

THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
GOOD SHEPHERD SUNDAY

welcome!

We are a community of believers seeking and sharing life in Christ through ancient-future faith. We 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 feel at home.

CHILDCARE

Childcare is available for children age 2 and under in the nursery, located in the classroom on the right upon entering the lobby. Children age 3 through 5th grade will be dismissed to Godly Play after the Collect for Purity and will return prior to Communion.

WE'D LOVE TO MEET YOU

If you are new to our church or would like to share a prayer request with the church staff, please fill out a connect card located on the table as you walk in. Place it in the offering basket or give it to an usher.

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WELCOME

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People: The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

THE PROCESSION

"O Praise The Name"

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VERSE 1

I cast my mind to Calvary Where Jesus bled and died for me I see His wounds His hands His feet My Saviour on that cursed tree

VERSE 2

His body bound and drenched in tears They laid Him down in Joseph's tomb The entrance sealed by heavy stone Messiah still and all alone

CHORUS 1

O praise the Name of the Lord our God O praise His Name forevermore For endless days we will sing Your praise Oh Lord oh Lord our God

VERSE 3

Then on the third at break of dawn
The Son of heaven rose again
O trampled death where is your sting
The angels roar for Christ the King

VERSE 4

He shall return in robes of white The blazing sun shall pierce the night And I will rise among the saints My gaze transfixed on Jesus' face

"Christ Will Be My Hideaway"

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VERSE 1

I will dwell within the shelter
Of the God Who reigns above
I will rest beneath the shadow
Of the mighty King of love
Though a sickness hides in darkness
Though a plague destroys by day
I will stand upon His promises
Christ will be my hideaway

CHORUS 1

In You my God I trust You are strong and here with us In You my hope remains Christ will be my hideaway

VERSE 2

Angels gather to protect me
When they hear my Savior call
Sovereign hands are ever ready
To uphold me should I fall
Safe beneath His wings of refuge
All my fears are kept at bay
I am shielded by His faithfulness
Christ will be my hideaway

VERSE 3

Though a thousand fall around me
Though death looks me in the eye
Evil shall not have the vict'ry
While the Lord is at my side
God in power raised my Savior
I no longer fear the grave
Through this fragile life and evermore
Christ will be my hideaway

COLLECT FOR PURITY

Almighty God, you bring to light things hidden in darkness, and know the shadows of our hearts: Cleanse and renew us by your Spirit, that we may walk in the light and glorify your name, through Jesus Christ, the Light of the world. Amen.

Please be seated.

THE DISMISSAL OF CHILDREN (3 YEAR-OLDS THROUGH 5TH GRADE)

"Show Us Christ"

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VERSE 1

Prepare our hearts O God

Help us to receive

Break the hard and stony ground

Help our unbelief

Plant Your Word down deep in us

'Cause it to bear fruit

Open up our ears to hear

Lead us in Your truth

CHORUS 1

Show us Christ show us Christ

O God reveal Your glory

Through the preaching of Your Word

Until every heart confesses Christ is Lord

VERSE 2

Your Word is living light

Upon our darkened eyes

Guards us through temptations

Makes the simple wise

Your Word is food for famished ones

Freedom for the slave

Riches for the needy soul

Come speak to us today

BRIDGE

Where else can we go Lord

Where else can we go

You have the words of eternal life

THE FIRST LESSON

Liturgist: A reading from Acts 4:32-37.

³² Now the whole group of those who believed were of one heart and soul, and no one claimed private ownership of any possessions, but everything they owned was held in common. ³³ With great power the apostles gave their testimony to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great grace was upon them all. ³⁴ There was not a needy person among them, for as many as owned lands or houses sold them and brought the proceeds of what was sold. ³⁵ They laid it at the apostles' feet, and it was distributed to each as any had need. ³⁶ There was a Levite, a native of Cyprus, Joseph, to whom the apostles gave the name Barnabas (which means "son of encouragement"). ³⁷ He sold a field that belonged to him, then brought the money, and laid it at the apostles' feet.

Liturgist: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

PSALM

Liturgist: A reading from Psalm 23.

- The LORD is my shepherd, *
 I shall not want.
- He makes me lie down in green pastures; * he leads me beside still waters;
- ³ he restores my soul. *

He leads me in right paths for his name's sake.

- Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I fear no evil; * for you are with me; your rod and your staff they comfort me.
- You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; * you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.
- ⁶ Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, * and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD my whole life long.

THE SECOND LESSON

Liturgist: A reading from 1 John 3:1-10.

¹See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. ²Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. ³ And all who have

this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure. ⁴Everyone who commits sin is guilty of lawlessness; sin is lawlessness. ⁵You know that he was revealed to take away sins, and in him there is no sin. ⁶No one who abides in him sins; no one who sins has either seen him or known him. ⁷Little children, let no one deceive you. Everyone who does what is right is righteous, just as he is righteous. ⁸Everyone who commits sin is a child of the devil; for the devil has been sinning from the beginning. The Son of God was revealed for this purpose, to destroy the works of the devil. ⁹Those who have been born of God do not sin, because God's seed abides in them; they cannot sin, because they have been born of God. ¹⁰The children of God and the children of the devil are revealed in this way: all who do not do what is right are not from God, nor are those who do not love their brothers and sisters.

Liturgist: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

THE GOSPEL PROCESSION

Please stand and sing.

"Forever"

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BRIDGE

We sing hallelujah, we sing hallelujah We sing hallelujah, the Lamb has overcome We sing hallelujah, we sing hallelujah We sing hallelujah, the Lamb has overcome

THE GOSPEL READING

The Gospel reading today is from John 10:11-16.

Celebrant: The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ

¹¹ "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.

THE HOLY GOSPEL

Celebrant: The Holy Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Please be seated.

HOMILY

Please stand.

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: 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.

Please be seated.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Leader: With all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord, saying "Lord, have mercy."

For the peace of the world, for the welfare of the Holy Church of God, and for the unity of all peoples, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For our Bishops, and for all the clergy and people, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For our President, for the leaders of the nations, and for all in authority, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For this city, for every city and community, and for those who live in them, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the good earth which God has given us, and for the wisdom and will to conserve it, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the aged and infirm, for the widowed and orphans, and for the sick and the suffering, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the poor and the oppressed, for the unemployed and the destitute, for prisoners and captives, and for all who remember and care for them, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For all who have died in the hope of the resurrection, and for all the departed, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For deliverance from all danger, violence, oppression, and degradation, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

That we may end our lives in faith and hope, without suffering and without reproach, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

In the communion of all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life, to Christ our God.

To thee, O Lord our God.

The People may add their own petitions

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

O God, whose Son Jesus Christ 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 CONFESSION OF SIN

Celebrant: Let us humbly confess our sins to Almighty God.

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

Celebrant: Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. Amen.

Please stand.

THE PEACE

Celebrant: May the peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And also with you.

Please be seated.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

Celebrant: On the night that he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat; this is my Body which is given for you: Do this in remembrance of me."

Likewise, after supper, Jesus took the cup, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink this, all of you; for 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 in remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

THE MINISTRATION OF COMMUNION

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.

We invite you to take advantage of several opportunities:

All baptized Christians of any age are welcome and encouraged to receive communion. Glutenfree wafers are available; grape juice is available from our acolyte. Please place your empty cup in the trash receptacle near the offering basket as you return to your seat. We ask that households maintain social distance with one another when coming forward to receive the sacrament.

COMMUNION HYMN

"It Was Finished Upon That Cross"

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VERSE 1

How I love the voice of Jesus
On the Cross of Calvary
He declares his work is finished
He has spoken this hope to me
Though the sun had ceased its shining
Though the war appeared as lost
Christ had triumphed over evil
It was finished upon that Cross

VERSE 2

Now the curse it has been broken
Jesus paid the price for me
Full the pardon He has offered
Great the welcome that I receive
Boldly I approach my Father
Clothed in Jesus' righteousness
There is no more guilt to carry
It was finished upon that Cross

VERSE 3

Death was once my great opponent Fear once had a hold on me But the Son who died to save us Rose that we would be free indeed

VERSE 4

Death was once my great opponent

Fear once had a hold on me

But the Son who died to save us

Rose that we would be free indeed

Yes He rose that we would be free indeed

Free from ev'ry plan of darkness

Free to live and free to love

Death is dead and Christ is risen

It was finished upon that Cross

ENDING

Onward to eternal glory

To my Saviour and my God

I rejoice in Jesus' victory

It was finished upon that Cross

It was finished upon that Cross

It was finished upon that Cross

"Behold Our God"

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VERSE 1

Who has held the oceans in His hands

Who has numbered every grain of sand

Kings and nations tremble at His voice

All creation rises to rejoice

CHORUS 1

Behold our God seated on His throne

Come let us adore Him

Behold our King nothing can compare

Come let us adore Him

VERSE 2

Who has given counsel to the Lord

Who can question any of His words

Who can teach the One who knows all things

Who can fathom all His wondrous deeds

VERSE 3

Who has felt the nails upon His hand Bearing all the guilt of sinful man God eternal humbled to the grave Jesus Savior risen now to reign

BRIDGE

You will reign forever!

THE DOXOLOGY

Please stand and sing.

"Doxology"

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INTRO:

Praise God from whom all blessings flow Praise Him all creatures here below Praise Him above ye heav'nly hosts Praise Father Son and Holy Ghost Amen

THE POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Almighty and ever-living God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and forever. Amen.

THE BLESSING

Celebrant: The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. Amen.

THE HYMN IN RECESSION

"The Blessing"

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The Lord bless you

And keep you

Make his face shine upon you

And be gracious to you

The Lord turn his

Face toward you

And give you peace

CHORUS

Amen

Amen

Amen

BRIDGE

May his favor be upon you

And a thousand generations

To your family, And your children

And their children

And their children

May his presence go before you

And behind you and beside you

All around you and within you

He is with you

He is with you

In the morning, In the evening

In your coming and your going

In your weeping and rejoicing

He is for you

He is for you

SENDING FORTH

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

People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

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MISSION TEAMS

Angel Wings

Prepares meals to those who are going through trying times such as an illness, a move, new baby, etc. Team leader: Carrie Setterberg

Community Pregnancy Center of Lake Norman

Seeks to serve Jesus Christ through ministering to those touched by possible crisis pregnancy. Team leaders: Andi Wheeler and Lori Nielson

Davidson College

Walks alongside Davidson College students through a variety of means, including outreach, Bible Studies, social gatherings, and pairing students with an "Adoptive" Good Shepherd Family. Team leader: Kenzie Brastow

Inheritance of Hope

Serves families who are facing the loss of a parent through illness. Team leader: Gina Roes

Loaves & Fishes

Collects toiletry donations for the local food pantry. Team leader: Lesley Lee

Refugee Support Services

Helps newly arrived refugees make Charlotte their new home. Team leader: Ruston Dickens

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Wycliffe Bible Translators

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