

ST. ANDREW'S PARISH CHURCH

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The Fourth Sunday of Easter
Good Shepherd Sunday
The Holy Eucharist at 11:15 a.m.
26 April 2026



Welcoming All, Worshipping Christ Witnessing God's Love



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The Fourth Sunday after Easter

Good Shepherd Sunday

26 April 2026

The Holy Eucharist at 11:15 a.m.

Welcome!

to our historic, living church where the saints have gathered to worship since 1706!

If you are visiting with us today, please take a **welcome brochure** (located in the card rack on the back of each pew) and fill out the visitor card. Please place it in the offering plate or leave it with an usher.

THE PRELUDE

Sung by our Children's Choir

He Lives Again

By Angie Killian and Joelle Einerson

THE INTROIT

SUNG BY OUR PARISH CHOIR

Psalm 23

Music by Herbert Howells (1892-1983)

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 in the valley of the shadow of death,

I will fear no evil: Thy rod and Thy staff comfort me.

Thou shalt prepare a table before 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.

THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN

Tune: *St. Columba*



1. The King of love my shep-herd is, whose good-ness fail-eth nev-er;
2. Where streams of liv-ing wa-ter flow, my ran-somed soul he lead-eth,
5. Thou spread'st a ta-ble in my sight; thy unc-tion grace be-stow-eth;
6. And so through all the length of days thy good-ness fail-eth nev-er:



I noth-ing lack if I am his, and he is mine for ev-er.
and where the ver-dant pas-tures grow, with food ce-les-tial feed-eth.
and oh, what trans-port of de-light from thy pure chal-ice flow-eth!
Good Shep-herd, may I sing thy praise with-in thy house for ev-er.

Text: Henry Williams Baker (1821-1877); para. of Psalm 23
Music: ST. COLUMBA, Irish Melody

THE ACCLAMATION (BCP 2019 page 123)

Celebrant: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

People: **The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia**

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY (BCP 2019 page 124)

Celebrant:

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you 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 Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The liturgy begins with the **Acclamation**, which is an eager expression of praise.

In the **Collect for Purity**, we ask God to cleanse our hearts and minds of anything that comes between Him and us, anything that would impede our worship of Him. Here we offer ourselves to the glory of Jesus Christ.

Front page:
The Good Shepherd

These words of Christ bring to our attention the perfect standard of God's righteousness and what He requires of us. Both **The Summary of the Law** and The Decalogue (Ten Commandments) are valid options for this movement of the liturgy. The Summary was first used in place of The Decalogue in 1718.

The words **Kyrie** Eleison. Christe Eleison. mean Lord, Have mercy. Christ, Have Mercy. Within the liturgy, it lifts our voices in a prayer for the compassion of Christ after the declaration of the Summary of the Law, which holds up the standard of God's righteousness. Kyrie Eleison first appeared in the Holy Communion Service as the response of a litany in the Antioch-Jerusalem liturgy after the middle of the 4th century. Around 595AD, Christe Eleison was added by St. Gregory the Great of Rome.

THE SUMMARY OF THE LAW (BCP 2019 page 124)

Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ says:

You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these two commandments depend all the Law and the Prophets.

THE KYRIE (BCP 2019 page 124)

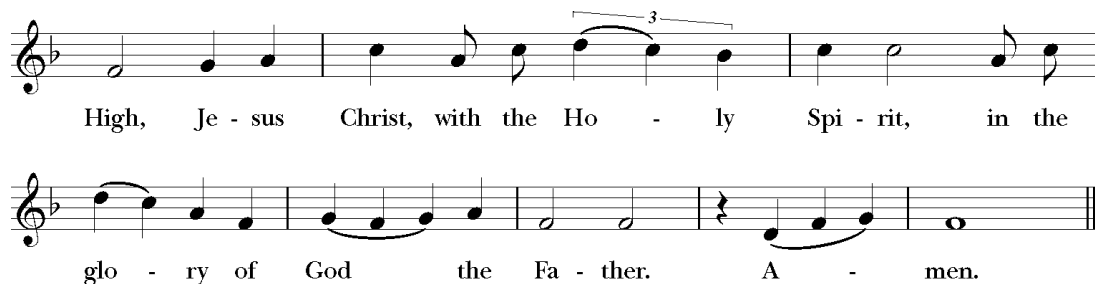
Celebrant: Lord, have mercy upon us.

People: **Christ, have mercy upon us.**

Celebrant: Lord, have mercy upon us.

THE GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and
 peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly
 King, al - might - y 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 (BCP 2019 page 125)

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And with your spirit.**

Celebrant: Let us pray.

O God, whose Son Jesus Christ 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.**

(Please be seated)

The Liturgy of the Word

THE FIRST LESSON

Acts 4 verses 32-37

³²Now the full number of those who believed were of one heart and soul, and no one said that any of the things that belonged to him was his own, but they had everything in common. ³³And with great power the apostles were giving their testimony to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great grace was upon them all. ³⁴There was not a needy person among them, for as many as were owners of lands or houses sold them and brought the proceeds of what was sold ³⁵and laid it at the apostles' feet, and it was distributed to each as any had need. ³⁶Thus Joseph, who was also called by the apostles Barnabas (which means son of encouragement), a Levite, a native of Cyprus, ³⁷sold a field that belonged to him and brought the money and laid it at the apostles' feet.

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

THE PSALM

Sung by our Parish Choir

PSALM 23

Dominus regit me (Lord rule directs me)

1. The Lord is my shepherd : therefore can I lack nothing.
2. He shall feed me in green pasture : and lead me forth beside the waters of comfort
3. He shall convert my soul : and bring me forth in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake.
4. Yea, thou I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil : for thou art with me, thy rod and thy staff comfort me.
5. Thou shalt prepare a table before me against them that trouble me : thou has anointed my head with oil, and my cup shall be full.
6. 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.

The **Collects** are prayers that touch on the theme of the Scripture readings and transitions us from speaking and singing God's praise to listening to his Holy Scriptures.

The Scriptures teach that much of our spiritual renewal is by the washing of the Word of God, which cleanses our minds and purifies our hearts. This portion of the service is known as the **Liturgy of the Word**, and it consists of the readings, the sermon, the creed, and the prayers of the people.

⁹After this I looked, and behold, a great multitude that no one could number, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed in white robes, with palm branches in their hands, ¹⁰and crying out with a loud voice, “Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!” ¹¹And all the angels were standing around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, ¹²saying, “Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen.”

¹³Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, “Who are these, clothed in white robes, and from where have they come?” ¹⁴I said to him, “Sir, you know.” And he said to me, “These are the ones coming out of the great tribulation. They have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

¹⁵“Therefore they are before the throne of God, and serve him day and night in his temple; and he who sits on the throne will shelter them with his presence. ¹⁶They shall hunger no more, neither thirst anymore; the sun shall not strike them, nor any scorching heat. ¹⁷For the Lamb in the midst of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of living water, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.”

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

THE SEQUENCE HYMN

Tune: *Gelobt sei Gott*

1. Good Chris-tians all, re-joyce and sing! Now is the tri - umph of our
 2. The Lord of life is risen to - day! Sing songs of praise a - long his
 3. Praise we in songs of vic - to - ry that love, that life which can-not



King! To all the world glad news we bring:
 way; let all the earth re - joyce and say: Al - le - lu -
 die, and sing with hearts up - lift - ed high:



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

Text: Cyril A. Alington (1872-1955), alt.
 Music: GELOBT SEI GOTT, Melchior Vulpius (1560?-1616)

The Scriptures tell us that Jesus is the Word that became flesh and dwelled among us. In the reading of the **Holy Gospel**, the ministers process with the Gospel Book to the Crossing of the church to read the selected passage and symbolize the Word dwelling among us. The ministers process to the Crossing during this hymn.

Gospeller: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. John.

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

¹¹ Jesus said: "I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. ¹² He who is a hired hand and not a shepherd, who does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and flees, and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. ¹³ He flees because he is a hired hand and cares nothing for the sheep. ¹⁴ I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, ¹⁵ just as the Father knows me and I know the Father; and I lay down my life for the sheep. ¹⁶ And I have other sheep that are not of this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd. ¹⁷ For this reason the Father loves me, because I lay down my life that I may take it up again. ¹⁸ No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have authority to lay it down, and I have authority to take it up again. This charge I have received from my Father."

¹⁹ There was again a division among the Jews because of these words. ²⁰ Many of them said, "He has a demon, and is insane; why listen to him?" ²¹ Others said, "These are not the words of one who is oppressed by a demon. Can a demon open the eyes of the blind?"

²² At that time the Feast of Dedication took place at Jerusalem. It was winter, ²³ and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the colonnade of Solomon. ²⁴ So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, "How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Christ, tell us plainly." ²⁵ Jesus answered them, "I told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father's name bear witness about me, ²⁶ but you do not believe because you are not among my sheep. ²⁷ My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me. ²⁸ I give them eternal life, and they will never perish, and no one will snatch them out of my hand. ²⁹ My Father, who has given them to me, is greater than all, and no one is able to snatch them out of the Father's hand. ³⁰ I and the Father are one."

Gospeller: The Gospel of the Lord.

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

The word Gospel comes from the Old English word, *gōd-spell*, which means "good news" or "glad tidings." That word developed from the Latin word, *evangelium*, and Greek, *evangelion*, which also literally means "good news." These are the source of the English words "evangelist" and "evangelism"

THE SEQUENCE HYMN

Tune: *Gelobt sei Gott*

4. Your Name we bless, O ris - en Lord, and sing to - day with one ac -
5. To God the Fa - ther, God the Son, to God the Spir - it, al - ways

cord the life laid down, the life re - stored: Al - le - lu -
One, we sing for life in us be - gun:

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

Text: Cyril A. Alington (1872-1955), alt. St. 5, Normal Mealy (1923-1987)
Music: GELOBT SEI GOTT, Melchior Vulpius (1560?-1616)

THE NICENE CREED (BCP 2019 page 127)

Let us confess our faith in the words of the Nicene Creed:

Celebrant and People:

**We believe in one God,
The Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, visible and invisible.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only-begotten 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 from the Holy Spirit, and 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,
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.**

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE (BCP 2019 page 128)

Led by a member of the Order of the Daughters of the King. If you would like our Daughters of the King to pray for a specific need, please fill out a confidential prayer card found at the prayer box near the main entrance to the church.

Reader: Let us pray for the Church and for the world, saying, “hear our prayer.”

For the peace of the whole world, and for the well-being and unity of the people of God.

Reader: Lord, in your mercy: *People:* **Hear our prayer.**

For Steve Wood, our Archbishop; Julian Dobbs, our Dean of the Province; Chip Edgar, our Bishop; and for Bill Skilton, our Bishop in residence; for all bishops, priests and deacons; especially for our Rector, Fr. Marshall; our Associate Rector, Fr. Rich; and our Assisting Priests, Fr. David and Fr. Doug; our Deacon Emeritus, Lee Hershon; and our church staff. We also pray for St. Andrew’s Mission and their Vicar, Fr. Jimmy Gallant;

Reader: Lord, in your mercy: *People:* **Hear our prayer.**

The **Nicene Creed** is a statement of what the Christian community believes to be true about God. It was born of rigorous intellectual debate in the fourth century, culminating in councils of the whole church at Nicaea in 325 and at Constantinople in 381. The word “creed” comes from the Latin word “credo” which means “I believe.”

Christians pray. When we worship the living God, we bring before Him our concerns for ourselves and others, for the world, and for the church. We also thank God for hearing and responding to our prayers. At the Offertory, all of our prayers are presented to God along with our tithes and offerings.

For all those who proclaim the Gospel at home and abroad; and for all who teach and disciple others, in particular for San José Church in the Dominican Republic and their Rector, Fr. Isaac Pringle Mejía, and their Bishop Moises Quezada, and for Fr. Rob Sturdy, Anglican Chaplain at The Citadel.

Reader: Lord, in your mercy: *People:* **Hear our prayer.**

For our brothers and sisters in Christ who are persecuted for their faith.

Reader: Lord, in your mercy: *People:* **Hear our prayer.**

For our nation, for those in authority, and for all in public service, especially our President, Donald Trump, our Governor, Henry McMaster and our Mayor, William Cogswell.

Reader: Lord, in your mercy: *People:* **Hear our prayer.**

For all those who are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity, particularly those on our parish prayer list and those we name at this time, silently or aloud. *(pause)*

Reader: Lord, in your mercy: *People:* **Hear our prayer.**

For all those who have departed this life in the certain hope of the resurrection, named at this time silently or aloud *(pause)* in thanksgiving let us pray.

Reader: Lord, in your mercy: *People:* **Hear our prayer.**

Celebrant:

Almighty God, from whom all thoughts of truth and peace proceed: Kindle, we pray, in the hearts of all people the true love of peace, and guide with your pure and peaceable wisdom those who take counsel for the nations of the earth; that in tranquility your kingdom may go forward, till the earth is filled with the knowledge of your love; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Heavenly Father, grant these our prayers for the sake of Jesus Christ, our only Mediator and Advocate, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE CONFESSION OF SINS *(Please kneel)* (BCP 2019 page 130)

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Celebrant and People:

Most merciful God, we confess that 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. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

The Bishop when present, or the Priest, stands and says

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all those who with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

About the “posture” of prayer: It has been commonly said that Anglicans kneel for prayer, but that is not the rule for posture in any edition of the Prayer Book. Various editions have assumed that standing is the normal posture for public prayer and have directed the people to kneel only for confessions, for reciting the Commandments, etc. However, in this parish it is the traditional discipline to kneel for the prayers. It is a posture of humility, which is something always worth cultivating in ourselves.

We are all sinful people. Here, in the **Confession**, we admit our wrongdoings and lay our sins at the feet of Jesus on the cross.

In the **Confession of Sin and Absolution**, our sins, both individual and corporate, have been confessed, and we have been powerfully reassured of God’s complete forgiveness through Jesus Christ.

These verses of Scripture following the Absolution serve as a seal of assurance that for those who are truly penitent, the Lord has put away their sins. They are comforting in that they give us the strength to believe we are forgiven. **The Comfortable Words** come directly from the first Anglican Book of Common Prayer 1549 written by Thomas Cranmer and were included through German Lutheran influence.

The Peace is a particularly good time to welcome visitors and newcomers. Please take a moment to extend God's peace to those around you. That peace, which the world cannot give, comes only through the forgiving of Jesus Christ. This peace is not rooted in our circumstances but in the presence, promise and power of God and Christ's redeeming work.

Here at Old St Andrew's Parish Church the choir sing an Offertory Anthem every week. Music can often help to add additional weight and emotion into the written texts. A congregation can hear a message via the singing of the choir, in a similar way that they do when they listen to a sermon. The message can be used to teach, offer praise, set a mood for more teaching, and/or offer a link to the whole Body of Christ through the ages and around the world by using traditional songs & texts or songs from another place.

THE COMFORTABLE WORDS (BCP 2019 page 130)

Hear the Word of God to all who truly turn to him.

Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. *Matthew 11:28*

God so loved the world, that he gave his only-begotten Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. *John 3:16*

The saying is trustworthy and deserving of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. *1 Timothy 1:15*

If anyone sins, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. He is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only, but also for the sins of the whole world. *1 John 2:1-2*

THE PEACE (*Please stand*) (BCP 2019 page 131)

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: **And with your spirit.**

Then the Ministers and People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

At this time the Rector will welcome all to the Lord's Table and share the announcements of the day.

THE OFFERTORY: If you would like to make an online offering at this time to Old St. Andrew's Parish Church, please follow the link:

<https://www.oldstandrews.org/giving-1>

THE OFFERTORY ANTHEM

The Lord is My Shepherd

Music: Howard Goodall (b.1958 - Words: Psalm 23

The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want;

He maketh me to lie down in green pastures

He leadeth me beside the still waters

Yes, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil:

For you are with, you will comfort me.

Surely 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 PRESENTATION HYMN (*Please stand*)

Old Hundredth

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.

Text: Thomas Ken (1637-1711)

Music: OLD HUNDREDDTH, Louis Bourgeois (1510?-1561?)

Celebrant: (BCP 2019 page 131)

Yours, O Lord, is the greatness, and the power, and the glory, and the victory, and the majesty: for everything in heaven and on earth is yours; yours is the Kingdom, O Lord, and you are exalted as Head above all. All things come from you, O Lord,

People: **And of your own have we given you.**

The Holy Communion

THE SURSUM CORDA (BCP 2019 page 132)

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And with your spirit.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them up to the Lord.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

The *Celebrant* continues

It is right, our duty and our joy, always and everywhere 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 offered for us, and has taken away the sin of the world; who by his death has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again 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:

THE SANCTUS



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,



heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -



san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.



Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -



san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Our altar is The Lord's Table and all baptized Christians (baptized in the Name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit) are welcome to receive Holy Communion here.

In the Anglican tradition, Communion is received in two kinds: in the Bread and in the Wine. The Bread is offered first and is typically placed in one's open palm. After hearing the words "The Body of Christ, the bread of Heaven," the bread is ready to be consumed. A chalice bearer will then offer the Wine.

We offer two chalices for Holy Communion. The first, smaller chalice is for intinction (dipping the wafer into the chalice.) The second, larger chalice is for consumption. If you would prefer to drink from the cup, please hold the wafer in front of you until the larger chalice is offered.

* If you or your children are not baptized, you may receive a blessing at the altar rail from the Priest. Simply cross your hands over your chest as you kneel at the rail.

Ladies, please "blot" your lipstick prior to receiving communion, as this will help preserve our beautiful altar linens.

The **Sanctus** is the song of the seraphim contained in the great vision that the prophet Isaiah experienced while worshipping in the Temple in Jerusalem. This vision is recorded in the 6th chapter of Isaiah. It is inspired by Isaiah's vision of the heavenly court "Holy, holy, holy" acknowledging the transcendence of God.

THE PRAYER OF CONSECRATION (BCP 2019 page 132)

Please Kneel

When we gather together, we remember the presence of Jesus. By repeating the words and actions of Jesus' last meal with His disciples, we join the story and make it our own. We don't just watch the drama or listen to it unfold, we enter into the story as we, too, take the bread and wine and eat and drink and participate in the victory Christ has won for us.

Celebrant:

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you have made us for yourself; and when we had sinned against you and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent your only Son Jesus Christ into the world for our salvation. By the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary he became flesh and dwelt among us. In obedience to your will, he stretched out his arms upon the Cross and offered himself once for all, that by his suffering and death we might be saved. By his resurrection he broke the bonds of death, trampling Hell and Satan under his feet. As our great high priest, he ascended to your right hand in glory, that we might come with confidence before the throne of grace.

On the night that he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat; this is my Body, which is given for you: Do this in remembrance of me."

Likewise, after supper, Jesus took the cup, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink this, all of you; for 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 in remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

Celebrant:

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, and we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Word and Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Sanctify us also, that we may worthily receive this holy Sacrament, and be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us and we in him. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us with all your saints into the joy of your heavenly kingdom, where we shall see our Lord face to face.

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. **Amen.**

This **AMEN** is often called the "Great Amen" because it is the apex of our liturgy, the powerful ending to the Eucharist Prayer.

THE LORD'S PRAYER (BCP 2019 page 134)

Celebrant:

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

Our Fa-ther who art in heav-en, hall-ow-ed be thy Name, thy
king-dom come thy will be done, on earth as it is in heav-en. Give us this day our
dai-ly bread and for-give us our tres-pass-es as we for-give those who tres pass a- gainst
us. And lead us not in-to temp-ta-tion, but de-liv-er us from e-vil. For
thine is the king-dom, and the pow-er, and the glo-ry,
for ev-er and ev-er. A-men. A-men. A-men.

Text: International Consultation on English Texts
Music: R.D. Duckett (1959-2013) Used by permission.
Harmonization: M. Wilkinson (b. 1991) & C.L. Walchesky (b. 1989). Used by permission.

THE FRACTION (BCP 2019 page 135)

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People: **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

THE PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS (BCP 2019 page 135)

Celebrant and People:

We do not presume to come to this your table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in your abundant and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under your table; but you are the same Lord whose character is always to have mercy. Grant us, therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body, and our souls washed through his most precious blood, and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen

Je - sus, Lamb of God: have mer - cy on us.
Je - sus, bear - er of our sins: have mer - cy on us.
Je - sus, re - deem - er, re - deem - er of the world:
give us your peace, give us your peace.

Setting: from *Deutsche Messe*; Franz Peter Schubert (1797-1828); arr. Richard Proulx (1937-2010)

The **Lord's Prayer**, so called because Jesus gave this prayer to His disciples as an example of how to pray, has been a part of Eucharistic liturgies since the fourth century. The link between "our daily bread" and the spiritual food we receive in the Eucharist is very ancient. In the Lord's Prayer, we ask for daily bread, meaning the things we need to get through each day. But as a part of that, the sacramental bread is Jesus Christ, truly present in this bread. When we eat of this bread, we most certainly receive our daily bread.

The **Prayer of Humble Access** is a very distinctive element of worship in the Anglican Tradition. Assembled in the earliest prayer books by Thomas Cranmer, it includes phrases and concepts from Mark 7:28, the Liturgy of St. Basil, a Gregorian collect, John 6:56, and some ideas of Thomas Aquinas.

THE MINISTRATION OF COMMUNION

Celebrant:

The gifts of God for the people of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

(If you need Holy Communion brought to you in your pen, please ask the Usher.)

THE COMMUNION ANTHEM

(Sung by our Parish Choir)

Loving Shepherd of Thy Sheep

Words: Jane Leeson (1807-1882) Music: John Rutter (b.1945)

Loving Shepherd of thy Sheep, keep thy Lamb, in safety keep;
Nothing can thy power withstand, none can pluck me from thy hand.

I would praise thee ev'ry day, gladly all thy will obey,

Like thy blessed ones above, happy in thy perfect love.

Loving shepherd, ever near, teach thy lamb thy voice to hear,

Suffer not my steps to stray from the straight and narrow way.

Where thou leadest I would go, walking in thy steps below,

Till before my Father's throne I shall know as I am known.

The Christian life is deeply personal yet is essentially corporate by nature, not private. Every act of worship is intended not only to glorify God for His own sake, but to lift up and build up one another in Christ for His sake as well. The word "liturgy" literally means "the work of the people." A central function of liturgy is to send the message that in a worship community there are no bystanders. It is corporate through and through and from one end to the other. Singing is also a form of prayer that can help carry the heart to God not only in the words being sung but beyond the reach of words.

THE FIRST COMMUNION HYMN

Tune: *Bradbury*



1. Sav - ior, like a shep-herd lead us, much we need thy ten - der care;
2. We are thine; do thou be- friend us, be the guard-ian of our way;
3. Thou hast prom-ised to re - ceive us, poor and sin - ful though we be;
4. Ear - ly let us seek thy fa - vor; ear - ly let us do thy will;



in thy pleas - ant pas-tures feed us, for our use thy folds pre - pare;
keep thy flock, from sin de - fend us, seek us when we go a - stray;
thou hast mer - cy to re - lieve us, grace to cleanse, and pow'r to free:
bless - ed Lord and on - ly Sa - vior, with thy love our be - ings fill:



Bless-ed Je - sus, bless-ed Je - sus, you have bought us, we are yours;
Bless-ed Je - sus, bless-ed Je - sus, hear, O hear us when we pray;
Bless-ed Je - sus, bless-ed Je - sus, ear - ly let us turn to thee;
Bless-ed Je - sus, bless-ed Je - sus, you have loved us, love us still;



bless-ed Je - sus, bless-ed Je - sus, you havebought us, we are yours.
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Text: Attr. to Dorothy Ann Thrupp (1779-1847)
Music: BRADBURY, William Batchelder Bradbury (1816-1868)

THE SECOND COMMUNION HYMN

Tune: *St. Agnes*

1 Shep - herd of souls, re - fresh and bless thy cho - sen
 2 We would not live by bread a - lone, but by thy
 3 Be known to us in break - ing bread, and do not
 4 Lord, sup with us in love di - vine thy Bo - dy

pil - grim flock with man - na in the
 word of grace, in strength of which we
 then de - part; Sa - vior, a - bide with
 and thy Blood, that liv - ing bread, that

wil - der - ness, with wa - ter from the rock.
 trav - el on to our a - bid - ing - place.
 us, and spread thy ta - ble in our heart.
 heaven - ly wine, be our im - mor - tal food.

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At Old St. Andrew's, we encourage you to continue to pray by singing both before and after you come to the Communion Rail. In this way, all of us are helping each other to lift our hearts continuously in the midst of receiving the greatest gift ever given: the life of Jesus Christ.

THE THIRD COMMUNION HYMN

Tune: *Daniel L. Schutte*

1. Won - der - ful, mer - ci - ful Sav - ior, pre - cious Re - deem - er and Friend;
 2. Coun - se - lor, Com - fort - er, Keep - er, Spir - it we long to em - brace;
 3. Al - might - y, in - fi - nite Fa - ther, faith - ful - ly lov - ing Your own;

who would have thought that a Lamb could res - cue the souls of men?
 You of - fer hope when our hearts have hope - less - ly lost the way;
 here in our weak - ness You find us fall - ing be - fore Your throne;

Oh, You res - cue the souls of men. (to vs. 2)
 oh, we hope - less - ly lost the way. You are the One that we praise,
 oh, we're fall - ing be - fore your throne.

You are the One we a - dore, You give the heal - ing and grace our
 hearts al - ways hun - ger for; oh, our hearts al - ways hun - ger for.

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We have been blessed by being here. Now, at the end of the service, we are reminded that God takes loving delight in blessing us abundantly. We leave in peace, forgiven, fed, and sent out with a purpose in the name of Jesus Christ.

THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER (BCP 2019 page 137)

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Celebrant and People:

Heavenly Father, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal Kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

THE BLESSING (BCP 2019 page 137)

THE RECESSIONAL HYMN (*Please stand*)

Tune: *Before the Throne*

1. Be - fore the throne of God a - bove I have a strong, a per - fect plea;
 2. When Sat - an tempts me to des - pair, and tells me of the guilt with - in,
 3. Be - hold Him there! The ris - en Lamb! My per - fect spot - less Right - eous - ness,

A Great High Priest whose name is Love, who ev - er lives and pleads for me.
 Up - ward I look, and see Him there who made an end to all my sin;
 The great un - chang - a - ble I AM, the King of glo - ry and of grace.;

My name is grav - en on His hands, my name is writ - ten on His heart;
 Be - cause the sin - less Sav - ior died, my sin - ful soul is count - ed free;
 One with Him - self, I can - not die, my soul is pur - chased by His blood,

I know that while in heaven He stands, no tongue can bid me thence de - part.
 For God, the Just, is sat - is - fied to look on Him and par - don me,
 My life is hid with Christ on high, with Christ, my Sav - ior and my God,

No tongue can bid me thence de - part.
 To look on Him and par - don me.
 With Christ, my Sav - ior and my God.

As the service ends, we are charged to “go,” a challenge to reach out beyond our own church to the world around us.

The Scripture quotations are from the English Standard Version of the Bible.

We Go Out to Serve God

THE DISMISSAL AND COMMISSIONING

(BCP page 138)

Priest or Deacon:

Our worship has concluded; our service begins.

Alleluia! Alleluia! Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People:

Thanks be to God! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

THE POSTLUDE

My Shepherd Will Supply My Need by Wilbur Held (1914–2015)