

Fourth Sunday of Easter April 21, 2024



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Sunday mornings:

10:00am Worship (In-person & virtual options)

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Welcome, and thank you for worshipping with us this morning.

Holy Communion happens at every service and is open to all baptized.

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Prelude

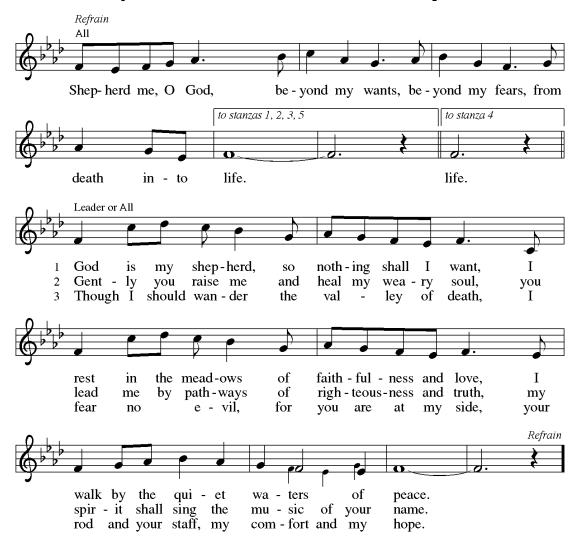
Acclamation

P: Alleluia! Christ is Risen.

C: He is Risen indeed. Alleluia!

Processional Hymn

ELW #780 "Shepherd Me, O God"



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P: The grace of our risen Savior, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

P: O Lord Christ, good shepherd of the sheep, you seek the lost and guide us into your fold. Feed us, and we shall be satisfied; heal us, and we shall be whole. Make us one with you, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.



W&P #170 "I Will Call Upon the Lord"



First Reading Acts 4;5-12

⁵The next day [the] rulers, elders, and scribes assembled in Jerusalem, ⁶with Annas the high priest, Caiaphas, John, and Alexander, and all who were of the high-priestly family. ⁷When they had made the prisoners stand in their midst, they inquired, "By what power or by what name did you do this?" ⁸Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them, "Rulers of the people and elders, ⁹if we are questioned today because of a good deed done to someone who was sick and are asked how this man has been healed, ¹⁰let 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. ¹¹This Jesus is

'the stone that was rejected by you, the builders; it has become the cornerstone.'

L: Word of God. Word of Life.

C: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 23 chanted by choir

¹The LORD | is my shepherd;

I shall not | be in want.

²The LORD makes me lie down in green pastures and leads me be- side still waters.

 3 You restore my † soul, O LORD,

and guide me along right pathways | for your name's sake.

⁴Though 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.

⁵You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies;

you anoint my head with oil, and my cup is | running over.

⁶Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days ¹ of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the ¹LORD forever.

¹²There is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among mortals by which we must be saved."

Second Reading 1 John 3:16-24

¹⁶We know love by this, that [Jesus Christ] laid down his life for us—and we ought to lay down our lives for one another. ¹⁷How 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?

¹⁸Little children, let us love, not in word or speech, but in truth and action. ¹⁹And by this we will know that we are from the truth and will reassure our hearts before him ²⁰whenever our hearts condemn us; for God is greater than our hearts, and he knows everything. ²¹Beloved, if our hearts do not condemn us, we have boldness before God; ²²and we receive from him whatever we ask, because we obey his commandments and do what pleases him.

²³And 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. ²⁴All 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.

L: Word of God. Word of Life.

C: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation





P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

The Gospel John 10:11-18

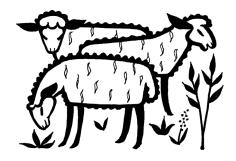
[Jesus said:] ¹¹"I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. ¹²The hired hand, who is not the shepherd and does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and runs away—and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. ¹³The hired hand runs away because a hired hand does not care for the sheep. ¹⁴I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, ¹⁵just as the Father knows me and I know the Father. And I lay down my life for the sheep. ¹⁶I 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. ¹⁷For this reason the Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again. ¹⁸No 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."

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Gospel Acclamation (repeat Acclamation)

Sermon Rev. Nicholas Zook



Hymn of the Day

ELW#502 "The King of Love My Shepherd Is"



- 5 Thou spreadst a table in my sight; thine unction grace bestoweth; and, oh, what transport of delight from thy pure chalice floweth!
- 6 And so, through all the length of days, thy goodness faileth never.
 Good Shepherd, may I sing thy praise within thy house forever.

Apostle's Creed

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

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 into hell.
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.

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. Amen.

Easter Prayers of Intercession

A: We are united to Christ in his death and resurrection through our baptism. As members of his risen body, we offer our prayers for the church, the world, and all people in need.

A brief silence.

A: Let us pray to the Lord. C: Hear us. risen Lord.

A: Holy God, you raise up leaders in your church who preach salvation through the death and resurrection of Christ. Inspire us to go and tell this good news throughout the world. Lord, in your mercy,

C: Hear our prayer.

A: Holy God, we pray for the resurrection of our world when Christ will rule and the establishment of your kingdom will bring an end to war, violence, injustice and death. Lord, in your mercy,

C: Hear our prayer.

A: Holy God, as Christ's presence in our community, you call us to love and serve our neighbors. Bless the ministries of Concordia Church and Concordia Place with the spirit of our risen Lord that your saving grace may fill the lives of all we serve. Lord, in your mercy,

C: Hear our prayer.

A: Holy God, you wipe away the tears of all who cry to you in distress. Bring healing to all who suffer in mind, body, or spirit, and comfort those who struggle and seek your presence, especially Lupe, Sandy, Pastor Teffu, Raymond, and those whose names we speak silently or aloud [pause for names] ...Lord, in your mercy,

C: Hear our prayer.

A: Holy God, you have swallowed up death forever through the resurrection of your Son. Speak to those who mourn with the promise of new life in Christ with those they love. Lord, in your mercy,

C: Hear our prayer.

P: Receive our prayers and hopes, and fill us with the risen life of Jesus Christ, your Son.

C: Amen.

The Peace

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

C: And also with you.

You are invited to share the sign of peace with others.

Offertory Anthem

"Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us"

We encourage you to use this time for reflection & gratitude as we prepare for communion.

The Offering



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Offertory Hymn

W&P #150 "We Bring the Sacrifice of Praise"



Offertory Prayer

A: Blessed are you, O God, ruler of heaven and earth. Day by day you shower us with blessings. As you have raised us to new life in Christ, give us glad and generous hearts, ready to praise you and to respond to those in need, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

The Liturgy of the Holy Eucharist The Great Thanksgiving

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

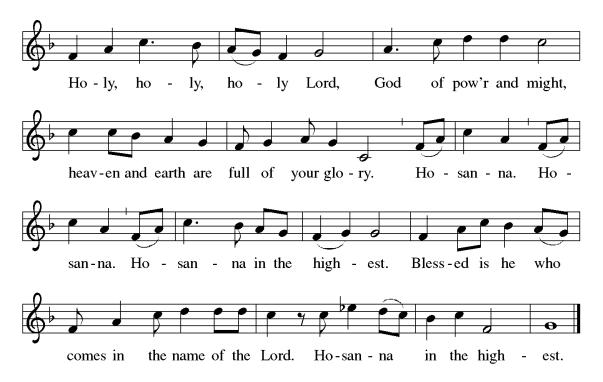
C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Preface

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should and at all times...... we praise your name and join their unending hymn.



Sanctus



- P: Blessed are you, O God of the universe. Your mercy is everlasting and your faithfulness endures from age to age.
- P: In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.
- P: Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying:

 This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.

 Do this for the remembrance of me.

P: With this bread and cup we remember our Lord's passover from death to life as we proclaim the mystery of faith:



P: O God of resurrection and new life:
Pour out your Holy Spirit on us
and on these gifts of bread and wine.
Bless this feast.
Grace our table with your presence.

C: Come, Holy Spirit.

P: We praise you, O God, blessed and holy Trinity, now and forever.



P: Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us:

C: 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 forever. Amen.

Communion Invitation

We invite all who are baptized in Christ to come forward for communion. All are welcome at the Lord's table. Parents of young children are asked to let the pastor know if they want their child to receive communion or a blessing.

Communion is served by continuous table around the altar, and you are asked to take a place as openings appear.

Communion Hymn

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Post Communion Blessing

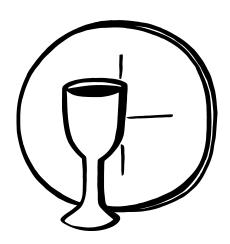
P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C: Amen.

Post-Communion Prayer

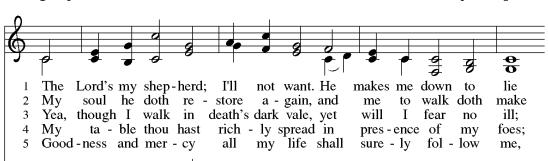
A: Life-giving God, in the mystery of Christ's death and resurrection you send light to conquer darkness, water to give new life, and the bread of heaven to nourish your people. Send us forth as witnesses to Jesus' resurrection that we may show your glory to all the world; through the same Jesus Christ, our risen Lord.

C: Amen.



Closing Hymn

ELW #778 "The Lord's My Shepherd"







pas - tures green; he lead - eth me the qui - et by. wa - ters righ-teous-ness, e'en with - in the paths of for his own name's sake; with me, and thy rod and staff me com - fort still; for thou art a - noint, and head thou dost with oil my cup o - ver - flows. my in God's house for - ev - er - more my dwell-ing-place shall and be:





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Announcements

Blessing

P: May God who has brought us from death to life fill you with great joy.

Almighty God, Father,

Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

C: Amen.

Dismissal

P: Alleluia! Christ is risen.

C: He is Risen indeed. Alleluia!

P: You are the body of Christ raised up for the world. Go in peace. Share the good news.

C: Thanks be to God.

A: Go in peace. Serve the risen Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Postlude

Today's celebrants:

Pastor: Rev. Nicholas Zook

Deacons: Kim Baratta & Christina Formeller **Lectors:** John DeCorah & Jocelyn Lemish

Greeter: Jocelyn Lemish

Song Leaders: Jade Ferrell, Benjamin Burney, Avery Sujkowski

Choir members: Richard Gaul, Dan Lantvit, Mary-Ann Lupa, Betsy Ries, Wilma

Stevens, Linda Storbeck

Organist & Choir Director: Paul Dykstra

Announcements

Important Dates to note:

- April 21st: Adult study at 9am in church office
- April 28th: Adult study at 9am in church office Council meeting at 11:15am in gym
- May 12th: 'Second Sundays' concert at 12pm—a Mother's Day celebration

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Adult Study-Sundays at 9am

The book for the current study group is on the topic of Life after death, the resurrection and Biblical understandings of eternal life. We will read together **Eternal Life?** by **Hans Kung**, a Roman Catholic Biblical scholar and theologian who published this book in 1982. He only just died in 2021 at the age of 93.

The book is available for purchase on Amazon. Reach out to Pastor Zook (nzook@concordiafaith.org) with any questions.

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Opening Hymn

ELW #780 "Shepherd Me, O God"

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Hymn of Praise

"This is the Feast" Setting 3

Gospel Acclamation

"Alleluia" Setting 3

Hymn of the Day

ELW #502 "The King of Love My Shepherd Is"

Text: Henry W. Baker, 1821–1877 Music: ST. COLUMBA, Irish tune

Offertory Hymn

W&P #150 "We Bring the Sacrifice of Praise"

Sanctus Setting 3

Communion Hymn

ELW #493 "Taste and See"

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Music: TASTE AND SEE, James E. Moore Jr.
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Closing Hymn

ELW #778 "The Lord's My Shepherd"

Text: The Psalms of David in Meeter, Edinburgh, 1650 Music: BROTHER JAMES' AIR, James L. Macbeth Bain; arr. Gordon Jacob, 1895–1984 Arr. © Oxford University Press.

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