

Through the universe it rings
That the lamb is King of kings: alleluia!

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

Officiant May his grace and peace be with you.
People **May he fill our hearts with joy.**

Officiant Almighty God,
All **to you all hearts are open, all desires known
and from you no secrets are hidden. 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

Officiant Glory to God in the highest,
All **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

Officiant O God of peace, who brought again from the dead our
Lord Jesus Christ, that great shepherd of the sheep, by the
blood of the eternal covenant, make us perfect in every
good work to do your will, and work in us that which is
well-pleasing in your sight; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

THE FIRST READING

Reader A reading from Acts (2:42-47)

They 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.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

THE PSALM **Hymn 519 The Lord's My Shepherd**

The Lord's my shepherd, I'll not want:
He makes me down to lie
In pastures green; he leadeth me
The quiet waters by.

My soul he doth restore again,
And me to walk doth make
Within the paths of righteousness,
Even for his own name's sake.

Yea, though I walk through death's dark vale,
Yet will I fear no ill;
For thou art with me, and thy rod
And staff me comfort still.

My table thou hast furnished
In presence of my foes;
My head thou dost with oil anoint,
And my cup overflows.

Goodness and mercy all my life
Shall surely follow me,
And in God's house for evermore
My dwelling place shall be.

THE SECOND READING

Reader A reading from 1 Peter (2:19-25)

For 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.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE GOSPEL

GOSPEL HYMN 508 I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say

I heard the voice of Jesus say,
come unto me and rest;
lay down, thou weary one, lay down
thy head upon my breast."
I came to Jesus as I was,
so weary, worn, and sad;
I found in him a resting place,
and he has made me glad.

I heard the voice of Jesus say,
"Behold, I freely give
the living water; thirsty one,
stoop down and drink and live"
I came to Jesus and I drank
of that life-giving stream;
my thirst was quenched, my soul revived,
and now I live in him.

I heard the voice of Jesus say,
"I am this dark world's light;

look unto me, thy morn shall rise,
and all thy day be bright.”
I looked to Jesus and I found
in him my star, my sun;
and in that light of life I'll walk
till travelling days are done.

Deacon The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
according to John (10:1-10)
People **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

“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.

The gospel is proclaimed.
Deacon The Gospel of Christ.
People **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

THE SERMON
A brief silence is kept.

Rev. Susan Spicer

THE APOSTLES' CREED (*Please stand.*)

Officiant: Let us confess the faith of our baptism, as we say,
All: **I believe in God,
the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.**

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the Virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again
to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

THE PRAYERS OF THE COMMUNITY

Thanksgiving, Intercessions and Petitions

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Officiant Dear friends in Christ, God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy; he welcomes sinners and invites them to his table. Let us confess our sins, confident in God's forgiveness.

Officiant Most merciful God,
All **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 neighbours 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.**

Officiant Almighty God have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all

goodness, and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus
Christ our Lord.

People.

Amen.

THE EXCHANGE OF THE PEACE

Please stand

Officiant

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People

And also with you.

*We share God's peace, greeting one another and saying
"The peace of Christ," or "Peace be with you."*

OFFERTORY HYMN 500 **Sister, Let Me Be Your Servant**

Sister, let me be your servant,
let me be as Christ to you;
pray that I may have the grace
to let you be my servant too.

We are pilgrims on a journey,
fellow travellers on the road;
we are here to help each other
walk the mile and bear the load.

I will hold the Christ-light for you
in the night-time of your fear;
I will hold my hand out to you,
speak the peace you long to hear.

I will weep when you are weeping;
when you laugh I'll laugh with you.
I will share your joy and sorrow
till we've seen this journey through.

When we sing to God in heaven,
we shall find such harmony,
born of all we've known together
of Christ's love and agony.

Brother, let me be your servant,
let me be as Christ to you;
pray that I may have the grace to
let you be my servant too.

BLESSING OF OUR OFFERINGS

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name.
Your kingdom come, your will be done
On earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread,
Forgive us our sins
As we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial
And deliver us from evil
For the kingdom, the power
and glory are yours,
Now and forever. Amen.**

BLESSING

Go with confidence into the days ahead, trusting in God's unfailing love and faithfulness. God will not abandon you, for you are the work of His hands – His own creation – and His Love endures forever. The blessing of God, Creator, Redeemer, and Sanctifying Spirit be among you and remain with you always. Amen

CLOSING HYMN 520 **The King of Love My Shepherd Is**

The King of love my shepherd is,
Whose goodness faileth never;
I nothing lack if I am his
And he is mine forever.

Where streams of living water flow,
My ransomed soul he leadeth,
And where the verdant pastures grow,
With food celestial feedeth.

Perverse and foolish oft I strayed,
But yet in love he sought me,
And on his shoulder gently laid,
And home rejoicing brought me.

In death's dark vale I fear no ill
With thee, dear Lord, beside me;
Thy rod and staff my comfort still,
Thy cross before to guide me.

Thou spread'st a table in my sight;
Thy unction grace bestoweth;
And O what transport of delight
From thy pure chalice floweth!

And so through all the length of days
Thy goodness faileth never;
Good Shepherd, may I sing thy praise
Within thy house forever!

DISMISSAL

Alleluia! Go in joy to love and serve the Lord.
Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Sunday School moves over to Zoom at 11:30. See you there!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Thank you to all who have made special Easter donations.

WORSHIP ONLINE via facebook live: Tuesday through Saturday at 8 am Morning Prayer and 8:30 pm Compline. 10 am on Sundays.

COMMUNITY IN COVID TIME This Thursday evening, May 7th, at 7 pm, join the conversation about how the current crisis has impacted our experience and understanding of Christian community. Come and share your experience, and join in the conversation about what we've missed, what we've learned, and what we want to bring with us into a new normal. Watch for a zoom invitation. Please note that you can join by computer or by phone.

BAPTISM and REBOOT CLASSES are beginning shortly online. This is preparation for those families and adults who are preparing for a glorious celebration of baptism when we re-open the church, and for those who would like to reaffirm their faith, and learn more about the particular express of Christian faith which is the Anglican Way. Why not take this time to go deeper?. These classes are open to all – whether you are long standing

parishioners, new to St. George's or curious about the Christianity. Let Rev. Susan know if you are interested this week. We will begin the first week of May.

Thanks to all those who have been making masks for our local hospital. We have had another request for them, from the Toronto Urban Native Ministry team. Our thanks go to Evelyn Samuels, Debbie Wright, Beverley Trull, Brenda Horsford and Jackie Foster. If you are interested in contributing to this effort, please let the office know and we'll connect you with the coordinator. One of the challenges is having enough elastic so if you are some, that might be a help.

Thanks to all who donated tents and other sleeping gear for homeless folks in Toronto.

ZOOM MEETINGS THIS WEEK

Watch your email for the invitations.

Meditation on Tuesday at 10 am and 7 pm. If you would like to attend, speak to Rev. Marilyn. She can be reached by calling 905-683-7981, Ext. 3 or email her at rev.marilynmetcalfe@gmail.com

Wardens Meeting on Thursday at 3 pm

Thursday at 7 pm – Community after Covid. What have we learned?

Coffee hour on Friday at 10 am

ZOOM youth on Friday at 7 pm.

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