

St. Luke's Episcopal Church Ada, OK



The Fourth Sunday in Easter
April 21, 2024 9:00

Our Mission: To live in Christ, to love the world, and to serve one another.

Prelude: *At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing* Arr. by Jan Bender

Opening Hymn: #518 *Christ is Made the Sure Foundation*

Opening Acclamation: Page 355 BCP (Book of Common Prayer)

Celebrant: Alleluia, Christ is risen.

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

The Collect for Purity:

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thought 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: S280

Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to his people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King,
almighty God and Father

We worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God,

you take away the sin of the world: Have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father: Receive our prayer.
For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

The Collect of the Day

The Lord be with you.

People: *And also with you.*

Celebrant: 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. *Amen.*

The First Lesson Acts 4:5-12

A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

The rulers, elders, and scribes assembled in Jerusalem, with Annas the high priest, Caiaphas, John, and Alexander, and all who were of the high-priestly family. When they had made the prisoners stand in their midst, they inquired, "By what power or by what name did you do this?" Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them, "Rulers of the people and elders, 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, 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. This Jesus is

the stone that was rejected by you, the builders;
it has become the cornerstone.'

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

The Word of the Lord.

People: *Thanks be to God.*

The Psalm

Robert Knox Kennedy
(b. 1945)

Psalm 23

Dominus regit me



- 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 e-/vil; *
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.

The Epistle

1John 3:16-24

A Reading from the first letter of John.

We know love by this, that he laid down his life for us-- and we ought to lay down our lives for one another. 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?

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

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. 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.

The Word of the Lord.

People: ***Thanks be to God.***

Gradual Hymn: *#494 Crown Him with Many Crowns (1-3/4-5)*

The Gospel John 10:11-18

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

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

Jesus said, "I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. 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. The hired hand runs away because a hired hand does not care for the sheep. I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father. And I lay down my life for the sheep. 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. For this reason the Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again. 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.

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

The Sermon The Rev. Art Scrutchins

The Nicene Creed Page 358 BCP

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 the 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.*

Prayers of the People: Form III, BCP Page 387

The Leader and People pray responsively.

Father, 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; Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury; Michael,
our Presiding Bishop; Poulson, our Bishop; Daniel, Bishop of Uruguay; Art our Supply

Priest and Bobby and Robert our Deacons, and the clergy and people of the diocese of Oklahoma, especially St. Peter's, Coalgate; in the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer we pray for All Saints', Duncan and St. John's, Durant,

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; especially for our President, Joe, our Governor, Kevin, our Mayor, Randy, the Governor of the Chickasaw Nation, Bill, and for the leaders of the nations, and for all in authority,

That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake; especially for those in our Parish Cycle of Prayer, Dan & Marsha Church, Phillip & Cheryl Cody, Deanna Compton, Voncille Conway, Sean Corcoran, and Tom & Darlene Crabtree.

That our works may find favor in your sight.

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble: and all those who in this transitory life, are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness or any other adversity, especially:

Robert Martinez	Michael Hughes	Mike Barnes	Laura Beth Thompson
Caleb Scroggins	Yasminda Choate	Judy Coy	Lynne & Harold Cline
Lanny Glasscock	Shannon Maynard	Sheila	Margarita Molina
Ed Famulare	River Northcutt	Renee Hogue	Sandy & Kenny Phillips
Yvonne Carver	Lisa Ainsworth	Rusty Hall	Miriam Kast White

That they may be delivered from their distress.

Give to the departed eternal rest:

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. For those celebrating Birthdays this week: Bobby Saunkeah.

For those celebrating Anniversaries this week: Mike & Katrina McCurdy.

Praise God for those in every generation in whom Christ has been honored. The altar flowers are given by Dan & Marsha Church in thanksgiving for family and friends. Pray that we may have grace to glorify Christ in our own day.

Silence.

The People may add their own petitions.

Celebrant:

Hasten, O Father, the coming of your kingdom; and grant that we your servants, who now live by faith, may with joy behold your Son as his coming in glorious majesty; even Jesus Christ, our only Mediator and Advocate. *Amen.*

The Peace

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: *And also with you.*

The Announcements

The Holy Communion

Eucharistic Prayer A, Page 361 BCP

Offertory

An offering of money is received. Everyone worshiping this morning is invited to make an offering as an expression of gratitude for God's generosity. Many support St. Luke's through pledged offerings made via mail or online through Tithe.ly. Together our gifts make possible for us to live fully into our mission of to live in Christ, to love the world, and to serve one another.

Offertory Hymn: #597 *O Day of Peace that Dimly Shines*

Doxology: #380 v.3

Praise God from whom all blessings flow.

Praise Him/God all creatures here below.

Praise Him/God above ye heavenly host.

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

The Great Thanksgiving

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 him thanks and praise.*

Celebrant:

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

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:

Sanctus: S-130 Holy, Holy Lord

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
 Heaven and earth are full, full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.

The people stand or kneel.

Celebrant:

Holy and gracious Father: 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 many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People:

Christ has died.

Christ has risen.

Christ will come again.

Celebrant:

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, 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.

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

People and Celebrant:

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 Breaking of the Bread

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.

A period of silence is kept.

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

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

Fraction Anthem: *S-154 Christ our Passover*

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.
Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
Therefore, let us keep the feast.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

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.

Communion Hymns: *#664 My Shepherd Will Supply My Need*
 #343 Shepherd of Souls

Celebrant:

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People:

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and single ness of heart; through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The Blessing

Celebrant: Our help is in the Name of the Lord.

People: ***The maker of heaven and earth.***

Celebrant: Blessed be the Name of the Lord.

People: ***From this time forth for ever more. Alleluia, Alleluia.***

Celebrant: The blessing of God Almighty, the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit be with you this day and always.

Closing Hymn: *#376 Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee*

The Dismissal

Deacon: Alleluia, Alleluia. Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

People: *Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia.*

Postlude: *Welcome, Happy Morning!* Arr. by Charles W. Ore

Serving Today:

Officiant: The Rev. Art Scrutchins

Deacons: Deacon Bobby Saunkeah & Deacon Robert Willis

Reader: Michael Riden

Lector: Katrina McCurdy

Choir Dir.: Christopher Bragg

Organist: Farren Rowan

Acolyte: Elliot Riden

Ushers: Shirley Mixon & Christine Pappas

Altar Guild: Johnnie Caufield

Vestry Members:

Senior Warden: Angus McFarlane

Junior Warden: Katrina McCurdy

Treasurer: Barbara Sues

Secretary: Diane Criswell

Tonya Wood

Phyllis Wallace

Joy Dawn Miller

Anne Escobedo

Bridget Forshay

Erin Bigelow-Jacob

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Canon Betsy Randall
will be leading our
Wednesday night services
on the following dates:
April 17
April 24
May 1
May 8

She will be meeting with
the Vestry following the
service to help in planning
the search committee and
facilitating the search process.



Men's Breakfast

Tuesday, May 7th @ 6:45 am
Aldridge Coffee Shop-Ballroom




Matthew 25 Food Ministry

Thursday, May 16th
4:00-5:30 pm

Distribution at
Asbury Methodist
Volunteers Needed!




ST. LUKE'S
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Holy Happy Hour

Friday,
May 17th
5:30-7:30pm

Hosted by
Dan & Marsha
Church


