

**Fourth Sunday of Easter**  
**April 30, 2023 10:30 a.m. Service**



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***'HEARING, SHARING, AND LIVING THE GOSPEL'***



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## FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Divine Service – Setting Four *LSB 203*

April 30, 2023 10:30 a.m.

*Prelude*

*Welcome*

*Opening Hymn*

*LSB 465 sts. 1-4*

*“Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds”*



|     |     |       |     |         |      |         |      |         |         |
|-----|-----|-------|-----|---------|------|---------|------|---------|---------|
| 1   | Now | all   | the | vault   | of   | heav'n  | re - | sounds  | In      |
| 2   | E - | ter - | nal | is      | the  | gift    | He   | brings, | There - |
| 3   | O   | fill  | us, | Lord,   | with | daunt - | less | love;   | Set     |
| △ 4 | A - | dor - | ing | prais - | es   | now     | we   | bring   | And     |



praise of love that still a - bounds: "Christ has tri - umphed!  
 fore our heart with rap - ture sings: "Christ has tri - umphed!  
 heart and will on things a - bove That we con - quer  
 with the heav'n - ly bless - ed sing: "Christ has tri - umphed!



He is liv - ing!" Sing, choirs of an - gels, loud and  
 He is liv - ing!" Now still He comes to give us  
 through Your tri - umph; Grant grace suf - fi - cient for life's  
 Al - le - lu - ia!" Be to the Fa - ther and our



clear! Re - peat their song of glo - ry  
 life And by His pres - ence stills all  
 day That by our lives we tru - ly  
 Lord, To Spir - it blest, most ho - ly



here: "Christ has tri - umphed! Christ has tri - umphed!" Al - le -  
 strife. Christ has tri - umphed! He is liv - ing! Al - le -  
 say: "Christ has tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!" Al - le -  
 God, All the glo - ry, nev - er end - ing! Al - le -



lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!  
 lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!  
 lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!  
 lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

+ INVOCATION +

LSB 203

*The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.*

**P** In the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

+ CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION +

LSB 203

**P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,

**C** who made heaven and earth.

**P** If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

**C** But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.

**P** Since we are gathered to hear God's Word and call upon Him in prayer and praise, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition.

Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

**C** Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.

**P** Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins, in the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

+ SERVICE OF THE WORD + *LSB 204*

**Introit** *Ps. 95:1-3, 6-7a; antiphon: John 10:14, 15b*

**P** I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, and I lay down my life for the sheep.

**C** Oh come, let us sing to the LORD; let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!

**P** Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving; let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise!

**C** For the LORD is a great God, and a great King above all Gods.

**P** Oh come, let us worship and bow down; let us kneel before the LORD, our Maker!

**C** For he is our God, and we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep of his hand.

**P C** Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

**P** I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, and I lay down my life for the sheep.

## Kyrie

*Mark 10:47, LSB 204*



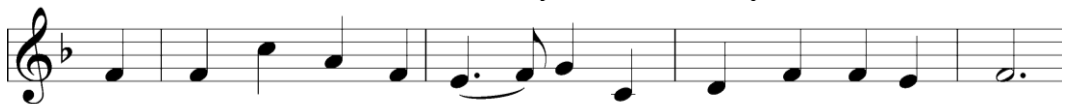
**C** Lord, have mer - cy; Christ, have mer - cy; Lord, have mer - cy.

## Gloria in Excelsis

*LSB 204*



**C** 1 To God on high be glo - ry And peace to all the earth;  
2 To You, O sole - be - got - ten, The Fa - ther's Son, we pray;  
3 For You a - lone are ho - ly; You on - ly are the Lord.



Good-will from God in heav - en Pro - claimed at Je - sus' birth!  
O Lamb of God, our Sav - ior, You take our sins a - way.  
For - ev - er and for - ev - er, Be wor - shipped and a - dored;



We praise and bless You, Fa - ther; Your ho - ly name, we sing—  
Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus; Re - ceive our heart - felt cry,  
You with the Ho - ly Spir - it A - lone are Lord Most High,



Our thanks for Your great glo - ry, Lord God, our heav'n-ly King.  
Where You in pow'r are seat-ed At God's right hand on high—  
In God the Fa - ther's glo - ry. "A - men!" our glad re - ply.

## Salutation and Collect of the Day

*LSB 205*

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** And also with you.

**P** Let us pray. Almighty God, merciful Father, since you have wakened from death the Shepherd of Your sheep, grant us Your Holy Spirit that when we hear the voice of our Shepherd we may know Him who calls us each by name and follow where He leads; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

*Sit*

## First Reading

*Acts 2:42-47*

42 They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer. 43 Everyone was filled with awe at the many wonders and signs performed by the apostles. 44 All the believers were together and had everything in common. 45 They sold property and possessions to give to anyone who had need. 46 Every day they continued to meet together in the temple courts. They broke bread in their homes and ate together with glad and sincere hearts, 47 praising God and enjoying the favor of all the people. And the Lord added to their number daily those who were being saved.

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

**Gradual** *adapt. from Matt. 28:7; Heb. 2:7; Ps. 8:6*

**P** Christ has risen from the dead. God the Father has crowned him with glory and honor,

**C** He has given him dominion over the works of his hands; he has put all things under his feet.



## **Second Reading**

*1 Peter 2:19-25*

19 For it is commendable if someone bears up under the pain of unjust suffering because they are conscious of God. 20 But how is it to your credit if you receive a beating for doing wrong and endure it? But if you suffer for doing good and you endure it, this is commendable before God. 21 To this you were called, because Christ suffered for you, leaving you an example, that you should follow in his steps.

22 “He committed no sin, and no deceit was found in his mouth.”

23 When they hurled their insults at him, he did not retaliate; when he suffered, he made no threats. Instead, he entrusted himself to him who judges justly.

24 “He himself bore our sins” in his body on the cross, so that we might die to sins and live for righteousness; “by his wounds you have been healed.”

25 For “you were like sheep going astray,” but now you have returned to the Shepherd and Overseer of your souls.

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

*Stand*

**Alleluia**

*John 20:31, LSB 205*



**C** Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



**C** These things are writ - ten that you may be - lieve that



Je - sus is the Christ, the Son of God.



**C** Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

**Holy Gospel**

*John 10:1-10*

**P** The Holy Gospel according to  
St. John, the tenth chapter.

**C** Glory to You, O Lord.

10 “Very truly I tell you, anyone who does not enter the sheep pen by the gate, but climbs in by some other way, is a thief and a robber. 2 The one who enters by

the gate is the shepherd of the sheep. 3 The gatekeeper opens the gate for him, and the sheep listen to his voice. He calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. 4 When he has brought out all his own, he goes on ahead of them, and his sheep follow him because they know his voice. 5 But they will never follow a stranger; in fact, they will run away from him because they do not recognize a stranger's voice." 6 Jesus used this figure of speech, but they did not understand what he was telling them.

7 Therefore Jesus said again, "Very truly I tell you, I am the gate for the sheep. 8 All who have come before me are thieves and robbers, but the sheep have not listened to them. 9 I am the gate; whoever enters through me will be saved. They will come in and go out, and find pasture. 10 The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full.

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C** Praise to You, O Christ.

## **Apostle's Creed**

*LSB 207*

**☐ ☑ I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.**

**And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried.  
He descended into hell.  
The third day He rose again from the dead.  
He ascended into heaven  
and sits at the right hand of God the  
Father Almighty.  
From thence He will come to judge  
the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy Christian Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life ☩ everlasting. Amen.**

*Sit*

*Hymn of the Day*

*LSB 473 sts. 1-3*

*“Our Paschal Lamb, That Sets Us Free”*



1 Our Pas - chal Lamb, that sets us free, Is sac - ri - ficed. O keep  
2 Let all our lives now cel - e - brate The feast; let mal - ice die.  
3 Let all our deeds, u - nan - i - mous, Con - fess Him as our Lord



The feast of free-dom gal - lant - ly; Let al - le - lu - ias leap:  
Let love grow strong a - new, and great, Let truth stamp out the lie.  
Who by the Spir - it lives in us, The Fa - ther's liv - ing Word.

*Refrain*



Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! A -



gain Sing al - le - lu - ia, cry a - loud: Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!

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**Sermon**

**Pastor David Burge**

**“To Know the Risen Jesus is to Have Real Life”**

***Sermon Text St. John 10:1-10***

*Stand*

## **Prayer of the Church**

*LSB 207*

**P** Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

**P** Loving Father, Your Son is the great Shepherd of the sheep, who faithfully gathers His flock to Himself in the pastures of the Church. Grant us steadfast faith to hear His voice and follow Him, even through the valley of the shadow of death, that we may receive our portion in His abundant life. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**P** Holy Father, by the work of Your Spirit through the Means of Grace, You daily add to the number of believers. Grant Your people courageous hearts and bold tongues to proclaim Your truth, trusting that You will gather more in keeping with Your gracious will. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**P** Shepherd of Israel, You have clothed us with Christ's righteousness and taught us to love all that is good, beautiful and true. Bless all artists and artisans, composers and musicians, and craftsmen and writers, that they may employ all their skills for Your glory and, in service to the Gospel, testify to Your saving death and resurrection. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**P** Almighty God, You hold in Your hands all the might of man, and You hold accountable those who would govern Your people. Grant to us good government and leaders who will honor Your purpose, protect Your people, serve the cause of justice and defend our liberty. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**P** Merciful Shepherd, Your wounds are our healing and Your voice our certainty. Hear us on behalf of those who suffer in body or mind, who grieve, or to whom death draws near. *[We pray especially for \_\_\_\_\_ and those we name in our hearts.]*

Grant them healing according to Your will, grace to sustain them in trouble and the sure hope of everlasting life. Abide also with the unemployed and the distraught. Return them to health and livelihood. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** hear our prayer.

**P** Heavenly Father, in the wake of Your Son's resurrection, Your people devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to the prayers. Unite Your people in the one true faith, and grant penitent hearts to all who come to receive the Sacrament this day. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** hear our prayer.

**P** Lord, as You have put our sins to death in Christ's body on the tree, so bring life to our faith by His Spirit, that in Your continual grace we may bring forth the fruit of holy lives. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** hear our prayer.



**P** All these things and whatever else You know that we need, grant us, Father, for the sake of Him who died and rose again and now lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God forever.

**C** Amen.

## Offering

*In quiet devotion and responding in personal stewardship of God's abundant provision to you, please use the offering plates in the back as you enter or exit. (This is just as it says: An offering to God through His church. As a reassurance to those in worship today, especially our guests - this is not an obligation - the good news of Jesus is free to all!)*

## Offertory

LSB 955 st. 1

### *Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful*



Let the vine - yards be fruit - ful, Lord, And fill to the brim our  
cup of bless - ing. Gath - er a har - vest from the seeds that were  
sown, That we may be fed with the bread of life. Gath - er the

hopes and the dreams of all; U - nite them with the prayers we  
 of - fer now. Grace our ta - ble with Your pres - ence, and  
 give us A fore-taste of the feast to come.

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## Lord's Prayer

*Matthew 6:9-13, LSB 209*

**P** Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

**C** 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.**

**Concluding Collect**

*LSB 305*

**P** Almighty God, grant to Your Church Your Holy Spirit and the wisdom that comes down from above, that Your Word may not be bound but have free course and be preached to the joy and edifying of Christ's holy people, that in steadfast faith we may serve You and, in the confession of Your name, abide unto the end; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**C** Amen.

**Benedicamus and Benediction**

*LSB 212*

**P** Let us bless the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

**P** The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

**C** Amen.

*Sit*

## Closing Hymn

LSB 462 sts. 1-4

### “All the Earth with Joy is Sounding”



1 All the earth with joy is sound - ing: Christ has ris - en  
2 Christ, the dev - il's might un - wind - ing, Leaves be-hind His  
3 Je - sus, au - thor of sal - va - tion, Shared in our hu -  
4 Praise the Lord, His reign com-menc - es, Reign of life and



from the dead! He, the great - er Jo - nah, bound - ing  
bor - rowed tomb. Strong - er He, the strong man bind - ing,  
man - i - ty; Crowned with ra - diant ex - al - ta - tion,  
lib - er - ty— Pas - chal Lamb, for our of - fens - es,



From the grave, His three - day bed, Wins the prize:  
Takes, dis - arms his house of doom; In the rout  
Now He shares His vic - to - ry! From His face  
Slain and raised to set us free! Ev - er - more



Death's de - mise— Songs of tri - umph fill the skies.  
Cast - ing out Pow'rs of dark - ness, sin, and doubt.  
Shines the grace Meant for all our fall - en race.  
Bow be - fore Christ, the Lord of Life a - dore!

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## Announcements

## Postlude