

Eastertide



Join our church family!

Sundays:

- 8 AM - Holy Communion
- 9 AM - Bible Study / Episcopal 101 Class
- 10:30 AM - Holy Communion

Wednesdays:

- 5:30 PM - Evening Prayer

Easter Lilies 2024

The beauty of the Easter lilies that adorn our sanctuary have been offered in loving memory and heartfelt thanksgiving for the lives and blessings listed below.

In memory of:

*Walter & Bertha Buchheit
Paul & Barb Dunlap
Richard & Dorthea Featherston
Walter & Catherine Gresham
Alma & Maple Masters
Betty Myers
Wash & Gayle Ozbirn
Marcia Sikes
Jeanette Telle*



In thanksgiving for:

*Paul, James, Lauren, Andrea, Trevor, Evan, Tisha, Emily, & Derek
My family
Daniel, Adelaide, Harriet, Atticus, Ciarra, Ryleigh, & Keegan
Larry & Gloria Masters
John Missel & the people of Christ Episcopal Church
In honor of: Christ Episcopal Church members & your prayers during
my recovery*

The Fourth Sunday of Easter

April 21, 2024 - 10:30 AM

Greetings & Announcements: Fr. Ryan

The Prelude: Leslie Jones




As the bells chime, please stand, as able.

The Opening Acclamation:

Priest: Alleluia! Christ is Risen!

People: Christ is Risen indeed! Alleluia!

The Procession Hymn: #664, "My Shepherd Will Supply My Need,"
The Hymnal 1982

<i>Priest</i>		<i>People</i>		<i>Priest</i>
				
The Lord be with you.		And also with you.		Let us pray.

The Collect of the Day:

Priest: 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.



A - men.

Please be seated for the readings.

The Liturgy of the Word

The First Reading: 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."

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

The Psalm: Psalm 23

- 1 The Lord is my shepherd; *
I shall not be in want.
- 2 You make me lie down in green pastures *
and lead me beside still waters.
- 3 You revives my soul *
and guide me along right pathways for your 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.

The Second Reading: 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.

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

The Sequence Hymn: #644, "How Sweet The Name of Jesus Sounds,"
The Hymnal 1982

The Gospel: John 10:11-18

Priest: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to John.

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

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.”

Priest: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

The Sermon: Kent Miller

The Peace:

Priest: The Peace of Christ be always with you.

People: **And also with you.**

The Offertory Sentence:

Priest: Let us with gladness present the offerings and oblations of our life and labor to the Lord.

The plate offering this morning is offered in thanksgiving for Mrs. Dee's service to our church.

The Offertory Hymn: #645, “The King of Love My Shepherd Is,”
The Hymnal 1982

We acclaim you, holy Lord, glorious in power. Your mighty works reveal your wisdom and love. You formed us in your own image, giving the whole world into our care, so that, in obedience to you, our Creator, we might rule and serve all your creatures. When our disobedience took us far from you, you did not abandon us to the power of death. In your mercy you came to our help, so that in seeking you we might find you. Again and again you called us into covenant with you, and through the prophets you taught us to hope for salvation.

Father, you loved the world so much that in the fullness of time you sent your only Son to be our Savior. Incarnate by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, he lived as one of us, yet without sin. To the poor he proclaimed the good news of salvation; to prisoners, freedom; to the sorrowful, joy. To fulfill your purpose he gave himself up to death; and, rising from the grave, destroyed death, and made the whole creation new.

And, that we might live no longer for ourselves, but for him who died and rose for us, he sent the Holy Spirit, his own first gift for those who believe, to complete his work in the world, and to bring to fulfillment the sanctification of all.

When the hour had come for him to be glorified by you, his heavenly Father, having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end; at supper with them he 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."

Father, we now celebrate this memorial of our redemption. Recalling Christ's death and his descent among the dead, proclaiming his resurrection and ascension to your right hand, awaiting his coming in glory; and offering to you, from the gifts you have given us, this bread and this cup, we praise you and we bless you.

**All: We praise you, we bless you,
we give thanks to you,
and we pray to you, Lord our God.**

Lord, we pray that in your goodness and mercy your Holy Spirit may descend upon us, and upon these gifts, sanctifying them and showing them to be holy gifts for your holy people, the bread of life and the cup of salvation, the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ.

Grant that all who share this bread and cup may become one body and one spirit, a living sacrifice in Christ, to the praise of your Name.

Remember, Lord, your one holy catholic and apostolic Church, redeemed by the blood of your Christ. Reveal its unity, guard its faith, and preserve it in peace.

The Prayers of the People:

Lector:

- Remember, Lord, the thanksgivings on our hearts, especially _____. For what else do we give thanks? _____.
- Remember, Lord, those who are sick, who suffer, and those in any trouble, especially _____. For whom else do we pray? _____.
- Remember, Lord, all who have died in the hope of the resurrection, and all the departed, especially _____. For whom else do we pray? _____.

Priest: And grant that we may find our inheritance with all the saints who have found favor with you in ages past. We praise you in union with them and give you glory through Jesus Christ our Savior.

Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, all honor and glory are yours, Almighty God and Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, for ever and ever.

All:



A - MEN.

The Lord's Prayer:

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,

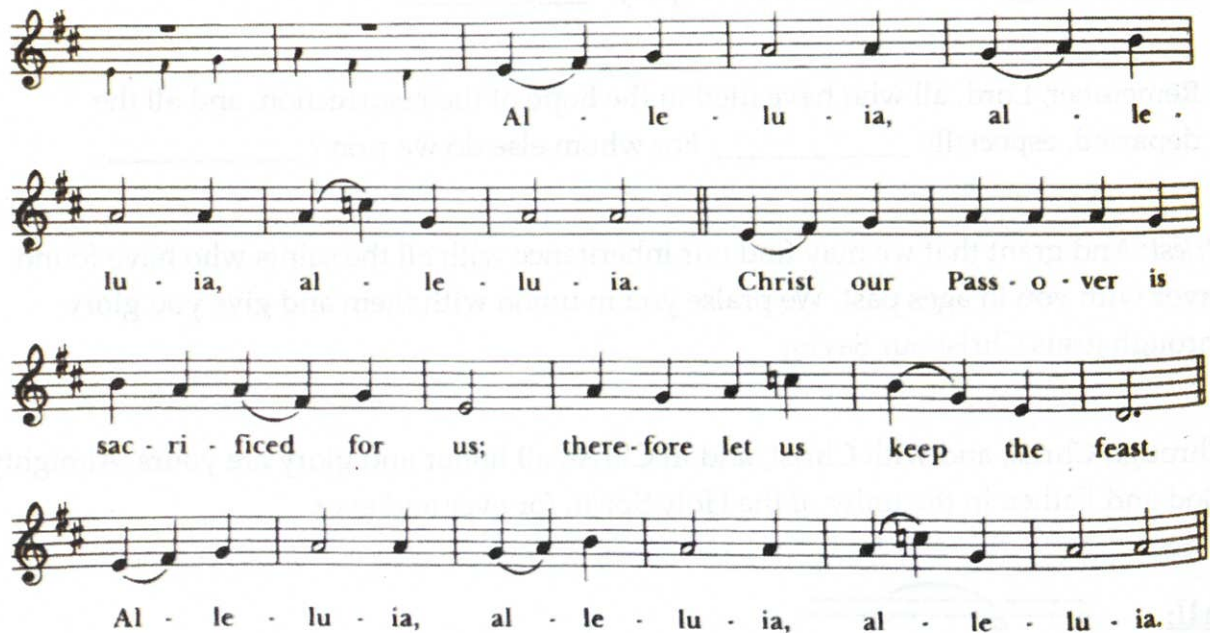
as we forgive those
who trespass against us.

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.



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

Setting: Gerald R. Near (b. 1942)

Priest: 

The Gifts of God for the Peo - ple of God.

The Communion Hymn: #304, "I Come With Joy To Meet My Lord,"
The Hymnal 1982

The Postcommunion Prayer:

Loving God, we give you thanks for restoring us in your image and nourishing us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood. Now send us forth a people, forgiven, healed, renewed; that we may proclaim your love to the world and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

The Blessing: Fr. Ryan Missel

The Recessional Hymn: #708, "Savior Like A Shepherd Lead Us,"
The Hymnal 1982

The Dismissal:

Priest: Let us bless the Lord. Alleluia, alleluia!

People: Thank be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!

The Postlude: Leslie Jones

Today's Servers:

Presider: Fr. Ryan Missel

Preacher: Kent Miller

Eucharistic Minister: Kent Miller

Lector: Gloria Miller

Host: Monica Waldon

Altar Guild: Monica Waldon

St. Isidore's Guild: The Miller Family

Pianist: Leslie Jones