

Fourth Sunday of Easter

April 25, 2021

Online

Organ Prelude

Preludio Pastorale

Luigi Bottazzo (1845-1924)

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The Liturgy of the Word

Presider Alleluia, Christ is risen!

All Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Christ our Passover *Pascha nostrum*

Zimbabwe chant

All

Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia,
Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia.

Christ our Passover has been sacri-ficed for us; *
therefore let us keep the feast,

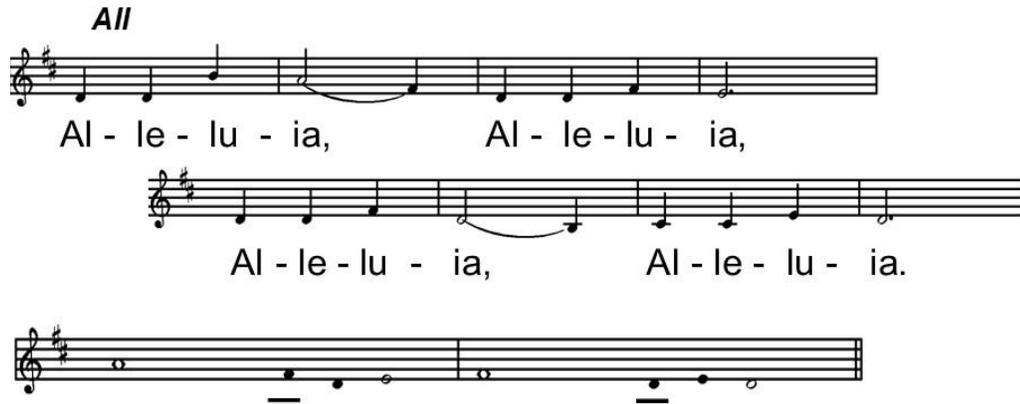
Not with the old leaven, the leaven of malice and evil, *
but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth.

ALLELUIA

Christ being raised from the dead will never die again; *
death no longer has do-min-ion over him.

The death that he died, he died to sin, once for all; *
but the life he lives, he lives to God.

So also consider yourselves dead to sin, *
and alive to God in Jesus Christ our Lord.



Christ has been raised from the dead, *
the first fruits of those who have fallen asleep.

For since by a man came death, *
by a man has come also the resurrection of the dead.

For as in Adam all die, *
so also in Christ shall all be made alive.

ALLELUIA 2 times

The Collect of the Day

Presider The Lord be with you.
All **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.

All **Amen.**

The Gospel *John 10:11-18*

Presider The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.
All **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.”

Presider The Gospel of the Lord.

All **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

Sermon

The Rev. Drew Downs

The Prayers of the People

Presider Gathered in the care of the good shepherd who laid down his life for the sheep, let us pray to God who knows our every need.

For the holy churches in every place,
especially the Anglican Episcopal Church in Japan,
our companion dioceses of Brasilia, Haiti, and South Sudan,
Christ Church, Madison,
our 7th Street church neighbors,
and for the unity of all.

All **Glory and praise to you, O living God.**

For this holy assembly and for all who gather in the name of the risen Christ.
Glory and praise to you, O living God.

For Jennifer our bishop and the priests, the deacons,
our Candidate for Ordination to the Priesthood, Joanna Benskin,
for all who minister in Christ,
and for all the holy people of God.

Glory and praise to you, O living God.

For the world and its leaders, our nation and its people.
Glory and praise to you, O living God.

For all those in danger and need, the sick and the suffering,
the strayed and the lost.

Glory and praise to you, O living God.

For those who have asked our prayers — Sheila Carl, Sally Newlin,
Robin Rolt, Megan Price, Richard Hillier, Jonnee Western, John Bonner,
Martha Hafner, Ellie Thomas, Joe Kuhn, Justin Mendoza, Kay Griswold,
David Mier, Patrick Murphy, Dave Thomas, John Newlin, Steve Hoyt,
Jhansi Ghogle, Grace Daniel, Jonan Daniel, Jordan Daniel, and Jimmy
McKellar.

Glory and praise to you, O living God.

For those who walk in death's dark valley.

Glory and praise to you, O living God.

For ourselves, our families, and those we love:

those celebrating birthdays,

especially David Nearpass (4/25), Rachel Carl (4/26),

and Sharon Woelfle (4/28).

Glory and praise to you, O living God.

Remembering the Blessed Virgin Mary and all the saints,

let us offer ourselves and one another to the living God through Christ.

To you, O Lord.

Blessed are you, O Lord our God, who soothes our head with oil and fills our cup with wine. Hear the prayers we offer for every need, and revive us with your Holy Spirit; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

The Peace

Presider The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All **And also with you.**

Blessing

Presider 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 everlasting covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always.

All **Amen.**

Hymn *Savior, like a shepherd lead us* (Hymnal 708)

**Savior, like a shepherd lead us; much we need thy tender care;
in thy pleasant pastures feed us; for our use thy folds prepare.
Blessèd Jesus! Blessèd Jesus! Thou hast bought us, thine we are.**

**Early let us seek thy favor, early let us learn thy will;
do thou, Lord, our only Savior, with thy love our bosoms fill.
Blessèd Jesus! Blessèd Jesus! Thou hast loved us: love us still.**

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2023–Linda Airhart, *Sr. Warden*, John Hegedus, Peter Reed

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