

ST. ANDREW'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH  
SHIPPENSBURG, PENNSYLVANIA



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The Forth Sunday of Easter

**Welcome to St. Andrew's Episcopal Church**  
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Dear Friends,

**We welcome you to our worship this day in the season of Easter.** We are delighted that you have come to worship with us during this celebratory season of Easter which lasts fifty days, during which we acknowledge and embrace the new life offered to us through the resurrection of Jesus. Good morning.

Rather than offering the service of Holy Eucharist this morning we will focus on God's Word, in a simpler way, setting before us a time of focusing our thoughts and opening our hearts on the scripture.

We set this Sunday, and our own lives, of course within this season of the Coronavirus and our ongoing and deepening concern for the well-being of the world. We may find this time of isolation and fear to be a very difficult time, and yet, as others have said, this is exactly the time that our spiritual practices of worship, prayer, living in community, and being formed as Christians has prepared us for. I trust that we will find a way to live out of the truth and strength of God in this very challenging time, for I trust God to be a part of our lives.

And so, we can rejoice that we can gather in a new way, for we hold this prayer within our hearts.

*Make us an Easter people, O Christ, whose name is "Alleluia." May we, like Mary, rise in joy when you call our name. May we, like Thomas, see and believe. May we, like Peter, become bold and brace. May we, like Cleopas, meet you in every road. May we, like them, be utterly changed, in the victory of the love by which you left your tomb, and saved us forever from death. In your name, Jesus. Amen.*

*Liturgy for the Whole Church*

To prepare our hearts and minds for worship, we seek to share quiet and silence before our services. We invite you to join us in this spiritual practice.

Faithfully, Mother Barbara

GATHERING ANNOUNCEMENT

TOLLING BELL INVITING SILENCE TO PREPARE OUR HEARTS

GATHERING CHANT

## God is in this place

♩ = 80

God is in this place. I - mman-u - el God with us. God with us.

1. 2.

The image shows a musical score for a chant. It is written on a single staff in treble clef, with a key signature of one flat (Bb) and a time signature of 4/4. The tempo is marked as quarter note = 80. The lyrics are: 'God is in this place. I - mman-u - el God with us. God with us.' The melody consists of quarter and eighth notes. There are two endings: the first ending leads back to the beginning of the phrase 'God with us', and the second ending leads to a final double bar line.

BELL CALLING US TO WORSHIP

# OPENING HYMN #207 Jesus Christ is Risen today!

*Descant*

1 Je - sus Christ is risen to - day, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 2 Hymns of praise then let us sing, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 3 But the pains which he en - dured, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 4 Sing we to our God a - bove Al - le - lu - ia!

our tri - um - phant ho - ly day, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 un - to Christ, our heaven - ly King, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 our sal - va - tion have pro - cured; Al - le - lu - ia!  
 praise e - ter - nal as his love; Al - le - lu - ia!

who did once up - on the cross, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 who en - dured the cross and grave, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 now a - bove the sky he's King, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 praise him, all ye heaven - ly host, Al - le - lu - ia!

suf - fer to re - deem our loss. Al - le - lu - ia!  
 sin - ners to re - deem and save. Al - le - lu - ia!  
 where the an - gels ev - er sing. Al - le - lu - ia!  
 Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. Al - le - lu - ia!

## THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

*Officiant* Alleluia. Christ is risen.  
*People* The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

# GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and  
peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly  
King, al - mighty God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we  
give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus  
Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you  
take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy  
on us; 5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -  
ceive our prayer. 6. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One,  
you a - lone are the Lord, 7. you a - lone are the Most  
High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the  
glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

## COLLECT OF THE DAY

*Celebrant*                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.**

## A READING FROM THE BOOK OF ACTS

Acts 2:42-47

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*                Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.  
*People*                **Thanks be to God.**

## PSALM 23 (*please say aloud the verses in bold type*)

- 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 evil; \***  
**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.**

## A READING FROM THE FIRST LETTER OF PETER

1 Peter 2:19-25

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.

## THE HOLY GOSPEL

John 10:1-10

*Celebrant*        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.”

*Celebrant*        The Gospel of the Lord.  
*People*            **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

## THE HOMILY

Mother Barbara

## THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE (Form II)

We ask your prayers for God's people throughout the world; for our Presiding Bishop, Michael Curry and for our Diocesan Bishop, Audrey Scanlan, for this gathering of hearts; and for all ministers and people. Pray for the Church.

*Silence*

We ask your prayers for our visitors today, those new to our worship, who are seeking a closer relationship with God, that they may sense the love and compassion of Christ through our worship and as expressed by our love which knows no bounds and casts away all isolation. Grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us.

*Silence*

We ask your prayers for peace; for goodwill among nations; and for the well-being of all people. Pray for justice and peace.

*Silence*

We ask your prayers for the poor, the sick, the hungry, the oppressed, and those in prison. We especially pray for the residents of the Episcopal Home: Barbara, Frank, Shirley, Mary, Sharon, Jo, Myrtle, Cathy, Mary, Juanita, Gary, Carole, Marietta, Frank, Edna, Ruth, and Paula and the staff of the Episcopal Home: Mary Grace, Becky, Julie, Donna, Kathy, Tonja, Tamey, Lorrie, Alyssa, Ada, Jen, Sondra, Esther, Wayne, Anita, Tammy, Laurie, Effie, Diane, Mike, and Jane, and all who love them We also pray for June, Kathy, Sue, Samantha, Mary Beth, Kathy, Julie, Kim and Audrey, Evan, Wanda, Brian Rotz, Ellen, Jeanine, Brian Helman, Ellen Harkins and her family, Fred Detschel, Lori, Sherry, Jim and family, Virginia, the Watts family and Pedro, Regina, Patricia and Josh, Nan, Gary, Janet, Daimen, Rachel Mooney, Josh, Mina, Robert Carter, Laura, Cheryl, June, Rose M., Susan, Tom, Matthew, and Connor, Samantha, Stan and Dottie. We also pray for God's peace and protection to be upon those

who are in active duty in our military: John Hall, Kelley Williams, Levi Nelson, Brad Arnold, Kyle Hubert, Brent Welch,

Pray for those in any need or trouble.

*Silence*

We seek God's grace and mercy upon all who are experiencing the effects of the coronavirus pandemic in the world: those who are suffering from physical discomfort, isolation, disrupted routines, uncertainty and fear. We seek the blessings of unity in Christ-like love, praying and caring for each other with patience and persistence, holding each other in our hearts when we are unable to gather together.

*Silence*

We ask your prayers for all who seek God, or a deeper knowledge of God. Pray that they may find and be found by God.

*Silence*

We ask your prayers for the departed, especially Ivy Kraker. Pray for those who have died.

*Silence*

*Members of the congregation may offer their prayers or thanksgivings.*

We ask your prayers for \_\_\_\_\_. *(Please add your own offerings, aloud or in the silence of your heart.)*

We ask your thanksgiving for \_\_\_\_\_. *(Please add your own offerings, aloud or in the silence of your heart.)*

*Silence*

Praise God for those in every generation in whom Christ has been honored. Pray that we may have grace to glorify Christ in our own day.

*Silence*

*Officiant* 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.

*People* Amen.

## OUR OFFERING TO OUR MISSION

OFFERTORY SOLO *Brother James Aire*

L. Bain, Composer  
Brian Dean, Arrangement  
Milan Shepherd, Vocalist  
Kevin Gorman, Pianist

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

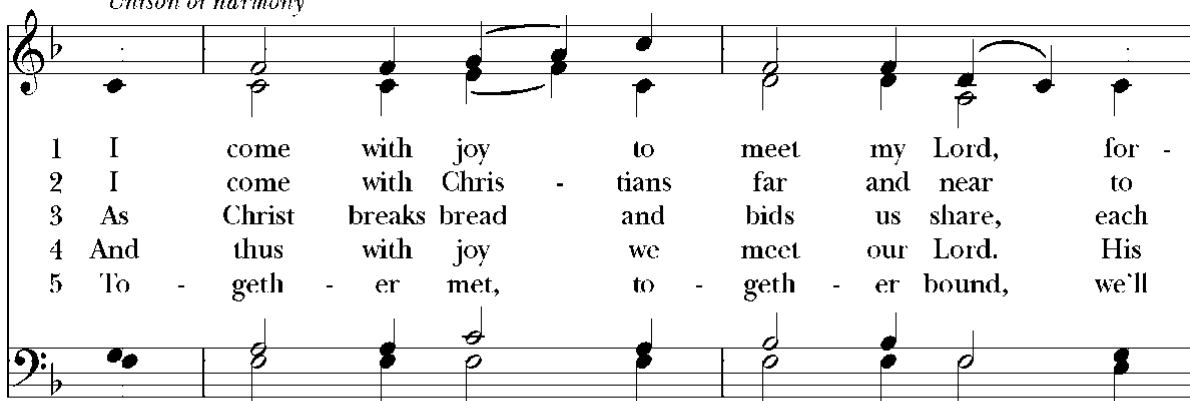
**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.**

## THE BLESSING

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

# THE CLOSING HYMN #304 I come with joy to meet my Lord!

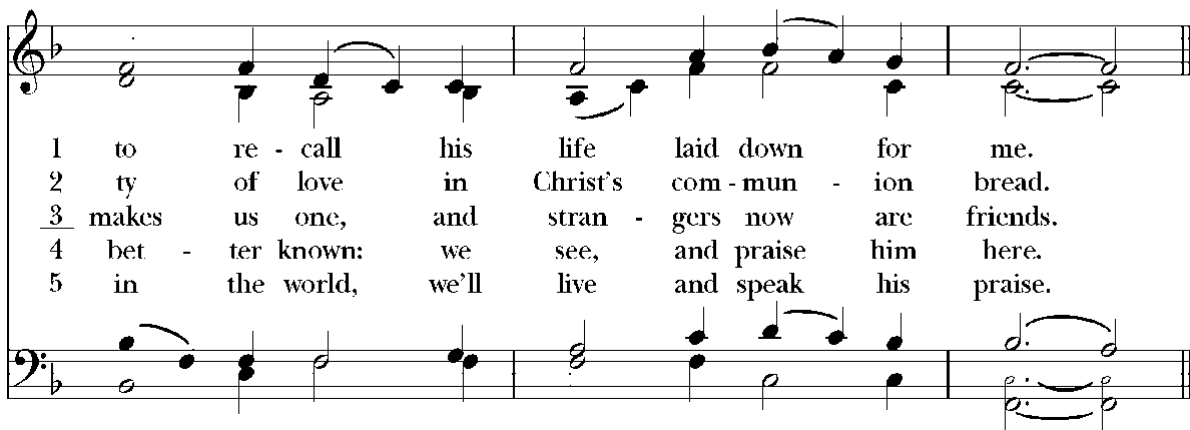
*Unison or harmony*



1 I come with joy to meet my Lord, for -  
2 I come with Chris - tians far and near to  
3 As Christ breaks bread and bids us share, each  
4 And thus with joy we meet our Lord. His  
5 To - geth - er met, to - geth - er bound, we'll



1 giv - en, loved, and free, in awe and won - der  
2 find, as all are fed, the new com - mu - ni -  
3 proud di - vi - sion ends. That love that made us  
4 pres - ence, al - ways near, is in such friend - ship  
5 go our dif - ferent ways, and as his peo - ple



1 to re - call his life laid down for me.  
2 ty of love in Christ's com - mun - ion bread.  
3 makes us one, and stran - gers now are friends.  
4 bet - ter known: we see, and praise him here.  
5 in the world, we'll live and speak his praise.

## THE DISMISSAL

*Assisting Ministers*  
*People*

Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia. Alleluia.  
**Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia.**

## INSTRUMENTAL OFFERING by Kevin Gorman

### Worship Ministers

Officiant & Homilist	The Rev. Barbara Hutchinson
Interim Church Musician	Kevin Gorman
Vocalists	Michelle DiBona Trefren Milan Shepherd
Lectors	Larry Shillock (Acts) Gary Murrell (Psalm) Frank Mazzacua (Psalm) Lisa Woolley (Peter)
Prayers of the People	The Rev. Deacon Wanda Kloza
Dismissal	James and Thomas Williams