

The Fourth Sunday of Easter (Christ, the Good Shepherd Sunday)

May 8, 2022

THE HOLY EUCHARIST

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OUR VISION *"To be a Kingdom Building Church"*

OUR MISSION

To Build God's Kingdom by being mission oriented, worshipfully connected, and biblically driven.

OUR VALUES

We strive to worship and serve God with excellence, passion, grace and commitment

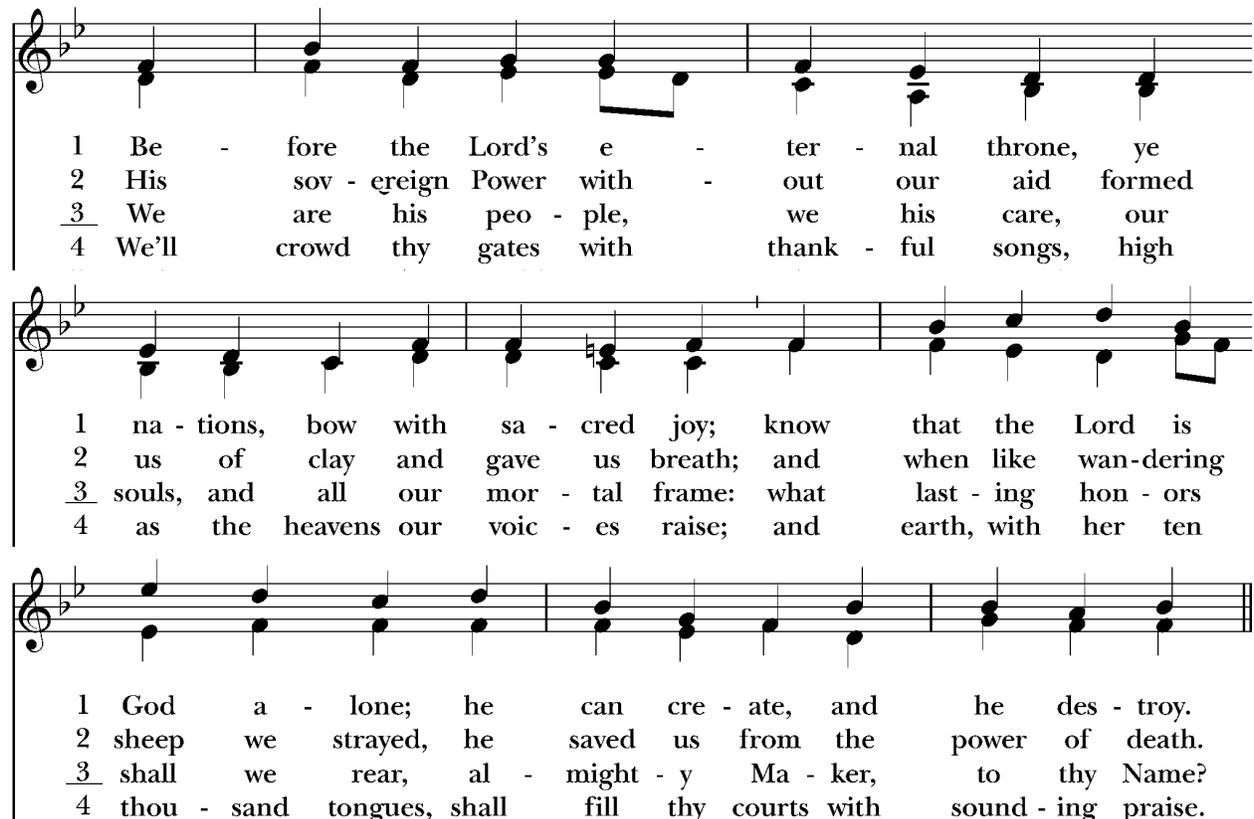
PRELUDE *Sheep May Safely Graze* – J. S. Bach. Deacon Paul Thomas, violin,
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(words for meditation) Sheep may safely graze and pasture
Where a Shepherd guards them well.
By still waters there he feeds them,
To the fold he gently leads them,
Where securely they may dwell.

The people stand as they are able

The Welcome and Opening Acclamation

PROCESSIONAL HYMN (VS 1, 2, 3, 4) Before the Lord's eternal throne



1 Be - fore the Lord's e - ter - nal throne, ye
2 His sov - ereign Power with - out our aid formed
3 We are his peo - ple, we his care, our
4 We'll crowd thy gates with thank - ful songs, high

1 na - tions, bow with sa - cred joy; know that the Lord is
2 us of clay and gave us breath; and when like wan - dering
3 souls, and all our mor - tal frame: what last - ing hon - ors
4 as the heavens our voic - es raise; and earth, with her ten

1 God a - lone; he can cre - ate, and he des - troy.
2 sheep we strayed, he saved us from the power of death.
3 shall we rear, al - might - y Ma - ker, to thy Name?
4 thou - sand tongues, shall fill thy courts with sound - ing praise.

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

Celebrant

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

GLORIA S 280 *Glory to God (Canticle 20) (Powell) (S 280)*

1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and
peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly
King, al - mighty God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we
give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus
Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you
take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy
on us; 5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -
ceive our prayer. 6. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One,

you a - lone are the Lord, 7. you a - lone are the Most
 High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the
 glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

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 people sit

The Word of God

FIRST READING: Acts 9:36-43

A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

³⁶Now 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. ³⁷At that time she became ill and died. When they had washed her, they laid her in a room upstairs. ³⁸Since 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." ³⁹So 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. ⁴⁰Peter 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. ⁴¹He gave her his hand and helped her up. Then calling the saints and widows, he showed her to be alive. ⁴²This became known throughout Joppa, and many believed in the Lord. ⁴³Meanwhile he stayed in Joppa for some time with a certain Simon, a tanner.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

The people stand as they are able

PSALM: Psalm 23

¹The LORD is my shepherd; *

I shall not be in want.

²He makes me lie down in green pastures *

and leads me beside still waters.

³He revives my soul *

and guides me along right pathways for his Name's sake.

⁴Though 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.

⁵You 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.

⁶Surely 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.

GLORIA PATRI

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.

The people sit

SECOND READING: Revelation 7:9-17

A Reading from the Revelation of John.

⁹I 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. ¹⁰They cried out in a loud voice, saying,

“Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!”

¹¹And 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, ¹²singing,

“Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom

and thanksgiving and honor

and power and might

be to our God forever and ever! Amen.”

¹³Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, “Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?” ¹⁴I 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.

¹⁵For 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.

¹⁶They will hunger no more, and thirst no more;

the sun will not strike them,

nor any scorching heat;

¹⁷for 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.”

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

The people stand as they are able

SEQUENCE HYMN (V 1/6) *The King of love my shepherd is (St. Columba) (H 645)*

1 The King of love my shep-herd is, whose good-ness
6 And so through all the length of days thy good-ness

1 fail - eth nev - er; I noth - ing lack if
6 fail - eth nev - er: Good Shep - herd, may I

1 I am his, and he is mine for ev - er.
6 sing thy praise with - in thy house for ev - er.

GOSPEL: John 10:22-30

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

²²At that time the festival of the Dedication took place in Jerusalem. It was winter, ²³and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the portico of Solomon. ²⁴So 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." ²⁵Jesus answered, "I have told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father's name testify to me; ²⁶but you do not believe, because you do not belong to my sheep. ²⁷My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me. ²⁸I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand. ²⁹What my Father has given me is greater than all else, and no one can snatch it out of the Father's hand. ³⁰The Father and I are one.

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

CHILDREN'S SERMON

THE SERMON - Fr Lamuel Salik

The people stand as they are able

THE NICENE CREED

All say together

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 people kneel as they are able

A period of silence is kept

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

The Leader and People pray responsively

Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;
That we all may be one.

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;
That your Name may be glorified by all people.

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;
That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;
That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;
That our works may find favor in your sight.

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;
That they may be delivered from their distress.

Give to the departed eternal rest.
Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;
May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.
Silence

The People may add their own petitions.

Celebrant adds a concluding Collect

O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of your mercies, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to you we give glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and for ever. *Amen.*

Deacon or Celebrant

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

Minister and People

CONFESSION OF SIN

All say together

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.

ABSOLUTION

Bishop or Priest

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

THE PEACE

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

The Minister and People may greet one another in the name of the Lord

The Holy Communion

The Priest says

Offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving, and make good your vows to the Most High.
Psalms 50:14

OFFERTORY *The new 23rd Psalm – Ralph Carmichael*

Because the Lord is my Shepherd, I have ev'rything that I need;
He lets me rest in meadows green And leads me beside the quiet stream;
He keeps on giving life to me And helps me to do what honors Him the most.
Even when walking thru the dark valley of death, valley of death,
I will never be afraid, For He is close beside me,
Guarding, guiding all the way; He spreads a feast before me In the presence of my enemies.
He welcomes me as His special guest. With blessing overflowing,
His goodness and unfailing kindness Shall be with me all of my life
And afterward I will live with Him forever, forever in His home,
forever in His home, forever in His home.

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DOXOLOGY (Hymn #380 verse 3)

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him all creatures here below,
Praise Him above ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Celebrant and People

All things come from you, Oh Lord, *and from your own hand we have given to you.

The Great Thanksgiving

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.

Then facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant continues

Celebrant

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:

Celebrant and People

SANCTUS *Holy, holy, holy (Powell) (S 129)*

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and
might, hea - ven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est. _____

*The people stand or kneel
Then the Celebrant continues*

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.

The Celebrant continues

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.*

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Celebrant

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

People and Celebrant

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
forever and ever. Amen.

A period of silence is kept

The Breaking of the Bread

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread

A period of silence may be kept

Then may be sung or said

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

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.

HOLY COMMUNION

Holy Communion is open to all who have been baptized in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, and who discern in the Sacrament the Body and Blood of Christ. You may receive the bread alone or both "in kind."

POST COMMUNION HYMN *Gentle Shepherd*

Gentle Shepherd, come and lead us, for we need You to help us find our way.

Gentle Shepherd, come and feed us, for we need Your strength from day to day.

There's no other we can turn to who can help us face another day;

Gentle Shepherd, come and lead us, for we need You to help us find our way.

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The people stand as they are able

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

Eternal God, heavenly Father,
you have graciously accepted us as living members
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,
and you have fed us with spiritual food
in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.
Send us now into the world in peace,
and grant us strength and courage
to love and serve you
with gladness and singleness of heart;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Celebrant says

The blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. *Amen.*

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

-- **A warm welcome to all our guests.** If you do not have a church home, you are invited to consider Good Shepherd as your new home! **Please text the word NEW to 972-779-9868 so we can properly welcome you.** A special welcome to **our guest priest-Father Lamuel Salik .**
--**Please join us after the service** for fellowship, coffee and donuts in the Library.

-- **TITHES AND OFFERINGS:** Remember you can send in your tithes and offerings through the link on the church web page www.goodshepherdcedarhill.com (scroll to the bottom of the page to find the link), or if you want to give by sending a check, please use the PO Box address (PO Box 429, Cedar Hill, TX 75106) for your snail mail.

--Happy Mother's Day to all.

---**Good Shepherd Community Market** is coming up **May 21!** Get a flyer on the bulletin table in the narthex and help publicize this event and recruit participants. There are also forms to complete to reserve a space for the market.

--**Blood Drive** date is May 25 from noon to 6PM here at the church.

Save the date! May 29-5th Sunday picnic. We will be celebrating the military-- those currently serving and all veterans. If you know someone in the military that you would like included, let Nancy Bitner know. Information on the meal will be in next week's bulletin.

--**Charly Tom** of Mercy Mission Welfare Society (MMWS) in India **will be visiting with us on June 5th** to share an update on the mission. Good Shepherd has been contributing to this mission since 2014. We are now collecting a designated offering for Mercy Mission in advance of Charly's arrival. To contribute by check, please designate Mercy Mission in the memo. If you prefer to gift in cash, please put it in an envelope and write Mercy Mission on the front. For more information about Mercy Mission, feel free to speak with Bill or Stephanie Stetson. Thank you!

Sunday: Adult Christian Ed (*Library*) - 9:30 AM; Children's (*Children's Room*) - 9:30 AM

Wednesday: Hope of Glory Meetings have moved to Wednesday at 7 pm, usually in the library. Contact Bill Stetson with prayer requests by Monday evening. E-mail: wsstetson@sbcglobal.net. To participate by phone, call and leave a message (972) 775-8545.

RECESSIONAL HYMN *Savior, like a shepherd lead us (Sicilian Mariners) (H 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.

DISMISSAL

Deacon Let us go forth in the name of Christ.
People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia.

POSTLUDE *In Thee is gladness* J.S. Bach (BWV 615) (V5035)

PRAYERS

-We pray blessing and a closer walk with Jesus for all those who watch our Facebook Live service, listen to the sermons and reach out to us on the web and by email.

-Our missionaries at home and abroad and those that hear their message of Good News.

-God's protection and care for all men and women serving in the military, all Police Officers, and other first responders.

-We pray for our President, Vice President, Congress, The Supreme Court, our Governor, our mayors, and state and local representatives. Turn our nation and state to Christ.

Special prayer requests from the Bishop:

- The people of Ukraine
- Our allies with whom we stand
- For Russians willing to speak out
- That the conflict not be widened and
- For an end to Russian aggression and the restoration of peace

Anglican Cycle of Prayer we pray for:

The Anglican Church of Rwanda (l'Eglise Anglicane du Rwanda)

Diocese of Dallas Cycle of Prayer we pray for:

McKinney--St. Andrew's: The Rev. Andrew Van Kirk; The Rev. Paulette Magnuson;
The Rev. Logan Hurst

McKinney--St. Peter's: The Rev. Perry Mullins; The Rev. Kathy Heitmann;
The Rev. Elizabeth Breyfogle; The Rev. Janice Honea

Mineola--St. Dunstan's: The Rt. Rev. Fraser Lawton

The concerns of our parish: Caroline, Carol; Alice; Jay; Tom & Judy; Nancy & Dean; Matt; Nathan; Felix; Bob (Jody's brother); Carolyn (Kent's mother), The Vestry, The Fellowship Committee.

Prayer for our church: May we, at Good Shepherd, in this year reach more people than ever before.

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