

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

Fourth Sunday of Easter
April 25, 2021 – 11:00 a.m.

THE GATHERING

PRELUDE Pastorale from *Il Pastor Fido* G. F. Handel
Samuel Libra, organ

WELCOME

INTROIT *Behold, God Is My Salvation* Eric Thiman
The Octet

PRESENTING THE MEANS OF GRACE

Our life is in Jesus Christ, the Word made flesh. The Bible is the written witness to Jesus Christ, therefore it is "The Word of Life." Our lives are claimed by God through our baptism. It is God's seal on who we are as the children of God, therefore it is "The Font of Identity." The Table is the center of our home in the Body of Christ, the place where we are welcomed, renewed, and strengthened for the life to which we are called, therefore it is "The Table of Sustenance."

***HYMN 254** *That Easter Day with Joy Was Bright* PUER NOBIS NASCITUR
Hymn can be found on page 5

***CALL TO CONFESSION** Rev. Steve Jester

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION** *(Read in unison)*

Lord, have mercy on us. We talk about love, but our actions betray us. We talk about love, but we neglect loving our neighbor. We talk about love, but we fail to love one another. Lord, have mercy on us. Forgive us, and abide in us by the power of your Spirit so that our lives may show our love for Jesus Christ.

(Time for silent prayer)

***ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS**

***RESPONSE** ALLELUIA No. 1

Alleluia, Alleluia! Give thanks to the Risen Lord!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Give praise to his name!

***THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

*Sadie Gray Bugh, daughter of Taylor and Kathryn Bugh
Charles Williams Phelps, son of Margaret and Andrew Phelps*

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth: and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried: He descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; The holy catholic Church; the Communion of Saints; the Forgiveness of sins; the Resurrection of the body, and the Life everlasting. Amen.

HYMN FOR BAPTISM

Sung to the tune of "Come, Thou Almighty King"

ITALIAN HYMN

Shepherd of tender youth, guiding in love and truth through winding ways:
Christ, our triumphant King, we come your name to sing; here we our children bring
to shout your praise.

Forever be our Guide, our Shepherd and our pride, our staff and song:
Jesus, O Christ of God, by your enduring Word, lead us where you have trod;
make our faith strong.

THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Rev. Steve Jester

FIRST READING

Psalm 23 (adaptation)

SECOND READING

John 10:11-18

SERMON

"One Flock, One Shepherd"

Rev. Jordan Akin

THE RESPONSE

GIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Loving Shepherd of Thy Sheep
The Octet; Isabella Recktenwald, soloist

John Rutter

*Loving Shepherd of thy sheep,
Keep thy lamb, in safety keep;
nothing can thy power withstand,
none can pluck me from thy hand.*

*I would praise thee ev'ry day,
gladly all thy will obey,
like thy blessed ones above,
happy in thy perfect love.*

*Loving Shepherd, ever near,
teach thy lamb thy voice to hear;
suffer not my steps to stray
from the straight and narrow way.*

*Where thou leadest I would go,
walking in thy steps below;
Till before my Father's throne,
I shall know as I am known.*

*DOXOLOGY

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

Praise God from whom all blessings flow!
Praise God, all creatures here below! Alleluia, Alleluia!
Praise God above, you heavenly host!
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost! Alleluia, Alleluia!
Alleluia, Alleluia! Alleluia!

RECOGNITION OF HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES

Davis Blythe, *Louisville Collegiate School*; William Adam Caudill, *St. Francis High School*; Van Clements, *Walden School*; Henry Doyle, *Trinity High School*; Isabella Eddins, *Presentation Academy*; Samuel Hancock, *Louisville Collegiate School*; Nicholas Moloney, *duPont Manual High School*; Ensley Ogden, *Kentucky Country Day School*; Lucy Owen, *Ballard High School*; Elli Tilford, *duPont Manual High School*; Kennedy Vinson, *Sacred Heart Academy*; Kate Wiggins, *North Oldham High School*; Sims Wilson, *Kentucky Country Day School*; Olivia Zimmerman, *Assumption High School*

SHARING GRACE

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE *(read responsively)*

. . . God of goodness and mercy, **hear our prayer.**

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 debts as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

THE SENDING

*HYMN 741

Guide My Feet
Stanzas 1, 3, 4, and 6
Hymn can be found on page 7

GUIDE MY FEET

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Concerto Real

Antonio Soler, arr. Biggs

IN WORSHIP TODAY

THE CHANCEL FLOWERS are given in loving memory of Barbara and George Dudley by their family.

USHERS: Brad Hume, Glen Hume, Bruce Dudley, Joan Dudley, and Connie Smith

OUR MUSIC AND PRODUCTION: The Octet of the Sanctuary Choir; Isabella Recktenwald, soloist; Samuel Libra, organist. Evan Vivic, Audio/Video Engineer; Chelsea Beasley, camera; Virginia Fortner, Visuals Editor
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WE LIFT UP IN PRAYER

The family of Martha Dupps on her death, 4/14/2021.

Madge and Jeff Roberts on the death of her husband/father Gorman Roberts, 4/11/2021.

Cheryl Cooper on the death of her daughter, Courtney Cooper, 4/3/2021.

Elizabeth Haynes and her family on the death of her brother, the Rev. Lewis Marshall Johnson, 3/21/2021.

The family of Kent Taylor on his death, 3/18/2021.

Karla Renaud and her family on the death of her husband, Ray Renaud, 3/17/2021.

UPCOMING EVENTS: Week of April 25, 2021

Beginning next Sunday, May 2 we will begin our outside 9 a.m. Service in the Chapel circle area. No reservations are needed for this service. If inclement weather will keep us from being outside, we will move into the Great Hall, and you will simply register your attendance upon entering Door 6. Please do wear your masks, and bring your own comfy lawn chair. Our 11 a.m. In-person and Livestreamed Sanctuary service requires reservations - the link will come to you Monday.

Sunday School - April's Sunday School will be based on the story of "The Lorax" by Dr. Suess. This children's classic provides a wonderful opportunity to learn about the gift of creation and how we are called to be good stewards of that gift. Please take the time to have a movie night at home with your family. Craft bags are available in their usual spot underneath the portico. Videos will be sent out each Sunday through the children's newsletter, 2PK, and will be on the church's website the following week under the resource tab.

Mission of the Month - During the month of April, we will be collecting art supplies needed for Cedar Ridge this summer. A full list of items needed can be found in Seconds to Go each week or in the April Second Thoughts Monthly Newsletter. Please drop off supplies under the portico (use any type of bag or box) any time Sunday or during office hours throughout the week.

Presbytery Disaster Assistance - The Presbytery Mission Committee is organizing Disaster Relief Hygiene Kits. This is a special collection in addition to our Mission of the Month. There will be a box labeled "Presbyterian Disaster Assistance" under the portico. You are invited to contribute one particular item or several different ones. This collection will be during the month of April. The following is the list of needed items: Toothbrushes – individually packaged in original wraps, no multiple packs, Wide tooth combs, Nail clippers, Hand towels – no microfiber, Wash cloths – no microfiber, Soap – individually packaged in original wraps, no multiple packs, Band aids.

THE MINISTRY TEAM

Rev. Steven P. Jester, Pastor

Rev. Nathan Sautter, Associate Pastor for
Community Life

Rev. Jordan Akin, Associate Pastor for Youth

Jim Rittenhouse, Director of Worship and Music
Ministries

Lorie Williamson, Director of Children's Ministries

Hayley Abell, Director of Weekday School

Lisa Bickett, Pastoral Assistant

Chelsea Beasley, Formation Assistant

Beth Haendiges, Community Life Assistant

Keith DeCosta, Sexton

Samuel Libra, DMA, Organist

Christina Recktenwald, Children's Choirs
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Ricky Case, Children's Choirs Co-Coordinator

Elizabeth Clay, Parish Associate

Jackie Grimley, Bookkeeper

Virginia Fortner, Worship and Music Assistant

Rev. Samuel Oboamah Asiedu, Seminary Intern

Paula S. Roberts, Organist Emerita

EASTER

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Latin hymn, 5th century
Trans. John Mason Neale, 1852; alt.

Trier ms., 15th century
Adapt. Michael Praetorius, 1609
Harm. George Ratcliffe Woodward, 1910

1. That Eas - ter day with joy was bright, The sun shone
2. O Je - sus, King of gen - tle - ness, Do all our
3. From ev - ery weap - on death can wield, Your own re -

out with fair - er light, When, to their long - ing eyes re -
in - most hearts pos - sess, And we to You will ev - er
deemed for - ev - er shield; O Lord of all, with us a -

stored, The a - pos - tles saw their ris - en Lord.
raise The trib - ute of our grate - ful praise.
bide In this our joy - ful Eas - ter - tide.

Guide My Feet

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1 Guide my feet while I run this race;
(yes, my Lord!)

guide my feet while I run this race;
(yes, my Lord!)

guide my feet while I run this race, for I

don't want to run this race in vain! (race in vain!)

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| 2 Hold my hand ... | 5 Search my heart ... |
| 3 Stand by me ... | 6 Guide my feet ... |
| 4 I'm your child ... | |

This African American spiritual is based on the imagery of "the race that is set before us" in Hebrews 12:1-2. Its call-and-response structure allows for the improvisation and addition of stanzas related to an athletic metaphor that is as vivid today as it was centuries ago.