



GRACE EPISCOPAL CHURCH
YORKTOWN, VIRGINIA
Walking in love. Welcoming all.

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HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II
THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
APRIL 21, 2024 | 10:15 AM

The Word of God

Worship begins with the music of the prelude. Please silence all electronic devices.

Prelude

Processional Hymn 492

Blue Hymnal

The Acclamation

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ is risen.

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

The Collect for Purity

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.**

Gloria S-280

Blue Hymnal (front section)

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.**

The First Lesson

I John 3:16-24

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.**

Psalm 23 *Dominus regit me*

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.

Gospel Alleluia

Halle, halle, halle-lujah! Halle, halle, halle-lujah!

Halle, halle, halle-lujah! Hallelujah, Hallelujah!

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

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

The Gospel

John 10:11-18

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 Message

The Rev. Nanette Woodworth

A period of silence for reflection will follow the Message.

The Nicene Creed

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.

The Prayers of the People

The People stand or kneel as able and respond to each petition using the following form

Intercessor: ...We pray to the Lord.

People: **Lord, show us your light.**

The Concluding Collect

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. Amen.

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

Welcome, Announcements and Thanksgivings

The Thanksgiving Basket for April will go to the Hampton-based Contraband Historical Society and the Absalom Jones Fund. Altar flowers are given to the glory of God by Dick & Sandy Swift, in loving memory of our son, Trevor.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

This is the table not of the Church, but of the Lord. It is made ready for those who love him, and for those who want to love him more. So come, you who have much faith, and you who have little, you who have been here often, and you who have not been here long, you who have tried to follow, and you who have failed. Come, for it is the Lord who invites you. It is his will that those who want him should meet him here.

The Offertory Hymn 645

At the Reception of the Offering (sung by all) Tune: *Old 100th*

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.

Eucharistic Prayer B

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Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

<i>People</i>	We lift them to the Lord.
<i>Celebrant</i>	Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
<i>People</i>	It is right to give our thanks and praise.

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 for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Sanctus S-130 *setting: Schubert*

Blue Hymnal (front section)

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full, full of your glory.**

Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.

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

Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.

Then the Celebrant 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,

Celebrant and People

**We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;**

Then the Celebrant continues

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 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,

Celebrant and 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

Lamb of God S-164 setting: Schubert

Blue Hymnal (*front section*)

Distribution of Communion

If you require a gluten-free wafer, please ask the clergy administering the bread. Those who wish to dip from the chalice, please hold up your bread after you receive it so that the Eucharistic Minister with the dipping chalice (the small chalice) is able to see you.

Communion Music

Hymn 343

Blue Hymnal

Hymn 664

Blue Hymnal

Hymn 304

Blue Hymnal

Post Communion Prayer

Celebrant and 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

Dismissal Hymn 708

Blue Hymnal

The Dismissal

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

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!

The Postlude

Service Assistants
Sarah Bland, guest organist

Acolytes
Andrew Seiter
Christopher Seiter
Louis Seiter
Caitlin Tant

Lay Assistants
Art Boyce
Debra Boyce
Luke James
Caitlin Tant

Usher
Jerry Twigg

Vestry
Jann Seiter

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THIS WEEK AT GRACE

SUNDAY, APRIL 21

8 A.M. HOLY EUCHARIST RITE I-CHURCH
9:30-10 A.M. CHOIR PRE-SERVICE REHEARSAL-CHOIR ROOM
10:15 A.M. HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II-CHURCH
10:15-11 A.M. CHILDREN'S CHAPEL-ROOM 3, LOWER LEVEL PARISH HALL
11:30 A.M.-1 P.M. EARTH DAY FAIR- PARISH HALL PARKING LOT
3:30-5:30 P.M. MS, HS YOUTH BOWLING PARTY-TWIN PIN LANES, NN

MONDAY, APRIL 22

7:30-8:05 A.M. CENTERING PRAYER-ONLINE
9:30 A.M.-12:30 P.M. EFM-ONLINE

TUESDAY, APRIL 23

8:30-9:30 A.M. CENTERING PRAYER-RIVERVIEW
10:30-11:30 A.M. STAFF MEETING-PARISH HALL
11 A.M.-2 P.M. BOOK SHOP OPEN

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 24

9:30-10 A.M. DAY SCHOOL CHAPEL-CHURCH

10 A.M.-NOON WONDERFUL WEDNESDAYS-PARISH HALL

NOON-1 P.M. HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II WITH PRAYERS FOR HEALING-PARISH HALL

6-8 P.M. ORIGINAL MEN'S GROUP-RIVERVIEW

THURSDAY, APRIL 25

11 A.M.-2 P.M. BOOK SHOP OPEN

2-3 P.M. VBS PLANNING MEETING-PARISH HALL

4-5:30 P.M. GRACEFUL KNITTERS-RIVERVIEW

6:30-8 P.M. THURSDAY MEN'S GROUP-RIVERVIEW

7-9 P.M. AA MEETING-PARISH HALL

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SATURDAY, APRIL 27

9 A.M.-3 P.M. RACIAL HEALING WORKSHOP (REGISTRATION CLOSED)-PARISH HALL

9:30 A.M.-12:30 P.M. CURSILLO MEETING-RIVERVIEW

7-9 P.M. AA MEETING-PARISH HALL

SUNDAY, APRIL 28

8 A.M. HOLY EUCHARIST RITE I-CHURCH

9:30-10 A.M. CHOIR PRE-SERVICE REHEARSAL-CHOIR ROOM

10:15 A.M. HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II-CHURCH

10:15-11 A.M. CHILDREN'S CHAPEL-PARISH HALL ROOM 3

11:30 A.M.-12:30 P.M. CHOIR REHEARSAL- CHOIR ROOM

11:45 A.M.-12:45 P.M. K-5 FAMILIES PIZZA LUNCH-PARISH HALL

2-4 P.M. K-5 OUTING-SURGE ADVENTURE PARK, NEWPORT NEWS



PRAYERS OF THE PARISH

WE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED

Quincy Daniel (family of Bonnie Griffith), Douglas Rose (father of Barry Tant)

WE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO SERVE OUR COUNTRY

Brendon Baez, Erica Baez, Adrian Bogart III, Adrian Bogart IV, Meghan Collins, James Gouger, J.J. Jones, Thomas Lopez, Justin Mowery, Max Poelker, Andrew Sainsbury, Donald Washburn, William Washburn

WE PRAY FOR THOSE SPECIAL NEEDS & CONCERNS OF THE CONGREGATION

Cliff Sharp (friend of Jean Grinnell), Dorothy Burke (sister of Marilyn Staton), Bruce Fisher, Donna, John, Dee Holland Brock & Melitta Holland (family of Sandy Armstrong), Ron Tschida (brother of Marlene Bryan), Ruth Adams (mother of Cathy Miller), Lou Stack, Madeline Sell, Leland Barnett (family of Caroline Griffith), Ayden Shaffer (grandson of Pam Foster), Foster Ryan, Nancy Adams, Brad Brown, Thea (friend of The Rev. Pam Webb), Brian Wilson, Erin Tschida (niece of Marlene Bryan), Sarah Farmer, Kenita Carter (daughter of Gisele Carter), Terri Toback (sister of Matt Poelker), Kenny Handle (family of Aleyne Hamers), the Brown family, Marian Elmore (mother Mary Fenno), Charles Duff, the people of Israel and Palestine, the people of Ukraine, the people of Moscow



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Childcare available until 11:30 a.m.

Facilities located on the lower level of the Parish Hall

In the Nursery, staff caretakers will watch children from infant age through five years old.

***Children's Chapel for K-5th grade children** takes place in the lower level of the Parish Hall in Classroom 3. Parents, please drop your children off before the start of the service. Children will return at the Peace (around 11 a.m.).