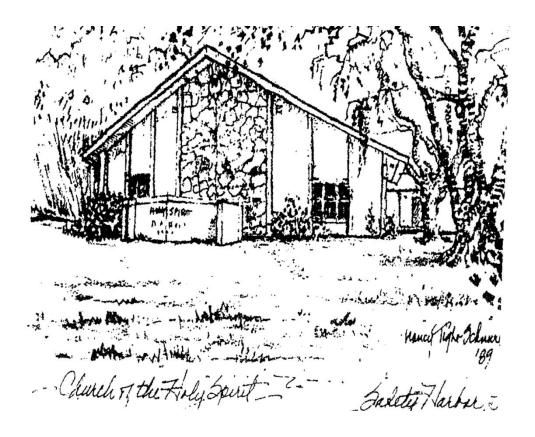
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# The Vision of Our Parish

To be the Body of Christ here and now—reaching out to welcome all, witnessing to God's love in our lives, and sharing that love with others.



# CHURCH OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

The Reverend Raynald S. Bonoan, Rector The Reverend Joseph H. Diaz, Assisting Priest 4 EASTER MAY 3, 2020

# Holy Communion—Rite II

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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**

## Acts 2:42-47

Those who had been baptized devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers. Awe came upon everyone, because many wonders and signs were being done by the apostles. All who believed were together and had all things in common; they would sell their possessions and goods and distribute the proceeds to all, as any had need. Day by day, as they spent much time together in the temple, they broke bread at home and ate their food with glad and generous hearts, praising God and having the goodwill of all the people. And day by day the Lord added to their number those who were being saved.

The Word of the Lord. People: Thanks be to God.

## The Psalm

## Psalm 23

- 1 The LORD is my shepherd; \* I shall not be in want.
- 2 He makes me lie down in green pastures \* and leads me beside still waters.
- 3 He revives my soul \*
  - and guides me along right pathways for his Name's sake.
- 4 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.
- 5 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.
- 6 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.

Glory to the Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

People: As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

#### **Epistle:**

## 1 Peter 2:19-25

It is a credit to you if, being aware of God, you endure pain while suffering unjustly. If you endure when you are beaten for doing wrong, what credit is that? But if you endure when you do right and suffer for it, you have God's approval. For to this you have been called, because Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example, so that you should follow in his steps. "He committed no sin, and no deceit was found in his mouth." When he was abused, he did not return abuse; when he suffered, he did not threaten; but he entrusted himself to the one who judges justly. He himself bore our sins in his body on the cross, so that, free from sins, we might live for righteousness; by his wounds you have been healed. For you were going astray like sheep, but now you have returned to the shepherd and guardian of your souls.

The Word of the Lord. People: Thanks be to God.

#### **Gospel:**

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John. People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

#### John 10:1-10

Jesus said, "Very truly, I tell you, anyone who does not enter the sheepfold by the gate but climbs in by another way is a thief and a bandit. The one who enters by the gate is the shepherd of the sheep. The gatekeeper opens the gate for him, and the sheep hear his voice. He calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. When he has brought out all his own, he goes ahead of them, and the sheep follow him because they know his voice. They will not follow a stranger, but they will run from him because they do not know the voice of strangers." Jesus used this figure of speech with them, but they did not understand what he was saying to them. So again Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, I am the gate for the sheep. All who came before me are thieves and bandits; but the sheep did not listen to them. I am the gate. Whoever enters by me will be saved, and will come in and go out and find pasture. The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly."

The Gospel of the Lord. People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

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Prayer of Thanksgiving	Prayer Book 365

#### PLEASE DON'T FORGET TO SEND YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE CHURCH OFFICE!

<u>Intercessions:</u> (Urgent needs this week): Dennis, Meghan, Jerry, George, Edith, Sonya, James, Marge, Chris, Michelle, Bob, Ken, Dwayne and family, Elizabeth, Michael, Everett, Diane, Sandy, Art, Sharon, Leta, Mimi, Adam and Kristen, Ellie, Fr. Bayani, Glad, Cathi, Doane, Donna, Cindy, Justin, Jodi and family, Bennett, Kathryn, Brendan, Karena, Rosie and Wes, all first responders, all health care workers, and all those who suffer from the coronavirus, for The Coalition Against Human Trafficking, and the Victims of Human Trafficking, pray for the oppressed, all hostages in the world, all innocent victims of violence, and those for whom you wish to pray.

For our brothers and sisters in Christ in the United Methodist Church and in the Dominican Republic. We pray for those who have died, **especially Bishop Emerson**, **Bishop Clemente**, **Pompeya**, **Fr. Cesar and Winnie**, **Sonia**, **Victor**, **Emilia**, **Myrna Anolin**, **and the victims of the coronavirus**. Pray for their families and friends.

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