

THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

APRIL 21, 2024

10 AM



SAINT MARTIN'S EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH
Annapolis, Maryland

PRELUDE

Bach: Sinfonia from Cantata No. 208 "Sheep May Safely Graze"

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

We Welcome Sarah Lefler, Executive Director of Mar Lu Ridge

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

In the name of the Father, and of the † Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

To you, O God,

all hearts are open, to you all desires known. We come to you, confessing our sins. Forgive us in your mercy, and remember us in your love. Show us your ways; teach us your paths; and strengthen us to serve in the strong name of our Risen Lord, Jesus Christ.

Amen.

Jesus is stronger than sin, death, and evil. His love for us is beyond measure and His grace awaits us whenever we turn to Him. So, as a called and ordained minister of word and sacrament in the church of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins. May God strengthen you in all goodness and keep you unto life eternal.

Amen.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us

ELW 789



1 Sav-ior like a shep-herd lead us; much we need your ten - der care.
2 We are yours; in love be - friend us, be the guard-ian of our way;
3 You have prom-ised to re - ceive us, poor and sin - ful though we be;
4 Ear - ly let us seek your fa - vor, ear - ly let us do your will;



In your pleas-ant pas-tures feed us, for our use your fold pre-pare.
keep your flock, from sin de - fend us, seek us when we go a - stray.
you have mer - cy to re - lieve us, grace to cleanse, and pow'r to free.
bless - ed Lord and on - ly Sav - ior, with your love our spir - its fill.



Bless-ed Je-sus, bless-ed Je - sus, you have bought us; we are yours.
Bless-ed Je-sus, bless-ed Je - sus, hear us chil - dren when we pray.
Bless-ed Je-sus, bless-ed Je - sus, ear - ly let us turn to you.
Bless-ed Je-sus, bless-ed Je - sus, you have loved us, love us still.



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GREETING

Alleluia! Christ is risen! **Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

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.

HYMN OF PRAISE

1 Al - le - lu - ia! Je - sus is ris - en!
Trum - pets re - sound - ing in glo - ri - ous light!
Splendor, the Lamb, heav - en for - ev - er!
Oh, what a mir - a - cle God has in sight!
Refrain
Je - sus is ris - en and we shall a - rise.
Give God the glo - ry! Al - le - lu - ia!

Text: Herbert F. Brokering, b. 1926
Music: David N. Johnson, 1922-1987
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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.**

THE FIRST LESSON

Acts 4:5-12

⁵The next day [the] rulers, elders, and scribes assembled in Jerusalem, ⁶with Annas the high priest, Caiaphas, John, and Alexander, and all who were of the high-priestly family. ⁷When they had made the prisoners stand in their midst, they inquired, “By what power or by what name did you do this?” ⁸Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them, “Rulers of the people and elders, ⁹if we are questioned today because of a good deed done to someone who was sick and are asked how this man has been healed, ¹⁰let it be known to all of you, and to all the people of Israel, that this man is standing before you in good health by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead. ¹¹This Jesus is ‘the stone that was rejected by you, the builders; it has become the cornerstone.’ ¹²There is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among mortals by which we must be saved.”

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

THE PSALM

Psalm 23

Read in unison

- ¹The LORD is my shepherd;
I shall not want.
- ²He maketh me to lie down in green pastures:
he leadeth me beside the still waters.
- ³He restoreth my soul:
he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake.
- ⁴Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,
I will fear no evil: for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me.
- ⁵Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies:
thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over.
- ⁶Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life:
and I will dwell in the house of the LORD forever.

THE SECOND LESSON

1 John 3:16-24

¹⁶We know love by this, that [Jesus Christ] laid down his life for us—and we ought to lay down our lives for one another. ¹⁷How 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? ¹⁸Little children, let us love, not in word or speech, but in truth and action. ¹⁹And by this we will know that we are from the truth and will reassure our hearts before him ²⁰whenever our hearts condemn us; for God is greater than our hearts, and he knows everything. ²¹Beloved, if our hearts do not condemn us, we have boldness before God; ²²and we receive from him whatever we ask, because we obey his commandments and do what pleases him. ²³And 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. ²⁴All 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.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

THE GOSPEL LESSON

John 10:11-18

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

[Jesus said:] ¹¹"I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. ¹²The 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. ¹³The hired hand runs away because a hired hand does not care for the sheep. ¹⁴I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, ¹⁵just as the Father knows me and I know the Father. And I lay down my life for the sheep. ¹⁶I 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. ¹⁷For this reason the Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again. ¹⁸No 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."

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

CHILDRENS MESSAGE

HOMILY

HYMN OF THE DAY

The King of Love My Shepherd Is

ELW 502

(vs. 2 - women sing; vs. 3 - choir sings; vs. 4 - men sing)



1 The King of love my shep - herd is, whose good - ness
2 Where streams of liv - ing wa - ter flow, my ran - somed
3 Per - verse and fool - ish oft I strayed, but yet in
4 In death's dark vale I fear no ill, with thee, dear



fail - eth nev - er; I noth - ing lack if
soul he lead - eth and, where the ver - dant
love he sought me, and on his shoul - der
Lord, be - side me, thy rod and staff my



I am his and he is mine for - ev - er.
pas - tures grow, with food ce - les - tial feed - eth.
gent - ly laid, and home, re - joic - ing, brought me.
com - fort still; thy cross be - fore to guide me.

5 Thou spreadst a table in my sight;
thine unction grace bestoweth;
and, oh, what transport of delight
from thy pure chalice floweth!

6 And so, through all the length of days,
thy goodness faileth never.
Good Shepherd, may I sing thy praise
within thy house forever.

Text: Henry W. Baker, 1821-1877
Music: St. COLUMBA, Irish tune

CONFESSION OF FAITH

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

THE PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

To the words "Lord in your mercy," the congregation responds "**Hear our prayer.**"

SHARING OF THE PEACE

THE OFFERING

We thank you for your generosity and support! We are blessed to return thanks to God through our offerings to support the work of the Church in the world. Ushers will bring the plates to those worshipping in person this day. For those worshipping online you may give electronically or by way of US Mail. Your gifts enable our day to day operational budget, our missions, and the care of those in need.

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OFFERTORY ANTHEM *Jessie Seymour Irvine: "The Lord's My Shepherd"*
from *Scottish Psalter 1650 "Crimond"*
(Vs. 5 Sung by Congregation)

1. The Lord's my Shep - herd, I'll not want; he makes me
2. My soul he doth re - store a - gain; and me to
3. Yea, though I walk in death's dark vale, yet will I
4. My ta - ble thou hast fur - nish - ed in pres - ence
5. Good - ness and mer - cy all my life shall sure - ly

down to lie in pas - tures green; he
walk doth make with - in the paths of
fear no ill, for thou art with me;
of my foes; my head thou dost with
fol - low me: and in God's house for -

lead - eth me the qui - et wa - ters by.
righ - teous - ness, e'en for his own name's sake.
and thy rod and staff me com - fort still.
oil a - noint, and my cup o - ver - flows.
ev - er more my dwell - ing place shall be.

OFFERTORY RESPONSE

The Doxology

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here be - low; praise
8
him a - bove, ye heav'n - ly host; praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. A - men.

THE 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.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, for the glorious resurrection of our Savior Jesus Christ, the true Paschal Lamb who gave himself to take away our sin; who in dying has destroyed death, and in rising has brought us to eternal life. And so, with Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of James, Salome, and all the witnesses of the resurrection, with earth and sea and all their creatures, and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

THE SANCTUS

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might,
heav'n 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 - san - na in the high - est.

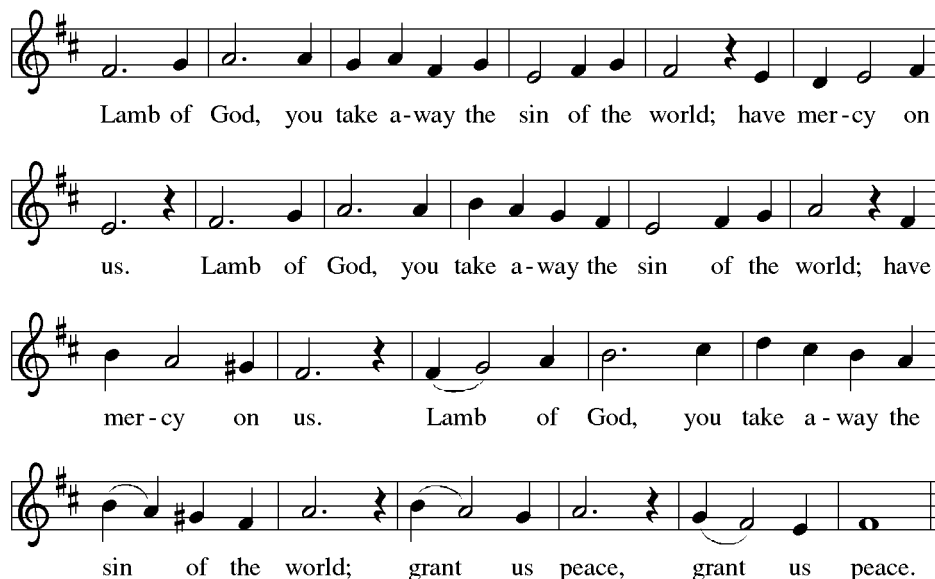
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THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

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.

THE AGNUS DEI



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

COMMUNION HYMN

For the Bread Which You Have Broken

ELW 494



- 1 For the bread which you have bro - ken, for the wine which you have poured,
- 2 By this prom - ise that you love us, by your gift of peace re - stored,
- 3 With the saints who now a - dore you, seat-ed at the heav'n - ly board,
- 4 In your ser - vice, Lord, de - fend us; in our hearts keep watch and ward;



for the words which you have spo - ken, now we give you thanks, O Lord.
by your call to heav'n a - bove us, hal - low all our lives, O Lord.
may the church still wait - ing for you keep love's tie un - bro - ken, Lord.
in the world to which you send us let your king - dom come, O Lord.

BLESSING

The body and blood of our Lord, Jesus Christ strengthen us and keep us in His grace. Amen.

BENEDICTION

RECESSIONAL HYMN

Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing

ELW 545



1 Lord, dis - miss us with your bless-ing, fill our hearts with joy and peace;
2 Thanks we give and ad - o - ra - tion for your gos - pel's joy - ful sound.
3 Sav - ior, when your love shall call us from our strug - gling pil - grim way,



let us each, your love pos - sess-ing, tri - umph in re - deem-ing grace.
May the fruits of your sal - va - tion in our hearts and lives a - bound.
let no fear of death ap - pall us, glad your sum - mons to o - bey.



Oh, re - fresh us; oh, re - fresh us, trav - 'ling through this wil - der - ness.
Ev - er faith - ful, ev - er faith - ful to your truth may we be found.
May we ev - er, may we ev - er reign with you in end - less day.

Text: attr. John Fawcett, 1740–1817, sts. 1–2, alt.; Godfrey Thring, 1823–1903, st. 3, alt.
Music: SICILIAN MARINERS, Sicilian, 18th cent.

DISMISSAL

Alleluia! Go in peace. Rejoice and be glad.

Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

POSTLUDE

*Beethoven: Piano Sonata No. 15 "Pastorale",
Op. 28 - IV. Rondo: Allegro ma non troppo*

Welcome!

Today we welcome Sarah Lefler to share a special message about the ministry and needs of our Synod's wonderful camp, Mar Lu Ridge. We are thankful that Sarah is with us and deeply grateful for her ongoing leadership as the camp's Executive Director!

Next Sunday, following the 10 AM service, we will have a final dedication of our lovely Peace Garden. Immediately following the recessional hymn, we will gather for this important time of thanksgiving and share in refreshments and fellowship. We hope you will all be there.

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(8 seats)

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ITALIAN NIGHT

FRIDAY MAY 10TH



Two Seatings are available – 6 to 7:15pm and 7:30 to 9pm

St. Martin's Lutheran School invites you for a delicious meal prepared by the faculty and students. Kick off your Mother's Day weekend with a delicious Italian dinner! Bring the special ladies in your life to enjoy with the school community. Beer, wine and a specialty cocktail will be available for purchase

The gym will be open for children to play before and after the meal however, they will be the responsibility of the parents



Serving in Worship Today	
Preacher & Celebrant	Pastor Dave Oravec
Director of Music Ministry	Junghoon Park
Media Technician	Sara Wetz
Assisting Minister	Marlys Sandve McDevitt
Communion Assistants	Bob Drumm
	Glenn Hollenbeck
Lector	Tori Johnson
Ushers	Larry Day
	Rosa Ruhf
	Barb Freeman
Ushers	Molly Michaelson
Communion Cleanup	Martha & Glenn Hollenbeck

Call Committee Reminder

The Call Committee has decided to extend the due date for those who have not yet completed the survey. **The new due date to complete the Congregation Survey is now midnight on April 28th.**

Please complete the survey if you haven't already done so. Also, everyone in your household, middle school thru college and all adults are encouraged to participate.

To take the survey, use the survey link or QR code below. Paper copies can be found in the narthex as well.

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· Sunday, May 5th, after 10 AM service; Sign-up deadline is April 24

SIGN-UP: In the Narthex or contact Joy Fernon, 240-674-4825, jfernon18@gmail.com

Opportunities This Week

Wednesday, April 24, 2024

- 7:00 am Men's Prayer Breakfast (Double T)
- 5:30 pm Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)

Thursday, April 25, 2024

- 11:30 am Mid-day Bible Study (Double T)

Saturday, April 27, 2024

- 7:00 pm Party with a Purpose (Gym)

Sunday, April 28, 2024

- 8:00 am Worship (Sanctuary)
- 10:00 am Worship (Sanctuary)
- 11:15 am Peace Garden Dedication
- 3:00 pm Bay Winds Concert (Sanctuary)

Take to the Sky

Music inspired by flight and composed by Gillingham, Copley, Sims, Williams, Barnes, Rimsky-Korsakoff, & Reineke

Sunday April 28 @ 3pm
St. Martin's Lutheran Church
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