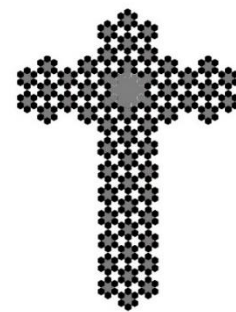


# The Fourth Sunday of Easter

May 08, 2022

8:00 AM Service

Holy Communion: Rite I



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## WELCOME TO GOOD SHEPHERD

**Masks are recommended, but not required.**

**Restrooms:** Handicap-accessible restrooms are located to the right as you go up the ramp through the archway across from the doors of the sanctuary.

**We have gluten-free wafers available:** Please tell us when you come to the altar rail.

**Standing, sitting, and kneeling:** Throughout the bulletin, there are invitations to stand, sit or kneel, as you choose. You are free to be seated at any time when that is best for you.

**A gentle Reminder:** Please enter the Nave Quietly and reverently and silence your phones.

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## GATHERING FOR WORSHIP

### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Please remain seated.*

### ACCLAMATION

*Please stand.*

*Celebrant* Alleluia. Christ is risen.

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

### COLLECT FOR PURITY

*All* **Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

*Celebrant* Lord, have mercy upon us.

*All* **Christ, have mercy upon us.**

*Celebrant* Lord, have mercy upon us.

### THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And with thy Spirit.**

*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.

*All* **Amen.**

## THE WORD OF GOD

*Please be seated.*

### THE FIRST READING

Acts 9:36-43

*Lector* *The First Reading is taken from Acts chapter 9...*

Now in Joppa there was a disciple whose name was Tabitha, which in Greek is Dorcas. She was devoted to good works and acts of charity. At that time she became ill and died. When they had washed her, they laid her in a room upstairs. Since Lydda was near Joppa, the disciples, who heard that Peter was there, sent two men to him with the request, "Please come to us without delay." So Peter got up and went with them; and when he arrived, they took him to the room upstairs. All the widows stood beside him, weeping and showing tunics and other clothing that Dorcas had made while she was with them. Peter put all of them outside, and then he knelt down and prayed. He turned to the body and said, "Tabitha, get up." Then she opened her eyes, and seeing Peter, she sat up. He gave her his hand and helped her up. Then calling the saints and widows, he showed her to be alive. This became known throughout Joppa, and many believed in the Lord. Meanwhile he stayed in Joppa for some time with a certain Simon, a tanner.

*Lector* The Word of the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

### THE PSALM 23

*Lector* *We will read responsively Psalm 23...*

*Lector* The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not be in want.

*People* **He makes me lie down in green pastures and leads me beside still waters.**

*Lector* He revives my soul and guides me along right pathways for his Name's sake.

*People* **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.**

*Lector* 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.

*People* **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.**

*Lector*        *The Second Reading is taken from Revelation chapter 7...*

I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. They cried out in a loud voice, saying, "Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!" And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, singing, "Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen." Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?" I said to him, "Sir, you are the one that knows." Then he said to me, "These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. For this reason they are before the throne of God, and worship him day and night within his temple, and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them. They will hunger no more, and thirst no more; the sun will not strike them, nor any scorching heat; for the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of the water of life, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

*Lector*        The Word of the Lord.

*People*        **Thanks be to God.**

## THE GOSPEL

John 10:22-30

*Please stand.*

*Deacon*        The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

*People*        **Glory be to thee, O Lord.**

*Deacon*        At that time the festival of the Dedication took place in Jerusalem. It was winter, and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the portico of Solomon. So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, "How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah, tell us plainly." Jesus answered, "I have told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father's name testify to me; but you do not believe, because you do not belong to my sheep. My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand. What my Father has given me is greater than all else, and no one can snatch it out of the Father's hand. The Father and I are one."

*Deacon*        The Gospel of the Lord.

*People*        **Praise be to thee, O Christ.**

## SERMON

The Rev. Whitney Burton

*Please be seated.*

**NICENE CREED** *Please stand.*

*People* 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**

*Please sit, stand, or kneel, as you prefer.*

*Deacon* Let us pray for the whole state of Christ's Church and the world.

*Lector* Almighty and everliving God, who in thy holy Word hast taught us to make prayers,  
and supplications, and to give thanks for all humanity receive these our prayers which  
we offer unto thy divine Majesty, beseeching thee to inspire continually the Universal  
Church with the spirit of truth, unity, and concord; and grant that all those who do  
confess thy holy Name may agree in the truth of thy holy Word, and live in unity and  
godly love. God of Light and Life,

*People* **We pray to you.**

*Lector* Give grace, O heavenly Father, to all bishops, especially to Michael, our Presiding  
Bishop; Dabney, our Bishop; Barry and Michael, our Assisting Bishops; Whitney, our  
Rector; Cindy, our Deacon; to our companion diocese of the Dominican Republic; to  
these Episcopal Churches in our Diocese; St. Anselm's Chapel, University of South  
Florida Chapel Center; St. Augustine's, St. Petersburg; St. Bartholomew's, St.  
Petersburg; St. Bede's, St. Petersburg; St. Boniface, Sarasota; St. Catherine's, Temple

Terrace; St. Chad's, Tampa; and to all priests, deacons, and the laity in their ministry; that they may, both by their life and doctrine, set forth thy true and lively Word, and rightly and duly administer thy holy Sacraments. God of Light and Life,

*People* **We pray to you.**

*Lector* And to all thy people give thy heavenly grace, and especially to this congregation here present; that, with meek heart and due reverence, they may hear and receive thy holy Word, truly serving thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of their life. God of Light and Life,

*People* **We pray to you.**

*Lector* We beseech thee also so to rule the hearts of those who bear the authority of government in this and every land, especially our elected leaders, that they may be led to wise decisions and right actions for the welfare and peace of the world. We pray that all God's children, especially those in the Middle East, might live in the hope of the world peace for which we are created. God of Light and Life,

*People* **We pray to you.**

*Lector* And we most humbly beseech thee, of thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succor [*Add handwritten names from notebook*] and all those who, in this transitory life, are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity, especially those listed in the weekly news who have asked for our prayers. I now invite you to pray for others by name, aloud or in your hearts. [*Leave time...*] God of Light and Life,

*People* **We pray to you.**

*Lector* Open, O Lord, the eyes of all people to behold thy gracious hand in all thy works, that, rejoicing in thy whole creation, they may honor thee with their substance, and be faithful stewards of thy bounty. We give thanks for the flowers given to the Glory of God, and for all the blessings of this life, especially the birthdays this coming week of for Lynne Henderson, Christine Tsotsos, and Ray Fisher, and for the anniversary of John Russotto & Lawrence Singer, God of Light and Life,

*People* **We pray to you.**

*Lector* And we also bless thy holy Name for all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear, [*especially... add names from notebook*]. Please add names of those on your heart, silently or aloud. [*Leave time...*] We beseech thee to grant them continual growth in thy love and service; and to grant us grace so to follow the good examples of all thy saints, that with them we may be partakers of thy heavenly kingdom. God of Light and Life,

*People* **We pray to you.**

*Lector* Grant these our prayers, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate.

*The Celebrant adds a concluding collect.*

*People* **AMEN.**

## THE GREETING OF PEACE

*Please stand.*

*Celebrant* The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People* **And with thy spirit.**

## THE HOLY COMMUNION

### OFFERTORY SENTENCE

*Please be seated.*

### PRESENTATION OF THE OFFERING

*Deacon* As we receive these gifts, we acknowledge

*People* **All things come from thee, O Lord and of thine own have we given thee.**

### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING: Eucharistic Prayer II

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And with thy spirit.**

*Celebrant* Lift up your hearts.

*People* **We lift them up unto the Lord.**

*Celebrant* Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

*People* **It is meet and right so to do.**

*Celebrant* It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God, Creator of the light and source of life, who hast made us in thine image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord. Therefore, with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,

*People* **Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts: Heaven and earth are full of thy glory.**

**Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High.**

**Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

*Please kneel or stand, as you choose.*

*Celebrant* All glory be to thee, O Lord our God, for that thou didst create heaven and earth, and didst make us in thine own image; and, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to take our nature upon him, and to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption. He made there a full and perfect sacrifice for the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread; and when he had given thanks to thee, 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, he 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 remission of sins. Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me."

Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, we thy people do celebrate and make, with these thy holy gifts which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and

glorious ascension; and looking for his coming again with power and great glory. And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us, and, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, to bless and sanctify these gifts of bread and wine, that they may be unto us the Body and Blood of thy dearly-beloved Son Jesus Christ.

*Celebrant and People*      **And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, whereby we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies. Grant, we beseech thee, that all who partake of this Holy Communion may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, and be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction; and also that we and all thy whole Church may be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord;**

*Celebrant*      By whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end.

*People*      **AMEN.**

### **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

*Celebrant*      And now, as our Savior Christ hath 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.**

### **BREAKING OF THE BREAD**

*Celebrant*      Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

*People*      **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

*Celebrant*      The Gifts of God for the People of God.

### **COMMUNION TAIZE CHANT**

In the Lord

*(All may sing)*

**In the Lord I'll be ever thankful, in the Lord I will rejoice!  
Look to God, do not be afraid. Lift up your voices, the Lord is near;  
Lift up your voices, the Lord is near.**

### **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

*Celebrant*      Let us pray.

*People*      **Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.**

## THE BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

*Please stand.*

*Celebrant*

*People*        **Amen.**

*Deacon*       Alleluia, alleluia. Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

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

**VOLUNTARY**

Gigue on a Theme of Beethoven

Michael Joseph

### SERVING US TODAY

Celebrant	The Rev. Whitney Burton
Deacon	The Rev. Cindy Roehl
Organist	Tom Huffman
Crucifer/Server	Brettan Dickie
Lector	Butch Niford
Prayers of the People	Diane Niford
Ushers	Butch & Diane Niford

### Prayers are requested for:

**The Week of May 01** – Jillian, Carter, & Family, Amy & spouse, Jim & Mary, Meyer Family, Caparello Family, Sibyl & Don, Lori S., Bill G.W., Carol, Cindy, Arik, Gloria, Debbie, Antoinette, Dick, Sara, People of Ukraine, Gail-Marie, Joanne Carol, Linda B., John, Jay, Chris, Ingrid E., Father Bob & family, Milly & Brian L., Bonnie L., Colette S., Heather S., Tom L., Elena G., Alli F., Sonny & Barbara, Shirley A., Cam B., Juliet, Iris, Carol D., Savannah Leigh, Richard T., Tom R., Bob Jennings, Jolene A., Brent S.

**Celebrations this week: Birthdays** – Lynne Henderson, Christine Tsotsos, & Ray Fisher. **Anniversary** – John Russotto & Lawrence Singer.

**Memorial Day**, when we honor the men and women who died while serving their country, falls on May 30<sup>th</sup> this year. During our services on Sunday May 29<sup>th</sup>, we will read aloud the names of the Veterans who have died that are held dear to those in our congregation. If you have names that you would like to be honored that day, please add them to the list in the back of the church or email them to [info@cogsdunedin.com](mailto:info@cogsdunedin.com).

**Quilt Raffle:** The COGS Crafters group will be auctioning off a beautiful quilt to raise money benefitting the Episcopal Relief & Development's Ukraine Crisis Response Fund. Raffle tickets cost 1 for \$5.00 or 5 for \$20.00 and will be available until drawing held on May 15. Please speak with a member of the COGS Crafters group with any questions.

**Sunday School:** The last Sunday School class of the '21-'22 school year will be held on Sunday, May 22, 2022. All are invited to celebrate the end of the school season with our children after the 10 AM service. Sunday school classes will then resume in Aug/Sept 2022.

**STAMP OUT HUNGER Volunteer Opportunity:** Saturday, May 14, 2022

Volunteers are need to help sort and load at local post offices and at Hope Villages of America Food Bank (formerly RCS Pinellas) on Druid St, Clearwater. For more information or to sign up for a volunteer position and time, please visit: <https://volunteersignup.org/BKMTJ>