## Good Shepherd of the Hills Episcopal Church

A Jubilee Ministry Center



Easter Sunday
Sunday, April 20, 2025
Holy Eucharist Rite II
Celebrant The Rev. Kim J. Litsey

#### **Our Missional Vision**

Good Shepherd of the Hills Church brings the love and light of Christ Jesus to our neighbors. We are called to go out to serve the needs of our community.

#### **Welcome To All Visitors**

If you are a visitor today, we welcome you and thank you for worshipping with us! We hope that you are blessed by your visit.

The Right Rev. Jennifer A. Reddall, Bishop
The Rev. Kim J. Litsey, Rector
Eunkyung Suh-Lee, Director of Music
Ashley Phillips, Director of Youth and Children's Ministry
Axel Lopez, Ministry Assistant for Youth
Kristine K., Parish Administrator
Teresa Garnica, Sexton

## Today's Ministry Schedule

Lector: Steve LaMar

Altar Servers: Erica Richardson and Dave Boyd

Ushers: Greg McCauley, Don Robbins, Bob Pope

Greeter: Barbara Popejoy



## Visitors and Guests Thank you for joining us!

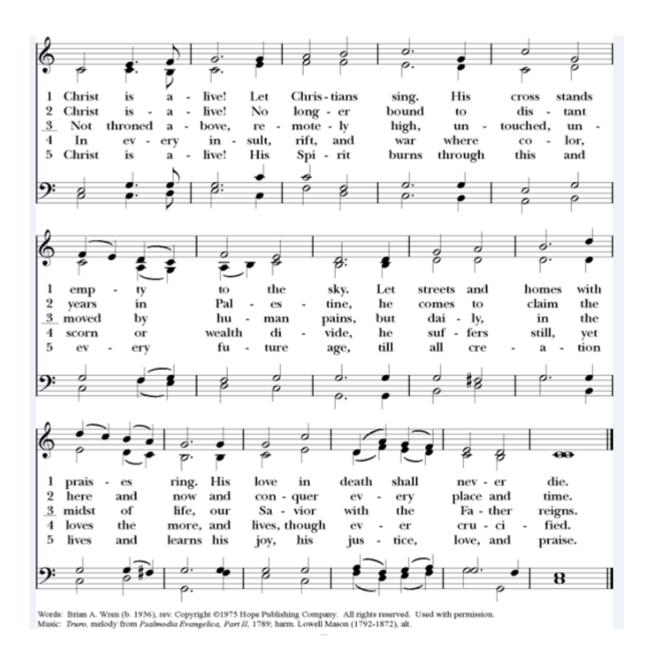
If you would like to receive our email Newsletter, please fill out the "Let Us Get To Know You Card" in the back of the pew or sign the Guest Book located in the Narthex.

Completed cards can be given to the Greeters or Ushers.

#### ~Prelude~

"The Day Of Resurrection"
By: Henry T. Smart

## ~Processional Hymn~ #182 "Christ Is Alive! Let Christians Sing"

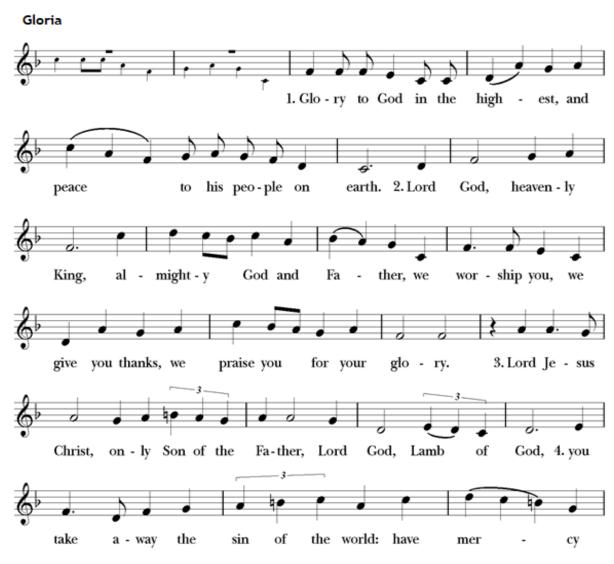


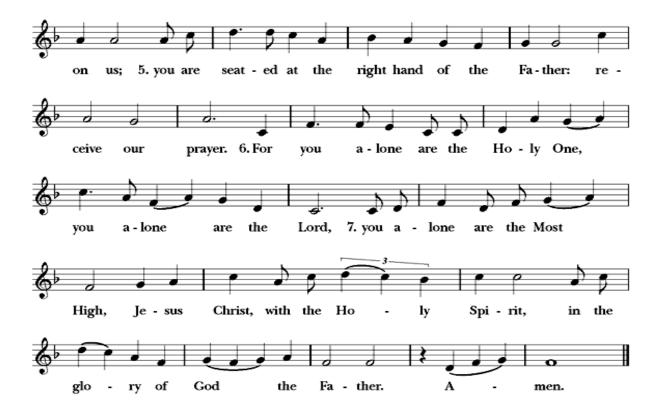
## Eucharist, Rite II The Word of God

## **Opening Acclamation**

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People: The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.





Celebrant: The Lord be with you. **People:** And also with you.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

#### The Collect

Almighty God, who through your only-begotten Son Jesus Christ overcame death and opened to us the gate of everlasting life: Grant that we, who celebrate with joy the day of the Lord's resurrection, may be raised from the death of sin by your life-giving Spirit; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.** 

## The Lessons: A Reading from the Prophet Isaiah

#### Isaiah 65:17-25

I am about to create new heavens and a new earth; the former things shall not be remembered or come to mind. But be glad and rejoice forever in what I am creating; for I am about to create Jerusalem as a joy, and its people as a delight. I will rejoice in Jerusalem, and delight in my people; no more shall the sound of weeping be heard in it, or the cry of distress. No more shall there be in it an infant that lives but a few days, or an old person who does not live out a lifetime; for one who dies at a hundred years will be considered a youth, and one who falls short of a hundred will be considered accursed. They shall build houses and inhabit them; they shall plant vineyards and eat their fruit. They shall not build and another inhabit; they shall not plant and another eat; for like the days of a tree shall the days of my people be, and my chosen shall long enjoy the work of their hands. They shall not labor in vain, or bear children for calamity; for they shall be offspring blessed by the Lord-and their descendants as well. Before they call I will answer, while they are yet speaking I will hear. The wolf and the lamb shall feed together, the lion shall eat straw like the ox; but the serpent-- its food shall be dust!

They shall not hurt or destroy on all my holy mountain, says the Lord.

The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God

Psalm 118:1-2,14-24 (Read In Unison)

- 1 Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; \* his mercy endures for ever.
- 2 Let Israel now proclaim, \*
  "His mercy endures for ever."
- 14 The LORD is my strength and my song, \* and he has become my salvation.
- 15 There is a sound of exultation and victory \* in the tents of the righteous:
- 16 "The right hand of the LORD has triumphed! \* the right hand of the LORD is exalted! the right hand of the LORD has triumphed!"
- 17 I shall not die, but live, \* and declare the works of the LORD.
- 18 The LORD has punished me sorely, \*
  but he did not hand me over to death.
- 19 Open for me the gates of righteousness; \*
  I will enter them;
  I will offer thanks to the LORD.
- 20 "This is the gate of the LORD; \* he who is righteous may enter."
- 21 I will give thanks to you, for you answered me \* and have become my salvation.
- 22 The same stone which the builders rejected \* has become the chief cornerstone.
- 23 This is the LORD's doing, \* and it is marvelous in our eyes.
- 24 On this day the LORD has acted; \* we will rejoice and be glad in it.

## A Reading From The Acts Of The Apostles

Acts 10:34-43

Peter began to speak to Cornelius and the other Gentiles: "I truly understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ--he is Lord of all. That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name."

The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God

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## The Gospel

#### John 20:1-18

Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the tomb. So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, "They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him." Then Peter and the other disciple set out and went toward the tomb. The two were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. He bent down to look in and saw the linen wrappings lying there, but he did not go in. Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen wrappings lying there, and the cloth that had been on Jesus' head, not lying with the linen wrappings but rolled up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; for as yet they did not understand the scripture, that he must rise from the dead. Then the disciples returned to their homes.

But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb; and she saw two angels in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had been lying, one at the head and the other at the feet. They said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping?" She said to them, "They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him." When she had said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping? Whom are you looking for?" Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, "Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away." Jesus said to her, "Mary!" She turned and said to him in Hebrew, "Rabbouni!" (which means Teacher). Jesus said to her, "Do not hold on to me, because I have not yet ascended to the Father. But go to my brothers and say to them, I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God." Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, "I have seen the Lord"; and she told them that he had said these things to her.

The Word of the Lord. Reople: Thanks be to God

#### 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

## ~Prayers Of The People~ P#199 "Open Our Eyes, Lord"



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## Prayers of the People

**Celebrant:** As we celebrate the paschal mystery of Christ's death and resurrection, let us earnestly pray to God for those following the way of the cross and for all peoples everywhere.

Reader: For the holy catholic church throughout the world, sharing the death and resurrection of Christ. Lord, have mercy.

Reader: For Sean our presiding bishop, Jennifer our bishop, for presbyters and deacons and all who minister in Christ, and for all the holy people of God.

Lord, have mercy.

Reader: We hold in prayer our Good Shepherd community: continue to guide and nurture us as we grow in faith and service. Lord, have mercy.

Reader: For all nations, peoples, tribes, clans, and families, especially for the Hohokam whose lands we worship. Lord, have mercy.

Reader: For all who are oppressed, afflicted, or in need. Lord, have mercy.

Reader: For those who have died and their loved ones. Lord, have mercy.

Reader: For our families, friends, and companions, and for all those we Love and especially those who have asked for prayer. Lord, have mercy.

Reader: Are there others who need our prayers this day? (Please name them silently or aloud.) We pray to you, Lord, have mercy.

Leader: Almighty God, in giving us dominion over things on earth, you made us fellow workers in your creation: Give us wisdom and reverence so to use the resources of nature, that no one may suffer from our abuse of them, and that generations yet to come may continue to praise you for your bounty; Lord, in your mercy.

Reader: Remembering the ever-blessed Virgin Mary, and all the saints, let us offer ourselves to one another to the living God through Christ.

To you, O Lord we pray.

Concluding prayer led by the Celebrant:

Celebrant: Blessed are you, O Lord our God, whose Son humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death. Receive the prayers we offer, this day for all those in need in every place; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.** 

#### The Peace

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And also with you.

## The Offertory

Celebrant: Offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving, and make good thy vows unto the Most High.

Offering (The Offering is received and the altar is prepared.)

#### ~Offertory Anthem~

## "My Redeemer Lives! Alleluia" By: Lloyd Larson

Allelu, alleluia! Sing allelu, alleluia! Sing alleluia! I know that my Redeemer lives! What joy this blest assurance gives!

Alleluia, alleluia!

He lives, He lives, who once was dead; He lives, my everliving Head! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! He lives triumphant from the grave; He lives eternally to save.

Alleluia, alleluia! He lives exalted, throned above; He lives to rule His church in love.

Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Christ lives, all glory to His name! He lives, my Savior, still the same.
Alleluia, alleluia!

What joy this blest assurance gives: I know that my Redeemer lives!
Alleluia, alleluia!
Alleluia!

#### The Doxology



## The Holy Eucharist Eucharistic Prayer B

The Celebrant: The Lord be with you. And also with you. People: Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord. Celebrant:

People:

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God It is right to give him thanks and praise. People:

## The Celebrant proceeds:

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 are we 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 forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:





Sanctus #125



The people stand or kneel.

#### 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,

Celebrant and People:
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 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.** 

And now as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say, *Celebrant and People*:

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.

## The Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant: Alleluia Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People: Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia

#### Fraction Anthem S#155



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.

#### Communion of the People

All Baptized people are welcome to receive Holy Communion; if you prefer a blessing please cross your arms in front of your chest.

# "Because He Lives" By: William Gaither

(Trumpet Solo: Paul Ogden)

"I Am The Bread OF Life" By: Suzanne Toolan

#### **Post-Communion Prayer**

Celebrant: Let us pray.

## Celebrant and People:

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

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. **Amen.** 

## ~Recessional Hymn~ #207 "Jesus Christ Is Risen Today"





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#### **Dismissal**

Celebrant: Let us bless the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia.

~Postlude~ "The Joyful Eastertide! By: Michael Burkhardt (Trumpet Solo—Paul Odgen)



Please pray for those celebrating their Birthday: Ed Simpson and Suzie Wilson And Anniversary: Clive & Gloria Francis

## Please Pray For the Following People

Mariah Myers, Mike, Kathy Frederick, Chris Francis,
Johnny, Mandie, Brynn and Iann Miller, Paddi Mozilo,
Jan, Edna, Mat, and Rick Rhoades, Sylvia Tabor, Dee Crane, Susan,
The Family and Friends of Todd Hodesh, Eric and Michelle Salawich, Charles,
Aaron Parson, John, Hank Zolkiewicz, Tim Rosenhoover, Andrea Hensley,
Roger Powell, The Friends and Family of Sharon,
The Friends and Family of Hope Ann Kelly, Ed Simpson,
Penny, Bernice Insalaco, Claudia Joehl, Cindy Creamers, Bob S., Vivian,
Joan Shillingburg, Lindsey Hensley,
Paula Vessels, David Vessels, and Rachel Vessels,
Anthony and Maria Nassimos, Jan Kramer, The Bowden Family,
Gary Zimmett, Family and Friends of Jim Ditzler,
Friends and Family of Bill Turner, Micah Young,
Family and Friends of Joyce Coombe, Darrow Miller, Evelyn Bonet,
Mary Pierce, The Lee Family, Marion Anderson,
Friends and family of Marilyn Stanitzke, Family and Family of Chuck Hewitt,
Fr. Joe Harte

#### Please Pray for those in the Armed Forces

Stephanie Case Andersen, Adam and Kim Bennett, Jeff Walker, Jeff Lindbom, Jordan Knight, Katherine Guthrie, Pierce Guthrie, Nathan Cole, Gabriel Leite, Blake Henderson Jr., Bryson Henderson, Brady Bevard, Peter Buckley (Johnson)







## He is risen! Wishing you a blessed Easter filled with happiness, love, and faith.



The Church Office will be closed Monday, April 21st in observance of Easter.

## The Dandelions Women's Group April Event

When: Friday, April 25th

Where: Southwest Wildlife Conservation Center

Time: Tour at 9AM (Carpool meetup at the church at 8:15AM)

**Cost:** \$35.

## R.S.V.P. to Paddi Mozillo or Lynn Walsh

This month our group we will be attending a private tour of the wonderful wildlife conservation rescue center. You get to see what the dedicated volunteers have created to save injured, orphaned, and abandoned native wild animals. The animals are rehabilitated and if possible released back into the wild. The animals who could not survive in the wild are kept at this special sanctuary. After the tour we will have brunch at the Dynamite Grille in the Troon North Golf Club. Living in harmony with all God's creatures is our responsibility. Please RSVP to Lynn or Paddi if you are able to join us. For more info about the center www.southwestwildlife.org



Where: Granite Mountain Loop. It's a gentle, sub three mile route, with spectacular scenery.

#### **Good Shepherd Hikers**

The Good Shepherd Hikers invite you to join us on our next hike to Granite Mtn Loop on Saturday, May 3rd, at 9:00. The trail is an uphill (~200' elevation gain) three mile loop hike. A sign-up sheet is located in Maitland Hall for the hike and additional details will be provided to those attending.

When: Saturday, May 3rd @ 9AM

**Trail:** Approximate 3 mile loop hike (uphill  $\sim$ 200 elevation gain)

**Difficulty Rating**: Easy to Moderate



## Come and See What It's All About!

April 27th after the service Daughters of the King will be holding an informational session. Bring your coffee hour beverage and snacks and join us! All Women are welcome!



#### Altar Flower Dedications!

A sign up sheet is posted in Maitland Hall along with the dedication forms. (dedication forms should be dropped off to the office) Our beautiful Altar flowers are arranged by our Flower Guild but sponsored by our members in celebration for birthdays, anniversaries, and in memory of loved ones. A donation of \$50 is requested when sponsoring flowers.

#### Children and Youth Ministry Upcoming Events

Hi everyone! We are raising money for our Chapel Rock donation drive. Chapel Rock is an important way for our Good Shepherd

youth group kids to make memories and grow in their faith. We want to make sure every one of our kids has an opportunity to attend regardless of their financial ability to pay. If you would like to sponsor a camper- the total cost per student is \$495. If you would like to donate ANY amount in support- please send checks with Good Shepherd Chapel Rock in the memo line.

The Youth Group has also planned several fundraising events to help raise funds!

May 4th— Car Wash at the Church

Also, we have empty jars again this year if you are interested in saving your change to donate! You can pick them up in the Narthex and in Maitland Hall.

#### Coffee Hour Hosts Needed!

Volunteers are needed to host our Coffee Hour! A sign up sheet is located inside Maitland Hall.



## Food and Fellowship Ministry

Our church's Food and Fellowship Ministry is growing and welcoming new members.

If you are interested in learning about or joining this ministry, please reach out to Audra Botwin or Arlene De Broske.

Food & Fellowship

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