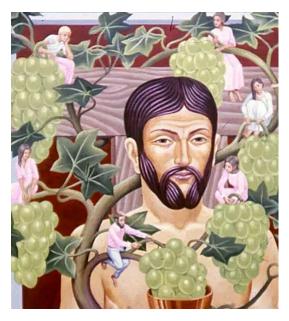


# The Fifth Sunday of Easter (Year B)

**April 28, 2024** – 8:00 & 10:30 a.m.

Our Mission: To know Christ and to make Christ's love known to others



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#### Welcome, Guests and Newcomers!

Welcome, and thank you for worshiping with us today, whether you are doing so on-site or online. At Good Shepherd, we welcome you as you are, with all your joys, fears, doubts, and questions, with no strings or agendas. We welcome you for where you've been, with all the gifts and hurts you've received from other places and people in your life. God loves you ... no matter what. We welcome you into a community. We pray together. We gather every week to look and listen for God at work, to refuel for daily life, and to go back out to serve the world.

In addition to our weekly Sunday morning worship, we have been offering a variety of other online opportunities to connect—for people of all ages. See the back pages of this service leaflet for more information.

#### **Worshiping Online**

Welcome to a church without walls! Our services take place both on-site and online. You can join us on Zoom through a link available via Good Shepherd's weekly email, *The Shepherd's Crook*. Or you can watch our services on Facebook (8:00 or 10:30) or YouTube (10:30; see the back pages of this service leaflet for more information).

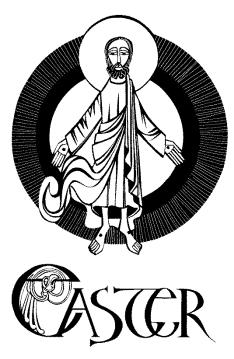
#### **Recording and Streaming in Use**

Recording and streaming in use: Please note that video cameras and microphones are capturing our worship services, and that the resulting content is being transmitted over Zoom, Facebook, and YouTube. 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 <u>Puyallup</u> (<u>puyallup-tribe.com</u>) and <u>Coast Salish People</u>, 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 (<u>https://news.puyalluptribe-nsn.gov/</u>) 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 19 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.

#### Prelude: Guiting Power (Paul Leddington Wright)

#### Processional Hymn: Alleluia, Sing to Jesus (Hymnal 1982 #460)





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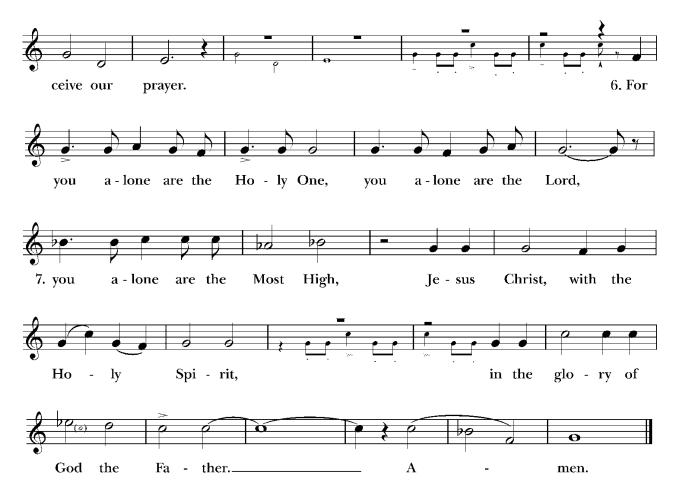
#### **The Opening Acclamation**

*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.** 





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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, whom truly to know is everlasting life: Grant us so perfectly to know your Son Jesus Christ to be the way, the truth, and the life, that we may steadfastly follow his steps in the way that leads to eternal life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.** 

#### **The Lessons**

#### First Lesson (Acts 8:26-40)

Lector: A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

An angel of the Lord said to Philip, "Get up and go toward the south to the road that goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza." (This is a wilderness road.) So he got up and went. Now there was an Ethiopian eunuch, a court official of the Candace, queen of the Ethiopians, in charge of her entire treasury. He had come to Jerusalem to worship and was returning home; seated in his chariot, he was reading the prophet Isaiah. Then the Spirit said to Philip, "Go over to this chariot and join it." So Philip ran up to it and heard him reading the prophet Isaiah. He asked, "Do you understand what you are reading?" He replied, "How can I, unless someone guides me?" And he invited Philip to get in and sit beside him. Now the passage of the scripture that he was reading was this:

"Like a sheep he was led to the slaughter, and like a lamb silent before its shearer, so he does not open his mouth. In his humiliation justice was denied him. Who can describe his generation? For his life is taken away from the earth."

The eunuch asked Philip, "About whom, may I ask you, does the prophet say this, about himself or about someone else?" Then Philip began to speak, and starting with this scripture, he proclaimed to him the good news about Jesus. As they were going along the road, they came to some water; and the eunuch said, "Look, here is water! What is to prevent me from being baptized?" He commanded the chariot to stop, and both of them, Philip and the eunuch, went down into the water, and Philip baptized him. When they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord snatched Philip away; the eunuch saw him no more, and went on his way rejoicing. But Philip found himself at Azotus, and as he was passing through the region, he proclaimed the good news to all the towns until he came to Caesarea.

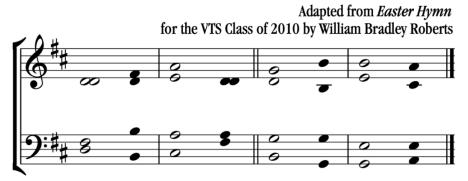
... Holy Word, Holy Wisdom. *People:* Thanks be to God.

At 8:00, the first lector invites us to read the text of the psalm 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.

#### Psalm 22:24-30



- 24 My praise is of him in the great as-**sembly**; \* I will perform my vows in the presence of those who **worship him**.
- 25 The poor shall eat and be **satisfied**, and those who seek the Lord shall praise him: \* "May your heart live for **ever**!"
- 26 All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the **Lord**, \* and all the families of the nations shall bow be-**fore him.**
- 27 For kingship belongs to the **Lord**; \* he rules over the **nations**.
- 28 To him alone all who sleep in the earth bow down in **worship**; \* all who go down to the dust fall be-**fore him.**
- 29 My soul shall live for **him**; my descendants shall serve him; \* they shall be known as the Lord's for **ever**.
- 30 They shall come and make known to a people yet un-**born** \* the saving deeds that he has **done**.

#### Second Lesson (1 John 4:17-21)

Lector: A reading from the first letter of John.

Beloved, let us love one another, because love is from God; everyone who loves is born of God and knows God. Whoever does not love does not know God, for God is love. God's love was revealed among us in this way: God sent his only Son into the world so that we might live through him. In this is love, not that we loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be

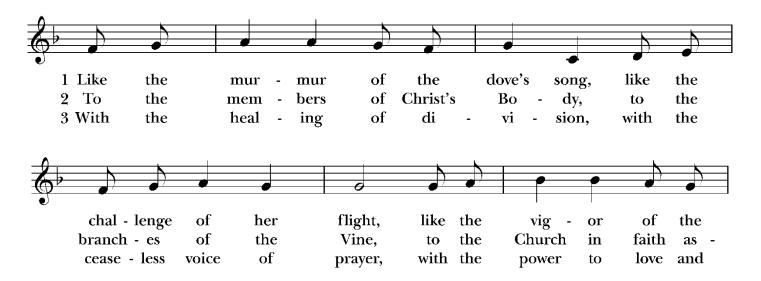
the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Beloved, since God loved us so much, we also ought to love one another. No one has ever seen God; if we love one another, God lives in us, and his love is perfected in us.

By this we know that we abide in him and he in us, because he has given us of his Spirit. And we have seen and do testify that the Father has sent his Son as the Savior of the world. God abides in those who confess that Jesus is the Son of God, and they abide in God. So we have known and believe the love that God has for us.

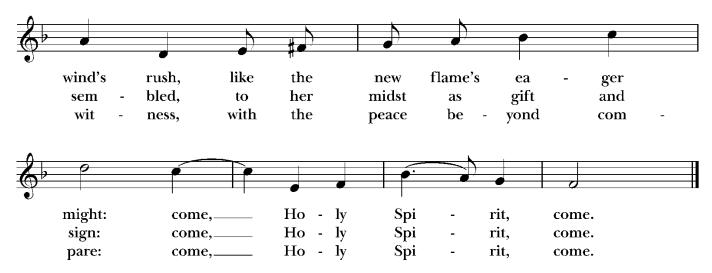
God is love, and those who abide in love abide in God, and God abides in them. Love has been perfected among us in this: that we may have boldness on the day of judgment, because as he is, so are we in this world. There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear; for fear has to do with punishment, and whoever fears has not reached perfection in love. We love because he first loved us. Those who say, "I love God," and hate their brothers or sisters, are liars; for those who do not love a brother or sister whom they have seen, cannot love God whom they have not seen. The commandment we have from him is this: those who love God must love their brothers and sisters also.

... Holy Word, Holy Wisdom. *People:* **Thanks be to God.** 

The congregation stands as able.



Gradual Hymn: Like the Murmur of the Dove's Song (Hymnal 1982 #513)



Phrase 1 of each stanza may be sung by one group, with a contrasted group singing phrase 2, and all joining for the final phrase.

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#### The Gospel (John 15:1-8)

*Gospeler:* The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to John. *People:* **Glory to you, Lord Christ.** 

Jesus said to his disciples, "I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinegrower. He removes every branch in me that bears no fruit. Every branch that bears fruit he prunes to make it bear more fruit. You have already been cleansed by the word that I have spoken to you. Abide in me as I abide in you. Just as the branch cannot bear fruit by itself unless it abides in the vine, neither can you unless you abide in me. I am the vine, you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing. Whoever does not abide in me is thrown away like a branch and withers; such branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask for whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples."

*Gospeler:* The Gospel of the Lord. *People:* **Praise to you, Lord Christ.** 

The Sermon (Anna Lynn)

#### **The Nicene Creed**

The congregation stands as able. This statement of belief dates from the 4<sup>th</sup> century. Here we use it as a prayer. In our post-Enlightenment times, it is helpful to think of the word "believe" not as meaning merely "I intellectually assent," but rather, "I place my trust."

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 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 Diaconal Postulant Anna Lynn at <u>anna@goodshepherdfw.org</u>. This list is published in Parishioner 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 <u>alisajohnson@hotmail.com</u>.

*Diaconal Postulant or Priest:* O Risen Christ, meet us on the road and be our teacher, opening our minds to your word and pruning our sickly branches. In our prayers today, keep us ever mindful of the example of the Suffering Servant, a herald of the kind of love into which you call us.

*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 praise God for being at work in the lives of those who were confirmed or received into the Episcopal Church at Cathedral Day this weekend—Alisa, Ania, Anita, Ayishah, Bruce, Nancy, Ray, and Rick. We also pray for the nominees to be the next bishop of the Diocese of Olympia—Phil, Hillary, Jordan, and Kate—and we ask you to guide the minds of the delegates who will elect one of them on May 18 to oversee all the Episcopal congregations in Western Washington.

#### 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 Diaconal Postulant or Priest 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."

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*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

At the 8:00 service, we save the announcements for the end of the service.

#### 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:* Rooted in the generosity of God's creation, let us share our gifts at this holy altar in full confidence that God's Spirit will renew us and will continue to reconcile the entire world.

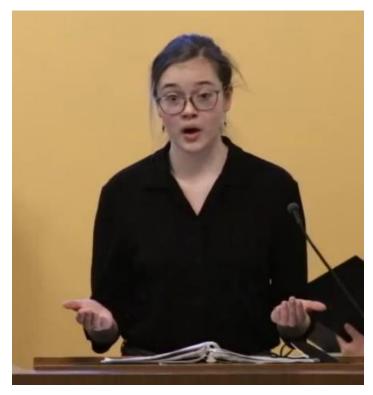
We give not to "pay dues," but as a spiritual practice of participation for the good of the world and of our souls. We strongly encourage all members to make an annual pledge, no matter how large or small. To make a gift or a pledge today using your mobile device, see the QR codes on the back of this service leaflet. Another option is to mail checks to the Church of the Good Shepherd, P.O. Box 3108, Federal Way, WA 98063.



On the third Sunday of each month, offerings not otherwise designated are contributed to the Rector's Discretionary Fund, which is used to help people in immediate need (parishioners or otherwise) or to assist new, as yet unbudgeted min

immediate need (parishioners or otherwise) or to assist new, as-yet-unbudgeted ministry opportunities.

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



Please join us after the 10:30 service today to celebrate **Moira Gaffney's** upcoming graduation from the University of Puget Sound, and to thank her for being our Choral Scholar for the past two and a half years!

God bless you, Moira, as you discern your next steps. You'll always have a home at Good Shepherd!

Offertory Hymn: I Know That My Redeemer Lives (vv. 1–2, 5–6) (Worship 4 #527)



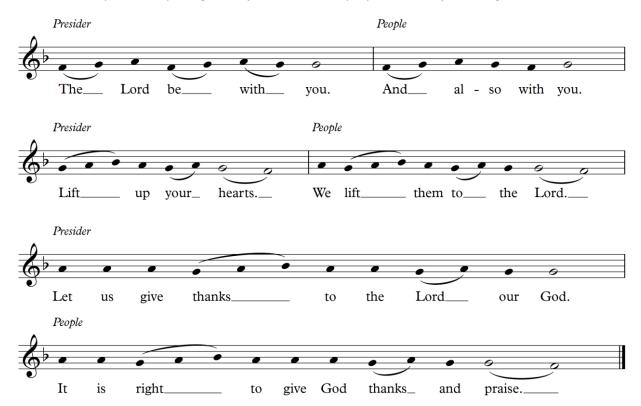
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#### THE LITURGY OF THE TABLE

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer 1 (Enriching Our Worship)

At the 8:00 service, we speak the opening lines of the Eucharistic prayer instead of chanting them.

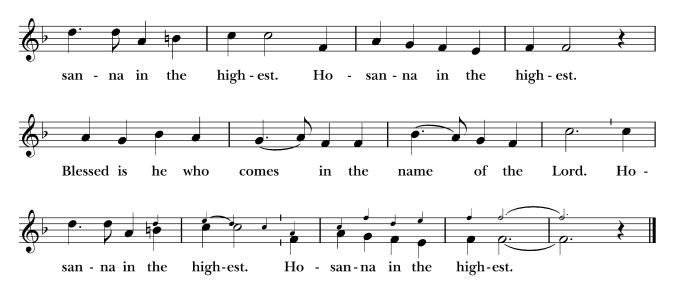


*Presider:* It is truly right, and good and joyful, to give you thanks, all-holy God, source of life and fountain of mercy. You have filled us and all creation with your blessing and fed us with your constant love; you have redeemed us in Jesus Christ and knit us into one body. Through your Spirit you replenish us and call us to fullness of life.

Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we sing:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ly Lord, God of pow-er and might, ho full heaven and earth of your Ho are glo - ry.

Sanctus (Hymnal #S-125)



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*Presider:* Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life. You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love. You gave the world into our care that we might be your faithful stewards and show forth your bountiful grace. But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves; we would not see your goodness in the world around us; and so we violated your creation, abused one another, and rejected your love.

Yet you never ceased to care for us, and you prepared the way of salvation for all people. Through Abraham and Sarah you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery, sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation. Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus. Born into the human family, and dwelling among us, he revealed your glory. Giving himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and life.

On the night before he died for us, Our Savior Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, 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."

As supper was ending, Jesus 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 poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

All: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again. *Presider:* Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine. By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ. Grant that we who share these gifts may be filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ's Body in the world. Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your children, that with all your saints, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name for ever.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. **AMEN**.

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

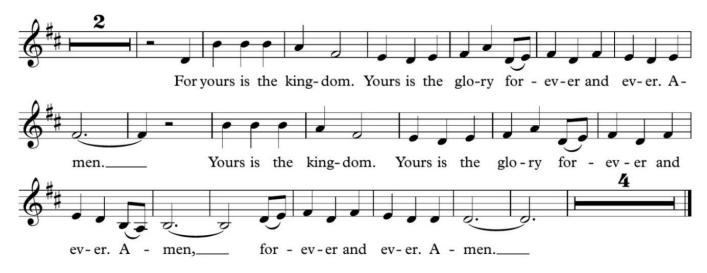
At 8:00:

#### The Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your Name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ever. Amen.



At 10:30:



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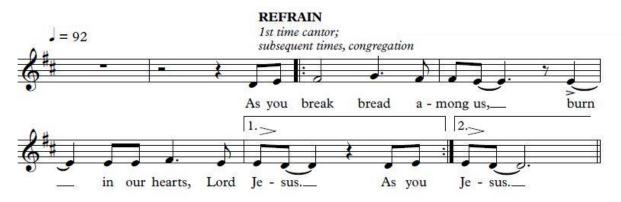
#### The Breaking of the Bread

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)



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** 

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.

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.

Data about potential COVID-19 transmission via the Common Cup is scant. You may certainly abstain; it has always been our understanding that those who receive communion in only one kind have received communion in the fullest sense. To abstain from either the Bread or the Wine, cross your arms over your chest to indicate that you would prefer that the priest bless you.

#### Communion Music: Abide with Me (arr. Sally DeFord) Moira Gaffney, Choral Scholar

Abide with me! Fast falls the eventide The darkness deepens; Lord, with me abide When other helpers fail and comforts flee Help of the helpless, oh, abide with me.

I need thy presence every passing hour What but thy grace can foil the tempter's power? Who like thyself my guide and stay can be? Through cloud and sunshine, Lord, abide with me.

I fear no foe with thee at hand to bless Ills have no weight and tears no bitterness Death has no sting, the grave no victory\* I triumph still if thou abide with me.

#### 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.

#### **Sending Out Eucharistic Visitors**

If Eucharistic Visitors are to be sent to some who could not attend in person today, this prayer follows at the end of Holy Communion. Please stand as able.

*Presider:* In the name of this congregation, I send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ's Body and Blood. *People:* We who are many are one body, because we share one bread, one cup.

#### **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.** 

And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. **Amen.** 

#### Sending Hymn: God Bless Your Church (Worship 4 #791)



Text: John A. Dalles, b.1954, @ 2000, GIA Publications, Inc. Tune: DIADEMATA, SMD; George J. Elvey, 1816-1893

#### **The Dismissal**

*Presider:* Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! *People:* Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

At this point our livestream ends. Those in the Zoom room may remain for "online coffee hour." Coffee, snacks, and ongoing conversation are available after the 10:30 service in Seaman Hall. You can get there by going down the stairs at the rear of the worship space or by walking around the front of the building down a gently sloping path through the garden.

# 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.

#### **Godly Play**

#### Sundays, 12:00-1:00; ages 3-11

This Montessori-based method invites children to wonder about God in community. Bring your family downstairs for coffee hour after the service; our storytellers for the week will gather children and shepherd them to the Godly Play room. Friends of children are always welcome, though registration is necessary for all those who participate regularly. Contact **Pastor Josh** at rector@goodshepherdfw.org with questions.

#### Weekday Bible Study

#### Thursdays, 10:30–11:45 a.m.

This group chooses one book of the Bible at a time to read through and discuss over a number of weeks or months. Contact **Pastor Josh** at <u>rector@goodshepherdfw.org</u> with questions.

#### **Meal Train for Don Van Blaricom**

#### Now through April 29

Help out Good Shepherd parishioners Don and Vicki Van Blaricom by providing meals for Don while Vicki is in the hospital. Choose a time slot to cook a meal or make a donation via Meal Train, an online group meal planning site: <u>mealtrain.com/trains/4eq277</u>.

#### **Meet the Bishop Nominees**

You are invited to participate in any of five upcoming Meet & Greet events with the four nominees for Bishop of the Diocese of Olympia, which are being held at various times and locations from April 29 through May 3. The nearest event to Good Shepherd will take place on **Tuesday, April 30** at **St. Mary's, Lakewood, 7:00–9:00 p.m**. You are also invited to **submit questions** for the nominees. Information on livestreams and recordings of the events is coming at a later date. Find out more information about all of the Meet & Greet events at <u>tinyurl.com/ECWWMeet</u>.

#### **Usher Training**

#### Sunday, May 5 at 9:30 a.m.

Interested in joining Good Shepherd's ushers ministry? Come to this training workshop to learn about usher duties and responsibilities, and how you can become an usher yourself. Questions? Contact Karen White.

#### **Eve of the Ascension**

#### Wednesday, May 8 at 7:00 p.m.

The Ascension is one of the most important and least understood aspects of Christian theology. The Risen Christ appeared in mysterious ways for a time, and then he dramatically disappeared. What does this mean for us now? Join us for this special evening worship service.

#### Landscaping Help Needed/Facilities Work Party

#### Saturday, May 11, 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Looking to spend time outside and help out our church? The Facilities Committee invites you to assist with landscaping tasks on our grounds, like cleaning out the flower beds around the education building. Individuals, groups, and families alike are welcome to join in. Or would you prefer to offer this help among a larger group? Join the Facilities Committee and other members of Good Shepherd on May 11 for the first in a series of monthly work parties. Questions? Contact **Jane Hughes**.

#### **Camp Huston Registration Now Open**

Calling all kids in grades 1 – 10: registration Camp Huston is open now! Camp Huston is the summer camp and conference center of the Episcopal Diocese of Olympia, and it is located in Gold Bar, Washington, about an hour east of Seattle. For more information, and to register, visit <u>huston.org/summer-camp</u>.



Last weekend, twelve high schoolers from eight congregations including our own Cooper Phiel converged on St. George in Maple Valley and got to know each other much better as they explored the theme "Hello! My Name Is ..."

# **Ongoing Ministry Opportunities**

All the baptized are ministers in service to Christ, and we give of our time to the degree that we are able. Good Shepherd is a lively congregation, and there are many ways to plug in and serve. Here are a few areas where we could especially use help right now.

**Saturday Community Meal:** Every Saturday at 1:00 p.m. in Seaman Hall, we feed whoever shows up hungry. Join a team to prepare and serve food and clean up afterward. A food handler's permit is required for some duties and can be acquired online. Also ... **Clothing & Necessities Closet:** Contribute donations of hotel-sized toiletries and warm winter clothing for the guests of the Saturday community meal. Warm winter clothing (lightly used) also sought and appreciated. Please leave donations in the designated basket in the entryway. Questions? Contact **Aimee Drake**.

**Refugee Resettlement:** Good Shepherd teams with the Diocese of Olympia's **Refugee Resettlement Office** (dioceserroseattle.org) to support the Pawanis, a family from Afghanistan. In addition, you can donate diapers, personal hygiene supplies, or clothing. Another consistent need is to help people practice language skills; most of the office's clients are pre-literate in English. Parishioners can help in person at the RRO during its volunteer-led classes, or via Zoom once they are established as a volunteer. Contact **Nancy Krueger**.

**Coffee Hour:** You can sign up for a once-a-month slot to make coffee and bring snacks to follow the 10:30 service. Talk to Ministry Coordinator **Mary Aronen**.

**Offer Your Musical Talents:** Whether you sing or play an instrument, there may be a way for you to share a musical offering. Talk to Director of Music **Alan Lynch** at <u>alan@goodshepherdfw.org</u>.

Seattle Angels: Monthly support to a local foster family with seven teenagers. Talk to Mary Aronen or Carole Loudenback.

**Tech Crew:** Including those who worship online is now a permanent part of life at Good Shepherd. Technological confidence is important for this role, but step-by-step instructions and training are also provided. Talk to Communications Chair **Deb Smith**.

Our **Ministry Guide** contains all the contact information for our ministry leaders. There are printed copies in the entryway. The guide can also be found online at **Parishioner Resources**, the link to which is in our weekly email, The Shepherd's Crook. To receive this email with all its helpful links, sign up at <u>https://tinyurl.com/cgsemail</u>.

## Good Shepherd Clergy, Staff, and Lay Leadership

The Rev. Josh Hosler, *Rector* (rector@goodshepherdfw.org) The Rev. Dr. Roy McLuen, *Priest Associate* Anna Lynn, *Diaconal Postulant* (anna@goodshepherdfw.org) Alan Lynch, *Director of Music* (alan@goodshepherdfw.org) Evan Hershman, Parish Administrator (office@goodshepherdfw.org) Eric Laiblin, *Sexton* Robbie Gilchrist, *Bookkeeper* (bookkeeper@goodshepherdfw.org) Moira Gaffney, *Choral Scholar* Karen White, *Senior Warden* Jim Donahe, *Junior Warden* Bill Gillanders, *Treasurer* (treasurer@goodshepherdfw.org) Beth Shoemaker, *Assistant Treasurer* Mary McClellan Aronen, *Ministry Coordinator* 

#### **Today's Service Ministers**

Presider: The Rev. Josh Hosler Preacher: Anna Lynn Organist/Pianist: Alan Lynch Cantor: Moira Gaffney

April 28	8:00 a.m.	10:30 a.m.
Tech Team		Bob Neal, Don Ramage
Zoom Usher	Dave Baine	Gay Neal
On-Site Ushers		Mary Aronen
First Lector	Jane Hughes	Rick Kincade
Second Lector/Intercessor	Shannon Molina	Jane Ely
Diaconal Postulant		Anna Lynn
Eucharistic Ministers		Anna Lynn, Billie Stockton
Altar Guild		Rani Rose
Flowers		Mary Aronen
Counters		Mary Aronen, Dina Johnson
Coffee Hour		Karen White, Lucy Bloedel, Alan Lynch
Vestry Person of the Month		Jim Donahe
(Lockup)		

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I would like to join Good Shepherd's <b>email list.</b>	
I want to connect to <b>Parishioner Resources.</b>	Scan the above code to sign up for emails.
I want to <b>become a member</b> of Good Shepherd.	
I want to <b>make a financial</b> <b>pledge</b> to Good Shepherd for 2024.	
I want to donate to Good Shepherd's <b>Endowment Fund.</b>	
I want to make a donation specifically to Good Shepherd's <b>music program.</b>	
I want to donate to the <b>Refugee Resettlement Office</b> of the Diocese of Olympia.	
I want to donate to <b>the</b> <b>Episcopal Diocese of</b> <b>Jerusalem.</b>	
I want to donate to <b>Episcopal</b> <b>Relief and Development.</b>	

I want to connect on <b>Facebook.</b>	
I want to connect on <b>Instagram.</b>	
I want to connect on YouTube.	
I want to give <b>consent for my</b> <b>child</b> to participate in Good Shepherd activities.	
I want to be trained in <b>Safe</b> <b>Church, Safe Communities</b> so I can hold a key and/or work with children.	
I want to know <b>when I'm</b> <b>serving</b> in our liturgies this month.	
I want to see the calendar of <b>lectionary readings</b> we use in the Episcopal Church.	
I want to report a <b>facilities</b> <b>maintenance issue.</b>	
I want to report my latest <b>COVID-19 booster</b> to help us keep track of how well protected our congregation is at this moment.	