

Third Sunday of Easter - April 23, 2023 Pastor Jordon Cooper

Welcome

Prelude	Christ Lag in Todesbanden JS Bach
	The King of Love My Shepherd Is LSB 709 The King of love my shep - herd is, Where streams of liv - ing wa - ter flow, Per - verse and fool - ish oft I strayed, In death's dark vale I fear no ill With Thee, dear
	fail - eth nev - er; I noth - ing lack if soul He lead - eth And, where the ver - dant love He sought me And on His shoul - der Lord, be - side me, Thy rod and staff my
5 1	I am His And He is mine for - ev - er. pas - tures grow, With food ce - les - tial feed - eth. gent - ly laid And home re - joic - ing brought me. com - fort still, Thy cross be - fore to guide me. 'hou 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, 1821–77 Tune: Irish, c. 18th cent. Text and tune: Public domain

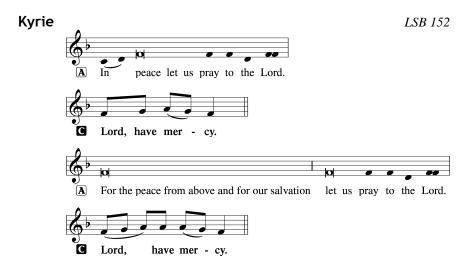
Confession and Absolution

- \mathbf{P} In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- **C** Amen.
- If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
- **C** But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

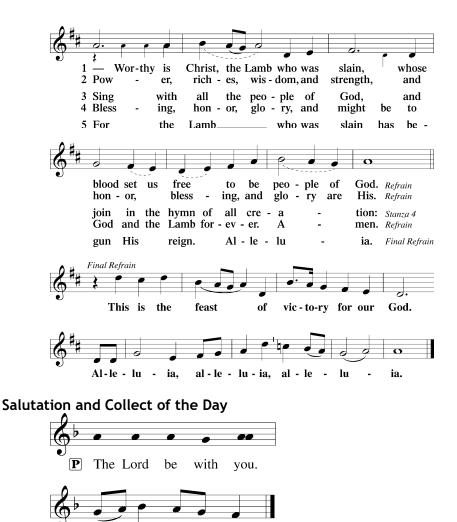
Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

- **P** Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
- ☑ Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. 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 justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.
- P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- **C** Amen

Service of the Word







- **C** And al so with you.
- **P** Let us pray.
- **C** O God, through the humiliation of Your Son You raised up the fallen world. Grant to Your faithful people, rescued from the peril of everlasting death, perpetual gladness and eternal joys; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Old Testament

Ezekiel 34:11-16

¹¹"For thus says the Lord GOD: Behold, I, I myself will search for my sheep and will seek them out. ¹²As a shepherd seeks out his flock when he is among his sheep that have been scattered, so will I seek out my sheep, and I will rescue them from all places where they have been scattered on a day of clouds and thick darkness. ¹³And I will bring them out from the peoples and gather them from the countries, and will bring them into their own land. And I will feed them on the mountains of Israel, by the ravines, and in all the inhabited places of the country. ¹⁴I will feed them with good pasture, and on the mountain heights of Israel shall be their grazing land. There they shall lie down in good grazing land, and on rich pasture they shall feed on the mountains of Israel. ¹⁵I myself will be the shepherd of my sheep, and I myself will make them lie down, declares the Lord GOD. ¹⁶I will seek the lost, and I will bring back the strayed, and I will bind up the injured, and I will strengthen the weak, and the fat and the strong I will destroy. I will feed them in justice."

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Choral Anthem (9:30 a.m.)	The Lord's My Shepherd	Heim
Psalm		Psalm 23
I shall ne ² He makes I He leads ³ He re- sto	is my shepherd;* ot want. ne lie down in green pastures.* me beside still waters. res my soul.* me in paths of righteousness for his	name's sake.
I will fear n	h I walk through the valley of the sh o evil, for you are with me;* and your staff, they comfort me.	adow of death,
in the prese you anoin	re a table before me nce of my enemies;* at my head with oil; overflows.	
⁶ Surely good all the days	dness and mercy shall follow me of my life,* l dwell in the house of the LORD for-	- ever.
•	the Father, and to the Son, and to th the beginning, is now, and will be fo	• •

Epistle

²¹For to this you have been called, because Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example, so that you might follow in his steps. ²²He committed no sin, neither was deceit found in his mouth. ²³When he was reviled, he did not revile in return; when he suffered, he did not threaten, but continued entrusting himself to him who judges justly. ²⁴He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness. By his wounds you have been healed. ²⁵For you were straying like sheep, but have now returned to the Shepherd and Overseer of your souls.

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Holy Gospel

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John 10:11-16

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the tenth chapter.



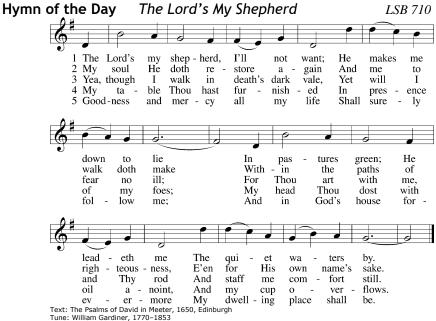
¹¹[Jesus said:] "I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. ¹²He who is a hired hand and not a shepherd, who does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and flees, and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. ¹³He flees because he is a hired hand and cares nothing for the sheep. ¹⁴I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, ¹⁵just as the Father knows me and I know the Father; and I lay down my life for the sheep. ¹⁶And I have other sheep that are not of this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



Sit

Conversation With the Children



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Sermon

Apostles' Creed

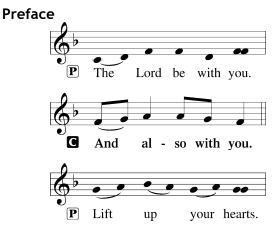
C I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And 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.

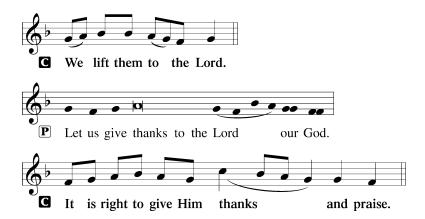
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life + everlasting. Amen.

Prayer of the Church and Passing of the Peace

Service of the Sacrament



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 It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who, having created all things, took on human flesh and was born of the virgin Mary. For our sake He died on the cross and rose from the dead to put an end to death, thus fulfilling Your will and gaining for You a holy people. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:



Prayer of Thanksgiving

Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Lord's Prayer

P Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us 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.

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The Words of Our Lord

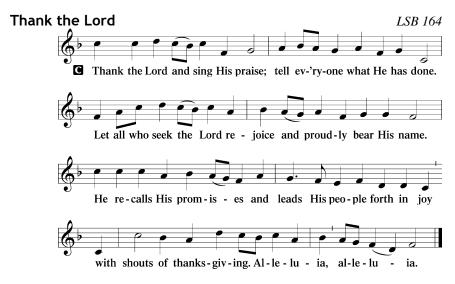
P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My + body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My + blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."



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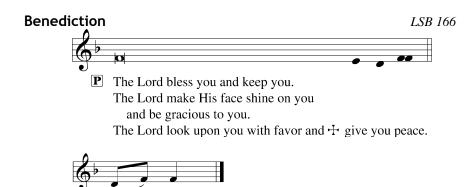
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Post-Communion Collect

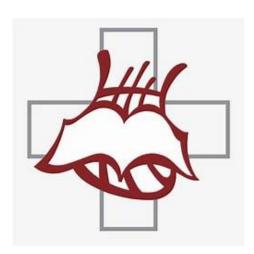
- **A** Let us pray.
- **C** O God the Father, the fountain and source of all goodness, who in loving-kindness sent Your only-begotten Son into the flesh, we thank You that for His sake You have given us pardon and peace in this Sacrament, and we ask You not to forsake Your children but always to rule our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that we may be enabled constantly to serve You; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.





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Closing Hymn Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us LSB 711 Sav like us; Much 1 ior. а shep - herd lead we 2 We are Yours; in love be - friend us, Be the 3 You have re - ceive Poor and prom - ised to us, 4 Ear ly seek Your Ear - ly let us fa vor, need Your ten - der care. In Your pleas - ant pas - tures Your flock, from sin guard - ian of Keep de our way; sin - ful though we You have mer - cy be; to re -Your let do will: Bless - ed Lord and us on - ly For feed us, our use Your fold pre - pare. fend Seek us when a - stray. us, we go lieve Grace to cleanse, and pow'r to free. us, Sav ior, With Your love our spir - its fill. Bless - ed Je bless - ed Je You have sus, sus, _ -Bless - ed Je sus. bless - ed Je sus. Hear us -Bless - ed bless - ed Ear - ly You have Je sus, Je sus, Bless - ed Je sus. bless - ed Je -sus. • Je - sus, bought us; we are Yours. Bless - ed chil dren when we pray. Bless - ed Je - sus, Bless - ed Bless - ed let us turn to You. Je - sus, loved us, love us still. Je - sus, You have bought us; Yours. bless - ed Je - sus, we are pray. bless - ed Je - sus, Hear us chil - dren when we Je - sus, Ear - ly let You have loved You. bless - ed us turn to bless - ed Je - sus. love still. us. us Text: Hymns for the Young, 1836, 4th ed., London, alt. Tune: William B. Bradbury, 1816–68 Text and tune: Public domain

Postlude

Trumpet Voluntary

Tim Attride

Today's Volunteers and Worship Staff: (9:30 a.m.) Reader: Maili Pieragostini Communion Assistants: Gary Gollenberg and Rob Balancia Acolyte: Orion Lowery Chancel: Carolyn Mandarano Communion Preparation: Charlotte Pavilides and Lynn Sandor Organist & Director of Music: Bev Thompson Assistant Organist: Elijah Morris Guitar: Peter Obre Trumpet: Gary Gollenberg

Altar flowers are given today by. Bud and Cullette Williams in honor of their 39th wedding anniversary; and Rob and Kirsten Balancia for All God's blessings and for Catherine's 19th birthday.

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