

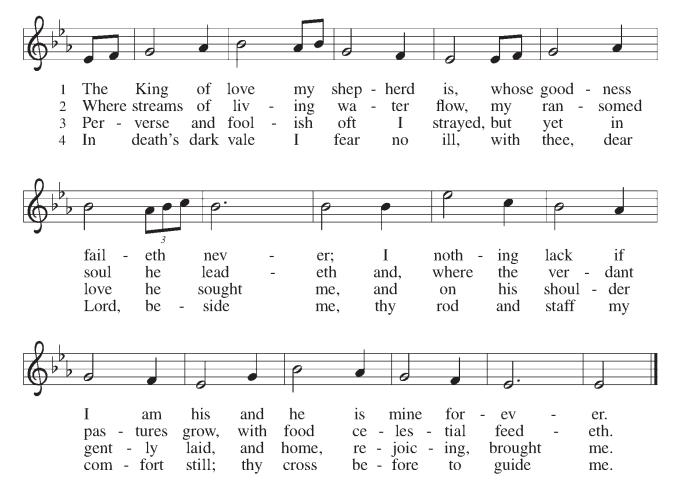
Divine Service



April 21, 2024 Fourth Sunday of Easter

Opening Hymn

The King of Love My Shepherd Is



- 5 Thou spreadst a table in my sight; thine unction grace bestoweth; and, oh, what transport of delight from thy pure chalice floweth!
- 6 And so, through all the length of days, thy goodness faileth never.Good Shepherd, may I sing thy praise within thy house forever.

Text: Henry W. Baker, 1821–1877 Music: St. Columba, Irish tune

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Thanksgiving for Baptism

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

Blessed be God, the Father, Son, + and Holy Spirit, the wellspring of grace, our Easter and our joy.

Amen.

Look, here is water!

Here is our water of life! Alleluia!

Immersed in the promises of baptism,
let us give thanks for what God has done for us.
We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning
your voice thundered over the deep
and water became the essence of life.
Adam and Eve beheld Eden's verdant rivers.
The ark carried your creation through the flood into a new day.
Miriam led the dancing as your people passed through the sea
into freedom's land.
In a desert pool the Ethiopian official
entered your boundless baptismal life.

Look, here is water!

Here is our water of life! Alleluia!

At the river your beloved Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit.

By the baptism of Jesus' death and resurrection you opened the floodgates of your reconciling love, freeing us to live as Easter people.

We rejoice with glad hearts, giving all honor and praise to you, through the risen Christ, our source of living water, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

Amen.

Look, here is water!

Here is our water of life! Alleluia!

The Sign of Peace

The peace of the Lord be with you all. **And also with you.**





Songs of Praise Come Let Us Worship and Bow Down

Come let us worship and bow down Let us kneel before the Lord Our God our Maker Come let us worship and bow down Let us kneel before the Lord Our God our Maker

For He is our God And we are the people of His pasture And the sheep of His hand Just the sheep of His hand

Goodness, Love and Mercy

Verse

Oh Lord You're my Shepherd
You make me lie in fields of green
You lead me by the still waters
You restore righteousness to me
Though I walk through the valley
I will fear no evil thing
For You are with me and You comfort me

Chorus

Surely goodness love and mercy Will follow wherever I go

Bridge

I'm gonna dwell in the house of the Lord forever

Prayer of the Day

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

Let us pray...

O Lord Christ, good shepherd of the sheep, you seek the lost and guide us into your fold. Feed us, and we shall be satisfied; heal us, and we shall be whole. Make us one with you, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

First Reading Acts 4

5 The next day [the] rulers, elders, and scribes assembled in Jerusalem, 6 with Annas the high priest, Caiaphas, John, and Alexander, and all who were of the high-priestly family. 7 When they had made the prisoners stand in their midst, they inquired, "By what power or by what name did you do this?" 8 Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them, "Rulers of the people and elders, 9 if we are questioned today because of a good deed done to someone who was sick and are asked how this man has been healed, 10 let it be known to all of you, and to all the people of Israel, that this man is standing before you in good health by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead. 11 This Jesus is

'the stone that was rejected by you, the builders;

it has become the cornerstone.'

12 There is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among mortals by which we must be saved."

This is the Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

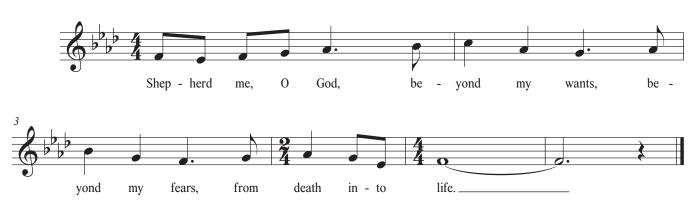
Psalm

Psalm 23

Tone



Refrain



Refrain: Shepherd me, O God, beyond my wants, beyond my fears, from death into life.

1 The Lord • is my shepherd; I shall not • be in want.

- 2 The Lord makes me lie down in green pastures and leads me be- side still waters.
- 3 You restore my soul, O Lord, and guide me along right pathways for your 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.

Refrain: Shepherd me, O God, beyond my wants, beyond my fears, from death into life.

- 5 You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil, and my cup is running over.
- 6 Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

Glory be to the Father and • to the Son and to the Holy • Spirit; as it was in the be - • ginning, is now, and will be forever. • Amen.

Refrain: Shepherd me, O God, beyond my wants, beyond my fears, from death into life.

Second Reading

1 John 3

16 We know love by this, that [Jesus Christ] laid down his life for us—and we ought to lay down our lives for one another. 17 How does God's love abide in anyone who has the world's goods and sees a brother or sister in need and yet refuses help?

18 Little children, let us love, not in word or speech, but in truth and action. 19 And by this we will know that we are from the truth and will reassure our hearts before him 20 whenever our hearts condemn us; for God is greater than our hearts, and he knows everything. 21 Beloved, if our hearts do not condemn us, we have boldness before God; 22 and we receive from him whatever we ask, because we obey his commandments and do what pleases him.

23 And this is his commandment, that we should believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and love one another, just as he has commanded us. 24 All who obey his commandments abide in him, and he abides in them. And by this we know that he abides in us, by the Spirit that he has given us.

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Children's Message

Monique Nunes

Gospel Acclamation

Shepherd me, O God, beyond my wants, beyond my fears, from death into life.

The Holy Gospel according to St. John, tenth chapter. Glory to You, O Lord!

[Jesus said:] II "I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. 12 The hired hand, who is not the shepherd and does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and runs away—and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. 13 The hired hand runs away because a hired hand does not care 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 I have other sheep that do not belong to 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 in order to take it up again. 18 No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it up again. I have received this command from my Father."

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you O Christ.**

Sermon

Elder Joseph Perling

Confession of Faith

Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe 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

Prayers of Intercession

Following each prayer petition:

God of Grace, hear our prayer.

Offering

The Sacrament of the Altar

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is indeed our duty and our joy...evermore praising You and saying:

Holy, holy, Lord, God of power and might, Heaven and earth are full of Your glory, Hosanna in the highest. Blessed + is He who comes in the Name of the Lord, Hosanna in the highest.

We proclaim the mystery of faith: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Words of Institution

The Lord's Prayer

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.

O Lamb of God...

Ways to Commune

Intinction – Dipped bread placed into hands or directly in the mouth

Sealed Cups – Gluten-Free in Blue and Alcohol-Free in Pink are available (take to seat, and we will commune together)

Prayer – Approach the communion table with arms crossing your chest

Communion Song

Emmanuel

Verse 1

Holy holy I will bow before My Lord and King Hallelujah You have come to us You make all things new

Chorus

Emmanuel
Jesus Christ
You'll never let me go
My Shepherd King
You're watching over me
Emmanuel

Verse 2

So amazing
You have named the stars
Of the deepest night
Still You love me
You have called my name
I will follow You

Chorus

Emmanuel
Jesus Christ
You'll never let me go
My Shepherd King
You're watching over me
Emmanuel

Bridge

Holy holy God Almighty There is none like You Holy holy God Almighty There is none like You

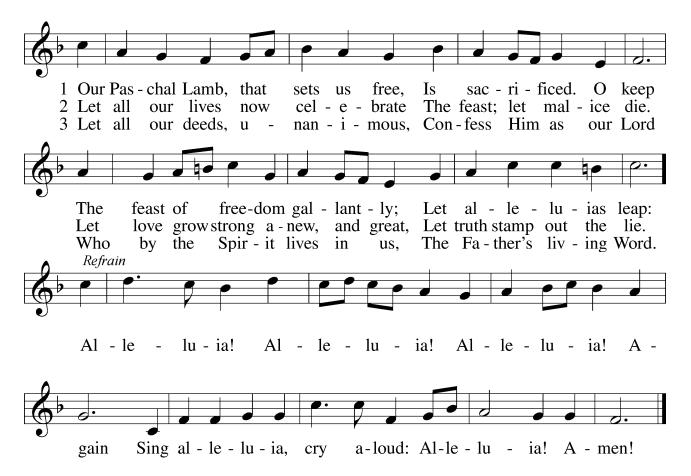
Chorus

Emmanuel
Jesus Christ
You'll never let me go
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Blessing

Closing Hymn

Our Paschal Lamb, that Sets Us Free



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Announcements

The Name of The Lord

Verse 1

Blessed be the name of the Lord Blessed be the name of the Lord Blessed be the name of the Lord most high

Chorus

The name of the Lord is a strong tower The righteous run into it and they are safe The name of the Lord is a strong tower The righteous run into it and they are safe

Verse 2

Holy is the name of the Lord Holy is the name of the Lord Holy is the name of the Lord most high

Chorus

The name of the Lord is a strong tower The righteous run into it and they are safe The name of the Lord is a strong tower The righteous run into it and they are safe

Verse 3

Glory to the name of the Lord Glory to the name of the Lord Glory to the name of the Lord most high

Serving at Worship Today

Presiding

Rev. John Arthur Nunes, PhD

Preaching

Elder Joseph Perling

Director of Music

Mary Harper

Reader

Matthew Wittrock

Greeters

Tom Carolyn

Ushers

Acolytes

Upcoming Events



Learn more about all upcoming events at pilgrimsm.org/calendar



April, 23 at 1:00 pm

Concordia Seminary St. Louis Vicarage Assignment Service "Watch Party" www.csl.edu/academics/call-day-services/

Pilgrim Giving



Your faithful financial stewardship is as important as ever. We will be creating cards with QR code to access online giving.

Serve at Pilgrim



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Happening this Week

Sunday, April 21

Bible Study, 8:30 am Divine Service, 10:00 am

Monday, April 22

Alpha Prayers, 9:00 am Online **Contact Barbara P. to join.**

Tuesday, April 23

Vicarage Worship Service, 1:00 pm Online Wednesday, April 24

Thursday, April 25

Friday, April 26

Saturday, April 27





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