

**First Reading**

Acts 2:14a, 36–41

**A reading from the Acts of the Apostles**

**O**n the day of Pentecost,  
Peter stood with the eleven apostles  
and spoke in a loud and clear voice to the crowd:

“Everyone in Israel should know for certain  
that God has made Jesus both Lord and Christ,  
even though you put him to death on a cross.”

When the people heard this, they were very upset.  
They asked Peter and the other apostles,  
“Friends, what shall we do?”

Peter said, “Turn back to God!  
Be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ,  
so that your sins will be forgiven.  
Then you will be given the Holy Spirit.  
This promise is for you and your children.  
It is for everyone our Lord God will choose,  
no matter where they live.”

Peter told the people many other things as well.  
Then he said, “I beg you to save yourselves  
from what will happen to all these evil people.”

On that day about three thousand believed his message  
and were baptized.

**The word of the Lord.**

**April 26, 2026**

**Fourth Sunday of Easter  
(A)**

**Responsorial Psalm**

*Psalm 23:1–3a, 3b–4, 6*

**All:** *The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.*

*You, LORD, are my shepherd.*

*I will never be in need.*

*You let me rest in fields of green grass.*

*You lead me to streams of peaceful water,  
and you refresh my life.*

**All:** *The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.*

*You are true to your name,*

*and you lead me*

*along the right paths.*

*I may walk through valleys*

*as dark as death,*

*but I won't be afraid.*

*You are with me,*

*and your shepherd's rod*

*makes me feel safe.*

**All:** *The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.*

*Your kindness and love*

*will always be with me*

*each day of my life,*

*and I will live forever*

*In your house, LORD.*

**All:** *The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.*

**Gospel**  
John 10:1–10

**A reading from the holy gospel according to John**

Jesus said to his disciples:

“I tell you for certain  
that only thieves and robbers climb over the fence  
instead of going in through the gate to the sheep pen.

But the gatekeeper opens the gate for the shepherd,  
and he goes in through it.

The sheep know their shepherd’s voice.

He calls each of them by name and leads them out.

“When he has led out all of his sheep,  
he walks in front of them,  
and they follow, because they know his voice.

The sheep will not follow strangers.

They don’t recognize a stranger’s voice,  
and they run away.”

Jesus told the people this story.

But they did not understand what he was talking about.

Then Jesus said:

“I tell you for certain that I am the gate for the sheep.  
Everyone who came before me was a thief or a robber,  
and the sheep did not listen to any of them.

I am the gate.

All who come in through me will be saved.

Through me they will come and go and find pasture.

“A thief comes only to rob, kill, and destroy.

I came so that everyone would have life,  
and have it in its fullest.”

**The Gospel of the Lord.**