



**St. George's**  
Episcopal Church

# THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

## LITURGY OF THE WORD, RITE II

**MAY 3, 2020**

**10:30 AM**

The Rev. Kevin LJ Schubert, Rector    The Rev. Jim Enelow, Deacon    Ms. Mi-Young Kim, Music Director

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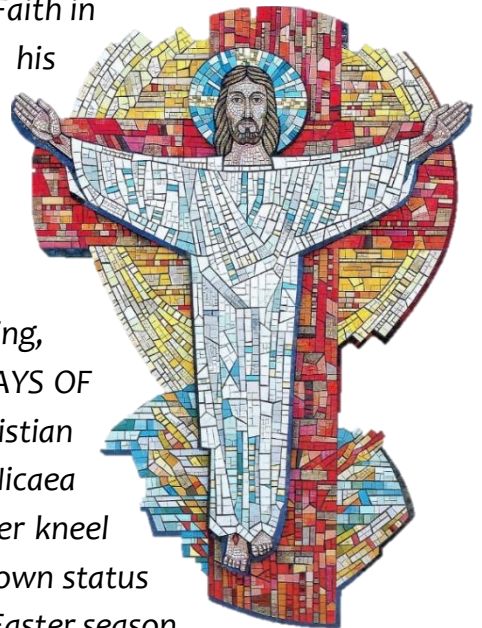
**The mission of St. George's Episcopal Church is to worship God and share our faith through word, action, and service.**

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*WE'RE GLAD YOU'RE WITH US.* In this difficult and uncertain time, our commitment to one another as the Body of Christ is more important than ever. We are blessed to be able to join together in prayer, even as we are unable to be together in person as we would wish. Our online services are all available from the [Online Worship](#) page of our website.

*EASTER is the feast of the Resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. Faith in Jesus' resurrection on the Sunday or third day following his crucifixion is at the heart of Christian belief. In the northern hemisphere, Easter sets the experience of springtime next to the ancient stories of deliverance and the proclamation of the risen Christ.*

*Easter is not merely one day, but a season of fifty days of rejoicing, culminating on the Day of Pentecost. During the GREAT FIFTY DAYS OF EASTER, our worship will reflect the earliest traditions of Christian worship, omitting the usual Prayer of Confession. The Council of Nicaea in 325 declared during the Easter season, Christians would neither kneel nor fast, instead focusing on the joy of the resurrection and our own status as a redeemed Easter people. May God bless you throughout the Easter season.*



WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

**THE LITURGY OF THE WORD**

OPENING HYMN

*Good Christians All, Rejoice and Sing!*

H 205

1 Good Chris - tians all, re - joice and sing! Now is the  
 2 The Lord of life is risen to - day! Sing songs of  
 3 Praise we in songs of vic - to - ry that love, that  
 4 Your Name we bless, O ri - sen Lord, and sing to -  
 5 To God the Fa - ther, God the Son, to God the

tri - umph of our King! To all the world glad news we bring:  
 praise a - long his way; let all the earth re - joice and say:  
 life which can - not die, and sing with hearts up - lift - ed high:  
 day with one ac - cord the life laid down, the life re - stored:  
 Spi - rit, al - ways One, we sing for life in us be - gun:

Al - le - lu - ia, a - le - lu - ia,  
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, a - le - lu - ia!  
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,

Words: Cyril A. Alington (1872-1955). Music: *Gelobt sei Gott*, Melchior Vulpinus (1560?-1616).

Officiant Alleluia! Christ is risen!  
People **The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

Officiant 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.

People **Amen.**

## GLORIA

H S280

1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and peace to his peo-ple on  
earth. 2. Lord God, heav'n-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 - 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 High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly  
Spi - rit, in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

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## THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

BCP 225

Officiant The Lord be with you.  
People **And also with you.**

Officiant 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.

People **Amen.**

**FIRST READING****ACTS 2:42-47**

*Reader*            A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

Those who had been 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.

*Reader*            The Word of the Lord.  
*People*            **Thanks be to God.**

**PSALM 23****DOMINUS REGIT ME**

*Please join in reading the psalm in unison.*

- 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.**

**SECOND LESSON****1 PETER 2:19-25**

*Reader*            A reading from the first letter of Peter.

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.

*Reader*            The Word of the Lord.  
*People*            **Thanks be to God.**

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.

Words: James Montgomery (1771-1854).

Music: *St. Agnes*, melody John Bacchus Dykes (1823-1876); harm. Richard Proulx (b. 1937), after John Bacchus Dykes.

## THE HOLY GOSPEL

JOHN 10:1-10

Deacon  
People

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.  
**Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

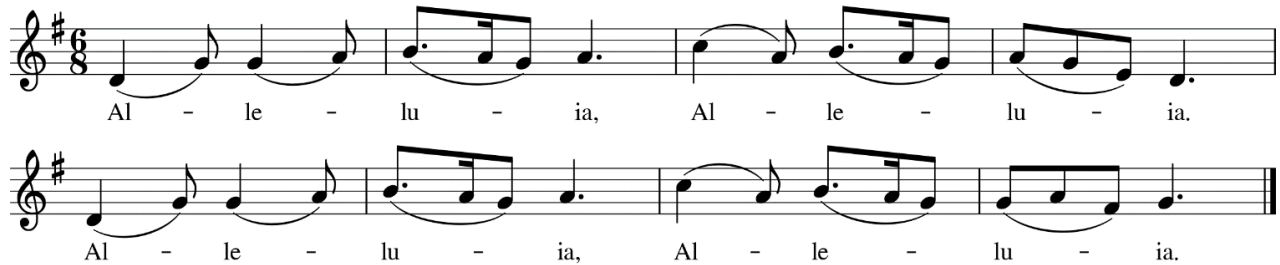
Jesus said, "Very truly, I tell you, anyone who does not enter the sheepfold by the gate but climbs in by another way is a thief and a bandit. The one who enters by the gate is the shepherd of the sheep. The gatekeeper opens the gate for him, and the sheep hear his voice. He calls his own sheep by name 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.”

Deacon            The Gospel of the Lord.  
People            Praise to you, Lord Christ.

**GOSPEL ALLELUIA**



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**THE SERMON**

**THE REV. JIM ENELOW**

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**BCP 358**

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

### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE, FORM III

BCP 387

Deacon Father, we pray for the Nippon Sei Ko Kai, the Anglican Communion in Japan, and all your holy Catholic Church;

People **That we all may be one.**

Deacon Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

People **That your Name may be glorified by all people.**

Deacon We pray for Michael our Presiding Bishop; Andy, Jeff, Hector, and Kai our bishops; Kevin our rector; Jim our deacon; and all bishops, priests, and deacons;

People **That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.**

Deacon We pray for Donald, our President; Greg, our Governor; and all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;

People **That there may be justice and peace on the earth.**

Deacon Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

People **That our works may find favor in your sight.**

Deacon Have compassion on Pat, Stephen, Sister Mary Jean, Ann, Amber, Gladys, Charles, Ralph, Kirk, Ann, Makena, Polly, Divesh, Bailey, Hans, Mary, Martha, Shubh, Pam, Ben, Gail, Colleen, José, Tom, Michael, Alfred, Valerie, all those suffering from COVID-19, and on all those who suffer from any grief or trouble;

People **That they may be delivered from their distress.**

Deacon Give to those who have died from COVID-19 and all the departed eternal rest;

People **Let light perpetual shine upon them.**

Deacon We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

People **May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.**

Deacon Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

*(The People may add their own petitions.)*

Officiant O God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray, on James, Alice, Ethan; on Dylan and Rylee; and on all your servants who begin another year. Grant that they may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen their trust in your goodness all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People **Amen.**

*(The Officiant adds a concluding Collect.)*

### THE PEACE

Officiant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

BCP 364

Officiant And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,  
 People **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.**

THE EASTER BLESSING

NEW ZEALAND PRAYER BOOK 538

Officiant God the Father, by whose glory Christ was raised from the dead, strengthen you to walk with him in his risen life; and the blessing of God almighty, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, be with you and remain with you for ever.  
 People **Amen.**

CLOSING HYMN

*Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us*

H 708

1 Sa - vior, like a shep - herd lead us; much we need thy ten - der care;  
 2 Ear - ly let us seek thy fa - vor, ear - ly let us learn thy will;

in thy plea - sant pas - tures feed us; for our use thy folds pre - pare.  
 do thou, Lord, our on - ly Sa - vior, with thy love our bos - oms fill.

Bless - ed Je - sus! Bless - ed Je - sus! Thou hast bought us, thine we are.  
 Bless - ed Je - sus! Bless - ed Je - sus! Thou hast loved us: love us still.

Words: *Hymns for the Young*, ca. 1830, alt.

Music: *Sicilian Mariners*, Sicilian melody, from *The European Magazine and London Review*, 1972.



**DISMISSAL**

Deacon Alleluia, alleluia! Let us go forth in the name of Christ.  
People **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!**

**POSTLUDE**

**Idyll**  
(Robert Cundick)

**MI-YOUNG KIM, ORGAN**

After the service, regardless of which method of accessing the service you have been using, you are invited to join the [Zoom link](#) (password: risen), for a brief time of fellowship with other St. George’s parishioners.

**PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED FOR THE FOLLOWING**

**For those who are sick or facing medical issues, especially:**

Pat Beckham	Ann Kauppi	Pam Schubert
<b>Stephen Blood</b>	Makena Landgraf	Ben Sears
Sister Mary Jean Bludau	Polly Littrell	Gail Snyder
Ann Casstevens	Divesh Manohar	Colleen Stark
Amber Dupuy	Bailey McKennon	José Trejo Tirado
Gladys Dykes	Hans Mueller	Tom Wooten
Charles Foster	Mary Parker	Michael Worcester
Ralph Hausser	Martha Sahs	All those suffering from
Kirk Hoffman	Shubh Schiesser	COVID-19

**For those who have died and their families, especially**

All those who have died from COVID-19

**For those facing difficult circumstances, especially:**

Alfred Davalos	Valerie McKesson Lara
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**For those serving in the armed forces and their families, especially:**

Zach Mertz	Dustin Worcester	Maddison Worcester
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**Those who celebrate birthdays, especially:**

James Wall (May 4)  
Alice Nelson (May 9)  
Ethan Worcester (May 9)

**Those who celebrate anniversaries, especially:**

Dylan & Rylee Worcester (May 7)

**In the Anglican cycle of prayer:**

Nippon Sei Ko Kai (Anglican Communion in Japan)  
The Most Revd Nathaniel Makoto Uematsu, Primate

**In the Diocese of Texas cycle of prayer:**

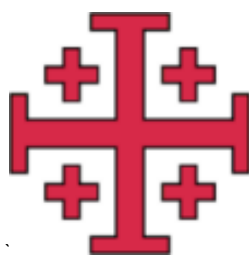
St. Luke the Evangelist, Houston  
St. Mark’s, Houston  
Trinity, Baytown  
Trinity, Houston

Names can be added to this list by emailing Jennifer at [stgeorgeaustin@gmail.com](mailto:stgeorgeaustin@gmail.com).

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## THE BANNER – May 3, 2020

- ❖ **VIRTUAL “COFFEE HOUR”** – Immediately after the service each Sunday, several parishioners have been using the service’s [Zoom link](#) (password: risen) to share a brief time of fellowship. Regardless of which method you use to access the service, you are invited to use the Zoom link to join this virtual coffee hour – with or without coffee!
- ❖ **WOMEN’S BOOK GROUP** – Please join us for the next meeting of the Women’s Book Group on **Saturday, May 9<sup>th</sup>**, from **3:00 to 5:00 pm**, via Zoom. We will discuss **Exit West**, by **Mohsin Hamid**. All St. George’s women are welcome to attend; this group is open and welcoming of all. The Zoom invitation will be sent out to the group’s email list prior to the meeting. To be added to the list, or with any questions, please contact Sandra Villalaz at **512-762-8349** or [sandra.villalaz48@gmail.com](mailto:sandra.villalaz48@gmail.com). Happy reading!
- ❖ **GIVING TO ST. GEORGE’S** – We are grateful for your financial support as we navigate new ways to stay connected in these challenging times. Your gifts enable us to use modern technology to connect to each other, as well as to continue to pay our ongoing expenses, including salaries. If you have been giving to St. George’s by putting a check or cash in the plate on Sundays, please consider giving online by clicking the DONATE button on the Stewardship page of the church’s website: [www.sgchurch.org/stewardship](http://www.sgchurch.org/stewardship). You can set up regular weekly or monthly donation using a credit card or a bank account. Thank you for your generosity.
- ❖ **CHRISTOPHER HOUSE BASKETS** – Christopher House Volunteer Coordinator Philip has asked that we reduce our deliveries to just one basket per week. Shelter-in-place rules have limited them to six patients at a time and only one visiting family member per patient. Since fewer family members are there to get baskets, the baskets may sit a while before being delivered, so no perishable items should be included. The delivery method has also slightly changed. Park in the back of the building as always, but you may need to ring the bell to get admitted to the courtyard. Someone will meet you at the door and take delivery of your basket. Philip stressed again how much the baskets mean to the recipients, and that all the items are appreciated.



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## FEAST DAYS IN THE WEEK AHEAD

**Mon, May 4**

*Martyrs of the Reformation Era*

**Fri, May 8**

*Julian of Norwich, Mystic and Theologian, c.1417*

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## PRAYERS FOR OUR COMMON LIFE

### PRAYER FOR THE SICK

BCP 260

Heavenly Father, giver of life and health: Comfort and relieve your sick servants, and give your power of healing to those who minister to their needs, that those for whom our prayers are offered may be strengthened in their weakness and have confidence in your loving care; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

### PRAYER FOR HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS

BCP 460

Sanctify, O Lord, those whom you have called to the study and practice of the arts of healing, and to the prevention of disease and pain. Strengthen them by your life-giving Spirit, that by their ministries the health of the community may be promoted and your creation glorified; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### PRAYER FOR A PERSON UNABLE TO TAKE THE EUCHARIST

*Written by St. Alphonsus de Liguori, 1696-1787*

My Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar. I love you above all things, and long for you in my soul. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. As though you have already come, I embrace you and unite myself entirely to you; never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.



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## THOSE WHO SERVE

*Officiant* – The Rev. Kevin Schubert

*Preacher* – The Rev. Jim Enelow

*Lector* – Brad Dieringer

*Vestry Person of the Day* – Stefan Schuster

*Organist/Pianist* – Mi-Young Kim

*Singers* – Brad Dieringer, Elaine Hosage, Periwinkle Schuster

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