

WELCOME TO St. Monica's Episcopal Church



Fourth Sunday of Easter

Holy Eucharist Rite II

Year B

April 24 th	Saturday	5:00 PM
April 25 th	Sunday	10:00 AM

The Service begins with the Organ Voluntary. Please use this time for prayer and meditation.

VOLUNTARY

The King of Love My Shepherd Is

Robin Milford

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

HYMN IN PROCESSION

Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation

Hymn 518

Sung by St. Monica's Choir

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People **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.**

GLORIA

Glory to God in the Highest

William Mathias, S - 278

Sung by St. Monica's Choir

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth. Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

THE COLLECT

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.**

THE WORD OF GOD

THE FIRST LESSON

Acts 4 : 5 - 12

The rulers, elders, and scribes assembled in Jerusalem, with Annas the high priest, Caiaphas, John, and Alexander, and all who were of the high-priestly family. When they had made the prisoners stand in their midst, they inquired, "By what power or by what name did you do this?" Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them, "Rulers of the people and elders, if we are questioned today because of a good deed done to someone who was sick and are asked how this man has been healed, let 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. This Jesus is `the stone that was rejected by you, the builders; it has become the cornerstone.'

There is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among mortals by which we must be saved."

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

THE RESPONSE

Dominus regit me
Sung by St. Monica's Choir

Psalm 23

- 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.

THE EPISTLE

1 John 3 : 16 - 24

We know love by this, that he laid down his life for us~ and we ought to lay down our lives for one another. How 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?

Little children, let us love, not in word or speech, but in truth and action. And by this we will know that we are from the truth and will reassure our hearts before him whenever our hearts condemn us; for God is greater than our hearts, and he knows everything. Beloved, if our hearts do not condemn us, we have boldness before God; and we receive from him whatever we ask, because we obey his commandments and do what pleases him.

And 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. All 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.

Reader	The Word of the Lord.
<i>People</i>	Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL HYMN

Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us
Sung by St. Monica's Choir

Hymn 708

THE GOSPEL

John 10 : 11 - 18

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.
People **Glory to you Lord Christ.**

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

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

THE SERMON

The Rev. Edward F.P. Gibbons

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: 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

Reader: With all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord, saying "Hear our prayer."

I ask your prayers for the peace of the world, for the welfare of the Church, and for the unity of all peoples,
Lord in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

I ask your prayers for God's people throughout the world; for Justin Archbishop of Canterbury, Michael our Presiding Bishop, Dabney our Bishop, Fr. Eddie our Priest; for this gathering; and for all minister and people. Pray for the Church, Lord in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

I ask your prayers for goodwill among nations; and for the well-being of all people. For our President Joe, Ron our Governor, for the leaders of the nations, & for all in authority. We also pray for all those who are serving in our Armed Forces, especially Katie Coston, Noah Evans, Sal Filardi Jr., Dane Grauer, Devin Harrity, Emma McHenry, Kate McHenry, Schaeffer McHenry-Grauer, Troy Nelson, Tristan Pate, James Pyles, Doug Ross, Drew Scullard, Daniel Williams, & Peter Witte. Pray for justice and peace, Lord in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

I ask your prayers for this city of Naples, for every city and community, and for those who live in them, Lord in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

I ask your prayers for the aged and infirm, for the widowed and orphans, and for the sick and the suffering, especially for Nora, Lucille Moss, Elliott Ralston, & Diana Lee. Lord in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

I ask your prayers for those celebrating birthdays this week: Doug Ball, Kathy Barnes, Carol Frankman, Cynthia Gault, Marion Megee, Ashan Nabbie, Stephen Popper, Patrick Walsh. We also give thanks for those celebrating wedding anniversaries this week: Patrick & Lisa Dearborn, William & Ann Frazer, David & Evelyn Lounsbury, Dan & Sandi Zeidman. We pray that our guests today know the joy of life in Jesus Christ. Lord in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

I ask your prayers 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, Lord in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

I ask your prayers for all who have died in the hope of the resurrection, and for all the departed. Lord in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

In the communion of the Ever Blessed Virgin Mary, St. Monica, and all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life, to Christ our God. Lord in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

PRAYER FOR THE RECTOR SEARCH

Almighty God, giver of every good gift:
Look graciously on St. Monica's, and so guide the minds of those who shall
choose a rector for this parish, that we may receive a faithful pastor, who will care
for your people and equip us for our ministries, through Jesus Christ Our Lord. *Amen.*

CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION

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.*

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

THE PEACE

All stand and the Celebrant says:

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People And also with you.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

DURING THE OFFERING

5:00 PM Voluntary

Voluntary on Brother James' Air

Searle Wright

10:00 AM Anthem

The King of Love My Shepherd Is
St. Monica's Choir

Robert Lee

Please Stand

OFFERTORY HYMN

Your Name We Bless, O Risen Lord

Hymn 205

Sung by St. Monica's Choir

Your Name we bless, O risen Lord, and sing today with one accord the life laid down, the life restored:

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

To God the Father, God the Son, to God the Spirit, always One, we sing for life in us begun:

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Eucharistic Prayer B

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People **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.**

The Celebrant continues:

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

Here the Celebrant includes 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:

SANCTUS

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord

William Mathias, S - 128

Sung by St. Monica's Choir

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

Please stand or kneel as 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,

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION *We Remember His Death* from **Mass in E**

Jeffrey Smith

Sung by St. Monica's Choir

We remember his death, We proclaim his resurrection, We await his coming in glory.

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 [_____] 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.

GREAT AMEN

Amen from **Mass in E**

Jeffrey Smith

Sung by St. Monica's Choir

Celebrant
People

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,
Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And 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.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Celebrant
People

Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!

FRACTION ANTHEM

Alleluia! Christ Our Passover

Gerald Near, S - 155

Sung by St. Monica's Choir

You are invited and encouraged to come to God's table.

The communion bread is received on an outstretched palm.

If you wish to receive a blessing instead of the sacrament, please cross your arms over your chest.

COMMUNION ANTHEM

10:00 AM

If Ye Love Me, Keep My Commandments

St. Monica's Choir

Philip Wilby

COMMUNION HYMN

My Shepherd Will Supply My Need

Sung by St. Monica's Choir

Hymn 664

Please Stand

PRAYER FOR SPIRITUAL COMMUNION (10:00 AM)

My Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar. I love you above all things, and long for you in my soul. Since I cannot receive you in the Sacrament of your Body and Blood, come spiritually into my heart. Cleanse and strengthen me with your grace, Lord Jesus, and let me never be separated from you. May I live in you, and you in me, in this life and in the life to come. *Amen.*

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

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 BLESSING

Response: *Amen.*

THE DISMISSAL

Celebrant Go in peace to love and serve the Lord, alleluia, alleluia.
People Thanks be to God, alleluia, alleluia.

HYMN IN PROCESSION

The King of Love My Shepherd Is
Sung by St. Monica's Choir

Hymn 646

VOLUNTARY

Awake, Thou Wintry Earth from Easter Cantata

Johann Sebastian Bach