greeting to those around us as you are comfortable.)*

### **Offertory**

*Deus, deus meus*

Valetin Rathgeber (1682-1750)

God, my God, longing for you early in the morning I wake up and in your name I shall lift up my hands, alleluia.

*(Be seated as ushers collect the offering and the choir sings. Having heard God’s word, we thus respond in faith and thanksgiving through this act.)*

### **Offertory Hymn ~ LBW Hymn #138** *He is Arisen! Glorious Word!*

Assisting Minister: Let us pray. Merciful Father,

**Congregation: we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us – our selves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

### **Great Thanksgiving and Proper Preface** ~ LBW p. 88

*(We stay standing, as the pastor leads us in preparation for celebrating communion.)*

### **Sanctus (Holy, Holy, Holy)** ~ LBW p. 89

### **Eucharistic Prayer #33 and Words of Institution** ~ LBW p. 90

*(The pastor leads us in prayer, followed by the words which Jesus spoke when he instituted communion. With these words, the bread and the wine are consecrated or “set apart” for God’s use in this special meal).*

Pastor: Blessed are you ... in his holy supper.

**Congregation: Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

Pastor: In the night in which he was betrayed ... remembrance of me

### **Lord’s Prayer** ~ LBW p. 91