

St. Peter's Anglican Church Loveland, CO

HOLY EUCHARIST Fourth Sunday of Easter

WELCOME IN THE NAME OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST



April 21, 2024

Processional: The Day of Resurrection – H #123

The day of resurrection! Earth, tell it out abroad; The Passover of gladness, The Passover of God. From death to life eternal, From earth unto the sky, Our Christ hath brought us over With hymns of victory.

Our hearts be pure from evil, That we may see aright The Lord in rays eternal Of resurrection light, And, listening to his accents, May hear so calm and plain His own "All hail!" and, hearing, May raise the victor strain.

Now let the heav'ns be joyful; Let earth her song begin, The round world keep high triumph, And all that is therein; Let all things seen and unseen Their notes together blend, For Christ the Lord is risen, Our joy that hath no end.

Celebrant: Alleluia! Christ is risen! People: The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!

All: 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.

Deacon/Priest: Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ says:

You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these two commandments depend all the Law and the Prophets. - Matthew 22:37-40

The Kyrie

| Celebrant: | Lord, have mercy upon us. |
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| People: | Christ, have mercy upon us. |
| Celebrant: | Lord, have mercy upon us. |

Pascha Nostrum

God's Paschal Lamb is sacrificed for us; Therefore with joy we keep the Easter feast; Forsaking sin, we share the bread of truth. *Alleluia, Alleluia!*

Now Christ is raised and will not die again; Death has no more dominion over him; Through him we die to sin and live to God. *Alleluia, Alleluia!* In Christ we see the first fruits of the dead: Though Adam's sin had doomed all flesh to die, In Christ's new life shall all be made alive. *Alleluia, Alleluia!*

Celebrant:The Lord be with you.People:And with your spirit.

Celebrant: Let us pray:

Collect for the Day

Celebrant: O God, whose Son Jesus Christ 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 people may sit.)

The First Lesson: Ezekiel 34:1-10

1 The word of the Lord came to me: 2 "Son of man, prophesy against the shepherds of Israel; prophesy, and say to them, even to the shepherds, Thus says the Lord God: Ah, shepherds of Israel who have been feeding yourselves! Should not shepherds feed the sheep? 3 You eat the fat, you clothe yourselves with the wool, you slaughter the fat ones, but you do not feed the sheep. 4 The weak you have not strengthened, the sick you have not healed, the injured you have not bound up, the strayed you have not brought back, the lost you have not sought, and with force and harshness you have ruled them. 5 So they were scattered, because there was no shepherd, and they became food for all the wild beasts. My sheep were scattered; 6 they wandered over all the mountains and on every high hill. My sheep were scattered over all the face of the earth, with none to search or seek for them. 7 "Therefore, you shepherds, hear the word of the Lord: 8 As I live, declares the Lord God, surely because my sheep have become a prey, and my sheep have become food for all the wild beasts, since there was no shepherd, and because my shepherds

have not searched for my sheep, but the shepherds have fed themselves, and have not fed my sheep, 9 therefore, you shepherds, hear the word of the Lord: 10 Thus says the Lord God, Behold, I am against the shepherds, and I will require my sheep at their hand and put a stop to their feeding the sheep. No longer shall the shepherds feed themselves. I will rescue my sheep from their mouths, that they may not be food for them.

Reader:The Word of the Lord.All:Thanks be to God.

Psalm 23 Dominus regit me

1 The Lord is my/ shepherd; *

therefore I / can lack **no**thing.

2 He shall feed me in green/ pastures *

and lead me forth beside the wat/ers of **com**fort.

3 He shall refresh my/ soul *

and bring me forth in the paths of righteousness/ for his **Name's** sake.

4 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 comfort me.

5 You shall prepare a table before me, in the presence of those who/ trouble me; *

you have anointed my head with oil, and my / cup shall **be** full.

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 forever.

All: Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and/ to the Holy Ghost As it was in the beginning, is now, and shall be for/ever A-men.

The Second Lesson: 1 John 3:1-10

1 See what kind of love the Father has given to us, that we should be called children of God; and so we are. The reason why the world does not know us is that it did not know him. 2 Beloved, we are God's children now, and what we will be has not yet appeared; but we know that when he appears we shall be like him, because we shall see him as he is. 3 And everyone who thus hopes in him purifies himself as he is pure. 4 Everyone who makes a practice of sinning also practices lawlessness; sin is lawlessness. 5 You know that he appeared in order to take away sins, and in him there is no sin. 6 No one who abides in him keeps on sinning; no one who keeps on sinning has either seen him or known him. 7 Little children, let no one deceive you. Whoever practices righteousness is righteous, as he is righteous. 8 Whoever makes a practice of sinning is of the devil, for the devil has been sinning from the beginning. The reason the Son of God appeared was to destroy the works of the devil. 9 No one born of God makes a practice of sinning, for God's seed abides in him; and he cannot keep on sinning, because he has been born of God. 10 By this it is evident who are the children of God, and who are the children of the devil: whoever does not practice righteousness is not of God, nor is the one who does not love his brother.

Reader: The Word of the Lord. *All*: Thanks be to God.

(Please stand as you are able.)

Ye Choirs of New Jerusalem – H # 130 (V. 1-3)

Ye choirs of new Jerusalem, Your sweetest notes employ, The paschal victory to hymn In strains of holy joy.

For Judah's Lion bursts his chains To crush the serpent's head, And cries aloud through death's domains To wake the imprisoned dead.

Devouring depths of hell their prey At his command restore; His ransomed hosts pursue their way Where Jesus goes before.

Deacon or Priest: The Holy Gospel of our Lord, Jesus
Christ according to John.All:Glory to you, Lord Christ.

The Holy Gospel: John 10:11-16

11 I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. 12 He who is a hired hand and not a shepherd, who does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and flees, and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. 13 He flees because he is a hired hand and cares nothing for the sheep. 14 I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, 15 just as the Father knows me and I know the Father; and I lay down my life for the sheep. 16 And I have other sheep that are not of this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd.

Deacon or Priest:The Gospel of the Lord.All:Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Ye Choirs of New Jerusalem – H # 130 (V. 4-5)

Triumphant in his glory now, To him all pow'r is giv'n; To him in one communion bow All saints in earth and heav'n.

All glory to the Father be, All glory to the Son, All glory, Holy Ghost, to thee, While endless ages run.

The Sermon

Deacon or Priest: Let us confess our faith in the words of the Nicene Creed.

- All: We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, visible and invisible.
 - We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the onlybegotten 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, was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and 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, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who 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*.

(Please kneel, stand, or sit as you are able.)

Prayers of the People

Deacon or Priest: Let us pray for the Church and for the world, saying, "hear our prayer."

Intercessor: For the peace of the whole world, and for the well-being and unity of the people of God. O God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, our only Savior, the Prince of Peace; Give us grace seriously to lay to heart the great dangers we are in by our unhappy divisions. Take away all hatred and prejudice, and whatsoever else may hinder us from godly union and concord: that as there is but one Body and one Spirit, and one hope of our calling, one Lord, one Faith, one Baptism, one God and Father of us all, so we may be all of one heart and of one soul, united in one holy bond of truth and peace, of faith and charity, and may with one mind and one mouth glorify you; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

(Please offer your prayers, either out loud or silently.)

Intercessor: Lord, in your mercy: *People:* Hear our prayer.

Intercessor: For our Archbishop, Foley Beach; for our Bishop, Bill Atwood; for our Rector, Father Matt Rucker, and for our assisting clergy: Father Bill Easterling, and Deacon Larry Doyle.

(Please offer your prayers, either out loud or silently.)

Intercessor: Lord, in your mercy:

People: Hear our prayer.

Intercessor: For all those who proclaim the Gospel at home and abroad; and for all who teach and disciple others.

(Please offer your prayers, either out loud or silently.) Intercessor: Lord, in your mercy:

People: Hear our prayer.

Intercessor: For our brothers and sisters in Christ who are persecuted for their faith.

(*Please offer your prayers, either out loud or silently.*) *Intercessor:* Lord, in your mercy:

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People: Hear our prayer.

Intercessor: For our nation, for those in authority, and for all in public service, especially our President, Joseph, and our Governor, Jared. Give them a discerning heart and a wise mind to lead and serve as God desires. We also pray for those in our armed forces serving our country both home and abroad.

(Please offer your prayers, either out loud or silently.)

Intercessor: Lord, in your mercy: *People:* Hear our prayer.

Intercessor: For all those who are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity.

(Please offer your prayers, either out loud or silently.)

Intercessor: Lord, in your mercy: People: Hear our prayer.

Intercessor: For all those who have departed this life in the certain hope of the resurrection, in thanksgiving let us pray.

(Please offer your prayers, either out loud or silently.)

Intercessor: Lord, in your mercy: *People:* Hear our prayer.

(Additional petitions may be made during this moment of silence.)

Deacon or Priest: Heavenly Father, grant these our prayers for the sake of Jesus Christ, our only Mediator and Advocate, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. *Amen*.

Deacon or Priest: Let us humbly confess our sins to Almighty God.

All: Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

Celebrant: Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who in his great mercy has promised forgiveness of sins to all those who sincerely repent and with true faith turn to him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

Hear the Word of God to all who truly turn to him:

Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and
I will give you rest.Matthew 11:28God so loved the world, that he gave his only-
begotten Son, that whoever believes in him should
not perish but have eternal life.John 3:16

The saying is trustworthy and deserving of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. *I Timothy 1:15*

If anyone sins, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. He is the propitation for our sins, and not for ours only, but also for the sins of the whole world. *I John 2:1-2*

(Please stand as you are able.)

The Peace

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you. *All:* And with your spirit.

The Offering

"Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God".

Ephesians 5:2

(Please stand as you are able.)

Offertory: Savior Like a Shepherd Lead Us

Savior, like a shepherd lead us; Much we need thy tender care; In thy pleasant pastures feed us; For our use thy folds prepare; Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus! Thou hast brought us; thine we are. Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus! Thou hast brought us; thine we are.

Early let us seek thy favor; Early let us learn thy will; Do thou, Lord, our only Savior, With thy love our bosoms fill; Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus! Thou hast loved us; loved us still. Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus! Thou hast loved us; loved us still.

We are Thine, do Thou befriend us, Be the guardian of our way; Keep Thy flock, from sin defend us, Seek us when we go astray: Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, Hear, O hear us when we pray; Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, Hear, O hear us when we pray.

Thou hast promised to receive us, Poor and sinful though we be; Thou hast mercy to relieve us, Grace to cleanse, and pow'r to free: Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, Early let us turn to Thee; Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, Early let us turn to Thee.

The Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise Him all creatures here below. Praise Him above ye heavenly hosts. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Celebrant: Yours, O Lord, is the greatness, and the power, and the glory, and the victory, and the majesty: for everything in heaven and on earth is yours; yours is the Kingdom, O Lord, and you are exalted as Head above all. All things come from you, O Lord,

People: And of your own have we given you.

1 Chronicles 29:11, 14

The Great Thanksgiving

Celebrant: The Lord be with you. *People*: And with your spirit. *Celebrant*: Lift up your hearts. *People*: We lift them up to the Lord. *Celebrant*: Let us give thanks to the Lord Our God. *People*: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Celebrant: It is right, our duty and our joy, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

(*Proper Preface*) But chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who was offered for us, and has taken away the sin of the world; who by his death has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again has won for us everlasting life.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Sanctus with Benedictus - S#779

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of hosts,

Heaven and earth are full of thy glory: Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High.

Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

(The people may kneel, stand, or sit)

Celebrant: Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and when we had sinned against you and become subject to evil and death, you,

in your mercy, sent your only Son Jesus Christ into the world for our salvation.

By the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary he became flesh and dwelt among us. In obedience to your will, he stretched out his arms upon the Cross and offered himself once for all, that by his suffering and death we might be saved. By his resurrection he broke the bonds of death, trampling Hell and Satan under his feet. As our great high priest, he ascended to your right hand in glory, that we might come with confidence before the throne of grace.

On the night that he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat; this is my Body, which is given for you: Do this in remembrance of me."

Likewise, after supper, Jesus took the cup, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink this, all of you; for this is my Blood of the New Covenant, which is shed for you, and for many, for the forgiveness of sins: Whenever you drink it, do this in remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

All: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Celebrant: We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, and we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Word and Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Sanctify us also, that we may worthily receive this holy Sacrament, and be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us and we in him. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us with all your saints into the joy of your heavenly kingdom, where we shall see our Lord face to face.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and forever. *Amen*.

Celebrant: And now as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray:

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*.

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us. *People:* Therefore, let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

(Please kneel or stand as you are able.)

Prayer of Humble Access

All: We do not presume to come to this your table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in your abundant and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under your table; but you are the same Lord whose character is always to have mercy. Grant us, therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body, and our souls washed through his most precious blood, and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. *Amen.*

Agnus Dei – S#780

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, Have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, Have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, Grant us thy peace.

Celebrant: The gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

(You may kneel, stand, or sit during Communion.) Communion Hymns

The King of Love My Shepherd Is – H #459

The King of love my shepherd is, Whose goodness faileth never; I nothing lack if I am his, And he is mine for ever. Where streams of living water flow, My ransomed soul he leadeth, And where the verdant pasture grow, With food celestial feedeth.

Perverse and foolish oft I strayed, But yet in love he sought me, And on his shoulder gently laid, And home, rejoicing, brought me.

In death's dark vale I fear no ill With thee, dear Lord, beside me; Thy rod and staff my,comfort still, Thy cross before to guide me.

Thou spread'st a table in my sight; Thine unction grace bestoweth; And O what transport of delight From thy pure chalice floweth!

And so through all the length of days Thy goodness faileth never; Good Shepherd, may I sing thy praise Within thy house for ever.

My Shepherd Shall Supply My Need - H #455

My Shepherd will supply my need: Jehovah is his name; In pastures fresh he makes me feed, Beside the living stream. He brings my wand'ring spirit back When I forsake his ways, And leads me, for his mercy's sake, In paths of truth and grace.

When I walk through the shades of death, Thy presence is my stay; One word of thy supporting breath Drives all my fears away. Thy hand, in sight of all my foes, Doth still my table spread; My cup with blessings overflows, Thy oil anoints my head.

The sure provisions of my God Attend me all my days; Oh may thy house be mine abode, And all my work be praise. There would I find a settled rest, While others go and come; No more a stranger or a guest, But like a child at home.

Christ Is Risen

Christ is risen from the dead, Trampling down death by death, And upon those in the tombs bestowing life. (*repeat x2*)

We Will Feast In The House of Zion

Chorus:

We will feast in the house of Zion We will sing with our hearts restored He has done great things, we will say together We will feast and weep no more

We will not be burned by the fire He is the Lord, our God We are not consumed by the flood Upheld, protected, gathered up

(Chorus)

In the dark of night, before the dawn My soul, be not afraid For the promised morning, oh, how long? Oh, God of Jacob, be my strength

(Chorus)

Every vow we've broken and betrayed You are the Faithful one And from the garden to the grave Bind us together, bring shalom

(Chorus)

Post Communion Prayer

Celebrant: Let us pray.

All: Heavenly Father, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal Kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and forever. *Amen*.

The Blessing

Celebrant: The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. *Amen*.

Recessional: Good Christians All - H #128

Good Christians all, rejoice and sing. Now is the triumph of our King. To all the world glad news we bring; Alleluia! Alleluia!

The Lord of Life is Ris'n for aye; Bring flow'rs of song to strew his way; Let all mankind rejoice and say; Alleluia! Alleluia!

Praise we in songs of victory That Love, that Life, which cannot die, And sing with hears uplifted high: Alleluia! Alleluia!

Thy name we bless, O risen Lord, And sing today with one accord The life laid down, the life restored: Alleluia! Alleluia!

The Dismissal

Deacon or Priest: Alleluia, alleluia. Let us go forth in the Name of Christ.

People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.