



**CHRIST CHURCH  
EPISCOPAL  
PARISH**  
*Lake Oswego, Oregon*

# ***Fourth Sunday of Easter***

*April 21, 2024  
8:00 am*

## **The Word of God**

### **Opening Acclamation**

**BCP 319**

**Presider** Alleluia. Christ is Risen.

**People** **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

*The people kneel*

### **Collect for Purity**

**BCP 323**

Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

### **GLORIA IN EXCELSIS**

**BCP 324**

**Glory be to God on high,**

**and on earth peace, good will towards men.**

**We praise thee, we bless thee,**

**we worship thee, we glorify thee,**

**we give thanks to thee for thy great glory,**

**O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty.**

**O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ;**

**O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, that takest  
away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.**

**Thou that takest away the sins of the world,  
receive our prayer.**

**Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father,  
have mercy upon us.**

**For thou only art holy; thou only art the Lord;**

**thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost,**

**art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

## Collect of the Day

BCP 224

**Presider** The Lord be with you.

**People** **And with thy spirit.**

**Presider** 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.**

## The Lessons

### The First Lesson

**Acts 4:5-12**

**Lector** A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles

The rulers, elders, and scribes assembled in Jerusalem, with Annas the high priest, Caiaphas, John, and Alexander, and all who were of the high-priestly family. When they had made the prisoners stand in their midst, they inquired, "By what power or by what name did you do this?" Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them, "Rulers of the people and elders, if we are questioned today because of a good deed done to someone who was sick and are asked how this man has been healed, let it be known to all of you, and to all the people of Israel, that this man is standing before you in good health by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead. This Jesus is `the stone that was rejected by you, the builders; it has become the cornerstone.' There is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among mortals by which we must be saved."

**Lector** The Word of the Lord.

**People** **Thanks be to God.**

## Psalm 23

*The people sit.*

1 The Lord is my shepherd; \*

I shall not be in want.

2 He makes me lie down in green pastures \*

and leads me beside still waters.

3 He revives my soul \*

and guides me along right pathways for his Name'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.

## **The Second Lesson**

## **1 John 3:16-24**

**Lector** A Reading from the First Letter of John

We know love by this, that he laid down his life for us-- and we ought to lay down our lives for one another. How does God's love abide in anyone who has the world's goods and sees a brother or sister in need and yet refuses help? Little children, let us love, not in word or speech, but in truth and action. And by this we will know that we are from the truth and will reassure our hearts before him whenever our hearts condemn us; for God is greater than our hearts, and he knows everything. Beloved, if our hearts do not condemn us, we have boldness before God; and we receive from him whatever we ask, because we obey his commandments and do what pleases him. And this is his commandment, that we should believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and love one another, just as he has commanded us. All who obey his commandments abide in him, and he abides in them. And by this we know that he abides in us, by the Spirit that he has given us.

**Lector** The Word of the Lord.

**People Thanks be to God.**

*The people stand.*

## **The Gospel**

**John 10:11-18**

**Gospeler** The Holy Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

**People** **Glory be to thee, O Lord.**

Jesus said, "I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. The hired hand, who is not the shepherd and does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and runs away—and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. The hired hand runs away because a hired hand does not care for the sheep. I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father. And I lay down my life for the sheep. I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd. For this reason the Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again. No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it up again. I have received this command from my Father."

**Gospeler** The Gospel of the Lord.

**People** **Praise be to thee, Lord Christ.**

**The Homily** **The Rev'd Brad Toebben**

## **Nicene Creed**

**BCP 358**

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.

## **Prayers of the People**

### **Prayer II**

**BCP 385**

*In the course of the silence after each bidding, the People offer their own prayers, either silently or aloud.*

**Intercessor** I ask your prayers for God's people throughout the world;  
for our Bishops, +Michael our Presiding Bishop, +Diana  
our Bishop, for this gathering; and for all ministers and  
people.

**People Pray for the Church.**

*Silence*

**Intercessor** I ask your prayers for peace; for goodwill among nations;  
and for the well-being of all people.

**People Pray for justice and peace.**

*Silence*

**Intercessor** I ask your prayers for the poor, the sick, the hungry, the oppressed, and those in prison.

**People** **Pray for those in any need or trouble.**  
*Silence*

**Intercessor** I ask your prayers for all who seek God, or a deeper knowledge of him.

**People** **Pray that they may find and be found by him.**  
*Silence*

**Intercessor** I ask your prayers for the departed.

**People** **Pray for those who have died.**  
*Silence*

**Intercessor** Praise God for those in every generation in whom Christ has been honored. Pray that we may have grace to glorify Christ in our own day.

*Silence*

*The Presider adds a concluding collect.*

**The Peace** **BCP 360**

**Presider** The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**People** **And also with you.**

**Greetings**

**Birthday Prayer** **BCP 830**

Watch over thy child, O Lord, as their days increase; bless and guide them wherever they may be. Strengthen them when they stand, comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful; raise them up if they fall; and in their hearts may thy peace which passeth understanding abide all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

## **Anniversary Prayer**

**BCP 431**

O God, you have so consecrated the covenant of marriage that in it is represented the spiritual unity between Christ and his Church: Send therefore your blessing upon these your servants, that they may so love, honor, and cherish each other in faithfulness and patience, in wisdom and true godliness, that their home may be a haven of blessing and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

## **THE HOLY COMMUNION**

### **Eucharistic Prayer II**

**BCP 340**

**Presider** The Lord be with you.

**People** **And with thy spirit.**

**Presider** Lift up your hearts.

**People** **We lift them to the Lord.**

**Presider** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**People** **It is meet and right so to do.**

*Then, facing the Holy Table, the Presider proceeds*

**Presider** It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God.

*Here a Proper Preface is sung or said on all Sundays, and on other occasions as appointed.*

**Presider** Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,

**Presider and People**

**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 kneel or stand. Then the Presider continues*

**Presider** All glory be to thee, O Lord our God, for that thou didst create heaven and earth, and didst make us in thine own image; and, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to take our nature upon him, and to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption. He made there a full and perfect sacrifice for the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

*At the following words concerning the bread, the Presider is to hold it, or lay a hand upon it; and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing wine to be consecrated*

**Presider** For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread; and when he had given thanks to thee, 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, he 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 remission of sins. Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me."

Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, we thy people do celebrate and make, with these thy holy gifts which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; and looking for his coming again with power and great glory.

And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us, and, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, to bless and sanctify these gifts of bread and wine, that they may be unto us the Body and Blood of thy dearly-beloved Son Jesus Christ.



And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, whereby we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies. Grant, we beseech thee, that all who partake of this Holy Communion may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, and be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction; and also that we and all thy whole Church may be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord; By whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. **AMEN.**

### **The Lord's Prayer**

**BCP 364**

**Presider** And now, as our Savior Christ hath taught us, we are bold to say,

**All**     **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.**

### **Breaking of the Bread**

**Presider** Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

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

*The following may be said here*

O Lamb of God, that take away the sins of the world,  
have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, that take away the sins of the world,  
have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, that take away the sins of the world,  
grant us thy peace.

### **Prayer of Humble Access**

**BCP 337**

We do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord whose property is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. **Amen.**

*Facing the people, the Presider says the following Invitation*

**Presider**      The Gifts of God for the People of God.

### **Communion of the People**

*Communion will be received from the altar rail. Please stand or kneel as is our custom. The bread will be placed on your palm. Gluten-free wafers are available; please indicate to the priest if you require this alternative. Those who do not wish to receive communion are welcome to come forward for a blessing, indicated by crossing your arms over your chest.*

### **Post-Communion Prayer**

**BCP 339**

Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through

hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. **Amen.**

## **Announcements**

### **Presider**

The peace of God, which passeth 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 Ghost, be amongst you, and remain with you always.  
**Amen.**

### **The Dismissal**

**Presider** Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia, Alleluia.

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

**Please keep these people in your prayers this week.**

Adam and family, Alan, Iris, John, Donna, Karen, Mary Anne, Larry, David, Martin, Iris, Yvonne, George Judy, Andrew, Michelle, Anselmo.

**To Request a Prayer**

Send an email to [prayers@ccparish.org](mailto:prayers@ccparish.org) with your request.

**Our Nursery** is staffed with awesome volunteers this Sunday, April 21 during the 10 am service.

**Sunday School classes** for preschool through grade 5 are in session this Sunday, April 21. Bring your kids to their assigned classrooms at 10 am. We'll join you in the pew for communion.

**The Sacred Donut** is meeting this Sunday, April 21st after the service. Join Susie for delicious donuts and conversation.

**The Journey of Parenting** will continue to explore the joys and challenges of parenting this Sunday, April 21, and each Sunday this month. Please join us in the Guild Room after the service.

**Project Linus** - The blankets made by our Sunday School students will be blessed on Sunday, April 21st at the 10 am service. We hope all the kids who participated will be there for this special send-off. The blankets will be delivered soon after, finding their way into the arms of kids who are in crisis. Thanks to all of you who donated fleece for this special annual project!

**Register for Splish Splash Family Blast starting Sunday is open!** We invite families with kids up through grade 5 to join us for 3 Sundays of fun! This summer, we gather on June 30, July 28, and August 25. You can find a registration form on the table in the narthex, the program table in the education wing, or get one from the door of your child's Sunday School classroom. It's also available on the website. Registration is a great help in making sure we have the proper quantity of supplies. Splish Splash begins with lunch at noon (bring your own!) followed by a fun bible story, art and science activities, games on the front lawn, and the all-important POPSICLE PARTY at the close.

**Thanks, again, Christ Church.** Once again you shared our church's facilities for a cross-cultural event. **Cooking Beyond Borders** presented Sosan Amiri to church members and guests from the Greater Portland community. Sosan has a business and a small non-profit based on food and teaching women to sew. Events like these empower financial independence for women and sustain their families.

**Best of all?** She shares her profits from events like the one pictured to aid the least fortunate in Afghanistan. On Common Ground hopes to welcome Paige Barletta, CBB's founder, and other chefs from around the world to our church again next year. Empowering women from other war-besieged countries is a small but powerful step toward the peace our world longs for.

*--Meg Knopf (On Common Ground)*

**On Common Ground Habitat for Humanity** We are looking for volunteers who would like to join us on future "build days" with Habitat for Humanity this Spring and Summer in local build sites. Part of our Outreach mission at Christ Church Episcopal is to help combat homelessness. Volunteering with Habitat for Humanity is one way you can help.

Volunteering with Habitat offers a unique way for a group of friends and family to come together to do something good for the community. At the same time, you can learn new skills and have fun in the process. Volunteers need to be 18 to operate power tools and 16 for other tasks.

Habitat promotes home ownership to families who qualify, who commit 200 hours working alongside with volunteers like us to build homes that meet or exceed local building codes.

No construction experience is needed, you can learn new skills with trained volunteers and have fun in the process.

Please sign up by sending your contact information to:

CCEP Outreach Liaison for Habitat for Humanity

Steve Whittaker - [steve@whittpho.com](mailto:steve@whittpho.com)



**All Aboard! The Auction Express Live Auction and Family Fun  
May 4, 2024**

*Connecting dreams, one rail at a time . . .*

**All Aboard! Come to the Outreach auction and help us extend a helping hand to the twelve charities you support through your very own CCEP Outreach Team.**

**DRESS UP** in train gear or train travel attire. Enjoy the family scavenger hunt, then nosh on a beverage and hearty appetizers before setting out for Cummins Hall to bid on great adventures and fabulous getaways. (Free babysitting for ages 10 and under, with popcorn and movies! Sign up now . . . there are a few spots left.)

**CHECK OUT THE FABULOUS ITEMS TO BID ON:** Dinner with Brad at Riccardo's, a costumed detective party at the "Deadwood Saloon," a trip for six to Beautiful Burgundy, and—especially for families—a trip for four to Hopscotch, a visual and hands-on playground for young and old alike. Go to

<https://e.givesmart.com/events/Bly> for even more items and delicious details.

**KISSES SWEETER THAN WINE . . .** And what could be sweeter than scoping out the Wine Wall and its wrapped mystery bottles (all worth at least \$20) and taking a few home from the Auction? We have just 14 more bottles to go to reach our goal of 60!

**TIME MARCHES: THE LAST DAY TO BUY TICKETS IS APRIL 28!** Purchase Train tickets for adults (\$50) and young folk (\$25) at our Train Station in the Narthex. (Children under ten participate free.) See the QR code below for easy purchase. If you need help, our friendly Outreach Committee will be in the narthex after each church service! You can also get your tickets at [2024CCPAuction.givesmart.com](https://2024CCPAuction.givesmart.com)  
Questions? Email [outreachauction@ccparish.org](mailto:outreachauction@ccparish.org)



**Train question of the week:** Where does the ghost conductor ride?  
**Train answer:** In the ca-B00-se!

## **Outreach: Spring Canned Food Drive Food Pantry Updates**

It's Springtime and our CCEP food pantry shelves are beginning to bloom with your donations!

We are working with multiple food pantries connected to the Oregon Food Bank along with other outreach ministries that our parish supports.

Each time our shelves are fully stocked, we cycle the food to one of those food pantries: along with sharing those donations with other parish-related outreach ministries that we support:

### William Temple House:

As soon as our shelves are once stocked with your donations, we will transfer your donated food to the William Temple House Food Pantry in Portland, serving about 1,500 families per month.

### How You Can Help:

When you are grocery shopping, please pick up some additional food products allowing us to continue our support to the many emergency food pantries in our area.

We are requesting a variety of canned food products.

- Infant formula
- canned fruit, soups, beans, spam, tuna, chicken
- cereal, rice, and pasta.

These items serve a critical part of our mission in combating hunger in our area and your donations really do make a difference in people's lives.

**Important: Most emergency food pantries will reject expired food products. Please check the expiration dates before you donate.**

Thank you CCEP Parishioners for your help and please keep those food donations coming! If you have any questions, please contact Steve Whittaker [steve@whittpho.com](mailto:steve@whittpho.com)

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