



Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life,  
and I will dwell in the house of the LORD forever.

*Psalm 23:6*

## **Fourth Sunday of Easter**

April 30, 2023

11:00 AM

*Shared on Augsburg Lutheran Church YouTube Channel*

Today is sometimes called “Good Shepherd Sunday.” Jesus is called the “gate” of the sheep in today’s gospel. The risen Christ opens the way to abundant life. He anoints our heads with oil and guides us beside the still waters of our baptism. Each Sunday he spreads a feast before us amid the world’s violence and war. We go forth to be signs of the resurrection and extend God’s tender care to all creation.

*The mission of Augsburg Evangelical Lutheran Church is to glorify God  
by proclaiming the gospel of Jesus Christ through  
worship, witness, education, service and fellowship.*

**On the center aisle of each pew is a folder known as the Friendship Register.** Please sign the register and check if you are communing today. Be sure to review the sheet to identify visitors. Please hand the completed pages from the register to an usher during the singing of the Hymn of the Day.

## **HOLY COMMUNION**

*Evangelical Lutheran Worship (ELW) Setting Four*

*The paraments are white, which suggests the joy of the resurrection, during the season of Easter.*

## **✠ GATHERING ✠**

### **ACCLAMATION**

Timothy Olsen

Alleluia. Jesus says, I am the good shepherd.  
I know my own and my own know me. Alleluia.  
*(John 10:14)*

### **PRELUDE** Sonadeta laul (Song without Words)

Artur Lemba

*Rob Ulery, piano*

*We stand.*

### **RINGING OF THE BELL**

### **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

*All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.*

In the name of the Father, and of the ✠ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**Amen.**

Almighty God, to 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 your Holy Spirit,  
that we may perfectly love you  
and worthily magnify your holy name,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

Most merciful God,

**we confess that we are captive to sin  
and cannot free ourselves.**

**We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed,  
by what we have done  
and by what we have left undone.**

**We have not loved you with our whole heart;  
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.**

**For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ,  
have mercy on us.**

**Forgive us, renew us, and lead us,  
so that we may delight in your will  
and walk in your ways,  
to the glory of your holy name.**

**Amen.**

In the mercy of almighty God,

Jesus Christ was given to die for us,  
and for his sake God forgives us all our sins.

As a called and ordained minister

of the church of Christ, and by his authority,

I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins,  
in the name of the Father,

and of the ✝ Son,

and of the Holy Spirit.

**Amen.**

*The assembly turns to face the cross as it enters the sanctuary, following the cross as we have followed Jesus into  
this holy place and time of corporate worship.*

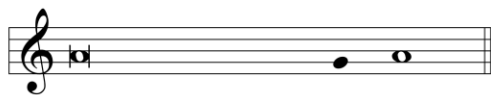
**GATHERING HYMN 369 Christ the Lord Is Risen Today; Alleluia!**

LLANFAIR

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,  
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**And also with you.**

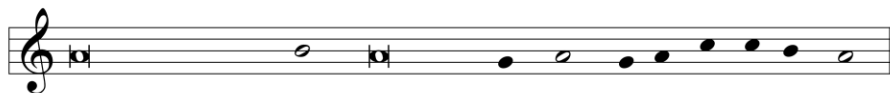
## KYRIE



In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For the peace from a-bove, and for our sal-va-tion, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



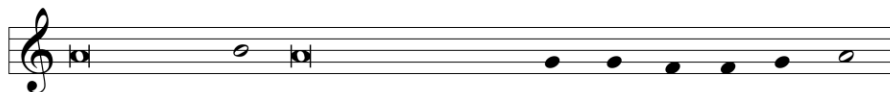
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For this holy house, and for all who offer here their wor-ship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord. Lord have mer - cy.



Help, save, comfort, and de-fend us, gra-cious Lord. A - men.

## HYMN OF PRAISE

*Refrain*  
Assisting minister



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia.



1 Wor-thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us



free to be peo-ple of God. Pow - er and rich - es and wis-dom and



strength, and hon - or and bless-ing and glo-ry are his.



*Refrain*  
This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia.



2 Sing with all the peo - ple of God and join in the



hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless-ing and hon - or and glo - ry and



might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.



*Final Refrain*  
This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God, for the Lamb who was slain has be-



gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray. *A brief silence is kept before the prayer.*

*After the prayer the assembly responds:* **Amen.**

*We sit.*

## WELCOME

## ✠ WORD ✠

### FIRST READING Acts 2:42-47

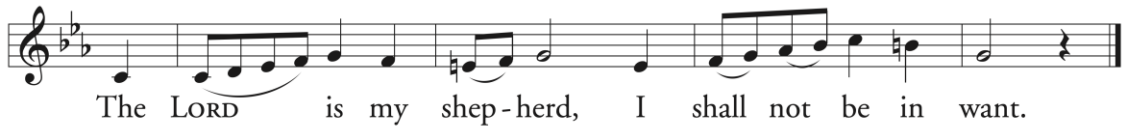
[The baptized] devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers. Awe came upon everyone, because many wonders and signs were being done by the apostles. All who believed were together and had all things in common; they would sell their possessions and goods and distribute the proceeds to all, as any had need. Day by day, as they spent much time together in the temple, they broke bread at home and ate their food with glad and generous hearts, praising God and having the goodwill of all the people. And day by day the Lord added to their number those who were being saved.

The word of the Lord. *The assembly responds:* **Thanks be to God.**

## PSALM 23

setting by Robert Buckley Farlee

*Refrain* (Sung once by the choir, repeated by the choir and assembly)



*Psalms Tone* (verses sung by the assembly)



<sup>1</sup>The LORD<sup>1</sup> is my shepherd;  
I shall not<sup>1</sup> be in want.

<sup>2</sup>The LORD makes me lie down<sup>1</sup> in green pastures  
and leads me be-<sup>1</sup>side still waters.

<sup>3</sup>You restore my<sup>1</sup> soul, O LORD,  
and guide me along right pathways<sup>1</sup> for your name's sake.

<sup>4</sup>Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I shall<sup>1</sup> fear no evil;  
for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they<sup>1</sup> comfort me. **℟**

<sup>5</sup>You prepare a table before me in the presence<sup>1</sup> of my enemies;  
you anoint my head with oil, and my cup is<sup>1</sup> running over.

<sup>6</sup>Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days<sup>1</sup> of my life,  
and I will dwell in the house of the<sup>1</sup> LORD forever. **℟**

## SECOND READING 1 Peter 2:19-25

It is a credit to you if, being aware of God, you endure pain while suffering unjustly. If you endure when you are beaten for doing wrong, what credit is that? But if you endure when you do right and suffer for it, you have God's approval. For to this you have been called, because Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example, so that you should follow in his steps. "He committed no sin, and no deceit was found in his mouth." When he was abused, he did not return abuse; when he suffered, he did not threaten; but he entrusted himself to the one who judges justly. He himself bore our sins in his body on the cross, so that, free from sins, we might live for righteousness; by his wounds you have been healed. For you were going astray like sheep, but now you have returned to the shepherd and guardian of your souls.

The word of the Lord. *The assembly responds:* **Thanks be to God.**

*We stand.*

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



## GOSPEL John 10:1-10

The holy gospel according to John.



[Jesus said:] “Very truly, I tell you, anyone who does not enter the sheepfold by the gate but climbs in by another way is a thief and a bandit. The one who enters by the gate is the shepherd of the sheep. The gatekeeper opens the gate for him, and the sheep hear his voice. He calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. When he has brought out all his own, he goes ahead of them, and the sheep follow him because they know his voice. They will not follow a stranger, but they will run from him because they do not know the voice of strangers.” Jesus used this figure of speech with them, but they did not understand what he was saying to them. So again Jesus said to them, “Very truly, I tell you, I am the gate for the sheep. All who came before me are thieves and bandits; but the sheep did not listen to them. I am the gate. Whoever enters by me will be saved, and will come in and go out and find pasture. The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly.”

The gospel of the Lord.



*We sit.*

## CHILDREN’S SERMON

### SERMON

Rev. Paul A. Wollner

*We stand.*

HYMN OF THE DAY 686 We Give Thee but Thine Own

HEATH



## 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,  
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 and the Son,  
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 INTERCESSION

United in the hope and joy of the resurrection, let us pray for the church, the world, and all in need.

*Each portion of the prayers conclude:*

Lord, in your mercy,

**hear our prayer.**

Rejoicing in the victory of Christ's resurrection, we lift our prayers and praise to you, almighty and eternal God; through Jesus Christ, our risen Lord.

**Amen.**

## PEACE

*The presiding minister and the assembly greet each other in the peace of the risen Christ.*

The peace of Christ be with you always.

**And also with you.**

*We sit.*

## ✠ MEAL ✠

### OFFERING

**OFFERTORY ANTHEM** The Lord Is My Shepherd

text: Ps. 23

music: John Rutter

The Lord is my shepherd; therefore can I lack nothing.

He shall feed me in a green pasture, and lead me forth beside the waters of comfort.

He shall convert my soul and bring me forth in the paths of righteousness,  
for his Name's sake.

Yea, though I walk thro' the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil;

For thou art with me: Thy rod and thy staff comfort me.

Thou shalt prepare a table for me against them that trouble me:

Thou hast anointed my head with oil and my cup shall be full.

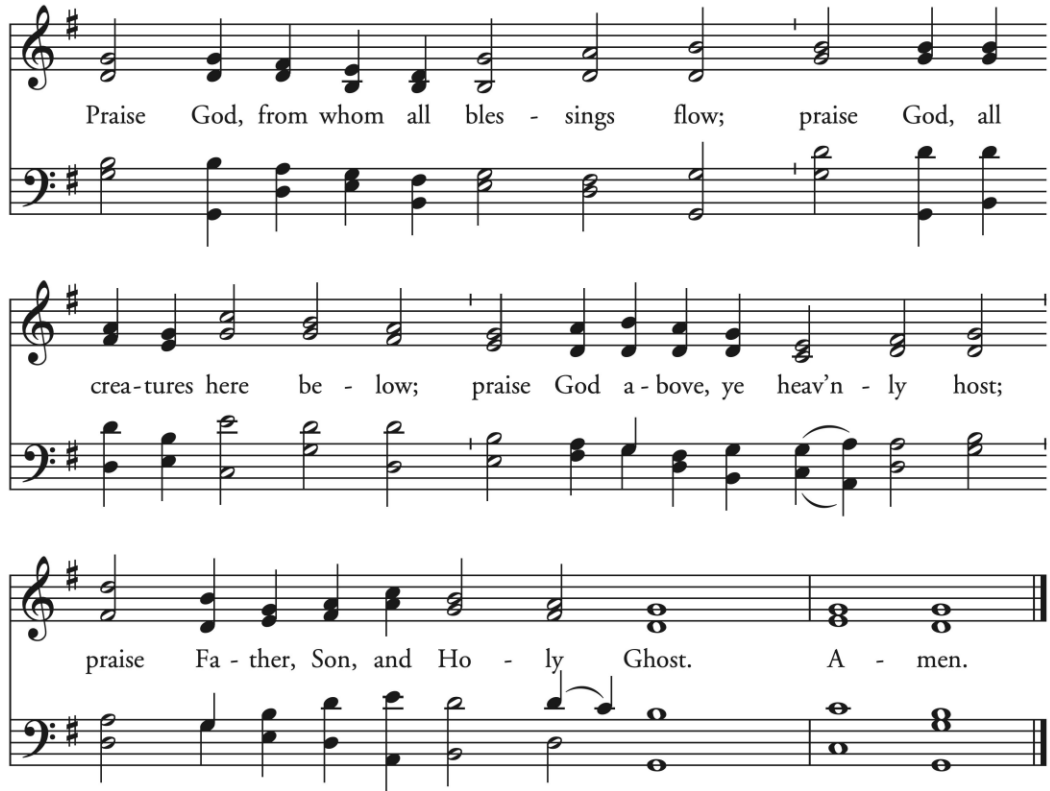
But thy loving kindness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life:

And I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

*Matthew Corington, oboe*

*We stand.*

## OFFERTORY HYMN



The musical score is written for two staves, Treble and Bass, in the key of D major (indicated by two sharps: F# and C#). The melody is primarily in the Treble staff, while the Bass staff provides a harmonic accompaniment. The lyrics are written below the Treble staff. The music is divided into three systems. The first system contains the first two lines of lyrics. The second system contains the next two lines. The third system contains the final line of lyrics and ends with a double bar line. The lyrics are: 'Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all crea-tures here be-low; praise God a-bove, ye heav'n-ly host; praise Fa-ther, Son, and Ho-ly Ghost. A-men.'

Praise God, from whom all bles - sings flow; praise God, all  
crea-tures here be - low; praise God a - bove, ye heav'n - ly host;  
praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. A - men.

Let us pray.

**Blessed are you, O God, maker of all things.**

**Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts:**

**our selves, our time, and our possessions.**

**Use us, and what we have gathered,**

**in feeding the world with your love,**

**through the one who gave himself for us,**

**Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.**

**Amen.**

## GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

This musical score is for a hymn titled 'GREAT THANKSGIVING'. It consists of four staves of music, all in the key of D major (indicated by two sharps) and 4/4 time. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics written below the notes. The lyrics are: 'The Lord be with you. And al - so with you. Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give our thanks and praise.'

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy . . . we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

## SANCTUS

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might:

Heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry, Ho -

san - na in the high - est. Bles - sed is he who comes

in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

This musical score is for a hymn titled 'SANCTUS'. It consists of four staves of music, all in the key of D major (indicated by two sharps) and 4/4 time. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics written below the notes. The lyrics are: 'Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might: Heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry, Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bles - sed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.'

## **EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER**

Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son,  
who reached out to heal the sick and suffering,  
who preached good news to the poor,  
and who, on the cross, opened his arms to all.

In the night in which he was betrayed,  
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;  
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:  
'Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.  
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,  
and gave it for all to drink, saying:  
'This cup is the new covenant in my blood,  
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.  
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering, therefore, his death, resurrection, and ascension,  
we await his coming in glory.

Pour out upon us the Spirit of your love, O Lord,  
and unite the wills of all who share this heavenly food,  
the body and blood of Jesus Christ, our Lord;  
to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit,  
be all honor and glory, now and forever.

**Amen.**

## **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray:

**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,  
forever and ever. Amen.**

*The presiding minister lifts the bread and cup and says*

When we eat this bread, we share the body of Christ. When we drink this cup, we share the blood of Christ.

*The assembly responds*

**Reveal yourself to us, O Lord, in the breaking of bread, as once you revealed yourself to your disciples.**

## AGNUS DEI

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on  
us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have  
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the  
sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

*We sit.*

## COMMUNION

*Holy Communion is available to all who believe, through two options. Those who are able are invited forward to receive the bread and wine through the method of intinction. Please let an usher know if you need a gluten-free wafer or grape juice option. You may also choose to receive an individual pre-sealed communion kit from an usher that you are welcome to bring forward for the Eucharistic Proclamation. The pastors will come to the pews of those unable to come forward. Those who would like to receive a blessing instead of communion are asked to cross their hands when they come forward.*

*When giving the bread and cup, the communion ministers say*

The body of Christ, given for you.

The blood of Christ, shed for you.

*and each person may respond Amen.*

## MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

**MUSICAL OFFERING** Allegro from Sonata I

G.F. Handel

*Matthew Covington, oboe*

**HYMN** 484 You Satisfy the Hungry Heart

BICENTENNIAL

*We stand.*

## TABLE BLESSING

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.  
**Amen.**

## POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE Oh Lord, We Praise You

Oh Lord, we praise you, bless you, and a - dore you, in thanks -  
giv - ing bow be - fore you. Here with your  
bod - y and your blood you nour - ish our weak souls that  
they may flour - ish. O Lord, have mer - cy!  
May your bod - y, Lord, born of Mar - y, that our  
sins and sor - rows did car - ry, and your blood for us plead  
in all tri - al, fear, and need: O Lord, have mer - cy.

The musical score is written on seven staves of five-line music. It begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics written below the notes. The lyrics are: "Oh Lord, we praise you, bless you, and a - dore you, in thanks - giv - ing bow be - fore you. Here with your bod - y and your blood you nour - ish our weak souls that they may flour - ish. O Lord, have mer - cy! May your bod - y, Lord, born of Mar - y, that our sins and sor - rows did car - ry, and your blood for us plead in all tri - al, fear, and need: O Lord, have mer - cy." The score ends with a double bar line.



Let us pray.  
God of abundance,  
with this bread of life and cup of salvation  
you have united us with Christ,  
making us one with all your people.  
Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit,  
that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world  
and continue forever in the risen life of Jesus Christ, our Lord.  
**Amen.**

## ✠ SENDING ✠

### **BLESSING**

The Lord bless you...and ✠ give you peace. **Amen.**

*The assembly faces the cross as it leaves the sanctuary, following the cross as we follow Jesus into the world. All remain facing the cross for the dismissal.*

**SENDING HYMN** 385 Good Christian Friends, Rejoice and Sing!

GELOBT SEI GOTT

### **DISMISSAL**

Go in peace. Christ is risen!

**He is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

**CLOSING VOLUNTARY** Chorale Prelude on GELOBT SEI GOTT

Healey Willan

*Julianne Zhu, Music Intern*

***Soli Deo Gloria***

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