



# Grace Episcopal Church

The Fourth Sunday of Easter

May 8, 2022

The Holy Eucharist: Rite II

10:30 a.m.

*Alleluia*

PRELUDE

*He Shall Feed His Flock* - G. F. Handel

## THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

PROCESSIONAL HYMN #8

*Morning has broken*

*Morning has broken  
like the first morning,  
blackbird has spoken  
like the first bird.  
Praise for the singing!  
Praise for the morning!  
Praise for them, springing  
fresh from the Word!*

*Sweet the rain's new fall  
sunlit from heaven,  
like the first dewfall  
on the first grass.*

*Praise for the sweetness  
of the wet garden,  
sprung in completeness  
where his feet pass.*

*Mine is the sunlight!  
Mine is the morning  
born of the one light  
Eden saw play!  
Praise with elation,  
praise every morning,  
God's re-creation  
of the new day!*

355 OPENING ACCLAMATION AND COLLECT FOR PURITY

*Celebrant* Alleluia, Christ is risen!

*People* The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS (*Hymnal S278, front section of hymnal, sung by all*)

*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

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Celebrant* 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.**

## THE FIRST LESSON

*Acts 9:36-43*

*Lector* A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

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.

- The Word of the Lord    **All: Thanks be to God.**

## PSALM 23 *(responsively by whole verse)*

<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 beside still waters.**

<sup>3</sup> He revives 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 for ever.**

*Lector*      A Reading from the Revelation to John.

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."

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



1 The King of love my shep-herd is, whose good-ness  
 2 Where streams of liv-ing wa-ter flow, my ran-somed  
 5 Thou spread'st a ta-ble in my sight; thy unc-tion  
 6 And so through all the length of days thy good-ness



1 fail-eth nev-er; I noth-ing lack if  
 2 soul he lead-eth, and where the ver-dant  
 5 grace be-stow-eth; and oh, what trans-port  
 6 fail-eth nev-er: Good Shep-herd, may I



1 I am his, and he is mine for ev-er.  
 2 pas-tures grow, with food ce-les-tial feed-eth.  
 5 of de-light from thy pure chal-ice flow-eth!  
 6 sing thy praise with-in thy house for ev-er.

**THE GOSPEL***John 10:22-30*

*Celebrant* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

*People* **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

At that time the festival of the Dedication took place in Jerusalem. It was winter, and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the portico of Solomon. So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, "How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah, tell us plainly." Jesus answered, "I have told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father's name testify to me; but you do not believe, because you do not belong to my sheep. My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand. What my Father has given me is greater than all else, and no one can snatch it out of the Father's hand. The Father and I are one."

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

**SEQUENCE HYMN #645 (VV. 5-6)***The King of love my shepherd is***THE HOMILY**

The Reverend Edward T. Kelaher, Rector

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.

## 388 PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE FORM IV

Let us pray for the Church and for the world. Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world. *Silence* Lord, in your mercy *Hear our prayer.*

Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good.  
*Silence* Lord, in your mercy *Hear our prayer.*

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.  
*Silence* Lord, in your mercy *Hear our prayer.*

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us.  
*Silence* Lord, in your mercy *Hear our prayer.*

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation.  
*Silence* Lord, in your mercy *Hear our prayer.*

We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.  
*Silence* Lord, in your mercy *Hear our prayer.*

We pray for all who are traveling, especially **Cameron** Klass, **Andrew** Duncan, **Josey** Parker, and **Julia** Klass

and those with special needs:

**Bill** Phillipps, **Tracey** Davis, **Mark** Adkins, **Chris** Alexander, **Cora** Alexander, **Amanda** Amon, **Ella** Asebes, **Leslie** Bell, **Alice** Brandon & family, **Baylee** Brown, **Andrea** Cain, **Lynne** Cleckley, **Terry and Crystal** Clendenin, **Morgan** Curia, **Barbara** Dixon, **Anita** Ewbank, **Renee** Ewbank, **Marc** Frye, **Jenny** Gallen and family, **Shana** Garland, **Jane** Grimes, **George** Hanna, **Rob** Hare, **Kristen** Harris, **Nancy** Hinkle, **Chris and Mike** Hodges, **Jon** Huff, **Eddie** Lane, **Lindsay** Layfield, **Cara** Lee, **Lynn** Mack, **Carol** May, **Kate** McKenzie, **Nicholas** Melomo, **Roan** Mitchell, **Dan & Fran** Moore, **O'Lema** Morgan, **Gilliam** Nicholson, **Page** Onorato, **Melissa** Owens, **Lynn** Parsley, **Emily** Pate, **Marie** Pressley, **Doris** Reece, **Anne** Rives, **Libby** Robert, **Jacklyn** Rojas, **Lucas** Sanabria, **Tommy** Shaw, **Suzy** Sheets, **Talmadge** Silversides, **Amy** Burkhart Smith, **Dan Griff** Smith, **Martha Ellen** Smith, **Louise** Snyder, **Jackie** Touchton, **Kathy** Watson, **Flynn** Williams, **Mary** Williams, and **Charlotte** Young.

“Are there others?”

Hear us, Lord;  
*For your mercy is great.*

*Celebrant*

Almighty God, to whom our needs are known before we ask, help us to ask only what accords with your will; and those good things which we dare not, or in our blindness cannot ask, grant us for the sake of yours Son Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

### 360 THE PEACE

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

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

## THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

### THE OFFERTORY SENTENCE

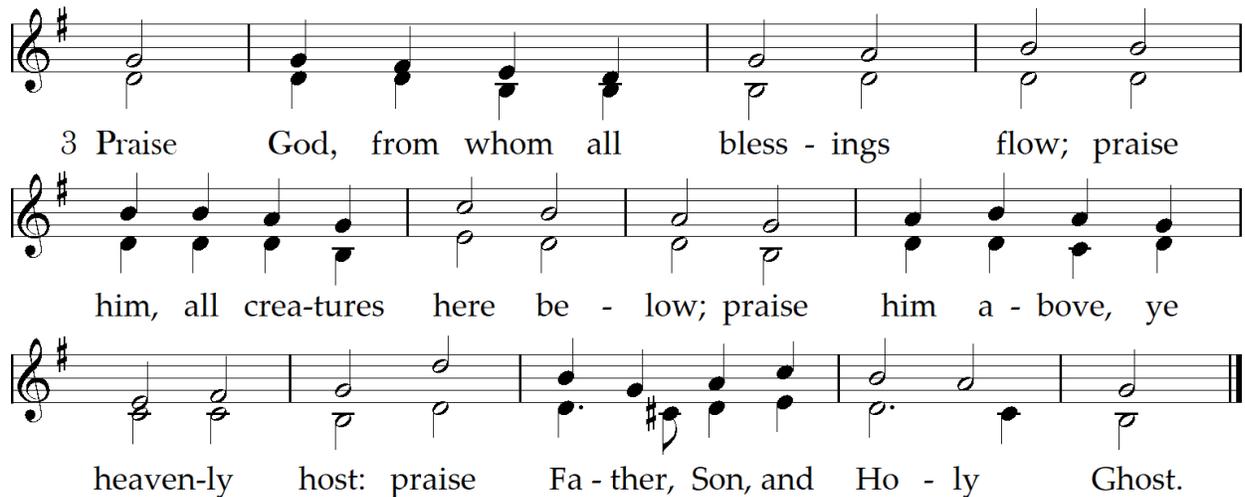
### OFFERTORY ANTHEM

*Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us* - Wm. B. Roberts

*Savior, like a shepherd lead us; much we need thy tender care:  
in thy pleasant pastures feed us; for our use thy folds prepare.  
Blessed Jesus! Blessed Jesus! Thou hast bought us, thine we are,  
Blessed Jesus! Blessed Jesus! Thou hast bought us, thine we are.*

*Early let us seek thy favor, early let us learn thy will;  
do thou, Lord, our only Savior, with thy love our bosoms fill.  
Blessed Jesus! Blessed Jesus! Thou hast loved us; love us still.  
Blessed Jesus! Blessed Jesus! Thou hast loved us; love us still.*

PRESENTATION OF GIFTS #380 (v. 3) *(The offering is brought forth while the hymn is being sung)*



3 Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow; praise  
him, all crea-tures here be - low; praise him a - bove, ye  
heaven-ly host: praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

361 THE GREAT THANKSGIVING (Eucharistic Prayer A)

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.  
*People* **And also with you.**  
*Celebrant* Lift up your hearts.  
*People* **We lift them to the Lord.**  
*Celebrant* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
*People* **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

But chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again he has won for us everlasting life.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

**SANCTUS #S125** *Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
(sung by all)* *Heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.*

*The people may stand or kneel*

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

*Celebrant and People*    **Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

**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.**

### 364 THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

*Celebrant*    Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.  
*People*        Therefore, let us keep the feast. Alleluia!

## INVITATION TO HOLY COMMUNION

*Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following Invitation*

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you  
and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

### COMMUNION HYMN #671

*Amazing grace!*

*Amazing grace! how sweet the sound,  
that saved a wretch like me!  
I once was lost but now am found,  
was blind but now I see.*

*'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,  
and grace my fears relieved;  
how precious did that grace appear  
the hour I first believed!*

*The Lord has promised good to me,  
his word my hope secures;  
he will my shield and portion be  
as long as life endures.*

*Through many dangers, toils, and snares,  
I have already come;  
'tis grace that brought me safe thus far,  
and grace will lead me home.*

*When we've been there ten thousand years,  
bright shining as the sun,  
we've no less days to sing God's praise  
than when we'd first begun.*

### 366 POST-COMMUNION PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

*Celebrant and People*

**Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food  
of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;  
and for assuring us in these holy mysteries  
that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom.  
And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do,  
to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.  
To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.**

### THE BLESSING

*The Celebrant blesses the people*

God the Father, by whose glory Christ was raised from the dead, strengthen you to walk with  
him in his risen life, and the blessing of God our Creator, Redeemer and Giver of life be with  
you always. **Amen.**

1 I love thy king-dom, Lord, the house of thine a - bode, the  
 2 For her my tears shall fall; for her my prayers a - scend; to  
 3 Be - yond my high - est joy I prize her heaven - ly ways, her  
 4 Je - sus, thou friend di - vine, our Sa - vior and our King, thy  
 5 Sure as thy truth shall last, to Zi - on shall be given the

1 Church our blest Re - deem - er saved with his own pre - cious blood.  
 2 her my cares and toils be given, till toils and cares shall end.  
 3 sweet com - mun - ion, so - lemn vows, her hymns of love and praise.  
 4 hand from ev - ery snare and foe shall great de - liv - erance bring.  
 5 bright - est glo - ries earth can yield, and bright - er bliss of heaven.

**THE DISMISSAL**

*Celebrant* Let us go forth in the name of the Risen Christ. Alleluia, Alleluia!  
*People* Thanks be to God! Alleluia, Alleluia!

**POSTLUDE**

*Prelude in A Minor - J. S. Bach*

*The flowers on the altar today are given to the glory of God  
 by Sally Dodd  
 in loving memory of Towers Dodd and our mothers, Alice and Jane.*

## WORSHIP LEADERS TODAY

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**Lector:** Mary Bolstad  
**Intercessor:** Elizabeth Purdy  
**Ushers:** Joe Wallace  
Wes Allred

**Greeter:** Penny Taylor  
**Acolytes:** Will Burke  
Kate Inabinett  
Lyndon Briggs

### **WELCOME GUESTS AND NEWCOMERS!**

We are delighted to have you worship with us today, and we would welcome the opportunity to get acquainted. Please sign the Guest Book in the narthex.

The restrooms are located in the rear hallway, and diaper-changing stations are provided in both rooms.

**During Holy Communion**, if you are unable to receive communion at the altar rail, please notify an usher so that communion can be brought to you.

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*In light of this mission we strive:*

- *to promote spiritual growth and healing through worship, study, and fellowship.*
- *to sustain a mutually supportive community*
- *to invite and include all who would seek and serve God with us.*
- *to serve those beyond our parish.*
- *to advocate social, environmental, and economic justice.*



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Maureen Tincher, Parish Administrator  
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### THE VESTRY

2023

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2024

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2025

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