ST. DUNSTAN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH Atlanta, Georgía



Fourth Sunday of Easter April 30, 2023

The Holy Eucharist

Streaming Facebook Live at 10:45 A.M.

Prelude

"He Shall Feed His Flock" from *Messiah* Elizabeth Wong Mark, flute G.F. Handel

Holy Eucharist



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Opening Acclamation

People	The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!
Celebrant	Alleluia! Christ is risen!

The Collect for Purity said by the 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.*

Gloria in excelsis	S 280	Gloria in excelsis	Robert Powell
Celebrant	The Lord be with you.		
People	And also with you.		
Celebrant	Together let us pray.		

The Collect said by all

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 First Lesson

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.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm Dominus regit me



The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not be in / want. He makes me lie down in green pastures, and leads me beside still / waters.

He revives my / soul,

and guides me along right pathways for his Name's / sake.

Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,

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I shall fear no / evil;
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for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort / me.

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.

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

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.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Acts 2:42-47

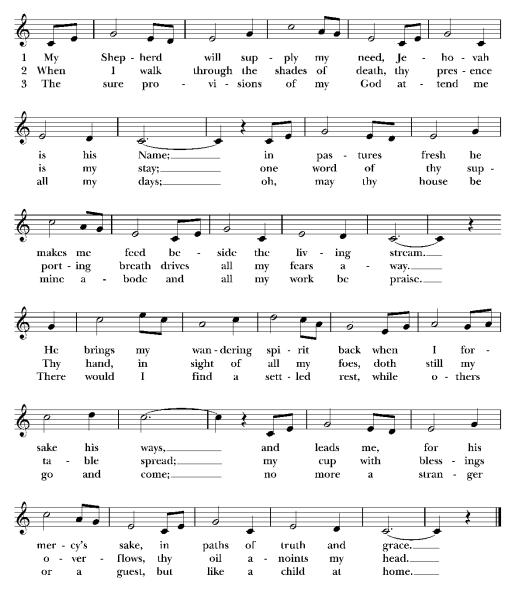
Psalm 23

1 Peter 2:19-25

My Shepherd will supply my need

Resignation

John 10:1-10



Words: Isaac Watts (1674-1748); para. of Psalm 23. Music: Resignation, American folk melody, acc. David Hurd (b. 1950).

The Gospel

Priest The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to John.

People 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."

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

The 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

The Prayers of the People, Form III

Gracious God, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;

That we all may be one.

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

That your Name may be glorified by all people.

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;

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

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;

That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

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

That our works may find favor in your sight.

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;

That they may be delivered from their distress.

Give to the departed eternal rest, remembering especially our former parishioner, **Bob Adams**.

Let light perpetual shine upon them.

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

May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others including our parishioners, **Rhea Hannah, Eileen Zimmer, Priscilla Davis,** and **John Floyd**.

We give thanks for our parish community, Maggie & Tom Harney; Ginny & Dick Harris; Susan & Steve Hauser; and Fina Hernandes & Dolores Waye.

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

Silence and concluding Collect.

O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of your mercies, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to you we give glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Peace

Celebrant	The peace of the Lord be always with you
People	And also with you.

Announcements

The Holy Communion

Offertory Anthem

"The Lord is my Shepherd"

Howard Goodall Theme from the BBC TV series *The Vicar of Dibley*

Fina Hernandez, soloist

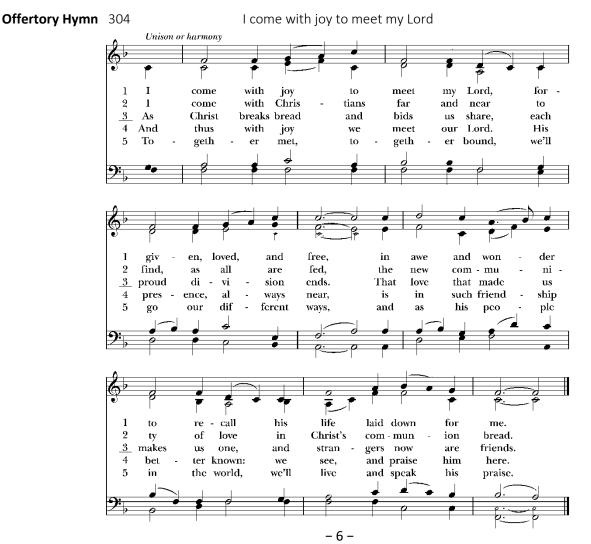
The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not be in want: He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: He leadeth me beside still waters.

Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil; for you are with me; You will comfort me. 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 forever.

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Psalm 23
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Land of Rest



The Great Thanksgiving (Eucharistic Prayer A)

Celebrant	The Lord be with you.
People	And also with you.
Celebrant	Lift up your hearts.
People	We lift them to the Lord.
Celebrant	Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People	It is right to give God thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, 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 sacrificed for us, and has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again he 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 say this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:



Then the Celebrant continues

Holy and gracious God: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

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

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you; This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Celebrant continues

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O God, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him, Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

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.**

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your Name,

your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

Fraction Anthem S. 155

Christ our Passover



The Celebrant continues

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

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Words: Henry Williams Baker (1821-1877); para. Psalm 23. Music: St. Columba, Irish melody, harm. Hymnal 1982.

Prayer after Communion Celebrant and People

O God, you made us in your image and redeemed us through Jesus your son: Look with compassion on the whole human family; take away the arrogance and hatred which infect our hearts; break down the walls that separate us; unite us in bonds of love; and work through our struggle and confusion to accomplish your purposes on earth; that in your good time, all nations, races, and creeds may serve you in harmony. Amen

Easter Blessing

The blessing of God who creates life, Be upon you as you celebrate life.

The blessing of God who restores life, Be upon you as you seek new life.

The blessing of God, who sanctifies life, Be upon you as you give life to others.

Amen.



The Dismissal

Response Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Postlude

"Jesus Shall Reign"

Duke Street, arr. Mark Hayes

The altar flowers are given by Mimi & Titu Doctor in celebration of their 60th Wedding Anniversary.

Ministry Schedule

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	April 30	May 7th	
Vestry on Duty	Susie Throop	Ralph Paulk	
Lay Reader 8:30 am	Claudia Gimson	Nancy Dillon	
Lay Reader: 10:45 am	Susie Throop	Alex Pierre	
Lector 1 st Lesson	Marshall Kress	Ralph Paulk	
Lector 2 nd Lesson	Kate Gaul	Katy Pierre	
Ushers / Greeters	Ralph Paulk	Gwen McAlpine & Paul Zimmer	
Altar Guild	Claudia / Cathy / Mary Jane	Marshall / Cathy / Claudia	
Flower Guild	Kate Gaul	Donna Thomas	
Coffee Hour Hosts			

Happy Anniversary

Donna & Ben Thomas May 2 Lucy & John Kaltenbach May 3

Happy Birthday

Sandra Dobbs May 1 Jon Throop May 5 Max Leyden May 6 Jeanne Taylor May 6

Prayer Requests

Parishioners: Rhea Hannah; Eileen Zimmer; Priscilla Davis; and John Floyd.

Family: Antoinette Watts, sister of Marshall Kress; Brett Bradshaw, goddaughter, Hilary Foster, niece of Claudia Gimson; Paul Stein, nephew of Harriett Smith; Tom H., brother of Brenda Patten; Sam Gilgour, brother of Katie Turner; Jessica LeClaire, sister of Sara Thornton; Scott O'Connell, brother of Mark; Gray Cavender, Aaron Atkinson, family of Bob Longino; Nancy Moore, family of Mary Jane Hannah; Jim Montsinger, nephew and Claude Thompson, son-in-law of Priscilla Davis; Linda Blocksom, sister of Susie Throop; Bill Fields, brother of Nancy Dillon; Pamela V.
Bowers, sister of Suzanne Van de Mark; Katy Greenawalt, sister of Lee Morris; Jack & Linda Mobley and Vincent Lafitte, family of Daria Jones & Bruce Lafitte; Clare Richardson, sister-in-law of Penny France; Tiffiny Lucas, niece, Linda Johnson, sister of Vivian Siggers; Deborah Ellis-Williams, mother of Jackie O'Connell; Priscilla Williams, sister of Bessie Holland; Jeannette Davis, sister-in-law of Priscilla Davis; Mary Jane Hobbs, sister of Sara Thomas; Barbara Martello, niece of Mimi Gold; Deni Omundson & Gary Dorsey, Sydney Cortez & Family, relatives of Jeanne & Josh Taylor.

Friends: Bob Laney (Bob Wolfson); Randy Yates (Bruce Lafitte); John and Brian Birchall and Alyssa Volpe; Abigail Ludwig (Lindsey Reece); Lisa Ridges, Tony Rozen, Amanda Ippolito & Family; Rose Faison, Mary Jane Graff, Anne Henry, Tim Embry, (Davis Family); Scott Moe, (Brenda Patten); Jennifer Pern; Sherrel Howard, (Mimi Gold); Jacki Labat; Carolyn Long Banks; Angela Mattson, (Lee Morris); Cindy Hind, (Fair Sutherlin); Claudia Nash, Loretta Roberts, Benjamin Banas, (Cathy Leake); Sandy Jusak, Tammy McCullough, Michellene Tipton, Joshua Dowd, Debbie Bogard, James Bogard, (Jeanne and Josh Taylor); Steve Murray, (Bob Longino); Walter Buchanan, Pat Buffington, (Rhea Hannah); and Susan Glenz-Pierce, (Suzanne Van de Mark).

We pray for all those who have died remembering especially our former parishioner, Bob Adams.

We give thanks for our parish community, Maggie & Tom Harney; Ginny & Dick Harris; Susan & Steve Hauser; and Fina Hernandes & Dolores Waye.

Announcements

Solidarity Sandy Springs. We are once again collecting food and other items for the pantry. With school breaking for the summer, the need is even greater. Please think about picking something on your next trip to the grocery story. Elise MacIntyre is our food delivery ambassador whenever the red wagon is full.

Family Friend Program meeting Sunday, May 7th, after the service in the Founders Room:

Thank you to everyone who has volunteered for the **Family Friend Program**, the three-to-six-month partnership between St. Dunstan's and New American Pathways to help a refugee family settle in Georgia. We still need volunteers who can work directly with the family and others who can perform supportive roles. All volunteers are expected to attend the meeting to begin the registration process. Each Volunteer will receive an email next week with additional information so please check your email.

As a reminder here is the introductory information from Vivian's March 21st letter:

To participate, we are requiring our volunteers to be fully vaccinated for COVID 19. New American Pathways will pair us with a refugee family that is fully vaccinated.

Requirements for our volunteers include two "English at Home" orientation sessions (one for an hour and one for 90 minutes). We are asking those to be held at our church. Volunteers who will have any direct contact with the refugee family must also pass a simple background check.

Two categories of volunteers are needed: 1) Direct Service Volunteers, and 2) Support Service Volunteers. Examples of roles are described below. Volunteers may choose to work in one or both volunteer categories.

DIRECT SERVICE VOLUNTEERS

A minimum of eight direct service volunteers are needed to:

- 1. Build a relationship with the family and offer guidance as needed.
- 2. Help family members practice English at least two hours per week.
- 3. Assist children with school homework and social skills.
- 4. Coach adults in the family for job readiness and career mentoring.
- 5. Reinforce budget mindfulness and financial literacy.
- 6. Help with transportation to appointments.
- 7. Help the family understand how to use MARTA, if needed.

A scheduled direct service visit with the family is required for a minimum of two hours weekly. Direct service volunteers will sign up for their preferred visits on Sign-Up Genius.

SUPPORT SERVICE VOLUNTEERS

We will need as many volunteers as we can get to perform one-time tasks or be available during the six months of partnership with a family to perform several support service tasks as needed, including:

- 1. Build a familiar relationship with the family and offer guidance when needed.
- 2. Prepare a welcome basket for the family.
- 3. Collect furniture and household items to stock an apartment for the family.
- 4. Stock the pantry at least once with culturally appropriate food.
- 5. Assist with obtaining appropriate seasonal clothing.
- 6. Help with transportation to appointments.

St. Dunstan's has some money in the 2023 budget to use for furnishings, filling the pantry and supplies. Volunteers, however, will need to solicit and obtain as many free items as possible.

If you have questions, you may contact Vivian Siggers at 678-436-8434 or Mimi Gold at 678-612-2246.