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The Day of Easter (Year A)

April 5, 2026 – 8:00 & 10:30 a.m. – Good Shepherd
1:00 p.m. – Emmanuel All Nations



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*The Church of the Good Shepherd practices inclusion, inspires healing,
and promotes justice as we journey with Christ in love.*

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Welcome, Guests and Newcomers!

This is Christ's House. Come, you who feel weak and unworthy. Come, you who come often and you who have stayed away. Come, you who love Jesus, and you who wish you could. Come, sinners and saints, women, men, and gender non-conforming, gay and straight, young and old. Come, you who are lonely and long for friendship. Come, you who are homeless and you who have a place to rest your heads. Come, you who are citizens of this land and you who are not. Here you are citizens of the kingdom of God. Come join God's people at the feast prepared for you from the beginning of the world.

In addition to our weekly Sunday morning worship, we consistently offer a variety of other opportunities to connect—for people of all ages.

- Our website: goodshepherdfw.org.
- Our YouTube page: tinyurl.com/gsfwyoutube.
- Sign up for *The Shepherd's Crook*, our weekly newsletter, at tinyurl.com/goodshepemails.
- To go even deeper, join *Realm*, our online community of worshippers: onrealm.org/goodshepfw.
- Shortcut to Realm Resources for parishioners (password-protected): tinyurl.com/gsfwresources.
- Make a financial pledge to Good Shepherd for 2026: tinyurl.com/pledgegoodshep2026.

Recording and Streaming in Use

Recording and streaming in use: Please note that video cameras and microphones are capturing our 10:30 worship service, and that the resulting content is being transmitted online. Likewise, from time to time still photography of our worship services may be taken and used for church communications, websites, and other uses. By your presence within the worship space or on Zoom, you are indicating your consent to the possibility that your likeness may be captured and used in any of these ways. While video capture of congregants in the pews is relatively minimal, if you wish to guarantee you will not ever be depicted on video, the area toward the back of the pew seating area is unable to be picked up on camera.

Land Acknowledgment

We acknowledge that the Church of the Good Shepherd sits on a seasonal campground of the [Puyallup \(puyallup-tribe.com\)](https://puyallup-tribe.com) and [Coast Salish People](https://coast.salishpeople.com), who have lived on and stewarded these lands for thousands of years and continue to do so today. We recognize that this land acknowledgement is one small step toward true allyship, and we commit to uplifting the voices, experiences, and histories of the Indigenous people of this land and beyond.

How can you make this Land Acknowledgment more than a performative gesture? Go to the tribe's news website (<https://news.puyalluptribe-nsn.gov/>) and sign up for their newsletter. Notice what issues are important to the Puyallup people and decide how you can begin to forge a learning relationship.

The Fifty Days of Easter



Episcopalians—like Roman Catholics, Lutherans, and other denominations—are **liturgical Christians**, meaning that we place a lot of emphasis on ritual worship and on the calendar that Christians have observed for many centuries. We believe that liturgy, enacted in community over time, helps us grow into being Christ’s Body given for the world. We allow our Christian lives to be colored by the ebb and flow of the seasons, so that as the weather changes, so does our theological focus. You can notice this in the change of colors we use, the Bible passages we read, and the prayers we pray.



Easter is not a single day, but an entire season spanning fifty days, from the Day of Easter through the Day of Pentecost (May 24 this year). It is the most joyful time of year for Christians. To

emphasize that we are swimming in a sea of forgiveness, we do not use the Confession of Sin during Easter season (though, of course, you can always confess your sins in your private prayers or to a friend or priest). We also proclaim many a robust *Alleluia*; we had put that word aside during Lent, and now we’re glad to have it back!

You may feel joyous today, or there may be other things going on in your life and in the world that keep your joy muted. Our faith does not prevent or stop our suffering, and neither does our suffering preclude joy. At every funeral service, we use the “Alleluias” of Easter. Resurrection comes not to prevent death, but to render it ultimately irrelevant. Neither can the meager forces of evil—already defeated by Christ—do anything to limit the power of Christ’s Resurrection.

Stick with us from week to week and from season to season to come to a fuller understanding of our liturgical way of being Christians. Bring all your suffering and all your joy—all your doubts and all your hopes—and find here a frame to hang them in.

HOLY EUCHARIST: Rite Two

The Liturgy of the Word

At the 8:00 service, we skip all musical portions or, where indicated, read the text of them.

Processional Hymn: Jesus Christ is Risen Today (Hymnal 1982 #207)

Descant

1 Je - sus Christ is risen to - day, Al - le - lu - ia!
2 Hymns of praise then let us sing, Al - le - lu - ia!
3 But the pains which he en - dured, Al - le - lu - ia!
4 Sing we to our God a - bove Al - le - lu - ia!

our tri - um - phant ho - ly day, Al - le - lu - ia!
un - to Christ, our heaven - ly King, Al - le - lu - ia!
our sal - va - tion have pro - cured; Al - le - lu - ia!
praise e - ter - nal as his love; Al - le - lu - ia!

who did once up - on the cross, Al - le - lu - ia!
 who en - dured the cross and grave, Al - le - lu - ia!
 now a - bove the sky he's King, Al - le - lu - ia!
 praise him, all ye heaven - ly host, Al - le - lu - ia!
 suf - fer to re - deem our loss. Al - le - lu - ia!
 sin - ners to re - deem and save. Al - le - lu - ia!
 where the an - gels ev - er sing, Al - le - lu - ia!
 Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. Al - le - lu - ia!

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The Opening Acclamation

Presider: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

People: **The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

The Collect for Purity

Presider: 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 (Hymnal #S-280)

At the 8:00 service, we speak the text instead of singing it.

1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and
peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly
King, al - might - y 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.

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The Collect of the Day

Presider: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Presider: Let us pray.

Almighty God, who through your only-begotten Son Jesus Christ overcame death and opened to us the gate of everlasting life: Grant that we, who celebrate with joy the day of the Lord's resurrection, may be raised from the death of sin by your life-giving Spirit; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Lessons

Our readings from the Bible each week include one from the Old Testament or Hebrew Scriptures; a Psalm; one from the New Testament or Christian Scriptures; and a reading from one of the four Gospels, the accounts of the life of Jesus.

First Lesson (Jeremiah 31:1-6)

Lector: A reading from the book of the Prophet Jeremiah.

At that time, says the Lord, I will be the God of all the families of Israel, and they shall be my people.

Thus says the Lord:

The people who survived the sword
 found grace in the wilderness;
 when Israel sought for rest,
 the Lord appeared to him from far away.

I have loved you with an everlasting love;
 therefore I have continued my faithfulness to you.
 Again I will build you, and you shall be built,
 O virgin Israel!

Again you shall take your tambourines,
and go forth in the dance of the merry-makers.
Again you shall plant vineyards
on the mountains of Samaria;
the planters shall plant,
and shall enjoy the fruit.

For there shall be a day when sentinels will call
in the hill country of Ephraim:
“Come, let us go up to Zion,
to the Lord our God.”

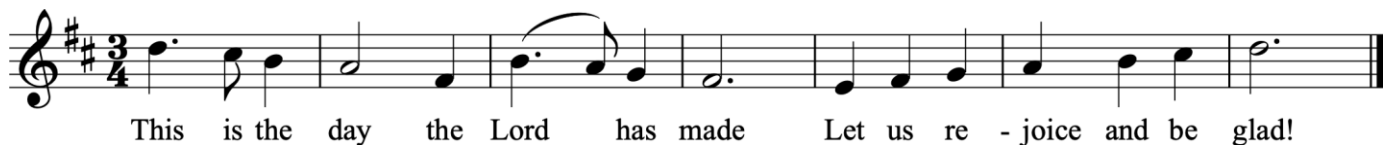
... Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Churches.
People: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24

At 8:00, the first lector invites us to read the text as follows:

Let us pray the psalm responsively by verse.

At 10:30, the congregation is invited to sing along with the cantor or choir.



1 Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; *
his mercy endures for ever.

2 Let Israel now proclaim, *
“His mercy endures for ever.” **Refrain**

14 The LORD is my strength and my song, *
and he has become my salvation.

15 There is a sound of exultation and victory *
in the tents of the righteous: **Refrain**

16 “The right hand of the LORD has triumphed! *
the right hand of the LORD is exalted!
the right hand of the LORD has triumphed!”

17 I shall not die, but live, *
and declare the works of the LORD. **Refrain**

18 The LORD has punished me sorely, *
but he did not hand me over to death.

19 Open for me the gates of righteousness; *
I will enter them;
I will offer thanks to the LORD. **Refrain**

20 “This is the gate of the LORD; *
he who is righteous may enter.”

21 I will give thanks to you, for you answered me *
and have become my salvation. **Refrain**

22 The same stone which the builders rejected *
has become the chief cornerstone.

23 This is the LORD’S doing, *
and it is marvelous in our eyes. **Refrain**

Second Lesson (Acts 10:34-43)

Lector: A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

Peter began to speak to Cornelius and the other Gentiles: “I truly understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ-- he is Lord of all. That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.”

... Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Churches.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

The congregation stands as able.

Gospel Acclamation: Festival Alleluia (*Worship IV*, #335)

James Chepponis



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



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

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The Gospel (John 20:1-18)

Deacon: The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to John.

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

Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the tomb. So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, “They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him.” Then Peter and the other disciple set out and went toward the tomb. The two were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. He bent down to look in and saw the linen wrappings lying there, but he did not go in. Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen wrappings lying there, and the cloth that had been on Jesus’ head, not lying with the linen wrappings but rolled up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; for as yet they did not understand the scripture, that he must rise from the dead. Then the disciples returned to their homes.

But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb; and she saw two angels in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had been lying, one at the head and the other at the feet. They said to her, “Woman, why are you weeping?” She said to them, “They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him.” When she had said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to her, “Woman, why are you weeping? Whom are you looking for?” Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, “Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away.” Jesus said to her, “Mary!” She turned and said to him in Hebrew, “Rabbouni!” (which means Teacher). Jesus said to her, “Do not hold on to me, because I have not yet ascended to the Father. But go to my brothers and say to them, ‘I am ascending to my Father and your

Father, to my God and your God.” Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, “I have seen the Lord”; and she told them that he had said these things to her.

Deacon: The Gospel of the Lord.

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

The Sermon (*The Rev. Josh Hosler*)

Sermon audio is recorded and made available on our website.

The Renewal of Our Baptismal Covenant

All around the world today, new Christians are being welcomed into the Body of Christ through the sacrament of baptism. We pray for them as we renew our own baptismal vows.

Presider: Let us join with those around the world who are committing themselves to Christ through Holy Baptism and renew our own baptismal covenant.

Presider: Do you reaffirm your renunciation of evil and renew your commitment to Jesus Christ?

People: **I do.**

Presider: Do you believe in God the Father?

People: **I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

Presider: Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

People: **I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

Presider: Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

People: **I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.**

Presider: Will you continue in the apostles’ teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?

People: **I will, with God’s help.**

Presider: Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

People: **I will, with God’s help.**

Presider: Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

People: **I will, with God’s help.**

Presider: Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?

People: **I will, with God's help.**

Presider: Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?

People: **I will, with God's help.**

Presider: Will you cherish the wondrous works of God, and protect and restore the beauty and integrity of all creation?

People: **I will, with God's help.**

Presider: May Almighty God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has given us a new birth by water and the Holy Spirit, and bestowed upon us the forgiveness of sins, keep us in eternal life by his grace, in Christ Jesus our Lord. **Amen.**

The congregation is sprinkled with water. A note to guests who may not be baptized: this sprinkling is not itself a baptism, but a reminder for those who are baptized. If you would like to explore the possibility of baptism, please seek out Pastor Josh at a later time.

Music at the Asperges: Sprinkling Song (Worship IV #314)

All sing refrain, cantor sings verses.

Refrain

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le -
lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

*Music: Surgit in Haec Dies, 12th. Adapt. By Leo Nestor
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The Prayers of the People

Every week we pray, using a variety of liturgies, for the world, the church, and those in need. We offer prayers of thanks, and we remember those who have died. We maintain two channels of organized petitionary prayer, the **Prayer List** and the **Prayer Chain**.

Prayer List: To have a name read aloud for prayer during our Sunday services on a temporary or ongoing basis, contact the Rev. Josh Hosler at rector@goodshepherdfw.org. This list is published in Realm Resources for you to use in your private devotions; the link appears in the Shepherd's Crook email.

Prayer Chain: To have a name and a concern emailed to a small group of designated parishioners for one-time, immediate prayer, contact Alisa Johnson at alisajohnson@hotmail.com.

Deacon: O Risen Christ, meet us at your empty tomb. Baffle and astound us with your love, most especially in the places we would never dream of seeing you. Invite us live our whole lives as a prayer, that when we see you again in all your glory, we will know you by the sound of your voice.

Intercessor: We pray for your church throughout the world. Gather us back together in your love, reorienting us to the ways of self-giving and reconciliation that it is the church's mission to share with the world. We pray for **Karen**, who is preparing to be received into the Episcopal Church at Cathedral Day on April 25, and we pray for her sponsor **Maggie**.

Pause for additional prayers

Intercessor: Sanctify us in truth, O Christ,

People: **For your word is truth.**

Intercessor: We pray for our nation, a troubled place struggling to remember its highest ideals. Where we have splintered into factions, reassemble us into a people eager to share generously the bounty of which we are capable. Where we have hardened ourselves in fear and given ground to the forces of cruelty, call us to repentance, that all who live here can be welcomed and celebrated.

Pause for additional prayers

Intercessor: Sanctify us in truth, O Christ,

People: **For your word is truth.**

Intercessor: We pray for our world, your first gift of joy and wonder to all your earthly creatures. In a time of dryness and disillusionment, reenchant us, that in eagerness we may respect the dignity of every human being and gladly give of ourselves that all may thrive in the glory of your love.

Pause for additional prayers

Intercessor: Sanctify us in truth, O Christ,

People: **For your word is truth.**

Intercessor: We pray for our community of Federal Way and all the communities from which we hail. In a transient society of lost and isolated people, help us reidentify as those who depend on one another to share fulfillment and happiness. Give us good work to do, that we may serve the common good with joy.

Pause for additional prayers

Intercessor: Sanctify us in truth, O Christ,

People: **For your word is truth.**

Intercessor: We pray for those who suffer and those in any need or trouble, including those here among us today.

The Deacon shares the names of those on our prayer list and invites additional names.

Intercessor: We pray for those who have died, trusting that for them now, there is no more appropriate word than “Hallelujah.”

The Deacon shares the names of those who have died and invites additional names.

Intercessor: Just as you returned from the grave to reassure your friends, O Christ, send us out to reengage in community and bear one another’s burdens, that in you all our grief and despair may be healed.

Intercessor: Sanctify us in truth, O Christ,

People: **For your word is truth.**

Presider: Almighty God, by your Holy Spirit you have made us one with your saints in heaven and on earth: Grant that in our earthly pilgrimage we may always be supported by this fellowship of love and prayer, and know ourselves to be surrounded by their witness to your power and mercy. We ask this for the sake of Jesus Christ, in whom all our intercessions are acceptable through the Spirit, and who lives and reigns for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The Peace

Presider: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: **And also with you.**

We greet one another in the name of the Lord.

Announcements

A Prayer for Birthdays and Anniversaries

O God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray, on your servant(s) *N.* as *they* begin[s] another year. Grant that *they* may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen *their* trust in your goodness all the days of *their lives*; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Offertory

Presider: Reconciled to one another, let us bring our gifts to God. Let us offer our whole selves on this altar, for it has become a table richly laid for the entire world. Come share joyfully in Christ's eternal feast.

The congregation may remain seated until the final verse of the offertory hymn or until motioned to stand.



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On the third Sunday of each month, offerings not otherwise designated are contributed to the Rector's and Deacon's Discretionary Funds, which are used to help people in immediate need (parishioners or otherwise) or to assist new, as-yet-unbudgeted ministry opportunities.

We give not to "pay for the show," but as a spiritual practice of participation for the good of the world and of our souls. The Church of the Good Shepherd is able to operate because of the pledges of its members. We strongly encourage all members to make an annual pledge, no matter how large or small. **To make a pledge today for 2026**, use the pledge card found in your pew or go to <https://tinyurl.com/pledgegoodshep2026>.



FLASHBACK: The Day of Easter, 2021.

More than a year on lockdown didn't stop us from wearing fancy Easter hats!

Offertory Hymn: Now the Green Blade Riseth (*The Hymnal 1982 #204*)



1 Now the green blade ris - eth from the bur - ied grain,
2 In the grave they laid him, Love whom hate had slain,
3 Forth he came at Eas - ter, like the ris - en grain,
4 When our hearts are win - try, griev - ing, or in pain,



wheat that in dark earth man - y days has lain;
think - ing that nev - er he would wake a - gain,
he that for three days in the grave had lain,
thy touch can call us back to life a - gain,



love lives a - gain, that with the dead has been:
laid in the earth like grain that sleeps un - seen:
quick from the dead my ris - en Lord is seen:
fields of our hearts that dead and bare have been:



Love is come a - gain like wheat that spring - eth green.

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In memory of:

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Martha Barker
Lorraine, Bobbee, and Bob Barnes
Jack and Eva Butcher
Margorie Eleonor Holder
Larry and Ruth Johnson
Liz and Preston Johnson
Thomas Austin Jowett
Chuck and Harriett Neal

Gay E. Neal

Zygmund and Palmyra Sroka
Eugenie and Herb Strandberg
Hal and Bettie Waddell

In thanksgiving for:

Family and friends
God's love, mercy, and grace
Health
Our veterans and military

Presider: And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

Sanctus (Hymnal #S-125)

The musical score is written on five staves in a single system. The key signature has one flat (B-flat), and the time signature is 4/4. The melody is in the soprano voice. The lyrics are: 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.

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Blessed are you, Lord our God, for sending us Jesus, the Christ, who on the night he was handed over to suffering and death, took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, and said, “Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.”

After supper, Jesus took the cup of wine, gave thanks, and said, “Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me.”

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,
People: **We celebrate Christ’s death and resurrection as we await the day of his coming.**

Presider: Therefore, O God, we who have been redeemed by Jesus Christ, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Savior. Sanctify us also, and let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

People: **Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.**

Presider: God of our ancestors; Redeemer and Mother of Israel; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only and not for strength; for pardon only and not for renewal.

Accept these prayers and praises, Almighty God, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation. **AMEN.**

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

The Lord's Prayer



3

Our Fath-er in Heav-en, Ho-ly is your name. Your king - dom

4

come, your will be done on earth as it is in_ Heav - en.

Give us this day our dai - ly_ bread and for-give us our sins. For-give us our sins as

we for-give those who have sinned a-against us. And save us from the time of trial.

For yours is the king-dom. Yours is the glo-ry for - ev-er and ev-er. A-
 men.____ Yours is the king-dom. Yours is the glo-ry for - ev - er and
 ev-er. A - men,____ for - ev-er and ev-er. A - men.____

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The Breaking of the Bread

Silence is kept.

Presider: Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People: **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!**

At 10:30:

Fraction Anthem: As You Break Bread Among Us (J. Hosler)

REFRAIN
1st time cantor;
subsequent times, congregation

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As you break bread a - mong us, burn
 in our hearts, Lord Je - sus. As you Je - sus.

The verses are sung by the cantor.

1. I was glad when they said to me, "Let us go to the house of the Lord."

Now our feet are standing within the gates. Let us go in with gladness. **REFRAIN**

2. Now we are alive in Christ and dwell with the Lord.

The Lord has spread a feast for us. Let us go in and eat. **REFRAIN**

3. Now your joy is within us, that our joy may be complete.

Now we may abide in you, as you abide in us. **REFRAIN**

Presider: The gifts of God for the people of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ destroyed death for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

Holy Communion is Christians' weekly participation in the death and resurrection of Christ, so it properly flows from the vows made at our baptism. Even so, all are invited to the table: the baptized of any Christian denomination who have committed to follow Jesus Christ, and any guests at Jesus' table. If you are not baptized and would like to begin to explore the possibility, please reach out to Pastor Josh.

If you require gluten-free bread, tell the priest when he comes to you and it will be provided. To abstain from Holy Communion, cross your arms over your chest to indicate that you would prefer that the priest bless you. In addition, it has always been our understanding that those who receive communion in only one kind (bread or wine) have received communion in the fullest sense.

Communion Hymn: Alleluia, Alleluia (*The Hymnal 1982 #178*)

Refrain

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Give thanks to the

ris - en Lord. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Give

Praise to his Name.

1 Je - sus is Lord of all the earth.
2 Spread the good news o'er all the earth:

Repeat Refrain

He is the King of cre - a - tion. Al - le -
Je - sus has died and has ris - en.

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A Prayer for Spiritual Communion

Those who cannot be with us on-site to receive Holy Communion may wish to add this private prayer:

In union, O Lord, with the faithful at every altar of your Church, where the Holy Eucharist is now being celebrated, I offer you praise and thanksgiving. I present to you my soul and body with the earnest wish that I may always be united with you and with the Body of Christ. And since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, I ask you to come spiritually into my heart. I unite myself to you and to your Church, and I embrace you with all the affections of my soul. Let nothing ever separate you from me; may I live and die in your love. Amen.

Post-Communion Prayer

The congregation stands as able.

Presider: Let us pray.

All: **God of abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation; you have united us with Christ and one another; and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.**

The Easter Blessing

Presider: May Almighty God, who has redeemed us and adopted us through the resurrection of Christ our Lord, bestow upon you the riches of God's blessing. **Amen.**

May God, who through the water of baptism has raised us from sin into newness of life, make you holy and worthy to be united with Christ for ever. **Amen.**

May God, who has brought us out of bondage to sin into true and lasting freedom in the Redeemer, bring you to your eternal inheritance. **Amen.**

The Wisdom of God, the Love of God, and the Grace of God strengthen you to be Christ's hands and heart in this world, in the name of the Holy Trinity. **Amen.**

Sending Hymn: At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing (*The Hymnal 1982* #174)

1 At the Lamb's high feast we sing praise to our vic - to - rious King,
2 Where the Pas - chal blood is poured, death's dark an - gel sheathes his sword;
3 Might - y vic - tim from on high, hell's fierce powers be - neath thee lie;
4 Eas - ter tri - umph, Eas - ter joy, these a - lone do sin de - stroy.

who hath washed us in the tide flow - ing from his pierc - ed side;
Is - rael's hosts tri - um - phant go through the wave that drowns the foe.
thou hast con - quered in the fight, thou hast brought us life and light:
From sin's power do thou set free souls new - born, O Lord, in thee.

praise we him, whose love di - vine gives his sa - cred Blood for wine,
Praise we Christ, whose blood was shed, Pas - chal vic - tim, Pas - chal bread;
now no more can death ap - pall, now no more the grave en - thrall;
Hymns of glo - ry, songs of praise, Fa - ther, un - to thee we raise:

gives his Bo - dy for the feast, Christ the vic - tim, Christ the priest.
with sin - cer - i - ty and love eat we man - na from a - bove.
thou hast o - pened par - a - dise, and in thee thy saints shall rise.
ris - en Lord, all praise to thee with the Spi - rit ev - er be.

Words: Latin, 1632; tr. Robert Campbell (1814-1868), alt. Music: *Salzburg*, melody Jakob Hintze (1622-1702); harm. Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750).

The Dismissal

Presider: Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People: **Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

At this point our livestream ends. Coffee, snacks, and ongoing conversation are available after each service.

What's Happening at Good Shepherd?

Because our service leaflet is posted on the Web for all to see, we don't print here parishioners' personal contact information. Members of Good Shepherd are given a printed parish directory. If you'd like to participate in something but don't know how to contact the appropriate person, please contact the church office at office@goodshepherdfw.org.



I Will, with God's Help: Promises of Baptism

Sundays: April 12, 19, 26

9:15-10:00 a.m. in the Gathering Room

Episcopalians view baptism not as an individual practice, but as a communal one. We all gather around the one to be

baptized so that we are prepared to help him walk the way with Christ. Join us on Sunday mornings early in Easter season to help prepare **Thomas Jowenson** for baptism on the Day of Pentecost. How can you help raise Thomas in the Christian faith and life, and what might his baptism mean for your own baptismal journey?



The Playground Is Coming!

Good Shepherd's new playground has been delivered and will soon be installed behind the Education Building. *(Image from costco.com.)*



Funeral Service for Gay Neal

Monday, April 20, 1:00 p.m.

We'll remember Gay's life with a service of Holy Eucharist, with a reception to follow in Seaman Hall.

Cathedral Day, and Karen's Reception into the Episcopal Church

Saturday, April 25 at St. Mark's Cathedral

Cathedral Day is a "family reunion" for Episcopalians from across western Washington. It's a time for connecting across congregations and experiencing all your cathedral has to offer. Cathedral Day celebrates the idea of pilgrimage, with Saint Mark's serving as your sacred destination. Better yet, our own **Karen Dobbs** will formally become an Episcopalian there! Register at ecww.org/event/cathedral-day-2026/.

Mutual Ministry Goals for 2026

The vestry and rector have adopted the following goals for the remainder of this calendar year.

1. To increase the level of partnership between Church of the Good Shepherd and Emmanuel All Nations by including members of both congregations in key committee work ... as well as planning joint services and celebrations throughout the coming year's church calendar and developing optimal building space and joint program arrangements.



2. To implement focused communications with the Parish regarding property redevelopment, including opportunities for parishioner questions and concerns, as well as between the Vestry and Property Redevelopment Task Force; and to develop and maintain a timeline of project progress, shared with the Parish, focusing on the accessibility and property sale projects.

3. To raise public awareness within the Federal Way community, sharing Good Shepherd's mission, resources, and activities, utilizing multiple strategic, focused communication streams to more broadly recognize Good Shepherd as a valuable, sought-after community partner, centered around our mission to practice inclusion, inspire healing, and promote justice as we journey with Christ in love.

How can you help Good Shepherd achieve these goals?

Goal #1: Start by attending Emmanuel All Nations services and getting to know our new friends. The point person for this goal is **the Rev. Josh Hosler**.

Goal #2: Start by staying engaged with the processes already at work. Consider whether you might have gifts to share with the Property Redevelopment Task Force, especially in the area of in-house communications. The point person for this goal is **Judith Perkins**.

Goal #3: Start by sharing word in your communities about what Good Shepherd is doing. Do you have experience with social media, website maintenance, press releases, or public event planning? Even better! The point person for this goal is **Nancy Krueger**.

Good Shepherd Clergy, Staff, and Lay Leadership

The Rt. Rev. Phil LaBelle, *Bishop* (bishop@ecww.org)
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Today's Service Ministers

Presider/Preacher: The Rev. Josh Hosler
Deacon: Anna Lynn
Organist: Alan Lynch
Cantor: Alana O'Donnell

April 5	8:00 a.m.	10:30 a.m.
Tech Team		Jason Armer, Dina Johnson
Ushers		Tracie Manolides, Lee Hitzeman
Altar Guild		Karen White
Flowers		Easter Flowers
Worship Assistant	Shannon Molina	
First Lector	Levy Molina	Billie Stockton
Second Lector/Intercessor	Shannon Molina	Ania Malkowska-Leek
Eucharistic Ministers		Anna Lynn, Judith Perkins
EM Trainee	Levy Molina	
Coffee Hour	Fellowship Team	Fellowship Team

We sing hymns at the 10:30 service only. All music used during this service, unless otherwise noted, is licensed for online streaming through onelicense.net #609900. Art files, unless otherwise noted, are licensed under the Creative Commons Attribution Noncommercial ShareAlike 3.0 License.

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