



**CHRIST
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Lake Oswego, Oregon

Fourth Sunday of Easter

April 21, 2024

10:00 am

The Word of God

Voluntary

Simon Stublely

Hymn in Procession

Hymn 178

Alleluia, alleluia! Give thanks to the risen Lord

Opening Acclamation

BCP 355

Presider Alleluia. Christ is Risen.

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

Collect for Purity

BCP 355

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.**

Hymn of Praise *This joyful Eastertide (v. 1)* **Hymn 192**

*This joyful Eastertide, away with sin and sorrow!
My Love, the Crucified, hath sprung to life this morrow,
Had Christ, that once was slain, no'er burst his
three-day prison, our faith had been in vain;
but now is Christ arisen, arisen, arisen, arisen.*

Presider The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

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

People **Thanks be to God.**

The people sit.

Psalm 23

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Cantor: 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.

Choir: 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.

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

People Thanks be to God.

Sequence Hymn

Hymn 664

My Shepherd will supply my need

The people stand.

The Gospel

John 10:11-18

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

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 to you, Lord Christ.

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.

Pray for the Church.

Silence

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

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.

Pray that they may find and be found by him.

Silence

Intercessor I ask your prayers for the departed.

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 Great Thanksgiving

Offertory

Sheep May Safely Graze

J.S. Bach

arr. Katherine K. Davis

*Sheep may safely graze and pasture
In a watchful shepherd's sight
Those who rule, with wisdom guiding
Bring to hearts a peace abiding
Bless a land with joy made bright*

Presentation Hymn

Hymn 174, vs. 1-2

At the Lamb's high feast we sing

Eucharistic Prayer A

Presider The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

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 right to give him thanks and praise.**

Presider It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. 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

Hymn S-125

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 people stand or kneel. Then the Presider continues

Holy and gracious Father: 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 Father of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

At the following words concerning the bread, the Presider is to hold it, or to 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.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord 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 he 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:

Presider and People

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

The Presider continues

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his 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 him. 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 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 for ever. **AMEN.**

The Lord's Prayer

BCP 364

Presider And now, as our Savior Christ has 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.

Fraction Anthem

Hymn S-154

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

*Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
therefore let us keep the feast.*

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

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.

Communion Anthem

Grace

arr. Mark Hayes

*Amazing grace, how sweet the sound
That saved a wretch, a wretch like me
I once was lost, but now am found
I once was blind, but now I see*

*'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear
And that same grace my fears relieved
How precious did that grace appear
The hour when I first believed*

*Through many dangers, toils, and snares
I have already safely come
This grace hath brought me safe thus far
And surely, surely grace will lead me home
I shall go home*

*When we've been there ten thousand years
Bright shining as the sun, the glorious sun
We've no less days to sing God's praise
Than since the day we first begun*

Communion Hymn

Hymn 343

Shepherd of souls, refresh and bless

Post-Communion Prayer

BCP 366

**All: Almighty and everliving God,
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 for ever. Amen.**

Announcements

The Blessing of the Linus Blankets

The Dismissal

The Presider dismisses the congregation, and the People respond,
Thanks be to God.

Hymn in Procession

Come, ye faithful, raise the strain

Hymn 200

Voluntary

Thine is the Glory

Dennis Johnson

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 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



**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
Questions? Email 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

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