THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

APRIL 30, 2023



The Risen Christ Giotta di Bondone (1266-1337)

SAINT MARTIN'S EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH Annapolis, Maryland

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

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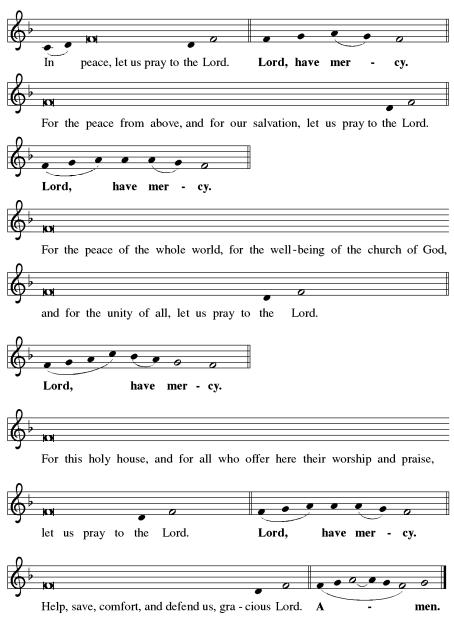


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GREETING

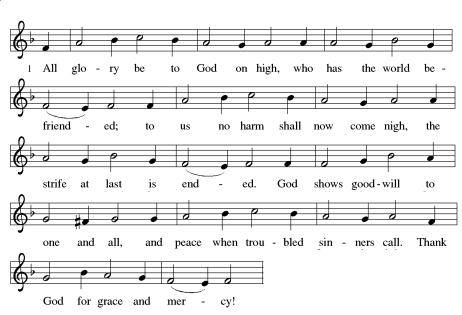
The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. And also with you.

KYRIE



GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

ELW 410



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PRAYER OF THE DAY

O God our shepherd, you know your sheep by name and lead us to safety through the valleys of death. Guide us by your voice, that we may walk in certainty and security to the joyous feast prepared in your house, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

THE FIRST LESSON Acts 2:42-47

⁴²[The baptized] devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers.

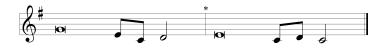
⁴³Awe came upon everyone, because many wonders and signs were being done by the apostles. ⁴⁴All who believed were together and had all things in common; ⁴⁵they would sell their possessions and goods and distribute the proceeds to all, as any had need. ⁴⁶Day by day, as they spent much time together in the temple, they broke bread at home and ate their food with glad and generous hearts, ⁴⁷praising 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.

THE PSALM Psalm 23

(8 AM)

Sung together in unison



¹The LORD is my shepherd;

I shall not | be in want.

²The LORD makes me lie down ¹ in green pastures and leads me be- ¹ side still waters.

³You restore my | soul, O LORD,

and guide me along right pathways | for your name's sake.

⁴Though 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.

⁵You prepare a table before me in the presence | of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil, and my cup is | running over.

⁶Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days ¹ of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the ¹ LORD forever.

(10 AM)

Brother James' Air

Bain (1860-1925) arr. Bullard (b. 1947)

Sung by the choir

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, e'en 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 has 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 my Father's heart always my dwelling place shall be.

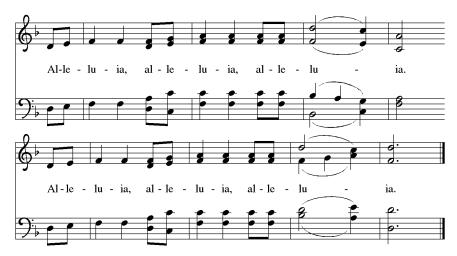
THE SECOND LESSON 1 Peter 2:19-25

¹⁹It is a credit to you if, being aware of God, you endure pain while suffering unjustly. ²⁰If 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. ²¹For to this you have been called, because Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example, so that you should follow in his steps. ²²"He committed no sin, and no deceit was found in his mouth." ²³When 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. ²⁴He 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. ²⁵For 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.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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THE GOSPEL LESSON

John 10:1-10

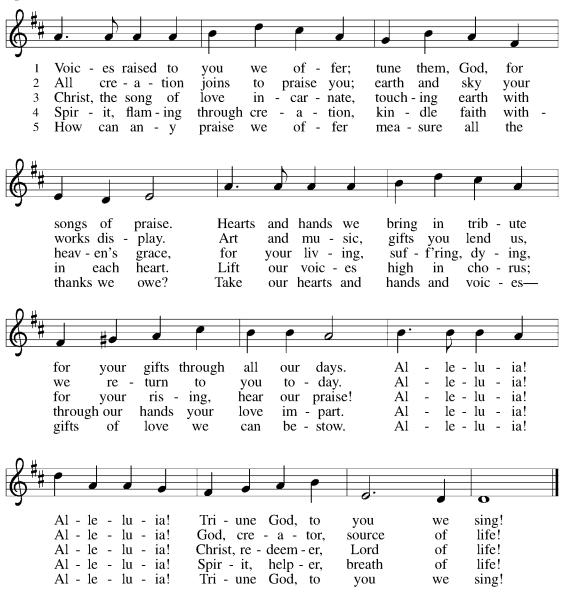
The Gospel of our Lord, Jesus Christ according to John, the tenth chapter. Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus said:] ¹"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. ²The one who enters by the gate is the shepherd of the sheep. ³The gatekeeper opens the gate for him, and the sheep hear his voice. He calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. ⁴When he has brought out all his own, he goes ahead of them, and the sheep follow him because they know his voice. ⁵They will not follow a stranger, but they will run from him because they do not know the voice of strangers." ⁶Jesus used this figure of speech with them, but they did not understand what he was saying to them. ⁷So again Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, I am the gate for the sheep. ⁸All who came before me are thieves and bandits; but the sheep did not listen to them. ⁹I am the gate. Whoever enters by me will be saved, and will come in and go out and find pasture. ¹⁰The 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, O Christ.

HOMILY

(10 AM, choir sings vs. 4)



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Profession of Faith

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, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human. 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, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who 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 CHURCH

To the words "Hear us, O God," the congregation responds "Your mercy is great."

SHARING OF THE PEACE

THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY ANTHEM (10 AM)

My Eyes for Beauty Pine

H. Howells (1892-1983)

My eyes for beauty pine, my soul for Goddës grace:

No other care nor hope is mine, to heaven I turn my face.

One splendour thence is shed from all the stars above:

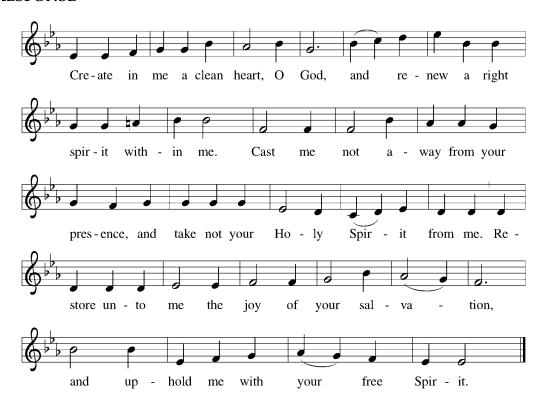
Tis named when Goddës name is said, 'Tis Love, 'tis heavenly Love.

And every gentle heart, that burns with true desire,

Is lit from eyes that mirror part of that celestial fire.

OFFERTORY RESPONSE

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Music: J. A. Freylinghausen, 1670-1739

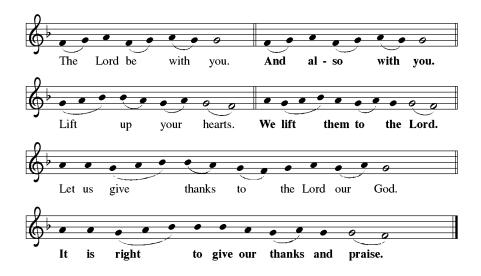
CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Before the Risen Christ, let us again acknowledge our need for forgiveness and grace,

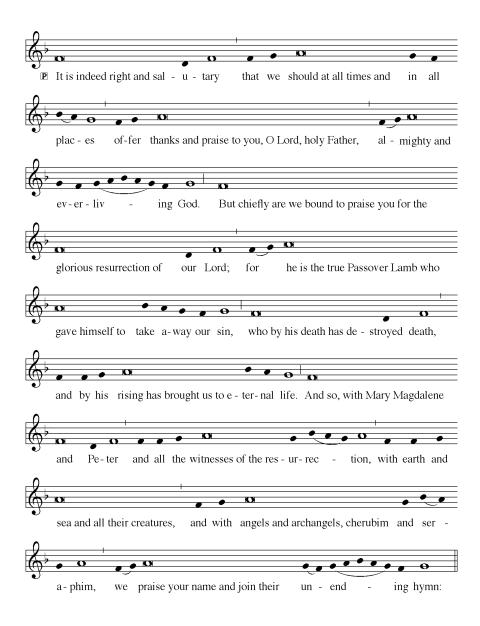
To you, O God, all hearts are open, to you all desires are known. We come to you, confessing our sins and humbly seeking your forgiveness. Grant us mercy and remember us in your love. Show us your ways; teach us your paths; and lead us for the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ and by His authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen. And now He calls us to the Table of Love where he meets us anew in bread and cup.

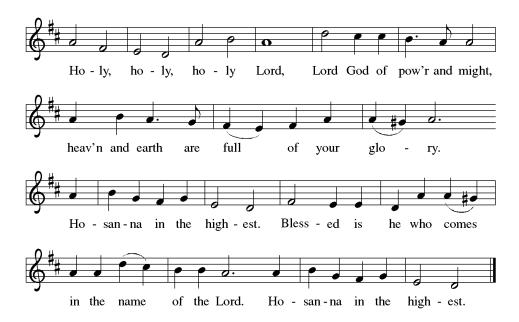
THE GREAT THANKSGIVING



PREFACE



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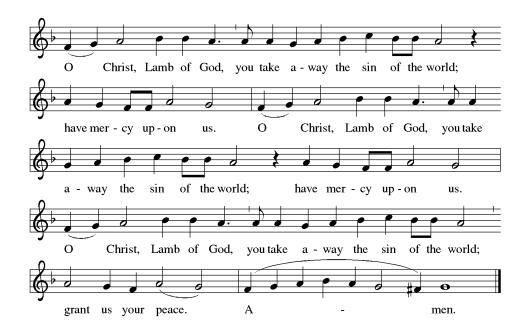


WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE LORD'S 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.

AGNUS DEI ELW 196

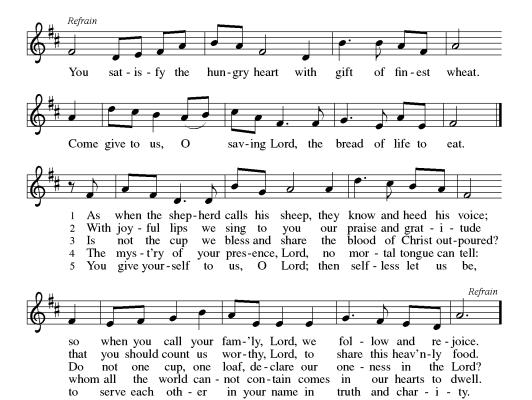


DISTRIBUTION OF HOLY COMMUNION - At the Lord's Table we share in the gift of Jesus' body and blood. Please bring an empty glass from the head of the aisle to receive wine from a pouring cup. Grape juice is available in the pre-filled glasses near the empty ones. If you need a gluten-free option for bread, please indicate that to the person with bread. Peel away communion kits are also available for any who so desire. Blessings will be given to those not yet communing.

COMMUNION HYMNS LBW 134



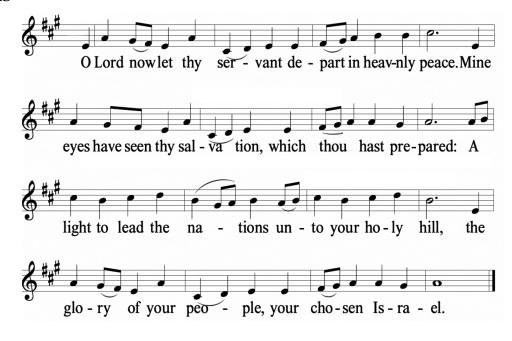
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ELW 484

BLESSING

NUNC DIMITTIS



Text: NUNC DIMITTIS Tune: ELLACOMBE

BENEDICTION

RECESSIONAL HYMN

ELW 840



Text: Martin Rinkhart, 1586–1649; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–1878 Music: NUN DANKET ALLE GOTT, Johann Crüger, 1598–1662

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Serve the Risen One. Thanks be to God.

PostLudium Peter Lindemann (1914)

Serving in Worship Today		
Preacher	The Rev. Robin Simpson Litton	
Celebrant	Pastor Dave Oravec	
Director of Music		
Ministry	Dr. Erin Hanke	
Trumpet (10 a.m.)	Mary Rosekrans	
Trombone (10 a.m.)	Chris Grant	
Altar Set Up	Altar Guild	
Media Technician	Sara Wetz	
	8:00	10:00
Assisting Minister	Chris Converse	Bob Drumm
-	Dona Rudderow	Mel Tuckfield
Communion Assistants	Sturn	Linda Wetz
Lector		Bob Drumm
		John Knupp
Ushers	Tracey Edlich	Dave Mattingley Barb and Tom Freeman
Communion Clean Up		Jane Strohl Deb Mangin

St. Martin's Evangelical Lutheran Church Hosts

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Free Art Exhibit Benefiting Ukrainian Refugees

ICONS in Transformation is an internationally acclaimed traveling art exhibit featuring contemporary works by expressionist Ludmila Pawlowska, depicting light, love, spirituality, and time through her unique medium of three-dimensional paintings.

Debuting in Annapolis for the first time at St. Martin's Evangelical Lutheran Church from April 23 through June 11, 2023, this engaging exhibit is free and open to the public. All artist's proceeds benefit Ukrainian Refugees.

April 23 through June 11, 2023

Sundays, Noon to 2 p.m. Wednesdays, 4 to 7 p.m. Saturdays, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m

Reserve your free exhibit tour today stmartinsannapolis.org/icons



As Erin Hanke finishes her time as our Director of Music Ministry, we give thanks to God for the many gifts she has shared with us! Also, today we thank our dedicated choir members as their season of sung leadership ends today. Please thank Erin this morning!

Today we thank God that our Assistant to the Bishop, The Rev. Robin Simpson Litton is here to Proclaim the Word during worship. Please greet her warmly!

THE FLOWER ARRANGEMENT IS GIVEN TODAY

To the glory of God and in honor of Dr. Erin Hanke,
Director of Music Ministry, and the St. Martin's Chancel Choir

Opportunities This Week

Wednesday, May 3, 2023

7:00 am Men's Prayer Breakfast

(Double T)

4:00 pm Icons Exhibit Open

Thursday, May 4, 2023

11:30 am Mid-day Bible Study

(Double T)

6:30 pm Good Night with God

(Zoom)

Saturday, May 6, 2023

10:00 am Icons Exhibit Open

Sunday, May 7, 2023

8:00 am Worship (Sanctuary)
10:00 am Worship (Sanctuary)

12:00 pm Icons Exhibit Open

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