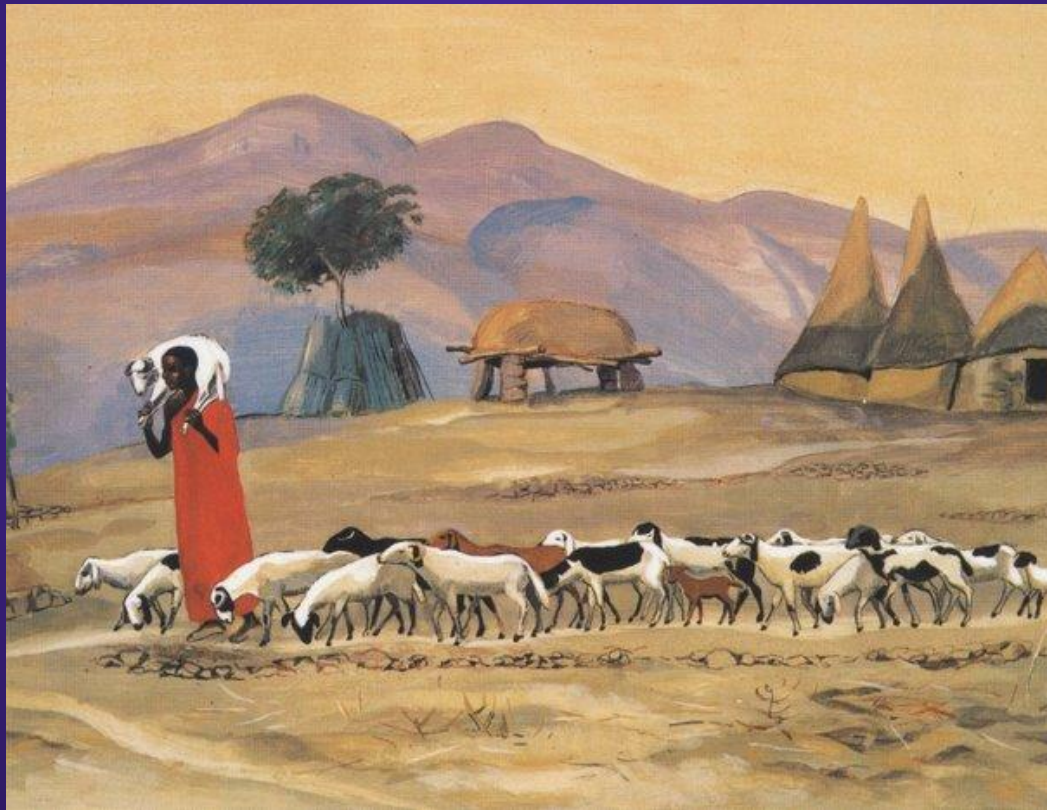


HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE II

APRIL 21, 2024 FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

*St. Michael's Episcopal Church
Austin, Texas*



The Good Shepherd, by JESUS MAFA, 1973.

Hymn “Welcome, happy morning!” age to age vv. 1, 2, 5

1. “Welcome, happy morning!” age to age shall say:
hell today is vanquished, heaven is won today!
Lo! the dead is living, God for evermore!
Him their true Creator, all his works adore!
“Welcome, happy morning!” age to age shall say.
2. Earth her joy confesses, clothing her for spring,
all fresh gifts returned with her returning King:
bloom in every meadow, leaves on every bough,
speak his sorrow ended, hail his triumph now.
“Welcome, happy morning!” age to age shall say.

5. Thou, of life the author, death didst undergo,
tread the path of darkness, saving strength to show;
come then, true and faithful, now fulfill thy word,
'tis thine own third morning! rise, O buried Lord!
“Welcome, happy morning!” age to age shall say.

The Collect for Purity

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ is risen.

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

Celebrant

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 Gloria S280 *The Hymnal 1982*

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

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.**

Psalm 23

We will say the psalm in unison.

**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 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.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Hymn I, the Lord of sea and sky vv. 1-2

1. I, the Lord of sea and sky,
I have heard my people cry.
All who dwell in deepest sin My hand will save.
I who made the stars of night,
I will make their darkness bright.
Who will bear my light to them?
Whom shall I send?

Refrain

Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?

I have heard you calling in the night.

I will go, Lord, if you lead me,

I will hold your people in my heart.

2. I, the Lord of snow and rain,
I have borne my people's pain.
I have wept for love of them,
They turn away.
I will break their hearts of stone,
Give them hearts for love alone.
I will speak my word to them.
Whom shall I send?

Refrain

Priest

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.”

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.

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

The Sermon

The Rev. John Newton

The Nicene Creed (*said together*)

**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 for Eastertide

(The People say the bolded responses)

Alleluia! What was dead now lives; what was dark now shines in glory; what was forgotten will now be remembered forever; for Christ is risen and walks among us. Let us confidently bring before God all of our needs and all the needs of the world, asking God for renewal, and saying Christ is risen:

Christ is risen, indeed.

God of hope, in gratitude and joy we praise you for the gift of Christ's presence in the world. In this Easter Season, sustain us, we pray, for Christ is risen:

Christ is risen, indeed.

God of justice, as we honor the gift of Christ's presence in the world, may we seek to serve all those whom the world has despised and forgotten, those who hunger and thirst and have no place to lay their heads, remembering always that every human being is made in your image, for Christ is risen:

Christ is risen, indeed.

God of compassion, look with loving-kindness upon all who are sick and weary, troubled and discouraged, sorrowful and afraid; keep their hearts mindful that Christ overcame pain and humiliation on the cross, for Christ is risen:

Christ is risen, indeed.

God of life, grant that all your servants who have died, being raised with Christ, may know the strength of his presence and rejoice with him in eternal glory, for Christ is risen:

Christ is risen, indeed.

The Celebrant concludes with the following prayer:

O God of all that was and is and is to come; we praise you for your Christ's death which has saved us from death and for his resurrection which has restored us to life. Grant these our prayers through Jesus the risen one, in the power of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

The Peace

Celebrant

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People

And also with you.

Announcements

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Offertory Hymn He is Exalted

He is exalted, the King is exalted on high,
I will praise Him.

He is exalted, forever exalted
And I will praise His name!

He is the Lord, forever His truth shall reign.
Heaven and earth rejoice in His holy name.
He is exalted, the King is exalted on high!

He is exalted, the King is exalted on high,
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The Doxology (*all sing*)

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise him, all creatures here below;
praise him above, ye heavenly host:
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
Amen.**

The Great Thanksgiving Eucharistic Prayer B

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 God thanks and praise.**

The Celebrant continues

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. But chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again he has won for us everlasting life. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Sanctus (*all sing*)

Holy, holy, holy Lord

God of power, of power and might

Heaven and earth are full of Your glory

Hosannah in the highest.

Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosannah in the highest, hosannah in the highest.

The Celebrant then continues

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, 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, according to his command, O Father,
(sung in unison twice through)

**We remember His death,
we proclaim His resurrection,
we await His coming in glory.**

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you,
O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this
bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon
these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of
Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your
Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him,
being sanctified by the Holy Spirit.

In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with Michael and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

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.**

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

People **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

Fraction Anthem (*sung in unison*)

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

Celebrant then says

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 Hymn It is Well with My Soul

Our scars are a sign of grace in our lives,
And Father, how You brought us through.
When deep were the wounds, and dark was the night,
The promise of Your love You proved.

Now every battle still to come,
Let this be our song.
It is well with my soul.
It is well, it is well with my soul.

Weeping may come, remain for a night,
But joy will paint the morning sky.
You're there in the fast, You're there in feast,
Your faithfulness will always shine.

Now every blessing still to come,
Let this be our song.
It is well with my soul.
It is well, it is well with my soul.

Trust Your ways, trust Your name,
It is well, it is well with my soul.

You lead us through battles,
You lead us to blessing.
And You make us fruitful,
In the land of our suffering, God.

It is well, it is well with my soul.
It is well, it is well with my soul.

Post-Communion Prayer

Celebrant Let us pray

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 singleness of heart;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

The Blessing

The Celebrant blesses the People, and the People respond with "Amen."

Hymn Thine be the glory

1. Thine be the glory, risen, conquering Son,
endless is the victory thou o'er death hast won;
angels in bright raiment rolled the stone away,
kept the folded grave-clothes where thy body lay.

Refrain

*Thine be the glory, risen, conquering Son,
endless is the victory thou o'er death hast won.*

2. Lo, Jesus meets us, risen from the tomb;
lovingly he greets us, scatters fear and gloom;
let the church with gladness hymns of triumph sing,
for her Lord now liveth, death hath lost its sting:

Refrain

*Thine be the glory, risen, conquering Son,
endless is the victory thou o'er death hast won.*

3. No more we doubt thee, glorious Prince of Life;
life is naught without thee: aid us in our strife;
make us more than conquerors through thy deathless love;
bring us safe through Jordan to thy home above:

Refrain

Dismissal

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

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

Postlude

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