

# The Fourth Sunday of Easter

April 26, 2026

10:00 AM



## The Holy Eucharist, Rite II

Celebrant & Preacher - The Reverend Canon Steven M. Roberts

*It is the tradition of the Episcopal Church to maintain silence in the worship area so that people may pray. Please help us preserve an atmosphere of quiet reverence before worship begins, remembering to silence cell phones. Let the music of the opening voluntary quiet your thoughts as you prepare for worship. Large-print Prayer Books and Activity Workbooks for kids are available at the Usher's Stand. This liturgy is being webcast on YouTube and Facebook Live. We joyfully welcome children of all ages to worship with us; there is a nursery available for infants and toddlers if you wish it. Children are encouraged to proceed to the chapel for Children's Chapel immediately following the reading of the Gospel. They will return at The Peace.*

## The Word of God

OPENING VOLUNTARY ~ The Good Shepherd ..... Dom Paul Benoit

*When the bell sounds, please stand and sing.*

PROCESSIONAL HYMN #174 ~ At the Lamb's high feast we sing..... Salzburg

### OPENING ACCLAMATION

*Celebrant* Alleluia. Christ is risen.

*People* The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

### COLLECT FOR PURITY

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.

### CHRIST OUR PASSOVER *Pascha Nostrum*



1. God's Pas - chal Lamb is sac - ri - ficed for us;  
2. Now Christ is raised and will not die a - gain;  
3. In Christ we see the first fruits of the dead:



There - fore with joy we keep the Eas - ter feast; for -  
death has no more do - min - ion o - ver him; Through  
though Ad - am's sin had doomed all flesh to die, in



sak - ing sin, we share the bread of truth. Al -  
him we die to sin and live to God. Al -  
Christ's new life shall all be made a - live. Al -



le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia!  
le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia!  
le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia!

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## 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 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.

*Lector* The Word of the Lord.

*People* Thanks be to God.

*The choir sings*

## PSALM 23 *Dominus regit me*

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| 1 The Lord is my shepherd; *<br>I shall not be in want.  | 5 You spread a table before me in the presence<br>of those who trouble me; *<br>you have anointed my head with oil,<br>and my cup is running over. |
| 2 He makes me lie down in green pastures *<br>and leads me beside still waters.  | 6 Surely your goodness and mercy shall follow me<br>all the days of my life, *<br>and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.              |
| 3 He revives my soul *<br>and guides me along right pathways for his Name's sake.  |  |
| 4 Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,<br>I shall fear no evil; *<br>for you are with me;<br>your rod and your staff, they comfort me. |  |

Setting: Edward Cuthbert Bairstow

## THE SECOND LESSON ~ 1 Peter 2:19-25

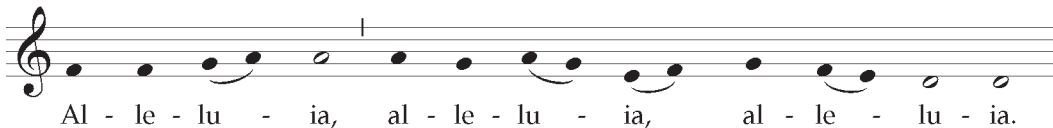
It is a credit to you if, being aware of God, you endure pain while suffering unjustly. If you endure when you are beaten for doing wrong, what credit is that? But if you endure when you do right and suffer for it, you have God's approval. For to this you have been called, because Christ also suffered 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.

*Lector* The Word of the Lord.

*People* Thanks be to God.

*Please stand and sing*

## ALLELUIA & VERSE



V. I am the good shepherd, says the Lord;  
I know my sheep, and my sheep know me. [*Alleluia*]

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**THE GOSPEL** ~ John 10:1-10

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

*People* Glory to you, Lord Christ.

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."

*Deacon* The Gospel of the Lord.

*People* Praise to you, Lord Christ.

**THE SERMON**

**THE NICENE CREED**

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE, Form IV**

Prayer Book, Page 388

**THE PEACE**

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

*People* And also with you.

# The Liturgy of the Table

**ANTHEM**

My Shepherd will supply my need,  
Jehovah is his Name.  
In pastures fresh he makes me feed  
Beside the living stream.  
He brings my wandering spirit back  
When I forsake his ways.  
He leads me for his mercy's sake  
In paths of truth and grace.

When I walk through the shades of death,  
thy presence is my stay.  
One word of thy supporting breath  
Drives all my fears away,  
hand, in sight of all my foes,  
Doth still my table spread.  
My cup with blessings overflows,  
Thine oil anoints my head.

The sure provisions of my God  
Attend me all my days,  
O may thy house be my abode  
And all my work be praise.  
There would I find a settled rest,  
While others go and come,  
No more a stranger or a guest,  
But like a child at home.

Music: Virgil Thomson (1896-1989)

Text: Paraphrase of Psalm 23 by Isaac Watts (1674-1748)

*Please stand and sing*

**OFFERTORY HYMN #343** ~ Shepherd of souls, refresh and bless .....*St. Agnes*

**THE GREAT THANKSGIVING** ~ Eucharistic Prayer A

Prayer Book, Page 361

**SURSUM CORDA**

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you. *People* And al - so 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.

**THE PROPER PREFACE**

**SANCTUS AND BENEDICTUS**



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

*(Standing or Kneeling)*

**THE EUCHARISTIC CANON**

Prayer Book, Page 362

**MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION** *(said by all)*

Prayer Book, Page 363

Christ has died.  
Christ is risen.  
Christ will come again.

**THE GREAT AMEN**

**THE LORD'S PRAYER**

Prayer Book, Page 364

**THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD**

**THE FRACTION ANTHEM**



Al - le - lu - ia! Christ, our Pass - o - ver, is  
sac - ri - ficed for us; Therefore let us keep the feast.  
Al - le - lu - ia.

**THE INVITATION TO AND DISTRIBUTION OF HOLY COMMUNION**

*All persons are welcome at the Lord's table; to receive Holy Communion or a Blessing. Baptized Christians of all ages and denomination may receive the elements. To receive a blessing rather than the elements, cross your arms over your chest as you kneel at the altar rail. To receive communion please hold out your crossed hands, open palms up, for the bread, and then help guide the chalice to your lips to receive the wine; cross your arms over your chest if you do not wish to receive the wine. Please blot lipstick before drinking from the chalice. You may also allow the chalice minister to dip the bread into the wine and place it on your tongue and it is permissible to receive only the bread if you like.*

**ANTHEM**

The Lord is my Shepherd, I have all I need,  
She makes me lie down in green meadows,  
Beside the still waters, She will lead.

Even though I walk, through a dark and dreary land,  
There is nothing that can shake me,  
She has said, She won't forsake me, I'm in Her hand.

Surely goodness and kindness will follow me  
All the days of my life,  
And I will live in Her house, forever.

She restores my soul, She rights my wrongs,  
She leads me in a path of good things  
And fills my heart with songs.

She sets a table before me, in the presence of my foes,  
She anoints my head with oil,  
And my cup overflows.

Glory be to our Mother, and Daughter,  
And to the Holy of Holies,  
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,  
World, without end. Amen.

Music: Bobby McFerrin (b. 1950)

Text: Paraphrase of Psalm 23 by Bobby McFerrin - dedicated to his mother

*Please join in singing*

**HYMN #181** ~ Awake and sing the song ..... *St. Ethelwald*

**POST-COMMUNION PRAYER**

Prayer Book, Page 365/366

**THE SEASONAL BLESSING**

The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. *Amen*

**WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS, BIRTHDAY/ANNIVERSARY BLESSINGS**

**HYMN #708** ~ Savior, like a shepherd lead us..... *Sicilian Mariners*

**THE DISMISSAL**

*People* Thanks be to God.

**VOLUNTARY** ~ Pæan - A Song of Triumph..... Soorjo Alexander William Langobard Oliphant Chuckerbutty

*The flowers on the altar are given to The Glory of God  
in thanksgiving for all the children here at the cathedral.*

*Please join us for coffee and refreshments in Stuart Hall.*

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Mass (Sanctus, Christ our Passover)

Setting: *A Community Mass*, Richard Proulx (1937-2010)

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### *Save the Dates*

- Sunday, May 17 - Marc Loudon, Pianist, In Recital
- Sunday, May 24 - Pentecost Picnic

*Donors needed for Altar Flowers in Cathedral and Chapel* - Please contact Sandy Jackson - (504) 717-3185.

*The Annual Pentecost Picnic* will follow the 10:00 Eucharist on Sunday, May 24. Please plan to attend this great event!

***Welcome!*** *If you are visiting and seeking a connection with us*, we would love to get to know you. Please fill out a Visitor Card (located in the pew rack) or point your cell phone on this QR code. *Thank you for worshiping with us.*



*If you or a family member is hospitalized or shut-in*, please contact the parish secretary during office hours or call one of us directly on our mobile phones at any time and leave a voice message if necessary. If the situation is not urgent you may also contact us via email (copying the parish secretary as well.) Please **DO NOT** use text messages, Facebook or any other instant message platform to communicate sensitive or urgent information, as their reliability is inconsistent.

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## THE WEEK OF APRIL 26

### SUNDAY

*The Fourth Sunday of Easter*

- 10:00 AM The Holy Eucharist, Rite II (Sung) (Cathedral)
- 11:15 AM Coffee Hour (Martin Room)
- 11:15 AM Adult Theological Forum (Dean's Parlor)
- 3:00 PM School for Contemplative Living
- 6:00 PM Real Presence

### MONDAY

- 9:00 AM Education for Ministry (EfM) Dean's Parlor
- 12:15 PM The Holy Eucharist, Rite II (Harris Chapel)

### TUESDAY

- 10:00 AM Staff Meeting
- 12:00 PM Alcoholics Anonymous (Women only)
- 12:15 PM The Holy Eucharist, Rite II (Harris Chapel)
- 5:30 PM Yoga in the Cathedral

### WEDNESDAY

- 12:15 PM The Holy Eucharist, Rite II (Harris Chapel)
- 4:30 PM Education for Ministry (EfM) Dean's Parlor
- 7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal

### THURSDAY

- 8:00 AM Trinity Loaves & Fishes (Kitchen)
- 12:15 PM The Holy Eucharist, Rite II (Harris Chapel)

### FRIDAY

- 12:15 PM The Holy Eucharist, Rite II (Harris Chapel)

### SUNDAY

*The Fifth Sunday of Easter*

- 10:00 AM The Holy Eucharist, Rite II (Sung) (Cathedral)
- 11:15 AM Coffee Hour (Martin Room)
- 11:15 AM Adult Theological Forum (Dean's Parlor)
- 3:00 PM School for Contemplative Living
- 6:00 PM Real Presence

Watch the Sunday 10:00 Eucharist webcast



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