



**THE PARISH CHURCH**  
— AT HABERSHAM —

**The Fourth Sunday of Easter**

Sunday, April 21, 2024



## A Church Where We Love Our Neighbors

### Who We Are

*The Parish Church worships God together in community, offering an opportunity to come to know and love the Lord Jesus. We believe that as we grow in our love for God together, we will also grow closer to one another - being known, sharing life, and loving neighbors as Jesus taught us to do, right where we live.*

*The Parish Church at Habersham is a daughter church plant of St. Helena in Downtown Beaufort. We are a mission church of the Anglican Diocese of South Carolina under the authority of Bishop Charles Edgar.*

# Liturgy of the Word

## Welcome and Announcements

Opening Hymn: 551 Guide Me O Thou Great Jehovah

Guide me, O thou great Jehovah,  
Pilgrim thro' this barren land;  
I am weak, but thou art mighty;  
Hold me with thy powerful hand.  
Bread of Heaven, Bread of Heaven,  
Feed me now and ever more,  
Feed me now and ever more.

Open now the crystal fountains,  
Whence the healing stream doth flow;  
Let the fire and cloudy pillar,  
Lead me all my journey through;  
Strong deliv'rer, strong deliv'rer,  
Be thou still my strength and shield,  
Be thou still my strength and shield.

When I tread the verge of Jordan,  
Bid my anxious fears subside;  
Death of death, and hell's destruction,  
Land me safe on Canaan's side;  
Songs of praises, song of praises,  
I will ever give to thee,  
I will ever give to thee.  
Amen.

## The Acclamation

Celebrant: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

**People:** The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!

### *The Celebrant prays:*

## The Collect for Purity

## The Summary of the Law

## Gloria:

*Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth. Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.*

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

**People:** *And with your spirit.*

Celebrant: Let us pray.

## The Collect of the Day

<sup>23</sup> When they were released, they went to their friends and reported what the chief priests and the elders had said to them. <sup>24</sup> And when they heard it, they lifted their voices together to God and said, “Sovereign Lord, who made the heaven and the earth and the sea and everything in them, <sup>25</sup> who through the mouth of our father David, your servant, said by the Holy Spirit,

“Why did the Gentiles rage,  
and the peoples plot in vain?

<sup>26</sup> The kings of the earth set themselves,  
and the rulers were gathered together,  
against the Lord and against his Anointed’

<sup>27</sup> for truly in this city there were gathered together against your holy servant Jesus, whom you anointed, both Herod and Pontius Pilate, along with the Gentiles and the peoples of Israel, <sup>28</sup> to do whatever your hand and your plan had predestined to take place. <sup>29</sup> And now, Lord, look upon their threats and grant to your servants to continue to speak your word with all boldness, <sup>30</sup> while you stretch out your hand to heal, and signs and wonders are performed through the name of your holy servant Jesus.” <sup>31</sup> And when they had prayed, the place in which they were gathered together was shaken, and they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and continued to speak the word of God with boldness.

<sup>32</sup> Now the full number of those who believed were of one heart and soul, and no one said that any of the things that belonged to him was his own, but they had everything in common. <sup>33</sup> And with great power the apostles were

giving their testimony to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great grace was upon them all. <sup>34</sup> There was not a needy person among them, for as many as were owners of lands or houses sold them and brought the proceeds of what was sold <sup>35</sup> and laid it at the apostles' feet, and it was distributed to each as any had need. <sup>36</sup> Thus Joseph, who was also called by the apostles Barnabas (which means son of encouragement), a Levite, a native of Cyprus, <sup>37</sup> sold a field that belonged to him and brought the money and laid it at the apostles' feet.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

*People: Thanks be to God*

### Psalm 23

*Please read the psalm responsively by half verse*

<sup>1</sup> The Lord is my shepherd;

*I shall not want.*

<sup>2</sup> He makes me lie down in green pastures.

*He leads me beside still waters.*

<sup>3</sup> He restores my soul.

*He leads me in paths of righteousness  
for his name's sake.*

<sup>4</sup> 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.*

<sup>5</sup> You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies;

*you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.*

<sup>6</sup> Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life,

*and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord forever.*

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son,  
and to the Holy Spirit.

*As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever  
shall be, world without end. Amen.*

**New Testament:**

1 John 3:1-10

<sup>3</sup> 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. <sup>2</sup> 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. <sup>3</sup> And everyone who thus hopes in him purifies himself as he is pure.

<sup>4</sup> Everyone who makes a practice of sinning also practices lawlessness; sin is lawlessness. <sup>5</sup> You know that he appeared in order to take away sins, and in him there is no sin. <sup>6</sup> No one who abides in him keeps on sinning; no one who keeps on sinning has either seen him or known him. <sup>7</sup> Little children, let no one deceive you. Whoever practices righteousness is righteous, as he is righteous. <sup>8</sup> 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. <sup>9</sup> 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. <sup>10</sup> 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.

*People: Thanks be to God.*

**Gradual Hymn:**

453 Before the Throne of God Above

Behold Him there, the risen Lamb!  
My perfect, spotless Righteousness;  
The great unchangeable I AM,  
The King of glory and of grace!  
One with Himself I cannot die;  
My soul is purchased with His blood;  
My life is hid with Christ on high,  
With Christ my Savior and my God;  
With Christ my Savior and my God!

Reader: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ  
according to St. John

*People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

**The Gospel:**

John 10:11-16

<sup>11</sup> I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. <sup>12</sup> 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. <sup>13</sup> He flees because he is a hired hand and cares nothing for the sheep. <sup>14</sup> I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, <sup>15</sup> just as the Father knows me and I know the Father; and I lay down my life for the sheep. <sup>16</sup> 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.

Reader: The Gospel of the Lord.

*People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.*



## The Nicene Creed

*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 only-begotten 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.*

## The Prayers of the People

Let us pray for the Church and for the world, saying,  
“hear our prayer.”

*After each intercession, prayers from the congregation are invited.*

Celebrant: Let us humbly confess our sins unto  
Almighty God.

## The Confession of Sin

*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.*

## The Absolution of Sin

## The Comfortable Words

## The Peace (*standing*)

Celebrant: The Peace of the Lord be always with you.  
*People: And with your spirit.*

**Offertory:**

459 The King of Love My Shepherd Is

The King of love my shepherd is,  
Whose goodness faileth never:  
I nothing lack if I am his,  
And he is mine forever.

Where streams of living water flow,  
My ransomed soul he leadeth,  
And where the verdant pastures grow,  
With food celestial feedeth.

In death's dark vale O 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!

**The Doxology**

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise him, all creatures here below;  
Praise him above, ye heav'nly host;  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen*

## The Sursum Corda

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.*

## The Sanctus

*Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in  
the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the Name of  
the Lord. Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the  
highest.*

## The Prayer of Consecration

Celebrant: Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

*People: Christ has died.*

*Christ is risen.*

*Christ will come again.*

## The Lord's Prayer

## The Fraction

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ our Passover Lamb has been sacrificed, once for all upon the Cross.

*People: Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.*

## The Prayer of Humble Access

*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.*

## The Invitation

## The Ministration of Communion

## Communion Hymn

Psalm 23

The Lord is my Shepherd I shall not want,  
In green pastures He makes me lie down.  
He restores my soul and leads me on for His Name,  
For His great Name.

Surely goodness surely mercy,  
Right beside me all my days.  
And I will dwell in Your house forever,  
And bless Your Holy Name.

You prepare a table right before me,  
In the presence of my enemies.  
Though the arrow flies and the terror of night,  
Is at my door I'll trust you Lord.

Surely goodness surely mercy,  
Right beside me all my days.  
And I will dwell in Your house forever,  
And bless Your Holy Name,

Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of  
death I will fear no evil,  
Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of  
death You are on my side.  
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death I will fear no evil,  
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death You are on my side.

Surely goodness surely mercy,  
Right beside me all my days.  
And I will dwell in Your house forever,  
And bless Your Holy Name.

### The Post Communion Prayer

*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 the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.*

### The Blessing

**Closing Hymn:** 553 He Leadeth Me! O Blessed Thought!

He leadeth me! O blessed thought!  
O words with heav'nly comfort fraught!  
Whate'er I do, where'er I be,  
Still 'tis God's hand that leadeth me.

Refrain:

He leadeth me! He leadeth me!  
By his own hand he leadeth me!  
His faithful follower I would be,  
For by his hand he leadeth me.

Sometimes mid scenes of deepest gloom,  
Sometimes where Eden's bowers bloom,  
By waters calm, o'er troubled sea,  
Still 'tis his hand that leadeth me.

Lord, I would clasp thy hand in mine,  
Nor ever murmur nor repine,  
Content, whatever lot I see,  
Since 'tis my God that leadeth me.

And when my task on earth is done,  
When, by thy grace, the vict'ry's won,  
E'en death's cold wave I will not flee,  
Since God thro' Jordan leadeth me.

**The Dismissal**

Deacon: Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing  
in the power of the Holy Spirit.  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

*People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.*

## Make A Note:

### Little Food Pantry-Every 3rd Sunday

*Providing neighborhood children with healthy snacks.*

**Prayer Group:** Church office, 21 Unit A, Market Street.

**Every Tues.**

*9:00am - Establish your prayer patterns with*

*The Book of Common Prayer.*

**Every Weds.**

*8:50am - Prayer for the Church build.*

*9:30am - Prayer for those in need, sickness, or adversity.*

### Men's Bible Study

**Every Weds**

*7:30am - The Park House.*

**Small Group-** *Want to join a Small Group but are not sure of what to expect? Call Gretchen Kaylor for details.*



## Thank You for Worshipping with Us!

- If you have any prayer requests or questions about the Christian faith, our Pastor, Jamie Sosnowski, is available at 843-817-5667 or at [parishchurchathabersham@gmail.com](mailto:parishchurchathabersham@gmail.com).
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