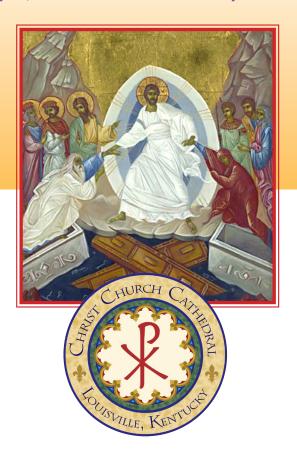
FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

May II, 2025 • 10:30 am + Holy Eucharist





Nave services may be livestreamed for our online congregation. Cameras focus primarily
on vested ministers, but others in the cathedral may also be visible in live or archived video.

Prelude

• at the sound of the bells, all stand

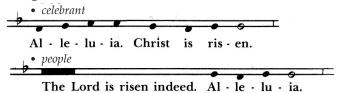
Hymn 205 Good Christians all, rejoice and sing



Words: Cyril A. Alington (1872-1955), alt. St. 5, Norman Mealy (b. 1923) Music: Gelobt sei Gott, Melchior Vulpius (1560?-1616)

888 with Alleluias

Opening Acclamation



Song of Praise • **S 278** Gloria in excelsis

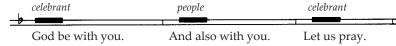




Setting: William Mathias (b. 1934)

Liturgy of the Word

Collect for the Fourth Sunday of Easter



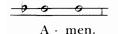
O God, whose Son Jesus is the good shepherd of your people: Grant that when we hear his voice we may know him who calls us each by name, and follow where he leads; who, with you and the Holy Spirit, lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever.

BCP • Book of Common Prayer

S • Service music found at the front of the hymnal

WLP • Wonder, Love, and Praise

The people's responses are indicated in bold type.



all be seated

First Reading Acts 9:36-43

Now in Joppa there was a disciple whose name was Tabitha, which in Greek is Dorcas. She was devoted to good works and acts of charity. At that time she became ill and died. When they had washed her, they laid her in a room upstairs. Since Lydda was near Joppa, the disciples, who heard that Peter was there, sent two men to him with the request, "Please come to us without delay." So Peter got up and went with them; and when he arrived, they took him to the room upstairs. All the widows stood beside him, weeping and showing

tunics and other clothing that Dorcas had made while she was with them. Peter put all of them outside, and then he knelt down and prayed. He turned to the body and said, "Tabitha, get up." Then she opened her eyes, and seeing Peter, she sat up. He gave her his hand and helped her up. Then calling the saints and widows, he showed her to be alive. This became known throughout Joppa, and many believed in the Lord. Meanwhile he stayed in Joppa for some time with a certain Simon, a tanner.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 23 • sung by all



- 1 The LORD is my shepherd; *
 I shall not be in want.
- 2 He makes me lie down in green pastures and leads me be side still waters.
- 3 He re'vives my soul *
 and guides me along right pathways for his Näme's sake.
- 4 Though 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.
- 5 You spread a table before me in the presence of those who trouble me; * you have anointed my head with oil, and my cup is running over.
- 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 for ever.

Second Reading Revelation 7:9-17

I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. They cried out in a loud voice, saying,

"Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!"

And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, singing,

"Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen."

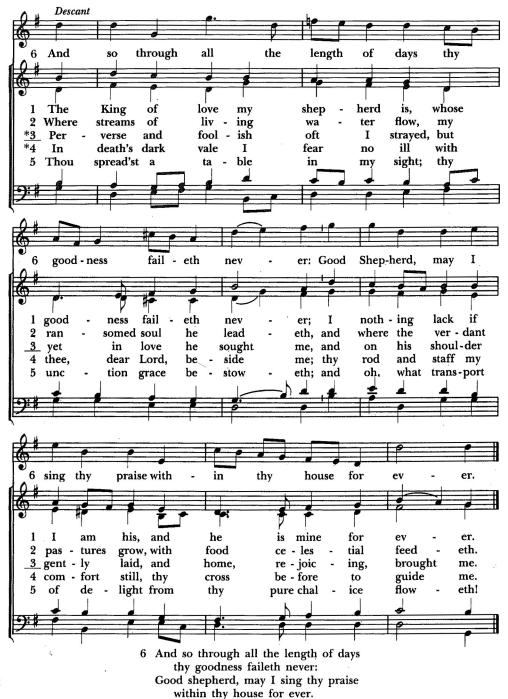
Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?" I said to him, "Sir, you are the one that knows." Then he said to me, "These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

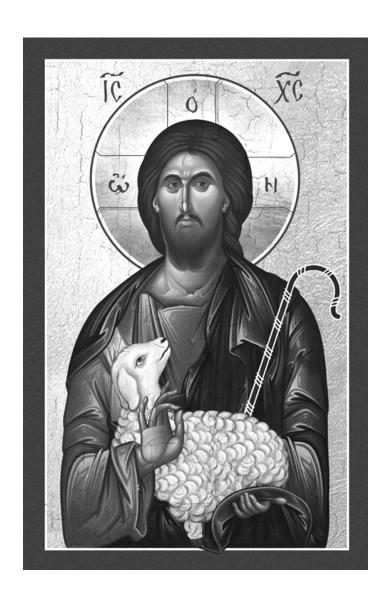
For this reason they are before the throne of God, and worship him day and night within his temple, and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them. They will hunger no more, and thirst no more; the sun will not strike them, nor any scorching heat; for the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of the water of life, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

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Hymn 646 The King of love my shepherd is





Gospel John 10:22-30

The Holy Gospel of our Savior, Jesus Christ, according to John.

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

At that time the festival of the Dedication took place in Jerusalem. It was winter, and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the portico of Solomon. So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, "How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah, tell us plainly." Jesus answered, "I have told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father's name testify to me; but

The Gospel of our Savior.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

you do not believe, because you do not belong to my sheep. My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand. What my Father has given me is greater than all else, and no one can snatch it out of the Father's hand. The Father and I are one."

Sermon The Reverend Dr. Eva Markham

Nicene Creed • all stand

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, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. 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, 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.

Prayers of the People Adapted from *Common Worship*, The Church of England

• the deacon says

In joy and hope let us pray to the Father, saying, "Hear our prayer."

• the intercessor continues

That our Savior may fill us with the joy of his glorious and life-giving resurrection, we pray to the Father.

Hear our prayer.

That the Church may find fresh strength in the good news of Easter, especially the one called to be Archbishop of Canterbury, Sean our Presiding Bishop, Terry our Bishop, and those Baptized, Confirmed, and Received this holy season, we pray to the Father.

Hear our prayer.

That God may grant our elected leaders the humility which comes from Christian love, especially President Trump, Vice President Vance, and Governors Beshear and Braun, we pray to the Father.

Hear our prayer.

That God may provide for those who lack food, work or shelter, we pray to the Father.

Hear our prayer.

That by God's power war and famine may cease through all the world, we pray to the Father.

Hear our prayer

That God may reveal the light of his presence to the sick, the weak and the dying, to comfort and strengthen them, especially John Archer, Judy Donahue, Kitten Lawless, Terry Laun & Art Embrey, George Hubbard, Robert Huffman, Nancy Otto, Len Sjogren, and those we now name we pray to the Father.

Hear our prayer

That, according to God's promises, all who have died in the faith of the resurrection may be raised on the last day, we pray to the Father.

Hear our prayer

That God may send the fire of the Holy Spirit upon his people, so that we may bear faithful witness to Christ's resurrection, we pray to the Father.

Hear our prayer

• the celebrant says the concluding prayer

Heavenly Father, you have delivered us from the power of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of your Son: grant that, as his death has recalled us to life, so his continual presence in us may raise us to eternal joy; through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

The Peace • all greet one another in the name of the Lord The peace of the Lord be always with you. **And also with you.**

Dean's Welcome

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Offertory Anthem Brother James' Air

Gordon Jacob

The Lord's my Shepherd, I'll not want, he makes me down to lie In pastures green, he leadeth me the quiet waters by.

My soul he doth restore again and me to walk doth make
Within the paths of blessedness, even for his own name's sake.
Yea, though I pass thro' shadowed vale, yet will I fear no ill;
For thou art with me, and thy rod and staff me comfort still.
My table thou hast furnished in presence of my foes;
My head with oil thou dost anoint, and my cup overflows.
Goodness and mercy all my days will surely follow me;
And in my Father's heart alway my dwelling place shall be.



The Great Thanksgiving

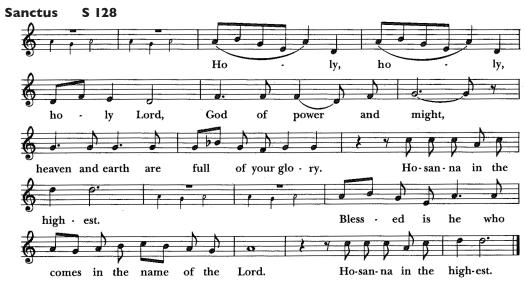
Eucharistic Prayer A • Expansive Language



It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Almighty God, 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 Christ's death he has destroyed death, and by Christ's 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 for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:



Holy and gracious God: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and maker of all.

Jesus stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Savior Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper Jesus took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: 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 for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

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

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, Almighty God, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling Christ's death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in Christ. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through Jesus Christ our Savior. By Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, now and for ever.

The Great Amen



The Lord's Prayer • BCP 364 • contemporary version

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.

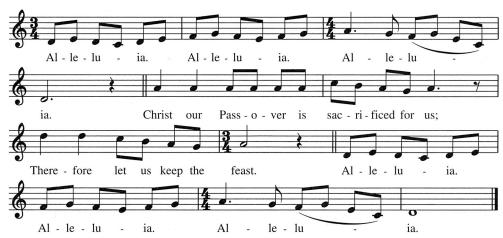
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

Fraction Anthem • WLP 866



Invitation to Communion

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.

- any baptized person from any Christian tradition who wishes to encounter the Real Presence of the Risen Christ in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood is welcome to receive Holy Communion. If you wish to learn more about the Sacrament of Holy Baptism, please speak with a priest or deacon following the liturgy.
- gluten free wafers are available; as you prepare to receive bread indicate your preference to the priest
- if you would like to receive a blessing instead of Communion, please indicate this by crossing your arms over your chest

An Act of Spiritual Communion • for those attending virtually

Jesus, my Savior, I ask you to come into my heart and fill me with your love. Although I cannot physically join with others to celebrate the Eucharist today, I desire to offer my thanksgivings and prayers in union with all who worship you, wherever they may be. And although I cannot receive you now sacramentally in the bread and wine of Holy Communion, still I desire to receive your body and blood spiritually and feed on your love, that I may be united with you and with all your people in one communion and fellowship, your mystical body the church, now and ever more. Amen.

Communion Anthem

Loving Shepherd of Thy Sheep

Philip Ledger

Loving Shepherd of thy sheep, Keep thy lamb, in safety keep; Nothing can thy power withstand; None can pluck me from Thy hand.

I would praise thee every day; Gladly all thy will obey. Like thy blessed ones above, Happy in thy precious love. Loving Shepherd, ever near, Teach thy lamb thy voice to hear; Suffer not my steps to stray From the straight and narrow way.

Where Thou leadest I would go, Walking in Thy steps below, Till before thy father's throne I shall know as I am known.

• all stand; said by all

Prayer after Communion

Eternal God, you have graciously accepted us as living members of our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Savior. Amen.

Blessing

The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the eternal covenant: Make you perfect in every good work to do God's will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in the sight of God; through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory for ever and ever.

Amen.





Music: Austria, Franz Joseph Haydn (1732-1809); desc. Michael E. Young (b. 1939)

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Dismissal

Let us go forth in the name of the Risen Christ. Alleluia, alleluia! Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!

Postlude

serving today ...

The Very Rev. Matthew Bradley, celebrant
The Rev. Dr. Eva Markham, deacon
Dr. James Rightmyer, organist & choir director
Randy Peters, Mike Wright, lectors
Jerry Brown, intercessor
Randy Peters, Mike Wright, Marilyn Werst, John Werst, chalice bearers
Bill Shelton, Louise Isaacs, Hunter Lumbatis, acolytes
Linda Sue White, altar guild
Carol Brown, Lee Cochran, Kirt Jacobs, greeters/ushers
Bing Jacobs, bell ringer
Frazier Marsh, live stream



Christ Church Cathedral Land Acknowledgement

Christ Church Cathedral of the Episcopal Diocese of Kentucky gathers and stands on land which has been home, for over 11,000 years, to primarily Shawnee, Cherokee, Osage, Haudenosaunee Seneca, Hopewell and Adena peoples.

Today we acknowledge the role our Church has played in colonialism's devasting legacy of death, stolen lands, dehumanizing removals, and forced assimilation of native people.

We repent of our complicity in perpetuating the dominance of white European culture, even to the present day.

We seek forgiveness.

We honor the original peoples of this land and the presence of native people still living in Kentucky.

We honor with respect their Elders, past, present, and future, their traditions, and the land itself.

We commit to listen, learn, and walk in love.





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⇒ a church in the heart of the city with a heart for the city *←*

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