

## THE HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE II

The Fourth Sunday of Easter  
8:30 and 10:30 am • May 11, 2025

ABBREVIATIONS: **BCP** Book of Common Prayer | **CG** A Child's Guide to the Holy Eucharist | **LEVAS II** Lift Every Voice and Sing II | **WLP** Wonder, Love and Praise

### THE VOLUNTARY

### THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN:

492. Sing, ye faithful, sing with gladness

*Finnian*

### THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

BCP 355 | CG 3

*Celebrant* Alleluia. Christ is Risen.

*People* **The Lord is Risen Indeed. Alleluia.**

### THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

### THE SONG OF PRAISE:

8:30 Glory to God

BCP 356 | CG 5

10:30 205. Good Christians all, rejoice and sing (vv. 1 and 5) *Gelobt sei Gott*



1. Good Christians all, re-joyce and sing! Now is the tri-umph of our King!

5. To God the Fa-ther, God the Son, to God the Spi-rit, al-ways One,



To all the world glad news we bring: Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia!

we sing for life in us be-gun: Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia!

# THE WORD OF GOD

## 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 CHILDREN'S HOMILY (10:30)

*After the homily, the children aged 3–11 are invited to process out for Christian Formation time in Curry Hall, Room 201. They will return at the Peace.*

## THE FIRST LESSON

Acts 9:36-43

Now in Joppa there was a disciple whose name was Tabitha, which in Greek is Dorcas. She was devoted to good works and acts of charity. At that time she became ill and died. When they had washed her, they laid her in a room upstairs. Since Lydda was near Joppa, the disciples, who heard that Peter was there, sent two men to him with the request, "Please come to us without delay." So Peter got up and went with them; and when he arrived, they took him to the room upstairs. All the widows stood beside him, weeping and showing tunics and other clothing that Dorcas had made while she was with them. Peter put all of them outside, and then he knelt down and prayed. He turned to the body and said, "Tabitha, get up." Then she opened her eyes, and seeing Peter, she sat up. He gave her his hand and helped her up. Then calling the saints and widows, he showed her to be alive. This became known throughout Joppa, and many believed in the Lord. Meanwhile he stayed in Joppa for some time with a certain Simon, a tanner.

*Reader* **The Word of the Lord.**

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

## PSALM 23

*Dominus regit me*

*We will recite the psalm antiphonally by whole verse by side of the church. Those on side of the narthex will begin, those on the side of the choir will respond.*

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

Revelation 7:9–17

John I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. They cried out in a loud voice, saying,

“Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!”

And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, singing,

“Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen.”

Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, “Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?” I said to him, “Sir, you are the one that knows.” Then he said to me, “These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

For this reason they are before the throne of God, and worship him day and night within his temple, and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them.

They will hunger no more, and thirst no more; the sun will not strike them, nor any scorching heat; for the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of the water of life, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

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

#### THE SEQUENCE HYMN:

181. Awake and sing the song

*St. Ethelwald*

#### THE HOLY GOSPEL

John 10:22-30

*Celebrant* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

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

At that time the festival of the Dedication took place in Jerusalem. It was winter, and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the portico of Solomon. So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, "How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah, tell us plainly." Jesus answered, "I have told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father's name testify to me; but you do not believe, because you do not belong to my sheep. My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand. What my Father has given me is greater than all else, and no one can snatch it out of the Father's hand. The Father and I are one."

*Celebrant* The Gospel of the Lord.

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

#### THE SERMON

The Rev. Grey Maggiano

#### THE NICENE CREED

BCP 358 | CG 9

#### THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*The prayers for Easter Season were drafted with the youth of Church of the Nativity.*

In thanksgiving for the resurrection of our savior Jesus Christ, we offer up these prayers and many more buried too deep for words:

For the whole earth, for the beauty of God's creation and for action on climate change, we pray to God. We give God praise for good weather, and ask God to

watch over areas experiencing extreme weather. Let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

Please watch over the oppressed and the struggling. Aid them in their time of need. We pray especially for those out of work or those seeking work. Let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For the holy Church, that in all its diversity, witness may be made to one Lord, one faith, one baptism. We ask your prayers for those who have been cast out by those of faith and have not fully been brought into a faithful community. We ask for your prayers for those who view God in a different lens. Let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For all in high places of authority, in our city, state, nation and around the world. that they may be led to govern with equity and justice, bringing life to those in the shadow of death, Let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

Thank you, Lord, for the amazing parents and families in our community, and for helping those without to find family in you and your community. We also thank you for the kind hearts in the world who help to feed the hungry, aid the sick, and heal broken families. Let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

We pray for those who are expecting a child, especially Juliana and Jonathan, Corey and Michael, Catie and Steve, and Abby and Ty. We give thanks for the birth of Ryan Hamman, grandson of Bill and Trudy. Let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For all prisoners and captives, and for those who find themselves in endless detention and other times of trial, that they may find strength, freedom, and forgiveness, Let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For all who suffer in mind, body, or soul. Lord, have mercy on the sick, the hungry, the homeless. We ask for your guidance and strength. We especially pray for those in our community, especially Alice, Bear, Betty, Bill, Carl, Catherine, Cathy, Cheryl, Eva, Ilia, Jack, Jan, Jane, Karen, Linda, Margaret, Marion, Maxine, Nancy, Remmy, Sherry, and Steve Let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

We pray also for our families, friends and neighbors, and those who are alone and in need this season, especially Anthony, Bob, Cameron, Camryn, Charlie, Colin, Danielle, Edward, Emma, Evonne, Frank, Gary, Gemma, Geralyn, Grace, Jamie,

Jane, Jeanette, Jer, Jim, John, Judy, Kate, Keili, Lana, Lori, Michael, Moira, Rene, Rosalie, Roy, Ryan, Sam, Sandy, Sandy, Sara, Shannon, and Tim

For all who have died and for all who grieve, especially Robert Mlodzik, that in Christ who triumphs over death they may find light perpetual and blessed assurance, Let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

*Celebrant:*  
Rejoicing in the risen presence of our Lord, we commend all for whom we pray and ourselves to Christ, to whom we give laud and praise now and forever. Amen.

THE PEACE

**THE HOLY COMMUNION**

THE OFFERTORY HYMN: *(sung by all)*  
206. Undivided Mystery *Mark Schweizer*

HYMN AT THE PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS:  
184. Christ the Lord is risen again (v. 1) *Christ ist erstanden*

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING: Eucharistic Prayer C BCP 369 | CG 41

SANCTUS BCP 371 | CG 43  
10:30 S130. Holy, holy Lord (Sanctus) Franz Schubert, *Deutsche Messe*

THE LORD’S PRAYER: Traditional Version BCP 364 | CG 45

THE FRACTION ANTHEM BCP 364 | CG 47  
8:30 Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;  
**Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

10:30 S164. Jesus, Lamb of God (Agnus Dei) Franz Schubert, *Deutsche Messe*

THE SENDING OF EUCHARISTIC VISITORS

*Celebrant* In the name of this congregation, I send you forth bearing these holy gifts that those to whom you go may share with us in the

communion of Christ's body and blood.

*People*

**We who are many are one body,  
because we all share one bread, one cup. Amen.**

THE POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

BCP 365 | CG 25

**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

THE FINAL HYMN:

182. Christ is alive!

*Truro*

THE DISMISSAL

*The Deacon or Celebrant dismisses the People, and the People respond*

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

THE VOLUNTARY

*We give our thanks to Phil Valera for serving as  
our guest organist today.*



## QUICK LINKS

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a welcome card, give online,  
and more.

*We thank the following people for their service today:*

CELEBRANT & PREACHER	The Rev. Grey Maggiano
MUSICIANS (10:30)	Phil Valera The Nativity Choir
LECTORS (8:30)	Marcia Perry, George Douglas
(10:30)	Emily Jividen, Logan Lee, Scott Beaver
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS (8:30)	Helen Armstrong, Cindy Schreiner
(10:30)	Rick Burts, Harlan Hagge
TORCHES (10:30)	Beatrice Tarry, Harper Belk
BANNER (10:30)	CJ Mahoney
CRUCIFER (10:30)	Jeremy Clos
GREETERS (10:30)	Perry Suk
ALTAR GUILD	Susan Jordan, Paula Valeri, Brian Fentress
ALTAR FLOWERS	Emilie Sigel
LIVESTREAM TECHNICIAN (10:30)	Alfred Christensen
VESTRY REPRESENTATIVE	David Dykes

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