

EASTER 4 SUNDAY / SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM

April 21, 2024

Organ Prelude: Pastoral from Messiah

G. F. Handel

***Hymn: Jesus calls us here to meet him**

No. 528

Welcome, Announcements & Worship Theme

CALL TO WORSHIP:

In this world there are so many voices that call out to us, vying for our attention, beckoning us to follow, enchanting us with possibilities, encouraging us to trust.

In our worship we have the space to sort through those voices and listen for the one that will lead us with love and compassion.

We listen for the voice of the Good Shepherd: the voice of Jesus, who leads us in truth and service through love.

We come to open ourselves to Christ who invests deeply in our lives and the life of this community with care and guidance to the end, laying down his own life for the sheep that he shepherds.

We bring our fears and anxieties, our tendencies to lead from selfish gain, and listen for the voice that will restore us, feed us, and make us one flock.

Let us worship Christ, our Good Shepherd, together!

Prayer of Approach, Confession & The Lord's Prayer

**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,
the power and the glory, forever. Amen.**

The Peace of Christ be with you all;
And also with you.

Baptism

(Children are invited to join in programming following the Baptism)

Special Music: Ave verum corpus

W. A. Mozart

*Ave verum corpus,
natum de Maria Virgine
vere passum, immolatum
in cruce pro homine
cuius latus perforatum
fluxit aqua et sanguine
esto nobis prægustatum
in mortis examine.*

*Hail, true Body, born
of the Virgin Mary,
who truly suffered, sacrificed
on the cross for mankind,
from whose pierced side
flowed water and blood:
Be for us a foretaste [of the
Heavenly banquet] in the trial of
death!*

Scripture Readings: John 10:11-18

Janet Lam

**We are listening, O God;
Speak to us!**

Sermon: THE VOICE OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD

Rev. Rebecca

Special Music: Sheep may safely graze

J. S. Bach

Soloist Anna Bateman

Prayers of Thanksgiving & Pastoral Concern

***Hymn: Let Christian faith and hope dispel**

No. 368

Benediction

Threefold Amen

Organ Postlude: Jesus calls us o'er the tumult

Bruce Nasmith

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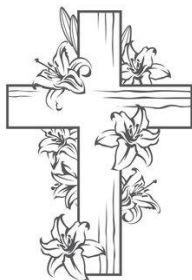
We invite you to join us for coffee hour and some light refreshments in our adjacent hall after the service.

All are welcome!

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OUR PURPOSE AS A CHURCH:

**To become the hands, feet, voice and heart of Christ
for each other and in the world.**



Coming Events

Sunday, April 21

Easter 4 Sunday / Sacrament of Holy Baptism

Monday, April 22

Dance Fitness, 10:00am

Thursday, April 25

Webinar: Climate Change, Eco-anxiety and Habits of Hope with Rev. Dr. Pam McCarroll, 1:00pm-2:30pm

Wednesday, April 24

Spring Bible Study: Esther & Ruth, 7:30pm zoom

Friday, April 26

Youth in Action, 7pm

Sunday, April 28

Intergenerational Band rehearsal

POSTPONED Learning Indigenous History and Experience In Canada Through Art, 3:00pm at the AGO

Monday, April 29

Dance Fitness, 10:00am

Tuesday, April 30

Literary Society Discussion on "Solito: A Memoir" by Javier Zamora, 7:30pm in person & online

Wednesday, May 1

Bible Study: Ruth - Session 1

Sunday, May 5

Easter 6 Sunday / Holy Baptism
Intergenerational Band rehearsal

"Prayer Pilgrimage for Peace in the Holy Land", 2:15pm, (see poster for details)

Monday, May 6

Dance Fitness, 10:00am

Wednesday, May 8

Bible Study: Ruth - Session 2

Sunday, May 12

Easter 7 Sunday /
Intergenerational Worship /
Holy Baptism

Monday, May 13

Dance Fitness, 10:00am

Sunday, May 19

Pentecost Sunday / Sacrament of Holy Baptism / Rev. Rebecca's last Sunday

Wednesday, May 22

Spring Book Study begins (see poster), 7:30pm