

St. Andrew's Episcopal Church

Boca Grande † Florida

"Bringing God and people together in love through Jesus Christ"

Sunday Worship

9:30 A.M.

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The Fourth Sunday of Easter

Year B

April 21, 2024

Welcome

Thank you for worshipping with us today. We hope you find a connection between your desire to come and what you experience. We are a community drawn together by faith in God's love made known in Jesus Christ, expressed by forgiveness and acceptance rather than getting it right. However you identify, you belong here. We connect with each other by knowing and accepting each other as we are, and together serve others here in Boca Grande and in the wider community. Visitor cards are in the pew to help us get to know you better. They can be returned in the offering plate at the back of the church or handed to an usher.

**Restrooms, extra seating, and speakers are located
next door in the Chapter House.**

**If you need to step out to attend to a little one,
consider the Chapter House as a place to let them run free while
you are still able to hear the service.**

Serving Today

Usher Bruce Croaning & Barb Fenton

Lector Kathy Silverberg

Chalice Bearers Nigel Spencer-Barnes
Renee Farnham



The Holy Eucharist: Rite II - The Word of God

THE PRELUDE

The Lord is my shepherd

Howard Goodall

THE PROCESSIONAL

Alleluia Sing to Jesus

Hymnal, 460



Al - le - lu - ia! sing to Je - sus! his the
Al - le - lu - ia! Bread of Hea - ven, thou on
Al - le - lu - ia! King e - ter - nal, thee the
Al - le - lu - ia! sing to Je - sus! his the



scep - ter, his the throne; Al - le - lu - ia! his the
earth our food, our stay! Al - le - lu - ia! here the
Lord of lords we own: Al - le - lu - ia! born of the
scep - ter his the throne; Al - le - lu - ia! his the



tri - umph, his the vic - to - ry a - lone; Hark! the
sin - ful flee to thee from day to day: In - ter -
Ma - ry, earth thy foot - stool, heaven thy throne: thou with -
tri - umph, his the vic - to - ry a - lone; Hark! the



songs of peace - ful Zi - on thun - der like a
ces - sor, friend of sin - ners, earth's Re - deem - er,
in the veil hast en - tered, robed in flesh, our
songs of ho - ly Zi - on thun - der like a



might - y flood; Je - sus out of ev - ery
plead for me, where the songs of all the
great High Priest: thou on earth both Priest and
might - y flood; Je - sus out of ev - ery



na - tion hath re - deemed us by his blood.
sin - less sweep a - cross the crys - tal sea.
Vic - tim in the eu - cha - ris - tic feast.
na - tion hath re - deemed us by his blood.

THE ACCLAMATION

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ is risen.

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

THE GLORIA

Hymnal, S-280

1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and
peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly
King, al - mighty God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we
give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus
Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you
take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy
on us; 5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -
ceive our prayer. 6. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One,
you a - lone are the Lord, 7. you a - lone are the Most

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.**

THE FIRST LESSON

I 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 PSALM

PSALM 23

Lector The Psalm appointed for today is Psalm 23. Let us read responsively by half verse.

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 King of love my shep - herd is, whose good - ness
 Where streams of liv - ing wa - ter flow, my ran - somed
 In death's dark vale I fear no ill with thee, dear
 Thou spread'st a ta - ble in my sight; thy unc - tion

fail - eth nev - er; I noth - ing lack if
 soul he lead - eth, and where the ver - dant
 Lord, be - side me; thy rod and staff my
 grace be - stow - eth; and oh, what trans - port

I am his, and he is mine for ev - er.
 pas - tures grow, with food ce - les - tial feed - eth.
 com - fort still, thy cross be - fore to guide me.
 of de - light from thy pure chal - ice flow - eth!

THE GOSPEL

JOHN 10:11-18

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our 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."

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.

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

THE SERMON

The Reverend Chris Gray

THE NICENE CREED

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

Lector In this Eastertide we celebrate and proclaim the signs of Jesus, that all might believe that he is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing they may have life in his name. Therefore, that everyone may experience the new life in Christ in the midst of the old life of sin and doubt, let us pray for all God's people, and for all people everywhere according to their needs, saying: **Lord, have mercy.**

That amid all the doubts which threaten to destroy the community of faith, Christ's peace may be shared and experienced for the strengthening of belief, let us pray to the Lord.
People **Lord have mercy.**

Lector That all who have come to new birth in holy baptism and all who have received the forgiveness of sins in absolution may live in peace with each other, let us pray to the Lord.

People **Lord have mercy.**

Lector That the sick, the infirm, and the disturbed might experience the healing power of the Spirit of the risen Christ, let us pray to the Lord.

People Lord have mercy.

Lector That we commend to your gracious care all the men and women of the armed forces at home and abroad who put their lives in harm's way for us; let us pray to the Lord.

People Lord have mercy.

Lector That all who have died in the faith may serve as examples to us who continue in our pilgrimage on earth, let us pray to the Lord.

People Lord have mercy.

Celebrant Lord, we believe. Help our unbelief, and hear us for the sake of the one who died for our sins and rose again for our justification, even Jesus Christ, the first and the last, the living one, in who name we pray. **Amen.**

THE PEACE

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

THE OFFERTORY

The King of Love, My Shepherd is

Bach/Schweizer

THE DOXOLOGY

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise him, all creatures here below;
praise him above, ye heavenly host:
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

Hymnal, 380

The Holy Communion

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Eucharistic Prayer A

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

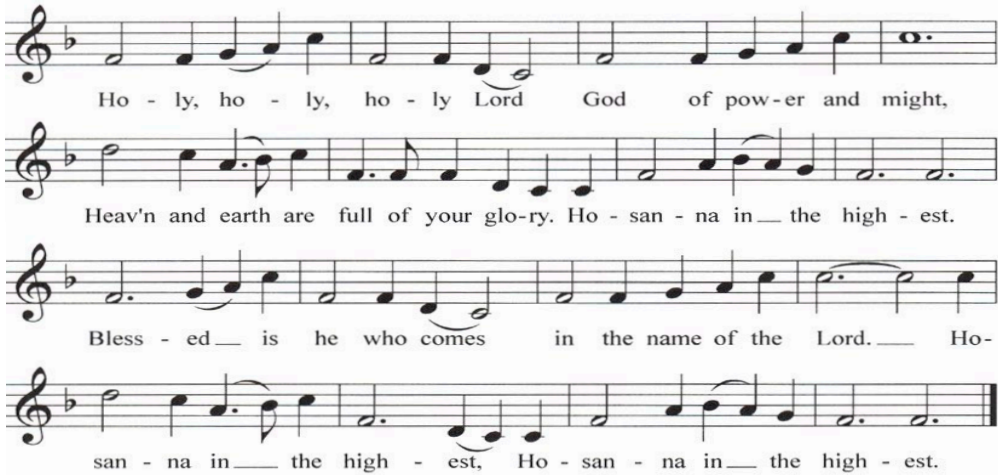
Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to offer thanks and praise.

Celebrant It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and every- where 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 for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

SANCTUS



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of pow - er and might,
Heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
san - na in the high - est, Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Then the Celebrant 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. 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:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died.

Christ has risen.

Christ will come again.

The Celebrant 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.

People sing



A - men, A - men, A - men!

Celebrant And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.
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BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Silence as the Celebrant breaks the consecrated bread.

THE FRACTION ANTHEM



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le -
lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Christ our Pass - o - ver is
sac - ri - ficed for us; there - fore let us keep the feast.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

(All baptized persons regardless of denominational affiliation are invited to receive Holy Communion. If it is not in your conscience to receive, please consider coming forward for a simple blessing. Gluten-free wafers are available. Please let the priest know when you come forward to receive)

COMMUNION

The Lord is my shepherd (from the 5th Symphony)

Peter Tchaikovsky

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Celebrant and People

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son 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 Lord. Amen.

THE BLESSING

Celebrant

The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face to shine upon you, and be gracious to you. The Lord lift up his countenance upon you, and give you peace. The Lord God Almighty, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, the holy and undivided Trinity, guard you, save you, and bring you to that heavenly City, where he lives and reigns for ever and ever. **Amen.**

THE PROCESSIONAL

I come with joy

Hymnal, 304



I come with joy to meet my Lord, for -
As Christ breaks bread and bids us share, each
And thus with joy we meet our Lord. His
giv - en, loved, and free, in awe and won - der
proud di - vi - sion ends. That love that made us
pres - ence, al - ways near, is in such friend - ship
to re - call his life laid down for me.
makes us one, and stran - gers now are friends.
bet - ter known: we see and praise him here.

THE DISMISSAL

Celebrant Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia.

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

THE POSTLUDE

The Lord Bless You and Keep You

Peter Lutkin

What's Happening at **St. Andrew's**

Faithful Departed

Your prayers are asked for the repose of the soul of **Shelley Lewis** who returned home to God last Sunday. May her soul and all the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace. Please keep Roger and their family in your prayers.

**Shelley's Memorial Service will be on Saturday, April 27
at 11:00 a.m. in our church. Attire for the service is island casual.**



Cleaning out your pantry?

As many of you prepare to head north, please consider donating nonperishable food items to St. Andrew's for the Charlotte County Homeless Coalition's Food Pantry. Be sure to check the expiration dates on all donated items before dropping your donations in the church narthex. We will do the rest for you. Thank you for your support.

Your Prayers are Requested for ...

Pastoral Prayer List

John Berley	Jenna Larson
Dennis Berry	Kathy Litzinger
Bill & Sandy Bertsch	Priscilla Masselink
Shawn Peterson Cain	Larry Pardee
Emily Clegg	Bobby Parker
Bob Corl	Jeanne Phillips
Hadley Cox	Maurice Price
Betsy Dalrymple	Frankie Rediker
Sue Embres	Hal Russell
Gene Findlay	Pat Ryan
Tom & Bette Floyd	Gislene Schurmann
Pam Hannah	Amy Staples
Rob Knapp	Stephanie Vick

Military Prayer List

Blaise Bess
Ben Constantinides
John Life Ikenberry
Colin Jackson
Karl Jackson
Anthony Kopp
Alex Lovo
Michael Manetti
Renier van Breen
Arch Wilson

The Alternate Reading for Today

Acts 4:5-12

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."

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