



5:00 P.M. HOLY EUCHARIST  
THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER  
SUNDAY, APRIL 21, 2024

THE REVEREND NOELLE YORK-SIMMONS, *Rector*  
THE REVEREND DEACON JARED MOORE, *Seminarian*  
THE REVEREND ABBOTT BAILEY, *Supply Vicar*

THE REVEREND ROBBIE LAUGHTON, *Associate Rector*  
THE REVEREND DEACON REDMOND SELF, *Seminarian*

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THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

OPENING ACCLAMATION

*Celebrant* Alleluia. Christ is risen.

*People* **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

GLORIA (*said by all*)

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

*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

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.

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

THE GOSPEL

John 10:11-18

*Gospeller* 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.”

*Gospeller* The Gospel of the Lord.

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

#### THE SERMON

The Rev. Robbie Laughton

*A period of silence for reflection follows the sermon.*

*The People stand and say*

#### THE NICENE CREED

**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 Leader and People pray responsively*

#### THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

*Silence*

For all people in their daily life and work;

***For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.***

For this community, the nation, and the world;

***For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.***

For the just and proper use of your creation;

***For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.***

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

***For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.***

For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

***For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.***

For Michael our Presiding Bishop, Mark, Gayle, and Bud, our bishops and for all bishops and other ministers;

***For all who serve God in the Church.***

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

*Silence*

*The People may add their own petitions*

Hear us, Lord;

***For your mercy is great.***

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

*Silence*

*The People may add their own thanksgivings*

We will exalt you, loving God;  
***And praise your Name for ever and ever.***

We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

Silence

*The People may add their own petitions*  
Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;  
***Who put their trust in you.***



*During a time of silent prayer, congregants are invited to light a candle for a prayer intention or come to the altar rail for healing prayer.*

## THE PEACE

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

## THE OFFERTORY

*We invite you to support the mission and ministries at Christ Church by making an offering.*

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Celebrant All things come of thee, O Lord,  
People **And of thine own have we given thee.**

## THE HOLY COMMUNION

### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING / EUCHARISTIC PRAYER A

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*The People stand.*

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 our thanks and praise.**

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....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:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,**

**Heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

*Continued in The Book of Common Prayer, page 362*

*The People stand or kneel.*

*Celebrant* Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

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

*Celebrant* We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father,...

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

**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.**

#### THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

*Celebrant* Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

*All* **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

*To receive communion, please follow the ushers to the altar. Upon placing your hands forward, you will receive a wafer. You may consume it and then receive the wine from the chalice or hold onto the wafer and the chalice-bearer will intinct it for you. You may also cross your hands over your chest for a blessing to receive neither element or not to receive the wine.*

#### POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

*After all have received, the People stand or kneel.*

**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 BLESSING

##### THE DISMISSAL

*Leader* Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia. Alleluia.

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

#### THE CHANCEL FLOWERS ARE GIVEN

*In memory of Sally Kirk & John Wilson Baskin*

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#### WE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO SERVE OUR COUNTRY OVERSEAS

Sean Doherty, the Nelson family, Alec Hostetler, Kate Ballard, the Streyder family

#### PRAYERS FOR THE PARISH

Bonnie-Lorraine Thiele, Barbara Cooley, William Groft & family, Lori & family, Bill & Colleen Nelson, Mary Crow,  
Gladys Hook, Jim Murphy, Willie Banks, LaVerne Scott-Rayford, Michael Barrett, Darlene Freeman,  
Alfred & Lucia Goldman, David Caleb, Jim Coakley, Betty Stacy, Tony Robson, Joe, John, Brooke, Riley, Jack,  
Gaby Brown, the Clinger Family, April Williams & family, Mary Svrjcek, Jim Coakley, Michelle Louise Miles,  
Janie Strauss, Cullen Philips, Gerry Traunweiser