



GRACE EPISCOPAL CHURCH

The Fourth Sunday of Easter

April 25, 2021

Morning Prayer, Rite 2

Book of Common Prayer

PRELUDE

The King of Love My Shepherd Is (Irish tune , EH 645) - D. Wood

GREETING

OPENING SENTENCE

If then you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. ~*Colossians 3:1*

INVITATORY AND PSALTER

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Officiant: Lord open our lips.

People: And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

GLORIA (*All*) **Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen. Alleluia.**

ANTIPHON Alleluia! The Lord is risen indeed: **Come let us adore Him. Alleluia!**

JUBILATE *In unison*

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HYMN

Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us -Bradbury/Woo

PSALM 23 *In unison*

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**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, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen. Alleluia.**

A READING FROM 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.

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

CANTICLE 18 ~ *A Song to the Lamb* *In unison*

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HYMN

He Shall Feed His Flock (Messiah) - G. F. Handel

A READING FROM THE GOSPEL OF 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."

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

CANTICLE 21 ~ *You are God* *In unison*

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REFLECTION

A TIME OF SILENCE – *A bell will sound three times.*

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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.*

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WE PRAY FOR ALL OF WHO HAVE BEEN IMPACTED BY THE COVID-19 VIRUS -- THOSE WHO ARE SICK, THOSE WHO'VE DIED, AND THOSE WHO MOURN.

Silence

AS WE PRAYERS FOR THE FOLKS ON OUR PRAYER LIST ...

for all who are traveling, especially **Josey Parker** and **Cameron Klass** ...

and those with special needs:

Mark Adkins, **Chris** Alexander, **Cora** Alexander, **Bobby** Allgood, **Amanda** Amon, **Ella** Asebes, **Alice** Brandon & family, **Baylee** Brown, **Andrea** Cain, **Donna** Campbell, **Stella** Cappel, **Russell** Cinque, **Lynne** Cleckley, **Becky** Clodfelter, **Richard** Cooper, **Morgan** Curia, **Barbara** Dixon, **Johanna** Dresser, **Suzanne** Eller, **Aubrie** Gallen, **Shana** Garland, **Marlon** Gaskins, **Susan** Gibson, **Jan** Greer, **Jane** Grimes, **George** Hanna, **Rob** Hare, **Kristen** Harris, **Elizabeth** Harvey, **Nancy** Hinkle, **Joe** Koontz, **Chris and Mike** Hodges, **Jon** Huff, **Nancy** Hutchins, **Brinkley** Johnson, **Anne** King, **Lindsay** Layfield, **Cara** Lee, **Lynn** Mack, **Carol** May, **Kate** McKenzie, **Nicholas** Melomo, **Molly** Michael, **Roan** Mitchell, **Dan & Fran** Moore, **O'Lema** Morgan, **Page** Onorato, **Lynn** Parsley, **Gabby** Plott, **Jacklyn** Rojas, **Suzy** Sheets, **Talmadge** Silversides, **Amy** Burkhart Smith, **Dan Griff** Smith, **Martha Ellen** Smith, **Louise** Snyder, **Clarice and Henry** Surratt, **Robin** Tilley, **Jackie** Touchton, **Toni** Underwood, **Kathy** Watson, **Frances** Welch, **Courtney** Weller, **Susan** Whetmore, **Flynn** Williams, and **Charlotte** Young.

✦ *At this time, you may offer your prayers in the comments bar on Facebook so that we may pray with you through the week.*

HYMN

A Faithful Shepherd is My Lord - Nageli/Macklin

A PRAYER OF ST. CHRYSOSTOM

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DISMISSAL Alleluia! Alleluia! Let us bless the Lord.
Thanks be to God! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Almighty God, we entrust all who are dear to us to your never-failing care and love, for this life and the life to come, knowing that you are doing for them better things than we can desire or pray for; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

POSTLUDE *Trumpet Tune on "Westminster Abbey" (EH 518) - Purcell/Sedio*

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