

Fourth Sunday of Easter

May 7, 2017, 10:00 a.m.



Please take a moment to silence your cellphone. Thank you.

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We are in the season of Eastertide, a period of fifty days from Easter Sunday to Pentecost Sunday. Eastertide season is celebrated as a single joyful feast, indeed as the "great Lord's Day". Each Sunday of the season is treated as a Sunday of Easter, and, after the Sunday of the Resurrection, they are named Second Sunday of Easter, Third Sunday of Easter, etc. up to the Seventh Sunday of Easter, while the whole fifty-day period concludes with Pentecost Sunday. The season is marked with white vestments, extra candles, the presence of the paschal candle near the altar, and at the 10am service, sung parts for the Great Thanksgiving. We include more alleluias, and The Confession of Sin is absent.

The Word of God

Prelude

Récit tendre pour le Nazard, Fugue

G. Corrette

Processional Hymn

Hail! Thou Once-Despised Jesus

Hymn #495

The Opening Acclamation

† Celebrant Alleluia. Christ is risen!
People **The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

A † appears in the margin where you may wish to make the sign of the cross over your body. Making the sign of the cross is a choice left to each worshipper. It is simply a way to engage your entire body (not just your speech and mind) in worship and physically to signify embracing the blessing of God.

The Gloria

Glory to God

Ronald Arnatt

Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to his peo-ple on earth. Lord God, heav'ly King, al-
might-y God and Fa-ther, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo-ry.
Lord Je-sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin
of the world: have mer-cy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Fa-ther: re-ceive our prayer. For
you a-lone are the Holy One, you a-lone are the Lord, you a-lone are the most high, Je-sus Christ,
with the Ho-ly Spi-rit, in the glo-ry of God the Fa-ther. A-men.

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Celebrant/Preacher: The Rev. Paula Vukmanic

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray. O God, whose Son Jesus 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.**

Please be seated for the readings.

The First Lesson Acts 2:42-47

1st Reader A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

Those who had been baptized devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers.

Awe came upon everyone, because many wonders and signs were being done by the apostles. All who believed were together and had all things in common; they would sell their possessions and goods and distribute the proceeds to all, as any had need. Day by day, as they spent much time together in the temple, they broke bread at home and ate their food with glad and generous hearts, praising God and having the goodwill of all the people. And day by day the Lord added to their number those who were being saved.

1st Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

The Response

Psalm 23

Robert Kreutz



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*The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want. In verdant pastures he gives me repose;
Beside restful waters he leads me; he refreshes my soul.*

*He guides me in right paths for his name's sake.
Even though I walk in the valley of darkness I fear no evil for you are at my side
with your rod and your staff that give me courage.*

You spread the table before me in the sight of my foes; You anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.

*Only goodness and kindness follow me all the days of my life;
and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord for years to come.*

The Second Lesson 1 Peter 2:19-25

2nd Reader A Reading from the first Letter of Peter.

It is a credit to you if, being aware of God, you endure pain while suffering unjustly. If you endure when you are beaten for doing wrong, what credit is that? But if you endure when you do right and suffer for it, you have God's approval. For to this you have been called, because Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example, so that you should follow in his steps.

"He committed no sin,
and no deceit was found in his mouth."

When he was abused, he did not return abuse; when he suffered, he did not threaten; but he entrusted himself to the one who judges justly. He himself bore our sins in his body on the cross, so that, free from sins, we might live for righteousness; by his wounds you have been healed. For you were going astray like sheep, but now you have returned to the shepherd and guardian of your souls.

2nd Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Please STAND as able, and join in singing
The Gospel Procession

Alleluia

Calvin Hampton



From "Repeating Alleluia" by Calvin Hampton

The Holy Gospel John 10:1-10

† Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said, "Very truly, I tell you, anyone who does not enter the sheepfold by the gate but climbs in by another way is a thief and a bandit. The one who enters by the gate is the shepherd of the sheep. The gatekeeper opens the gate for him, and the sheep hear his voice. He calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. When he has brought out all his own, he goes ahead of them, and the sheep follow him because they know his voice. They will not follow a stranger, but they will run from him because they do not know the voice of strangers." Jesus used this figure of speech with them, but they did not understand what he was saying to them.

So again Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, I am the gate for the sheep. All who came before me are thieves and bandits; but the sheep did not listen to them. I am the gate. Whoever enters by me will be saved, and will come in and go out and find pasture. The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly."

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

As the Procession returns please join in singing the Alleluia

Please be seated for

† The Sermon

The Rev. Paula Vukmanic

There will be a moment of silence for reflection following the sermon.

Please STAND as able, and join in saying,

The Nicene Creed

All 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

The People join in reading the words in bold.

Gracious God, after his resurrection, your Son was present with his disciples for many weeks, and blessed them with peace, teaching them to love all people. As his disciples in this age, let us follow in the way of the risen Jesus with the resilient power of your love.

Bring newness and change to your church, O God, that we might serve you with courage and grace.
Awake, O Church, with new hope and life, **And Christ will raise you up!**

Bring newness and change to your world, O God, that all might know the goodness of your love.
Awake, O World, with new hope and life, **And Christ will raise you up!**

Bring newness and change to your nation, O God, that each person might honor the other.
Awake, O People, with new hope and life, **And Christ will raise you up!**

Bring newness and change to those in our armed, foreign and services, police, firefighters, first responders and their families, especially Kelly Hall, TJ Malzahn, Scott Ruston, Michael Strong, Jonathan Zimmerman and Steve, and all the thousands whose names we do not know.

Awake, O Those who Serve, with new hope and life, **And Christ will raise you up!**

Bring newness and change for the suffering, O God, especially for Andrea, Lynne, Ceri Falk, Dato Family (Kelly Lynch's sister), Rob and Pam Fitting, Mama Hill, Elizabeth Hodgson, Gail Joerger, Chong-Kyun Kim, Marjorie Morris, Munoz Family, James and Reiko, Jerry Rosenthal, Anne Shepherd, Steve Smith, Chris Snapp and Hayward and Phyllis Thomas, and all those we name to you now...*(Please add your prayers either silently or aloud).*

Awake, O Suffering Ones, with new hope and life, **And Christ will raise you up!**

Bring newness and change to our youth confirmands, O God: Aidan, Chloe, Cole, Grace, Hannah, Joe, Lauren, Maxwell, Sidney and Sofia; and for adults who will be confirmed, received or reaffirmed in their baptismal vows: Liz and Dick, Donna and Richard, Mark and Doug, Michele, Beth, and Billy.

Awake, O Seekers, with new hope and life, **And Christ will raise you up!**

Bring newness and change to our hearts, O God, as we pray in thanksgiving for all the blessings of this life and the grace to face our challenges. *(Please add your prayers either silently or aloud).*

Awake, O Family of St Francis Parish, with newness and hope, **And Christ will raise you up!**

Bring eternal life to those we love but see no longer, O God, especially those we name to you now.
(Please add your prayers either silently or aloud).

Awake, O Saints, in eternal Love, **For Christ has raised you up!**

Silence

Celebrant Receive these prayers, O God, for Christ has burst forth from the tomb, making all things new.
Nothing can separate us from your love. Let us rise up and live!
We give you thanks, God of boundless life. **Amen.**

The Confession of Sin is omitted during the 50 days of the Easter season.

Please STAND, as able, for

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

The Ministers and People greet one another in the name of the Lord.

Welcome and Announcements



The Holy Communion

Offertory Anthem

Sheep May Safely Graze
Catherine Larson and Grace Buchen, flutists

JS Bach

*Like a shepherd God doth guide us into pastures calm and blest.
Safe we lie by peaceful waters, and like sheep securely rest.*

*'Though the valley dark is growing, clouds are gath'ring, winds are blowing, night and death are drawing near.
Yet no danger shall alarm me. Death and darkness ne'er can harm me. In his arms I feel no fear.*

Offertory Hymn

Good Christians All, Rejoice and Sing!

Vulpius

Good Chris-tians all, re-joice and sing! Now is the tri-umph of our King! To all the world glad
new we bring: Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

The Hymnal 1982 Hymn #205.

The Offertory Prayers

Celebrant Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation; through your goodness we have this bread and wine to offer, which the earth has given and human hands have made. It will become for us the Bread of Heaven and the Cup of Salvation.

People **Blessed be God forever.**

Celebrant Receive, O Lord, all these gifts presented by your holy people for the work of your holy Church.

People **Blessed be God forever.**

Please remain STANDING, as able, for,

The Great Thanksgiving

Adapted from St. Gregory of Nyssa Episcopal Church, San Francisco

Celebrant The Lord be with you. **People** And al - so with you.
Celebrant Lift up your hearts. **People** We lift them 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, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. 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 sacrificed for us, and has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again he 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 forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Celebrant And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,
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, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.

Fraction Anthem

The Disciples Knew the Lord Jesus

Jack Burnam



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The bread which we break, Alleluia, is the communion of the Body of Christ. (Refrain)

The Communion of the People

All baptized Christians are invited to receive Holy Communion. Please follow the directions of the ushers. Kneeling or standing, each person receives the Bread in the palm of the right hand, eats, and then guides the cup for a sip of the Wine. If you do not wish to receive or are not yet baptized, we encourage you to come forward to receive a blessing. Simply fold your hands across your chest when you come forward. **The clergy will carry Communion to anyone in the congregation who is unable to come forward. Please notify an usher if you wish to be served in your seat.***

If you have come with a particular prayer concern today, after receiving Communion you may come to the Nason Prayer Chapel to the right of the altar rail where someone will be available to pray with you.

**Gluten-free Communion wafers are now carried alongside regular wafers at Holy Communion. If you require one of these, simply ask at the Altar rail.*

Communion Music

In Remembrance

Buryl Red

In remembrance of me, eat this bread. In remembrance of me, drink this wine.

In remembrance of me, pray for the time when God's own will is done. In remembrance of me, heal the sick.

In remembrance of me feed the poor. In remembrance of me, open the door and let your brother in.

Take, eat, and be comforted; drink, and remember, too, that this is my body and precious blood shed for you.

In remembrance of me, search for truth. In remembrance of me, always love.

In remembrance of me, don't look above but in your heart for God.

Do this in remembrance of me.

Post Communion Prayer

Celebrant Let us pray.

All God of all Life, we have seen with our own eyes and touched with our own hands the Bread of Life, this precious gift of your Son Jesus Christ. Strengthen our faith that we may grow in love for you, in love for one another, and in love for all the world; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Sending Forth of the Lay Eucharistic Minister

Celebrant We send you out to share this Holy Communion with our brother/sister _____.

People May you be guided by the Holy Spirit as you share this sacrament of Christ's presence.

Celebrant May those who share in this Communion be strengthened and encouraged in the community we have together through our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

An Easter Blessing

† Celebrant May Christ, who brings new hope and a new future through his resurrection from the dead, fill you with his new life; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you forever. Amen, alleluia!

Please STAND, as able, for

The Closing Hymn

Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us

Hymn #708

The Sending Forth



Let us go forth in the name of Christ, al - le - lu - ia,
 al - le - lu - ia.
People
 Thanks be to God, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Postlude

Grand Plein Jeu

G. Corrette



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