

Liturgy of the Word

Rite II



Fourth Sunday of Easter April 21, 2024

*The altar flowers are given by Dwyane & Kathy Dunn
in celebration of their anniversary.*

1. Christ is made the sure foun - da - tion, Christ the head and cor - ner - stone,
 2. All that ded - i - cat - ed cit - y, dear - ly loved of God on high,
 3. To this tem - ple, where we call thee, come, O Lord of Hosts, to - day;
 4. Here vouch - safe to all thy ser - vants what they ask of thee to gain;
 5. Laud and hon - or to the Fa - ther, laud and hon - or to the Son,

cho - sen of the Lord, and pre - cious, bind - ing all the Church in one;
 in ex - ult - ant ju - bi - la - tion pours per - pet - ual mel - o - dy;
 with thy wont - ed lov - ing - kind - ness hear thy ser - vants as they pray,
 what they gain from thee, for ev - er with the bless - ed to re - tain,
 laud and hon - or to the Spir - it, ev - er Three, and ev - er One,

ho - ly Zi - on's help for ev - er, and her con - fi - dence a - lone.
 God the One in Three a - dor - ing in glad hymns e - ter - nal - ly.
 and thy full - est ben - e - dic - tion shed with - in its walls al - way.
 and here - af - ter in thy glo - ry ev - er - more with thee to reign.
 con - sub - stan - tial, co - e - ter - nal, while un - end - ing ag - es run.

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The people standing, the Officiant says

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
People **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

Confession of Sin

The Officiant says the following,

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.
Silence may be kept.

Officiant and People

Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name. Amen.

The Officiant says

Almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us all our sins through our Lord Jesus Christ,
strengthen us in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep us in eternal life.
Amen.

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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.

The Collect of the Day

Officiant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Officiant Let us pray.

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 4:5-12

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."

After the reading, the lector says

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

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.

Second Lesson

1 John 3:16-24

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.

After the reading, the lector says

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

Sequence Hymn

Shepherd of souls, refresh and bless 343
Vs. 1-3, Gospel, vs. 4

ST. AGNES JOHN B. DYKES, 1866
Quietly

1 Shep-herd of souls, re - fresh and bless Thy cho - sen pil - grim flock
2 We would not live by bread a - lone, But by thy word of grace,
3 Be known to us in break - ing bread, But do not then de - part;

With man - na in the wil - der - ness, With wa - ter from the rock.
In strength of which we trav - el on To our a - bi - ding - place.
Sa - viour, a - bide with us, and spread Thy ta - ble in our heart. A - men.

4 Lord, sup with us in love divine;
Thy Body and thy Blood,
That living bread, that heav'nly wine,
Be our immortal food. Amen.

JAMES MONTGOMERY, 1825, *alt.*

Then, all standing, the Deacon or Celebrant reads the Gospel, first saying

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

The Gospel Lesson

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.”

After the Gospel, the Deacon or Celebrant says

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

The Sermon

Silence may be kept.
The Officiant says to the people

Let us stand as able and say the Nicene Creed together.

The Nicene Creed

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 Form VI

The Leader and People pray responsively

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.
Silence

For all people in their daily life and work;
For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

For this community, the nation, and the world;
For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

For the just and proper use of your creation;
For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;
For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

For the peace and unity of the Church of God;
For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

For [N. our Presiding Bishop, and N. (N.) our Bishop(s); and
for] all bishops and other ministers;
For all who serve God in his Church.

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.
Silence
The People may add their own petitions.

Hear us, Lord;
For your mercy is great.

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.
Silence
The People may add their own thanksgivings.

We will exalt you, O God our King;
And praise your Name for ever and ever.

We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in
your eternal kingdom.
Silence
The People may add their own petitions.

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;
Who put their trust in you.

The Officiant says

Almighty God, by your Holy Spirit you have made us one with your saints in heaven and on earth: Grant that in our earthly pilgrimage we may always be supported by this fellowship of love and prayer, and know ourselves to be surrounded by their witness to your power and mercy. We ask this for the sake of Jesus Christ, in whom all our intercessions are acceptable through the Spirit and who lives and reigns for ever and ever. *Amen.*

Offertory

Doxology

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow.
Praise him all creatures here below.
Praise him above ye heavenly hosts.
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen*

The Lord's Prayer

The Officiant says

Let us pray together the Lord's Prayer.

People and Officiant

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 Peace

All stand. The Officiant says to the people.

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

Then the Ministers and People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

The Announcements

Sunday, 4/21	Liturgy of the Word Services
	9:30a Adult Lectionary Discussion
	No Children Sunday School; nursery open
	6:00p Yoga
Tuesday, 4/23	6:00p Vestry Meeting

Wednesday, 4/24 12:00p Eucharist Service
12:30p Bible Study
2:00p God's Grace @ St. Clare's
2:00p Grief Support Group
7:00p Choir Practice

Thursday, 4/25 5:00p Handbell Practice

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sunday, 4/28 9:30a Adult Lectionary Discussion
Children Sunday School
6:00p Yoga

Wednesday, 5/1 12:00p Eucharist Service
12:30p Bible Study
2:00p God's Grace @ St. Clare's
2:00p Grief Support Group
7:00p Choir Practice

Thursday, 5/2 5:00p Handbell Practice

Saturday, 5/4 8:30a **Breakfast for All**
9:00a DOK Meeting
10:00a Church Under a Bridge Lunch Prep

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Friday, 5/10 6:00p **Serendipity Dinner at the Barrons**

Sunday, 5/12 **Mother's Day**

The Prayer for St. Francis

Heavenly Father, we come to you at this time, seeking your perfect plan for St. Francis. We seek your wisdom, discernment, and guidance as to how we may serve you best and to your glory. Make us a church where your Son, Jesus, is lifted up as Lord and Savior and where the healing power and presence of the Holy Spirit is known. Even as your people trusted in you to bring them to the Promised Land, we look to you as God and Father to lead us in all things. We trust you to bring to us the people and resources to help us accomplish your work. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God forever and ever. Amen.

Closing Hymn

Savior, like a shepherd lead us 708

1 Sa - vior, like a shep-herd lead us; much we need thy
 2 Ear - ly let us seek thy fa - vor, ear - ly let us

ten - der care; in thy plea - sant pas - tures feed us;
 learn thy will; do thou, Lord, our on - ly Sa - vior,

for our use thy folds pre - pare. Bless - ed Je - sus!
 with thy love our bos - oms fill. Bless - ed Je - sus!

Bless - ed Je - sus! Thou hast bought us, thine we are.
 Bless - ed Je - sus! Thou hast loved us: love us still.

Words: *Hymns for the Young*, ca. 1830, alt.

Music: *Sicilian Mariners*, Sicilian melody, from *The European Magazine and London Review*, 1792

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