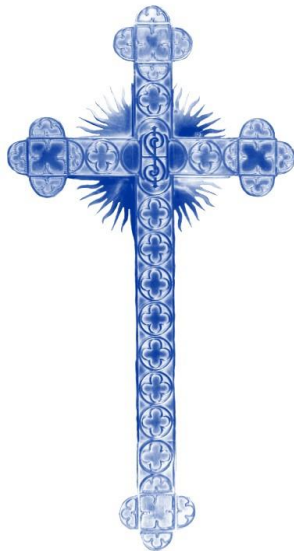


# CHRIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH

## THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE II

April 21, 2024 ✕ 10:30 am





# The Word of God

Voluntary

**Hymn # 319**

You Lord, we praise in songs of celebration

*Gott sei gelobet*

Opening Acclamation

BCP, p. 355

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Glory to God

William Mathias

## The Collect of the Day

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

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."

## The Psalm

Psalm 23  
*Dominus regit me*

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Robert Knox Kennedy  
(b. 1945)



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- 1 The Lord is my **shepherd**; \*  
I shall not be in **want**.
- 2 He makes me lie down in green **pastures** \*  
and leads me beside still **waters**.
- 3 He revives my **soul** \*  
and guides me along right pathways for his 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 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.

**Hymn # 435 (vv. 1-5)**

At the name of Jesus

*King's Weston*

**The Gospel**

John 10:11-18

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."

**Hymn # 435 (v. 6)**

At the name of Jesus

*King's Weston*

The Sermon

The Rev. Webster Gibson

The Nicene Creed

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The Prayers of the People (Congregational response: *Lord, have mercy*)

The Peace

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**The Holy Communion**

The Offertory

Choir Anthem

The Lord's my Shepherd

Bob Chilcott

The Great Thanksgiving, Eucharistic Prayer B

BCP, p. 367

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Holy, holy, holy Lord

Richard Proulx

The Lord's Prayer

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Fraction Anthem: Christ our Passover

Gerald Near

The Invitation

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The Communion of the People

*All are welcome at the Lord's Table. Baptized Christians are invited to receive bread and wine; all others are encouraged to come forward for a blessing.*

*Kneel or stand as able.*

*Following the direction of the ushers, please come to the rail with pulpit side (right) filling rail from right to center, and lectern side (left) filling rail from center to left. If you need communion brought to you, please alert an usher.*

*As the clergy distributes the bread, hold both hands out and up.*

*To receive the wine:*

- *To sip from the chalice: Gently take the base of the chalice and guide the chalice to your mouth. Do not grab the main part of the chalice.*
- *To intinct: Hold your wafer up to indicate intinction to the chalice. The chalice will take the wafer from you, dip the edge into the wine and return it to your hand.*

*Those who wish to receive a blessing, please cross your arms over your chest.*

During Communion

**Hymn # 304**

I come with joy to meet my Lord

*Land of Rest*

Post Communion Prayer

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The Easter Blessing

*Celebrant:* May the God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.

*People:* Amen

**Hymn # 708**

Savior, like a shepherd lead

*Sicilian Mariners*

The Dismissal

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

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

Voluntary

\* "S" Hymns are found in the front section of the hymnal.

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***Prayers of the People*** – Linda Gibson

***Lay Eucharistic Ministers*** – Tonia Graves, Joan Inger

***Ushers*** – Leslie Harper, Wilborn Roberson, Dan Gloster, Jim Griffin

***Acolytes*** – Jackson Stock, Elizabeth Loring

***Altar Guild*** – Jody Wall, Liz Couture

***Livestreaming Team*** – Phil Sargent, Jody Wall, Timur Mustakimov, Kirk Gibson

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