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welcome!

We are a community of believers seeking and sharing life in Christ through ancient-future faith. Though current circumstances cause our worship to be different from the norm, we absolutely consider it a great **privilege** to worship the Lord with you today. In fact, your presence today is a gift from God. Please let us know if we can do anything to help you connect with our church, or if there is any way our community can help you in these current times.

WE'D LOVE TO GET TO KNOW YOU

If you are new to our church or would like to share a prayer request with the church staff, please send us an email telling us a little bit about yourself and/or sharing your prayer requests or **fill out a connect card online**. Requests are kept confidential and are truly prayed for.

RESOURCES

For more information about Good Shepherd and to hear any of our past sermons, please visit our website:

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OPENING ACCLAMATION

Celebrant: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

People: The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!

WELCOME

COLLECT FOR PURITY

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 PSALM

We will read Psalm 111 responsively by whole verse

1 Praise the Lord!

I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart,
in the company of the upright, in the congregation.

2 **Great are the works of the Lord,
studied by all who delight in them.***

3 Full of splendor and majesty is his work,
and his righteousness endures forever.

4 **He has caused his wondrous works to be remembered;
the Lord is gracious and merciful.***

5 He provides food for those who fear him;
he remembers his covenant forever.

6 **He has shown his people the power of his works,
in giving them the inheritance of the nations.***

7 The works of his hands are faithful and just;
all his precepts are trustworthy;

8 **they are established forever and ever,
to be performed with faithfulness and uprightness.***

9 He sent redemption to his people;
he has commanded his covenant forever.
Holy and awesome is his name!

10 **The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom;
all those who practice it have a good understanding.
His praise endures forever!***

THE LESSON

Liturgist: A reading from 1 Peter chapter 1, verses 3-9.

³ Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! According to his great mercy, he has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, ⁴ to an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, ⁵ who by God's power are being guarded through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. ⁶ In this you rejoice, though now for a little while, if necessary, you have been grieved by various trials, ⁷ so that the tested genuineness of your faith—more precious than gold that perishes though it is tested by fire—may be found to result in praise and glory and honor at the revelation of Jesus Christ. ⁸ Though you have not seen him, you love him. Though you do not now see him, you believe in him and rejoice with joy that is inexpressible and filled with glory, ⁹ obtaining the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

Liturgist: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

THE GOSPEL PROCESSION

THE GOSPEL READING

Celebrant: the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

People: Glory to you Lord Christ.

¹⁹ When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "peace be with you." ²⁰ After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. ²¹ Jesus said to them again, "peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." ²² When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the holy spirit. ²³ If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained."

²⁴ But Thomas (who was called the twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. ²⁵ So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe."

²⁶ A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." ²⁷ Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe." ²⁸ Thomas answered him, "My Lord

and my God!" 29 Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe."

30 Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. 31 But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

THE HOLY GOSPEL

Celebrant: The Holy Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE HOMILY

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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.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Leader: Let us pray for the Church and for the world, saying, "hear our prayer."

After each petition there will be a period of silence for you to add your own prayers silently or aloud.

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

Leader: Lord, in Your mercy.

People: Hear our prayer.

For Steve Wood our Diocesan Bishop and David Bryan our Suffragan Bishop, for all of our Bishops, and for the clergy and people of our congregation and Diocese.

Leader: Lord, in Your mercy.

People: Hear our prayer.

For all those who proclaim the Gospel at home and abroad; and for all who teach and disciple others.

Leader: Lord, in Your mercy.

People: Hear our prayer.

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

Leader: Lord, in Your mercy.

People: Hear our prayer.

For our nation, for those in authority, and for all in public service, that they would seek and uphold justice and truth.

Leader: Lord, in Your mercy.

People: Hear our prayer.

For all those who are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity.

Leader: Lord, in Your mercy.

People: Hear our prayer.

For all those who have departed this life in the certain hope of the resurrection, in thanksgiving let us pray.

Leader: Lord, in Your mercy.

People: Hear our prayer.

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation;

The People may pray and additional prayers here that have not yet been said above.

Hear us, Lord;

For your mercy is great.

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life;

The People may add their own thanksgivings

We will exalt you, O God our King;
And praise your Name for ever and ever.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Almighty and Everlasting God, who in the Paschal mystery established the new covenant of reconciliation: Grant that all who have been reborn into the fellowship of Christ's Body may show forth in their lives what they profess by their faith; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, One God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Celebrant: And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray:

**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.**

THE BLESSING

Celebrant: All our problems,

People: We send to the cross of Christ.

Celebrant: All our difficulties,

People: We send to the cross of Christ.

Celebrant: All the devil's works,

People: We send to the cross of Christ.

Celebrant: All our hopes,

People: We set on the risen Christ. Amen.

SENDING FORTH

Celebrant: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia, alleluia!

People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia

* A Note on Tithes and Offerings:

Tithes and offerings may be given be mailed to the church office, or [paid online](#). Thank you for your continued faithfulness and generosity in these times.