



ST. JOHN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH
The Fourth Sunday of Easter

Holy Eucharist, Rite II
 April 26, 2026 · 10:30 am

All are welcome to worship God in this place.
In church before the service, please respect others by being silent.
Bold print indicates all the people shall read aloud

PRELUDE Pastorale

Percy Whitlock

PROCESSIONAL HYMN All People That on Earth Do Dwell

Hymnal - 377

Old Hundredth

Unison or harmony

1 All peo - ple that on earth do dwell, sing to the Lord with
 2 Know that the Lord is God in - deed; with - out our aid he
 3 O en - ter then his gates with praise, ap - proach with joy his
 4 For why? the Lord our God is good, his mer - cy is for
 *5 To Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost, the God whom heaven and

1 cheer - ful voice: him serve with mirth, his praise forth
 2 did us make: we are his folk, he doth us
 3 courts un - to; praise, laud, and bless his Name al -
 4 ev - er sure; his truth at all times firm - ly
 5 earth a - dore, from men and from the an - gel

1 tell, come ye be - fore him and re - - joice.
 2 feed, and for his sheep he doth us take.
 3 ways, for it is seem - ly so to do.
 4 stood, and shall from age to age en - - dure.
 5 host be praise and glo - ry ev - er - - more.

THE WORD OF GOD

THE OPENING & COLLECT FOR PURITY

Book of Common Prayer 355

Celebrant Alleluia! Christ is risen!

All **The Lord is risen, indeed! Alleluia!**

Celebrant 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.

1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and
 peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly
 King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we
 give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus
 Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you
 take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy
 on us; 5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -
 ceive our prayer. 6. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One,
 you a - lone are the Lord, 7. 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.

All **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

Acts 2:42-47

Lector A reading from Acts.

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.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

THE PSALM 23

Dominus regit me

The psalm will be sung by all.



1. The LORD is my / shepherd; *
I shall / not be in want.
2. He makes me lie down in green / pastures *
and leads me be/side 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.

THE SECOND LESSON

1 Peter 2:19-25

Lector A reading from First Peter.

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.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

GRADUAL HYMN Shepherd of Souls, Refresh and Bless

Hymnal - 343

St. Agnes

1 Shep - herd of souls, re - fresh and bless thy cho - sen
 2 We would not live by bread a - lone, but by thy
 3 Be known to us in break - ing bread, and do not
 4 Lord, sup with us in love di - vine thy Bo - dy

pil - grim flock with man - na in the
 word of grace, in strength of which we
 then de - part; Sa - vior, a - bide with
 and thy Blood, that liv - ing bread, that

wil - der - ness, with wa - ter from the rock.
 trav - el on to our a - bid - ing - place.
 us, and spread thy ta - ble in our heart.
 heaven - ly wine, be our im - mor - tal food.

THE HOLY GOSPEL

John 10:1-10

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

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

Gospeller “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.

Gospeller The Gospel of the Lord.

All **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

THE SERMON

The Rev. Sally Goodall

THE NICENE CREED

Book of Common Prayer 358

All

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

Form 1

Book of Common Prayer 383

- Lector* With all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord, saying “Lord have mercy.”
- Lector* For the peace from above, for the loving-kindness of God, and for the salvation of our souls, let us pray to the Lord.
- People* **Lord, have mercy.**
- Lector* For the peace of the world, for the welfare of the Holy Church of God, and for the unity of all peoples, let us pray to the Lord.
- People* **Lord, have mercy.**
- Lector* For our Bishop, and for all the clergy and people, especially remembering the Church of Nigeria and St. Andrew’s Church, Elyria; Church of the Epiphany, Euclid; and Trinity Church, Findlay, and their surrounding communities, let us pray to the Lord.
- People* **Lord, have mercy.**
- Lector* For our President, for the leaders of the nations, and for all in authority, let us pray to the Lord.
- People* **Lord, have mercy.**
- Lector* For the city of Youngstown, for every city and community, and for those who live in them, let us pray to the Lord.
- People* **Lord, have mercy.**
- Lector* For the good earth which God has given us, and for the wisdom and will to conserve it, let us pray to the Lord.
- People* **Lord, have mercy.**
- Lector* For the aged and infirm, for the widowed and orphans, and for the sick and the suffering and those on our prayer list, let us pray to the Lord
- People* **Lord, have mercy.**

Lector For the poor and the oppressed, for the unemployed and the destitute, for prisoners and captives, and for all who remember and care for them, let us pray to the Lord.

People **Lord, have mercy.**

Lector For all who have died in the hope of the resurrection, and for all the departed, let us pray to the Lord.

People **Lord, have mercy.**

Lector For deliverance from all danger, violence, oppression, and degradation, let us pray to the Lord.

People **Lord, have mercy.**

Lector That we may end our lives in faith and hope, without suffering and without reproach, let us pray to the Lord.

People **Lord, have mercy.**

Lector In the communion of saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, to Christ our God.

People **To thee, O Lord, our God.**

THE CONCLUDING COLLECT

THE CONFESSION

Book of Common Prayer 360

Celebrant Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

All **Most merciful God, 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 neighbors 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.**

THE ABSOLUTION

Celebrant Almighty God have mercy on your, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.

Amen.

THE PEACE

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All **And also with you.**

The congregation greets one another in the name of the Lord.

WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS, AND BLESSINGS

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

Celebrant Walk in love as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and a sacrifice to God.

OFFERTORY ANTHEM Psalm 23

Howard Goodall

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

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER B

Book of Common Prayer 367

SURSUM CORDA

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

All **And also with you.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

All **We lift them to the Lord.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

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.

But chiefly we are 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

Hymnal S-125

Richard Proulx

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

People stand or kneel

Celebrant 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,

All

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

Celebrant

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 in your 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.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Book of Common Prayer 364

Celebrant

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

All

**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!

FRACTION ANTHEM

Hymnal S- 163

Robert Powell

Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sins of the world: have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you
take a - way the sins of the world: have mer - cy on us.
Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world: grant us peace.

THE INVITATION

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.

HOLY COMMUNION

Please indicate if you would prefer gluten free wafers.

COMMUNION MOTET When the Lord Turned Again

Adrian Batten

POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

Book of Common Prayer 366

Celebrant Let us pray.

All, standing **Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.**

THE EASTER BLESSING

Book of Occasional Services 27

Celebrant 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.

All **Amen.**

Optional Introduction

1. We praise thee, O God; we acknowledge thee to be the Lord.
All the earth doth worship thee, the Father ev - er - last - ing.

2. To thee all Angels cry aloud, the Heavens and all the Powers there - in.
To thee Cherubim and Seraphim con - tin - ual - ly do cry:

3. Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Sa - ba - oth;
Heaven and earth are full of the majesty of thy glo - ry.

4. The glorious company of the apostles praise thee. The goodly
fellowship of the pro - phets praise thee. 5. The noble army of
martyrs praise thee. The holy Church throughout all the world
doth ac - know - ledge thee, 6. the Father, of an infinite majesty,
thine adorable, true, and on - ly Son, also the Holy Ghost the Com - fort - er.

7. Thou art the King of glo - ry, O Christ. Thou art the everlasting
Son of the Fa - ther. 8. When thou tookest upon thee to de - liv - er man,

thou didst humble thyself to be born of a Vir - gin.

9. When thou hadst overcome the sharp - ness of death,
thou didst open the kingdom of heaven to all be - liev - ers.

10. Thou sittest at the right hand of God, in the glory of the Fa - ther.
help thy ser - vants, whom thou hast redeemed with thy pre - cious blood.

12. Make them to be numbered with thy saints, in glory ev - er - last - ing.

DISMISSAL

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

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

POSTLUDE My Inmost Heart Rejoices

Johannes Brahms

MUSIC NOTES

The prelude this morning was composed by the English organist and composer Percy Whitlock (1903-1946). The music is colorful and easily suggests a picture of the English countryside. The offertory anthem was composed to be the theme song for the English TV show “The Vicar of Dibley.” In the anthem version we get to hear all of the psalm. Our postlude this morning is one of the eleven chorale preludes by Johannes Brahms (1833-1897). The hymn text reflects on creation and how God makes everything new each year.



WE PRAY FOR those who have requested prayer this month:

T.J. Leo, Allen DeMarks, Vickey, Ginger Elliott, Carmela, Twila, Ron Robertson, Gaynell Harris, Olivia, Carlos & Julianna Caguiat, Donna Wynn, Brian Sullivan, Mary Snyder, Pat Rogers, Karen Kelly, Bob, Jason, Joe Edwards, Eleanor Congdon, Bill Bonte, Pat Sekola, Roxanne DeNiro, George & Carol Errington, Paul, Clinton Jost, Stan, Ronald Gould, Fabio Ceccarani, Kevin Shelton, Suzanne Cinelli.

S · A · I · N · T
JOHN'S
Episcopal Church · Youngstown

SPECIAL THANKS TO ALL PARISHIONERS WHO SERVE EACH WEEK AS
MUSICIANS, READERS, ALTAR GUILD, AND VIDEOGRAPHER.

Many thanks to contributions made in honor of loved
ones for flowers and aumbrey candle each week.

The Material in the bulletin is taken from
The Book of Common Prayer

All copyrighted music is reprinted
with permission under *RiteSong*

ST. JOHN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH
323 Wick Ave., Youngstown, OH 44503
office@stjohnohio.org 330.743.3175 www.stjohnohio.org

BISHOP OF OHIO
The Rt. Rev. Anne B. Jolly

PRESIDER / PREACHER
The Rev. Sally Goodall