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*Fourth Sunday
of Easter*



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Worship:

8:00, 9:30 & 11:00am

Communion:

1st, 3rd & 5th Sundays

Adult Bible Study &

Sunday School:

9:30 am

(Grace Hall)

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Pastor:

Richard Willsea

Deaconess:

Karen Suter

THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

May 8, 2022

✠ PREPARATION ✠

PRELUDE

"How Many Are Thy Works, O God"

arr. T. Bliss

"The King of Love My Shepherd Is"

arr. G. Peterson

WELCOME

Stand

HYMN

"The King of Love My Shepherd Is"

LSB 709



1 The King of love my shep - herd is, Whose good - ness
2 Where streams of liv - ing wa - ter flow, My ran - somed
3 Per - verse and fool - ish oft I strayed, But yet in
4 In death's dark vale I fear no ill With Thee, dear



fail - eth nev - er; I noth - ing lack if
soul He lead - eth And, where the ver - dant
love He sought me And on His shoul - der
Lord, be - side me, Thy rod and staff my



I am His And He is mine for - ev - er.
pas - tures grow, With food ce - les - tial feed - eth.
gent - ly laid And home re - joic - ing brought me.
com - fort still, Thy cross be - fore to guide me.

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!

INVOCATION AND EASTER ACCLAMATION

P In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

P Alleluia! Christ is risen!

C He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

OPENING SENTENCES

Psalm 23:1, 6b; Revelation 7:17

P The LORD is my shepherd;

C I shall not want.

P For the Lamb in the midst of the throne

C will be their shepherd,

P and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.

C And I shall dwell in the house of the LORD forever.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Psalm 91:1–2

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C who made heaven and earth.

P I said I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

C and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

P Lord, our God,

C we confess that we have strayed from hearing the voice of Your Son, our Shepherd, who went through death to eternal life for us. We have failed to trust in You fully. We have sinned in our thoughts, words, and deeds. Forgive us and renew in us faith and trust. Grant us to hear anew our Shepherd's voice and to follow wherever He leads, until we see Him with You in Your eternal house.

P Fellow sheep within Christ's fold, our Lord Jesus was God's sacrificial Lamb and has gone through death, paying for the sins of all people, and He now reigns in eternity. Therefore, in His stead and by His command, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

✠ SERVICE OF THE WORD ✠

INTROIT

Psalm 78:70–72; 79:13

- P** I am the good shepherd. I know My own and My own know Me, and I lay down My life for the sheep.

HYMN

"I Am Jesus' Little Lamb"

LSB 740 st. 1

1 I am Je - sus' lit - tle lamb, Ev - er glad at
heart I am; For my Shep - herd gent - ly guides me,
Knows my need and well pro - vides me, Loves me ev - 'ry
day the same, E - ven calls me by my name.

- P** He chose David His servant and took him from the sheepfolds;
C **from following the nursing ewes He brought him to shepherd Jacob His people, Israel His inheritance.**
- P** With upright heart he shepherded them
C **and guided them with his skillful hand.**
- P** But we Your people, the sheep of Your pasture, will give thanks to You forever;
C **from generation to generation we will recount Your praise.**

HYMN

"I Am Jesus' Little Lamb"

LSB 740 st. 2



2 Day by day, at home, a - way, Je - sus is my
staff and stay. When I hun - ger, Je - sus feeds me,
In - to pleas - ant pas - tures leads me; When I thirst, He
bids me go Where the qui - et wa - ters flow.

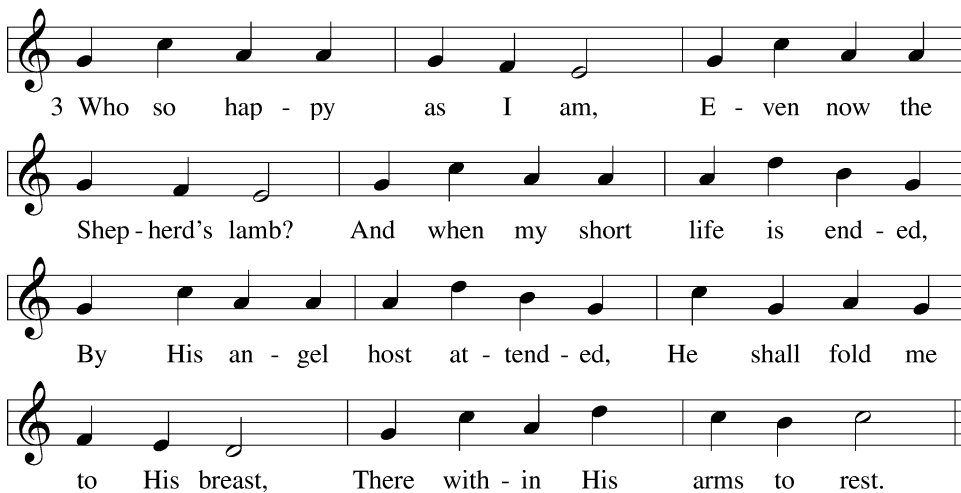
P Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

C I am the good shepherd. I know My own and My own know Me, and I lay
down My life for the sheep.

HYMN

"I Am Jesus' Little Lamb"

LSB 740 st. 3



3 Who so hap - py as I am, E - ven now the
Shep - herd's lamb? And when my short life is end - ed,
By His an - gel host at - tend - ed, He shall fold me
to His breast, There with - in His arms to rest.

KYRIE

- P** Lord, have mercy.
- C** **Lord, have mercy.**

- P** Christ, have mercy.
- C** **Christ, have mercy.**

- P** Lord, have mercy.
- C** **Lord, have mercy.**

SALUTATION AND PRAYER OF THE DAY

- P** The Lord be with you.
- C** **And also with you.**

- P** Let us pray.
Almighty God, merciful Father, since You have wakened from death the Shepherd of Your sheep,
- C** **grant us Your Holy Spirit that when we hear the voice of our Shepherd we may know Him who calls us each by name and follow where He leads;**

- P** through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C** **Amen.**

Sit

FIRST READING, Elder or Lector

Acts 20:17–35

The Word is read...

- A** This is the Word of the Lord.
- C** **Thanks be to God.**

Alleluia, Christ Has Risen



Him a - lone. God has giv - en Him all hon - or;
 Seat-ed Him up - on the throne. He bestowed on Him do -
 min - ion, Pow - er, and au - thor - i - ty; Now Christ
 rules o'er all cre - a - tion And in - to e - ter - ni - ty.

EPISTLE, *Elder or Lector*

Revelation 7:9-17

The Word is read...

- A** This is the Word of the Lord.
- C** **Thanks be to God.**

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Rev. Willsea

Stand

VERSE

Romans 6:9; John 20:29b

- P** Alleluia. We know that Christ being raised from the dead will never die again; death no longer has dominion over Him. Alleluia.
- C** **Alleluia. I am the good shepherd. I know My own and My own know Me. Alleluia.**

HOLY GOSPEL

John 10:22-30

- P** The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the tenth chapter.
- C** **Glory to You, O Lord.**

The Gospel is read...

- P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- C** **Praise to You, O Christ.**

Sit

HYMN

"The Lord's My Shepherd, I'll Not Want"

LSB 710



1 The Lord's my shep - herd, I'll not want; He makes me
 2 My soul He doth re - store a - gain And me to
 3 Yea, though I walk in death's dark vale, Yet will I
 4 My ta - ble Thou hast fur - nish - ed In pres - ence
 5 Good - ness and mer - cy all my life Shall sure - ly



down to lie In pas - tures green; He
 walk doth make With - in the paths of
 fear no ill; For Thou art with me,
 of my foes; My head Thou dost with
 fol - low me; And in God's house for -



lead - eth me The qui - et wa - ters by.
 righ - teous - ness, E'en for His own name's sake.
 and Thy rod And staff me com - fort still.
 oil a - noint, And my cup o - ver - flows.
 ev - er - more My dwell - ing place shall be.

SERMON

Stand

APOSTLES' CREED

**☩ I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
 maker of heaven and earth.
 And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,
 who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
 born of the virgin Mary,
 suffered under Pontius Pilate,
 was crucified, died and was buried.
 He descended into hell.
 The third day He rose again from the dead.
 He ascended into heaven**

**and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy Christian Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life † everlasting. Amen.**

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH, *Elders*

- P** Let us pray for ourselves, the Church around the world, and all people in their various conditions.
We pray for those who do not listen to the voice of the Good Shepherd, asking the Holy Spirit to give them opportunity to come to faith and join us in saying:
- C** **The LORD is my shepherd.**
- A** We pray for all who lack the food, clothing, and shelter that they need for a fully human life, asking our Father in heaven to meet their needs using His caring people, including ourselves, for we are confident:
- C** **I shall not want.**
- P** We pray for those falsely imprisoned or denied true justice, asking our Lord to free them and open doors of opportunity for them, as He so graciously has done for us:
- C** **He makes me lie down in green pastures. He leads me beside still waters.**
- A** We pray for all who are depressed in spirit or unsure of God's will for them, asking the Holy Spirit to lift them up and guide them, that with us they may rejoice to say:
- C** **He restores my soul. He leads me in paths of righteousness for His name's sake.**
- P** We pray for those who are facing sudden crises or long-term ills, and all who are grieving the loss of loved ones, [including . . .], asking our risen Lord to lift their eyes to His eternal home so that they may each declare:
- C** **Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for You are with me; Your rod and Your staff, they comfort me.**

- A** We pray for first responders and police at home and for armed forces deployed, asking our Father in heaven to guide and protect them, and for all who grow crops and tend herds that He would bless them with bountiful harvests so that they may thank Him, praying:
- C** **You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; You anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.**
- P** Finally, we pray for ourselves and all who gather around Word and Sacrament, that the Holy Spirit would keep us firm in the faith so that we may joyfully profess:
- C** **Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD forever. Amen.**

LORD'S PRAYER

C **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
forever and ever. Amen.**

PAX DOMINI

- P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C** **Amen.**

Sit

OFFERING

VOLUNTARY

"Our Savior, Our Shepherd, A Meditation"

arr. G. Sikes

(8:00 & 9:30 AM Services Only)

"The Lord's My Shepherd, I'll Not Want"

setting: J. Carter

*(11:00 Service, Trumpet Solo: Susan Messersmith)**Stand***OFFERTORY**

LSB 956

Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re - new
a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a - way
from Thy pres - ence; and take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it
from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of Thy sal - va - tion;
and up - hold me with Thy free spir - it. A - men.

EASTER ACCLAMATION AND BENEDICTION**P** Alleluia! Christ is risen!**C** He is risen indeed! Alleluia!**P** The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and ☩ give you peace.

C Amen.



1 Sav - ior, like a shep - herd lead us; Much we
 2 We are Yours; in love be - friend us, Be the
 3 You have prom - ised to re - ceive us, Poor and
 4 Ear - ly let us seek Your fa - vor, Ear - ly



need Your ten - der care. In Your pleas - ant pas - tures
 guard - ian of our way; Keep Your flock, from sin de -
 sin - ful though we be; You have mer - cy to re -
 let us do Your will; Bless - ed Lord and on - ly



feed us, For our use Your fold pre - pare.
 fend us, Seek us when we go a - stray.
 lieve us, Grace to cleanse, and pow'r to free.
 Sav - ior, With Your love our spir - its fill.



Bless - ed Je - sus, bless - ed Je - sus, You have
 Bless - ed Je - sus, bless - ed Je - sus, Hear us
 Bless - ed Je - sus, bless - ed Je - sus, Ear - ly
 Bless - ed Je - sus, bless - ed Je - sus, You have



bought us; we are Yours. Bless - ed Je - sus,
 chil - dren when we pray. Bless - ed Je - sus,
 let us turn to You. Bless - ed Je - sus,
 loved us, love us still. Bless - ed Je - sus,



bless - ed Je - sus, You have bought us; we are Yours.
 bless - ed Je - sus, Hear us chil - dren when we pray.
 bless - ed Je - sus, Ear - ly let us turn to You.
 bless - ed Je - sus, You have loved us, love us still.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND DISMISSAL

A Go in peace as you serve the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

“Christ Is Risen! Alleluia!”

arr. H. Balcombe

PARTICIPATING IN THIS SERVICE

Pastor: Richard Willsea

Deaconess: Karen Suter

Organist: Patty Barnes

Trumpet: Susan Messersmith

Head Elders: Charlie Messersmith (8:00), John Kinney (9:30), George Jenkins (11:00)

Lay Reader, 11:00 Service: Jane Mary Gay

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