



Holy Communion: Rite Two  
Fourth Sunday of Easter  
April 26, 2026 | 8:00 AM & 10:00 AM



**WELCOME!**

We are an Episcopal (Anglican) community of various backgrounds and beliefs, drawn together by our love of God in Jesus Christ. We believe that God's radically inclusive love excludes no one. At St. Dunstan's, all people are welcome, no exceptions. Please visit our Welcome Table on the patio to get more information about our church. A "Welcome Pad" is located at the end of each pew if you would like to share your name and/or contact information. If you are interested in membership, please speak with our Rector, Rev. Rebecca. We're so glad you're here!

**Prayer book & Hymnals:** In the pews you will see various books in different colors. The red book is our Book of Common Prayer (BCP). BCP pages are included if you prefer to use the Prayer Book. The blue Hymnal 1982 contains many of the hymns in today's service. Other hymns, beginning with "J-", can be found in the white, large ringed book entitled "Make a Joyful Noise," produced by our Parish Musician, Gregory Funk.

**The Prelude:** *Sheep may safely graze*

J.S. Bach

**Opening Hymn 205 (8:00 v1,2,5), standing as able**

*Good Christian friends, rejoice and sing*

### Opening Sentence

*Celebrant* Alleluia. Christ is risen.

**BCP 355**

*People* The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

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 in excelsis (8:00 spoken)

The musical score is written on four staves in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The lyrics are: "Glo - ry to God in the high - est and peace\_ to his peo-ple on earth. Lord God, hea-ven-ly King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther, We wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for \_\_\_ your glo - ry."



Lord Je-sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa-ther:



Lord God, Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the



world, have mer-cy on us. You are seat-ed at the



right hand of the Fa-ther, re-ceive our prayer.



For you a-lone are the Ho-ly One. You a-



lone are the Lord. You a-lone are the Most



High Je-sus Christ, with the Ho-ly Spi-rit, in the



glo-ry of God the Fa-ther. A-men.

## 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.*

## First Reading: Acts 2:42-47

Those who had been baptized 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. The Word of the Lord.

*Thanks be to God*

## Psalm 23

(10:00) *All sing the Antiphon. The verses will be sung by a cantor.*

### Antiphon

The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not be in want.

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.

### **Second Reading: 1 Peter 2:19-25**

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.

The word of the Lord.

*Thanks be to God.*

**Sequence Hymn 304 v1-4, standing as able**

*I Come With Joy*

### **The Gospel: John 10:1-10**

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

People *Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

Jesus said, "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 of the Lord.

*Praise to you, Lord Christ.*

## Children's Moment

Sermon

The Rev. D Rebecca Hansen, Rector

**The Nicene Creed**, *standing as able*

*Celebrant & 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**

Gathered in the care of the Good Shepherd and guardian of our souls, let us in trust pray for the church and the world, saying: Lord, have mercy.

For all who serve the holy church of God, who serve tables and who preach and pray, who shepherd the lost and care for those in need, let us pray to the Lord:  
*Lord, have mercy.*

For all who are persecuted for the gospel, for all who have been martyred for their witness to the truth, for all in lonely places who rejoice in the hope of the resurrection, and for the blessed community of the saints, living and dead, let us pray to the Lord.  
*Lord, have mercy.*

For all in the world who care for the sick, the dying, the hungry and the destitute, the mentally ill and the deformed, let us pray to the Lord.  
*Lord, have mercy.*

For victims of rage and sudden violence, especially for abused children and spouses, for political prisoners, victims of extortion, of murder, and of natural catastrophe, let us pray to the Lord.  
*Lord, have mercy.*

For all here gathered and our specific needs, that we may come to receive abundant life at God's hand, and at the last to rest in Christ's shepherding love, let us pray to the Lord.  
*Lord, have mercy.*

We especially pray for healing and wholeness for those on our prayer list: Dick, Joan, Elizabeth, Carol, Michael, Alysa, Shirley, Karen, Kathy, Leslie, John, Evan, Irene, Pat, John, Emily, William, Craig, Jaimy, Shirley, Margaret, Mary Helen

Let us pray to the Lord:     *Lord, have mercy.*

We also pray for requests from our community:

- For an end to war and peace for the people of our nation and abroad, including the Middle East, Congo, Sudan, and Ukraine
- For God's compassion, truth, justice and peace to rule in our hearts as a nation.
- For local and international stability and security.
- For refugees, migrants, the hungry and those who cannot afford food, including the more than 100 local families being served through our church weekly.

For our Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we pray for the Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion)

For our Diocesan cycle of Prayer we pray for the clergy and people of St. Andrew's by-the-Lake, Lake Elsinore

For our military cycle of Prayer we pray for those who serve in the Assault Craft Unit 1, Naval Amphibious Base, Coronado. We also pray for our Episcopal chaplains and service men and women who have been deployed.

You are invited to add your own petitions at this time in your heart or with your voice.

### **Concluding Collect**

O loving God, enable us to know that by Christ's wounds we have been healed, and that by the power of his risen and Spirit-giving life we are empowered to serve you all our days. We pray through Jesus Christ, our risen Lord. Amen.

### **The Peace**

**BCP 360**

*The Celebrant says to the people*

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People*

And also with you.

### **Announcements**

## Birthdays and Anniversary Prayers

O God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray, on your servants as they begin another year. Grant that they may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen their trust in your goodness all the days of their life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

(10:00) Prayer Quilts, *said together*

Gracious and Loving God, we thank You for the loving hands and spirits of those who created this quilt for the comfort of those in need. Let this quilt be a tangible sign and symbol of your enfolding love as Your Holy Spirit embraces them, eases their pain and worry, and brings them Your comfort and peace. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

## Offertory Sentence

(10:00) Offertory Anthem: All Things New

Light after darkness, gain after loss,  
Strength after weakness, crown after cross;  
Sweet after bitter, hope after fears,  
Home after wandering, praise after tears

Alpha and Omega, Beginning and the end, He is making all things new,  
Springs of living water Shall wash away each tear.

He is making all things new. He is making all things new.

Sight after mystery, sun after rain, joy after sorrow, peace after pain,  
Near after distant, gleam after gloom, Love after loneliness, life after tomb.

Alpha and Omega, Beginning and the end, He is making all things new,  
Springs of living water Shall wash away each tear.

He is making all things new. He is making all, He is making all.

He is making all things new.

(8:00) *Celebrant* All things come from thee, O Lord.  
*People* And of thine own have we given thee.

*Celebrant* *People*  
 The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

*Celebrant* *People*  
 Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

*Celebrant*  
 Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*People*  
 It is right to give him thanks and praise.

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*Celebrant*

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

*The Celebrant sings a Proper Preface.*

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:

*Celebrant and People (8:00 spoken)*

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



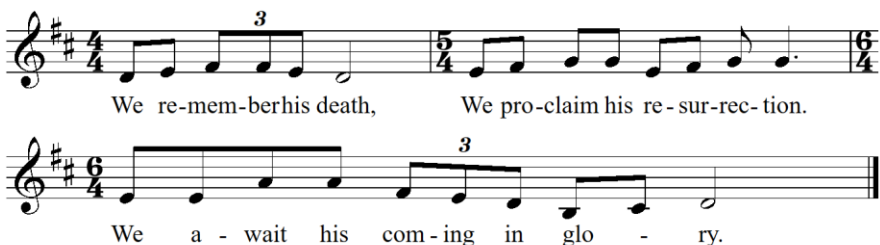
*The Celebrant continues*

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 (8:00 spoken)*



*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 St. Dunstan, St. Mary 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.



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(8:00) And now, as our Savior Christ hath taught us, we are bold to say,

*People and Celebrant*

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

(10:00) As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray:

BCP 364

*People and Celebrant*

A musical score for a prayer, consisting of four staves of music in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The lyrics are written below the notes. The first staff has a 3/4 time signature change. The second staff has a 3/4 time signature change. The third and fourth staves have a 3-measure triplet indicated above the notes.

Our Fa - ther, in hea - ven, hal - lowed be your Name.  
Your king - dom come, your will be done, on earth as in hea - ven.  
Give us to - day our dai - ly bread. For - give us our sins, as  
we for - give those who sin a - gainst us. Save us from the time of trial,

— and de-liv-er us from e - vil. For the king-dom, the pow er, and the glo - ry are yours, now and for ev - er. A - men.

## The Breaking of the Bread

*The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.*

*A period of silence is kept.*

## Christ our Passover (8:00 spoken)

Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia. Christ our Pass - o - ver is sac - ri - ficed for us. There-fore let us keep the feast. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

## *Celebrant*

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.

## The Communion

*All are welcome to receive Holy Communion in the Episcopal Church regardless of your church/denominational background. Please extend 2 hands if you wish to have your bread dipped into the wine and extend one hand if you prefer to receive bread only and/or the common cup. If you need gluten free bread or prefer no wine, please indicate this. If you do not want Communion, you can come forward for a blessing instead, indicated by crossing your hands over your chest or simply remain in your seat.*

*Prayers for healing of body, mind or spirit are offered during Communion in the outdoor garden by our Prayer Team members at this time.*

**(10:00) Communion violin**

*My Father's World*

**(10:00) Communion Hymn 664**

*My Shepherd will supply my need*

**(10:00) Sending out of Eucharistic Visitors**

*Minister* In the name of Christ Jesus, and through the family of St. Dunstan's, we send you out bearing these holy gifts for God's holy people: that those who will receive them with us may experience the majesty and the mystery of His presence. We who are many are one body,

*People* because we all share one bread and one cup.

**Post Communion Prayer,** *Please stand or kneel as able*

**BCP 366**

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

*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**

The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. *Amen.*

Closing Hymn 708, *standing as able*

*Savior, like a shepherd lead us*

### **The Dismissal**

*Celebrant* Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia! Let us go out into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

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

### **Postlude**

## ASSISTING IN TODAY'S SERVICE

Clergy	The Rev. D Rebecca Hansen, Rector
Music	Gregory Funk, Parish Musician Gail Schmidt, Violin Ann Marie Marvin, cantor
Readers	Marty Olson & Donna Vaughan Todd Butler, Nan Yang, Jillian Belding
Eucharistic Ministers	David Bagley Ann Jarrett, Sarah Mitchell, Pam Matosian
Altar Guild	Amy, Lisa, Karen
Healing Prayer Team	Anne Elise Kelly & Matt Brown Sandia Tuttle, Ally Wehr
Acolytes	Richard, Sarah
Sunday Sexton	Ryan Sifton

## INFORMATION FOR THE SERVICE

**St. Dunstan's Pledge cards** are available in the back of the church. You can mail a check to the office or donate online through ACS or on [www.stdunstans.org](http://www.stdunstans.org) or in person on Sunday morning.

If you wear **hearing aids with T-coil** you can hear our service directly through your hearing aids. If you do not have T-coil, or have hearing loss and are not yet ready for hearing aids, you can use one of our portable receivers and headset. A "**quiet room**" with streaming of the service is available in the back corner of this building and accessible seating options are marked and available throughout the church. Check with a Hospitality Minister for assistance.

**Children of all ages** are welcome in our services (noises and all). Our nursery is also open all morning for ages 0-3 (located on the east side of this building) and our "Pray-Ground" (front-left pew of the church) is open during the service with quiet children's activities. Christian education is at 9:00am for all ages (Sept-May) and during the 10:00am service children are welcome to come forward for a "Children's Moment" and may leave with teachers during the sermon for brief children's education and return just before Holy Communion. Children of all ages may receive Holy Communion at their parent's discretion.

**Accessible bathrooms** are located inside the church to the left and right of the main entrance. Please let a Hospitality Minister know if you need assistance with anything or have any questions.

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