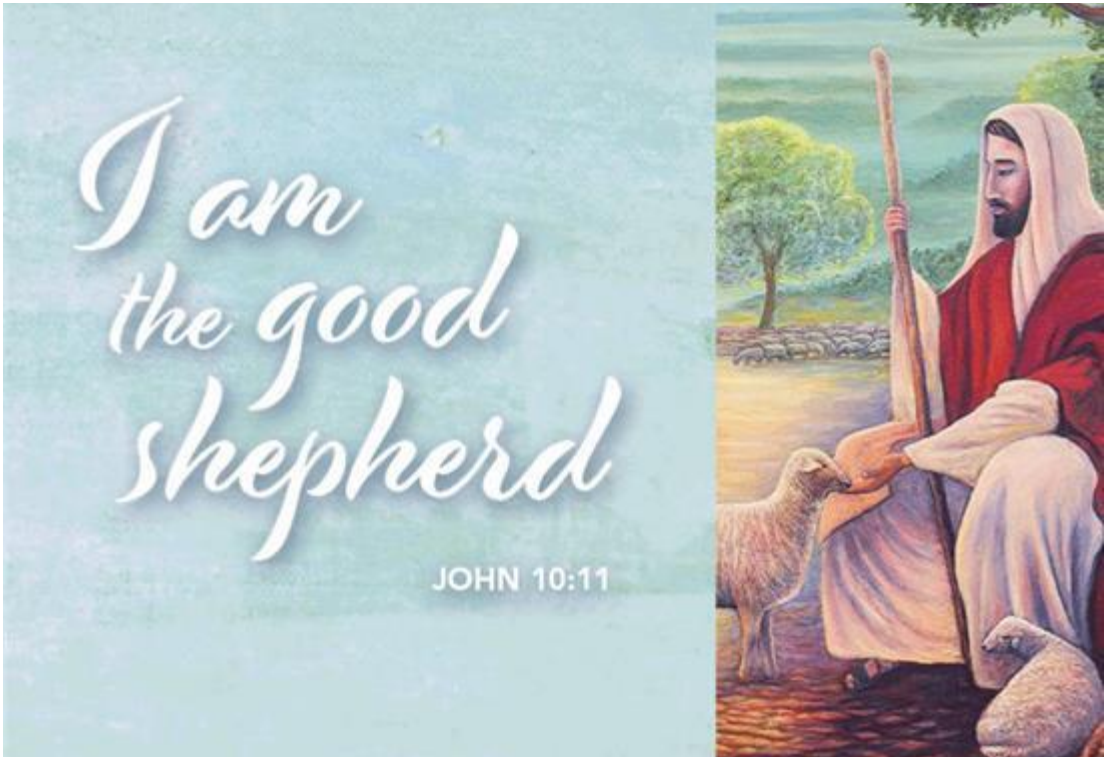


# EASTER 4



The image of the Good Shepherd shows us how the risen Christ brings us to life. It is the relationship between the shepherd and the sheep, one of mutual knowledge and love, that gives the shepherd authority. The shepherd's willingness to lay down his life for the sheep shows his love.

# WELCOME TO OUR SAVIOR



*“For where two or three are gathered in my name,  
I am there among them.” Matthew 18:20*

In Jesus’ name, welcome! Whether we gather in person or online, we trust Jesus’ promise that we are Church Together as we hear, celebrate, and share the promises of Christ.

If you are in-person today, thank you for wearing a mask, keeping social distance, and limiting movement and facility usage. As worship concludes with Holy Communion, following the direction of an usher, please bring your personal items and worship resource with you to the Table where you are invited eat the bread and drink the wine, and by mystery and miracle receive the very life of Christ. White grape juice and gluten free wafers are available. After receiving Communion, exit the sanctuary via center aisle.

If you are worshipping online, we trust in the full presence of Christ which transcends space and time. The Holy Spirit binds us together through God’s Word as we unite in prayer and in song. In the Holy Communion, Jesus’ invitation to eat and drink also belongs to you. If you desire to share in this moment of the Eucharist, please place before you a bite of bread and a sip of wine or juice. The words of Christ make the meal holy. The gift of faith connects us to Christ. The offer of grace brings forgiveness for today and hope for tomorrow.

For all of us as Church Together at Our Savior, announcements, invitations, and messages are emailed (or mailed) bi-weekly. Included are weekly links for congregational bible study and our weekly worship resource for the upcoming weekend.

As we worship in this moment, and as we live into God’s future, may the peace of Christ be with you!

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## EASTER 4—APRIL 25, 2021

### WELCOME

**PRELUDE**            Five Thoughts on the Hymn of the Day            arr. Hostler  
*“Little Flock”*

### THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

*Christ Is Risen!* **He is Risen Indeed! Alleluia!**

In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism, we are clothed with God's mercy and forgiveness. Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

**We give you thanks, holy and gracious God, for you created the waters of the earth: wide oceans, rushing streams, clear lakes, mighty rivers and living lagoons.**

You led your people through the sea and called them to life in covenant with you. Your Son was baptized in the river Jordan to begin his mission among us. You pour out your Holy Spirit to renew the face of the earth.

**Through this water remind us of the gift of baptism. Renew us in your promise so that we may serve this world in all its need; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen and Alleluia.**

## GATHERING HYMN ELW 836 “Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee”



- 1 Joy - ful, joy - ful we a - dore thee, God of glo - ry, Lord of love!
- 2 All thy works with joy sur-round thee, earth and heav'n re - flect thy rays,
- 3 Thou art giv - ing and for - giv - ing, ev - er bless - ing, ev - er blest,



Hearts un - fold like flow'rs be - fore thee, prais - ing thee, their sun a - bove,  
stars and an - gels sing a - round thee, cen - ter of un - bro - ken praise,  
well - spring of the joy of liv - ing, o - cean - depth of hap - py rest!



Melt the clouds of sin and sad - ness, drive the gloom of doubt a - way,  
Field and for - est, vale and moun - tain, flow - ry mead - ow, flash - ing sea,  
Thou our Fa - ther, Christ our broth - er, all who live in love are thine;



Giv - er of im - mor - tal glad - ness, fill us with the light of day,  
chant - ing bird, and flow - ing foun - tain call us to re - joice in thee,  
teach us how to love each oth - er, lift us to the joy di - vine!

## GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

## KYRIE

In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For the peace from above and for the gift of Jesus Christ,  
let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For the Word spoken and heard, for bread broken and wine poured, for Jesus Christ risen and present, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

Help, empower, bless and defend us, gracious Lord. **Amen.**

## CANTICLE OF PRAISE *(the assembly sings the refrain, the Cantor sings the verses)*

☐ This is the feast of vic-tory for our God. Al-le-lu-ia,  
al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia.

*Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God.*

### ***Refrain***

*For the Lamb who was slain has begun his reign. Alleluia.*

### ***Refrain***

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

O Lord Christ, good shepherd of the sheep, you seek the lost and guide us into your fold. Feed us, and we shall be satisfied; heal us, and we shall be whole. Make us one with you, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

## PSALM 23 *(the assembly sings the refrain, the reader speaks the verses from the Message)*

The Lord's my Shep-herd, I'll not  
want. The Lord's my Shep-herd.

## READING

1 John 3:16-24

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION *(Sung before and after the Holy Gospel)*



## HOLY GOSPEL

The holy gospel according to *John*.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

John 10:11-18

The gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

## SERMON

Pastor Nicole Eastwood

# HYMN OF THE DAY ELW 764 "Have No Fear, Little Flock"



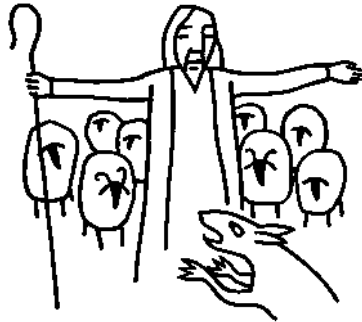
1 Have no fear, lit - tle flock; have no fear, lit - tle  
 2 Have good cheer, lit - tle flock; have good cheer, lit - tle  
 3 Praise the Lord high a - bove; praise the Lord high a -  
 4 Thank - ful hearts raise to God; thank - ful hearts raise to



flock, for the Fa - ther has cho - sen to  
 flock, for the Fa - ther will keep you in  
 bove, for he stoops down to heal you, up -  
 God, for he stays close be - side you, in



give you the king - dom; have no fear, lit - tle flock!  
 his love for - ev - er; have good cheer, lit - tle flock!  
 lift and re - store you; praise the Lord high a - bove!  
 all things works with you; thank - ful hearts raise to God!



## PRAYERS

...we pray and sing:



Be not a-fraid, sing out for joy! Christ is ris-en, al-le - lu - ia!



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## GREAT THANKSGIVING



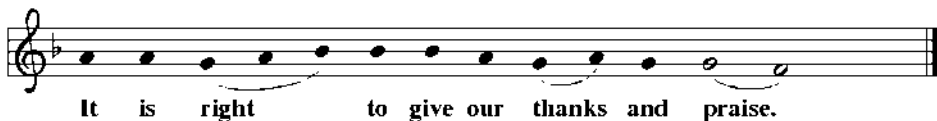
The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.



Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.



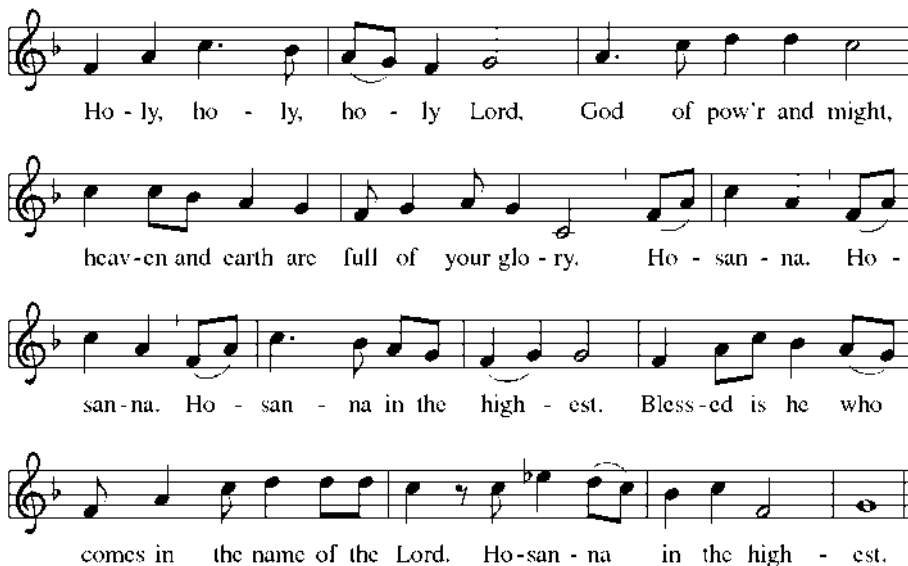
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



It is right to give our thanks and praise.



## SANCTUS



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,  
heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na. Ho -  
san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless-ed is he who  
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san - na in the high - est.

## EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

.... We cry out. **Amen and Alleluia**

.... We shout. **Amen and Alleluia**

.... We plead. **Amen and Alleluia**

## LORDS PRAYER

**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.**

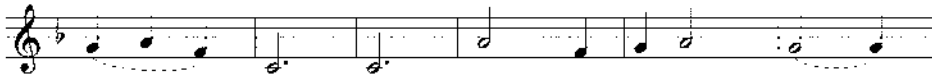
*As you leave today fed and forgiven may the peace of the risen Christ be with you.*

# MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

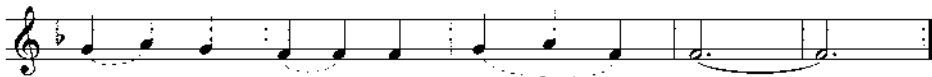
## Prayer of Peace



1. Peace be - fore us, peace be - hind us, peace  
2. Love be - fore us, love be - hind us, love  
3. Light be - fore us, light be - hind us, light  
4. Christ be - fore us, Christ be - hind us, Christ  
5. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le -  
6. Peace be - fore us, peace be - hind us, peace



un - der our feet. Peace with - in us, peace  
un - der our feet. Love with - in us, love  
un - der our feet. Light with - in us, light  
un - der our feet. Christ with - in us, Christ  
lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia, al - le -  
un - der our feet. Peace with - in us, peace



o - ver us, let all a - round us be peace.  
o - ver us, let all a - round us be love.  
o - ver us, let all a - round us be light.  
o - ver us, let all a - round us be Christ.  
lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.  
o - ver us, let all a - round us be peace.

### Wednesday Evenings at Our Savior

April 28th: Holden Evening Prayer - In person with reservation  
or join us via Live Stream from the comfort of home

May 26th: Holden Evening Prayer - In person with reservation  
or join us via Live Stream from the comfort of home

# DON'T MISS THIS - MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

Our Annual Congregational Meeting  
will be held on May 19th at 7 pm.

We are excited to offer it this year in person with a reservation  
or via Zoom from your home



Even more exciting, on the same evening, we will be holding a  
Shared Table Cookout  
*Reservation required*

The cookout will be offered by pick up and take home to eat  
between 5 - 6 pm

OR

Stay and eat outside between 6 - 7 pm  
before the congregational meeting

Would you like to help  
beautify our Sanctuary?

Would you like to honor or give  
memory to someone special in your life?

Dates are available to donate  
Sanctuary Flowers  
by contacting the Church Office.

## USHER OPPORTUNITIES AVAILABLE

During the summer months

If you will be here and  
would like to volunteer  
to Usher a Sunday or two,  
Contact Tina in  
the church office.

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## OUR MISSION

**Our Shared Purpose:** Together in Jesus Christ, we are freed by grace to live faithfully, witness boldly, and serve joyfully.

**Our Vision:** A world experiencing the difference God's grace and love in Christ makes for all people and creation.

**Our Values:** Forgiveness and reconciliation; dignity, compassion and justice; inclusion and diversity; courage and openness to change; faithful stewardship of God's creation and gifts.

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