

Holy Eucharist II

Fourth Sunday of Easter (Year B)

APRIL 21, 2024

10:30 AM RITE II SERVICE

Welcome to St. Thomas à Becket Episcopal Church where we celebrate the glory of God in Jesus Christ through worship, service, and fellowship. We believe God calls us to grow by expanding our spiritual life, focusing our outreach, and increasing our ministry to one another.

Assisting with the Service Today

Celebrant The Rev. Michael Delk Deacon The Rev. Al Prichard

Acolytes John Beall, Bob Acciavatti, Wilma-

Rue Tolka

Altar Guild Patti Kisner, Phil Kisner, Alice

Meehan, John Pearson, Lynda Waggoner

Coffee Hour Swearingen, Beddow

Eucharistic M. Jeff Fedan
Intercessor Kathy Fedan
Music Dr. Bill Haller

Producers TBD

Readers Rob Turley, Nicki Turley

Ushers Roy Spears, Carol Roberts Spears

Vestry Closer Nancy Mosser

Flowers on the altar are given by John and Carol Beall in honor of their 57th anniversary.

The Word of God

PRELUDE

F.A. GUILMANT

MAGNIFICAT

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The People may stand for praise.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

#205

GOOD CHRISTIANS ALL, REJOICE AND SING

ACCLAMATION

BCP 355

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

BCP 355

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*.

SONG OF PRAISE

HORACEK

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS



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

BCP 225

The Lord be with you. And also with you. 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.

The People may be seated for the readings.

A READING FROM THE ACTS OF THE APOSTLES (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."

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

THE PSALM APPOINTED FOR TODAY IS 23



The LORD-is my shepherd; *

I shall not be in want.

He makes me lie down-in green pastures and leads-me be side still waters.

He re¹vives my ¹ soul * and guides me along right ¹ pathways for-his ¹ Näme's ¹ sake.

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.

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.

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

A READING FROM THE FIRST LETTER OF 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.

#304

SEQUENCE HYMN

I Come With Joy to Meet My Lord

The People may stand when the Gospel is raised.

THE HOLY GOSPEL OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST ACCORDING TO JOHN (10:11-18)

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."

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

HOMILY

THE REV. MICHAEL DELK

THE NICENE CREED

BCP 358

The People may stand for recitation of this historic Creed, continuing the journey in the tradition of our forebearers.

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.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE, FORM III

BCP 387

The People may stand or kneel for the prayers.

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 **Justin**, Archbishop of Canterbury; **Michael**, our Presiding Bishop; **Matthew**, our Bishop; **Michael**, our Rector; **Al**, our Deacon; our companion diocese, Colombia; on the diocesan cycle of prayer, we pray for **Good Shepherd**, **Hansford and Good Shepherd**, **Parkersburg**; and 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, especially **Anna Maria Schreurs**, 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.

For Audrey; David Brookman; David Brown; Sharon Cook; Linde Crawford; John Crichton; Jo Corey; Ginny Dansby; Rosa Davin; Angie Dishauzi; Irene Evans; Katie Finklea; Londia Goff; David Hall; Nathan Harding; Jerrey Hoyt; Jazzlyn Hughes; Michael Hurst; Vicki Iber; Sheena Kennedy; Carolyn Kidd; Mauree Krofina; David Martinelli, Molly Martinelli, Paula Martinelli; Rick McCullough; Melissa

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Metheny; Wes Nugent; Jeff O'Neil; Mary Lou Rudulph; Earl Shafer; Jim Sharley; Spencer Stemple; Ruth Stockwell; Hayes Theiling Schreurs; Becky Thurston; Michael Williams; Amina Marie Jackson; Ray Kesler; Erin Kilroy; Sydney McDonald; Gail McHenry; Bob Murray; Maria Murray.

Additional prayers may be offered at this time, either silently or aloud.

The Presider adds a concluding Collect.

THE PEACE

The People may stand. The Celebrant says

The Peace of the Lord be always with you. *And also with you.*

The Minister(s) and People exchange the Peace. Then the People may be seated while the table is prepared.

RECOGNITION OF BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

Birthday Prayer: Gracious God, as we rejoice in the birthday of *[this your child | these your children]*, we pray that the year ahead will be one of blessing and peace, and that the year will bring continual joy in the knowledge of your steadfast grace and love; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Birthdays: *Apr. 21*: Leo Horacek; *Apr. 25*: Jason Robbins; *Apr. 27*: Carter Smailes

Anniversary Prayer: Loving God, you have blessed [this couple | these couples] with the gift of marriage: we pray that they may continue to love, honor, and cherish each other, and that they will find in each other the reflection of your abiding and sustaining grace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Anniversaries: *Apr. 21*: John & Carol Beall; Jeff & Kathy Fedan; *Apr. 23*: Bernie & Cookie Schultz



The Holy Communion

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

S.D. WOLFF

From the Dawning of Creation

From the dawning of creation, God was present in the Word. And the word was God eternal, source of all that came to be. Jesus is that Word eternal, Jesus is the Word of life.

Light appeared in deepest darkness, night was ended, morning dawned. And that light is ever burning, brightness never overcome. Jesus is the Light eternal, Jesus I the Word of life.

Human eyes have seen God's glory; human hands have touched God's own. In our likeness her among us, dwells the Word of God made flesh. Jesus is the Word incarnate, Jesus is the Word of life.

Doxology

#380 VERSE 3

Praise God from whom all blessings flow

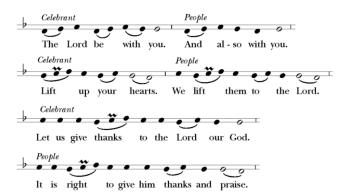
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise him, all creatures here below; Praise him above, ye heavenly host: Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

BCP 367

EUCHARISTIC PRAYER B

The People are invited to "Thanksgiving" (Eucharist)



Celebrant

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

Here a Proper Preface is sung or said

Celebrant

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:

All join in singing

THE SANCTUS & BENEDICTUS

HORACEK



The People may stand or kneel. The Celebrant continues

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, 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, according to his command, O Father,

Celebrant and People

We remember his death, We proclaim his resurrection, We await his coming in glory;

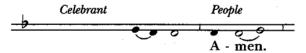
The Celebrant continues

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with St. Thomas à Becket and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

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.

#S 118



THE LORD'S PRAYER

BCP 364

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

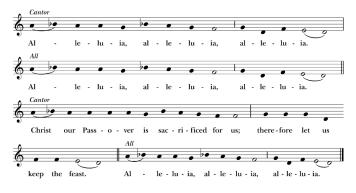
All say the Prayer together.

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,

THE FRACTION

for ever and ever. Amen.

#S 151



THE INVITATION

BCP 364

The People may be seated.

THE RECEPTION OF COMMUNION

BCP 457

Everyone is invited forward to the altar rail. All baptized Christians are invited to receive Holy Communion. Those not taking Holy Communion are invited to come up for a blessing; cross your arms over your chest if you wish to receive a blessing.

Gluten-free wafers are available. The wine is offered in two ways, a chalice for drinking and a smaller cup for intinction. If you abstain from wine for spiritual or health reasons, the full-ness of Communion is offered in the bread alone.

Once served, you may return to your seat.

After all have been served, and the Table cleared,
you will be invited to pray together.

COMMUNION HYMN

[#]645

THE KING OF LOVE MY SHEPHERD IS

THE POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

BCP 365

The People may stand or kneel. All pray together:

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,

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.

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

CLOSING HYMN

#708

SAVIOR, LIKE A SHEPHERD LEAD US

DISMISSAL

Deacon: [Gives the dismissal.]

People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

POSTLUDE T. DUBOIS

SORTIE

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Today: 8:00 am **Holy Eucharist Rite I**

9:00 am **Formation Class on Mark** 10:30 am **Holy Eucharist Rite II** (also

on YouTube)

Coffee Hour

Apr. 22: 6:00 pm *Property Committee Meeting* on

Monday

Apr. 24: 11:30 am **Fellowship Luncheon** at Ali

Baba Restaurant

Apr. 28: 8:00 am **Holy Eucharist Rite I**

9:00 am Formation Class on Mark

10:30 am Holy Eucharist Rite II (also

on YouTube)

Coffee Hour

May 2: 7:00 pm Fellowship Committee Meeting Thurs-

day on Zoom

May 5: 8:00 am Holy Eucharist Rite I

9:00 am Formation Class on Mark

10:30 am **Holy Eucharist Rite II** (also

on YouTube)

Coffee Hour

May 6: 5:30 pm *Finance Committee Meeting* on Monday

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Coffee Hour**: Please join us at coffee hour today to celebrate parishioner Leo Horacek's 105th birthday!
- Fellowship Luncheon: The Fellowship Committee will begin hosting monthly luncheons at area restaurants. The luncheons will provide an opportunity to enjoy fellowship and good food. We will be inviting our friends from Trinity to attend. Our first luncheon will be held at Ali Baba Restaurant on Wednesday, April 24 at 11:30 am.

OUR PARISH STAFF

The Rev. Michael Delk, Rector The Rev. Al Prichard, Deacon

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