

*Christ in Majesty, Zachary Roesemann, 2008*

# St. Paul's Cathedral Burlington, Vermont

The Fourth Sunday of Easter ✠ April 21, 2024

The Holy Eucharist ✠ 11:00 a.m.

**Welcome to the Cathedral Church of St. Paul!** We are glad you are worshipping alongside us today. You are welcome here. All of who you are is welcome here.

If you are new to the Episcopal Church, you may wish to note a few things about our worship style. In general, we stand to sing and pray, and to hear the Gospel (the Good News) of Jesus Christ. We sit to hear other scripture and to listen to the preacher. You may notice that some people choose, at certain times, to kneel, or to make the sign of the cross on their body, or to bow. You may do any, all, or none of those things. Kneelers are located under the table in the back of the church, should you wish to use one.

**CHILDREN** are always welcome in the service, as is their wiggling and whispering, and their need to move and explore. There is a children's activity area in the back of the church for use as needed. Sunday School for children aged four through grade five is available between services, beginning around 10:00. There is no formal nursery, but please feel free to explore the space and how it might meet your needs.

You can find most everything you need in this bulletin. The **MUSIC** we sing is found within this bulletin or in the blue *Hymnal 1982* found either on your seat or in the rack under the seat in front of you. Hymn numbers that begin with the letter S are in the front section of the hymnal.

**IF YOU ARE NEW** to this community and wish to know more about it or to receive our weekly e-mail newsletters, please fill out a green card located on the table in the back of the church and either leave it on the table or hand it to the clergy or an usher. We would love to know you more fully!

Finally, a word about **COMMUNION** (Lord's Supper, Eucharist) – the bread and wine. The table fellowship we experience together is for everyone. Everyone. It is a grace freely given by the one who loves us so very much. And it's for you.

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April 21, 2024  
11:00 a.m. The Holy Eucharist  
*This service is livestreamed on YouTube*

Opening Voluntary: Chaconne (Dance) in D Minor

Louis Couperin (1626-1661)

The Word of God

*All stand and sing*

Processional Hymn 391 *Before the Lord's eternal throne*

*Celebrant  
People*

Alleluia. Christ is risen.

**The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

*We sing this ancient hymn of praise Gloria in excelsis:*

Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to his peo-ple on  
earth. Lord God, heaven - ly King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther, we  
wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. Lord Je - sus  
Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take a-way the  
sin of the world: have mer - cy on us; you are seat - ed at the  
right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer.  
For you a-lone are the Ho - ly One, you a-lone are the Lord,  
you a-lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit,  
in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - - men.

Setting William Mathias (1934-1992)

*The Celebrant says the Collect of the Day, a short prayer to bring focus to the community's worship:*

*Celebrant  
People  
Celebrant*

God be with you.

**And also with you.**

Let us pray. *Stillness*

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.

*People* **Amen.**

*We pray together this prayer for our search for a new Director of Music*

**Everliving and ever-loving God who is found in the still, small voice and in the joyful noise: Be with us as we call a Director of Music and Cathedral Arts, granting that we might find a candidate with the musical ability to inspire our minds and uplift our hearts in worship; Give us patience and faith to entrust this process to your divine guidance, and awareness of the many blessings you continue to give, especially the wonderfully dedicated volunteers who contribute to the musical life of our Cathedral home; in the name of Jesus who teaches us verse after verse of your sacred song. Amen.**

*We sit to hear a reading from the Acts of the Apostles*

*Reader* A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

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.

*Acts 4:5-12*

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

*People* **Thanks be to God.** *Stillness follows.*

*As a meditation on the reading, we sing*

**Hymn 664 My shepherd will supply my need**

*We hear a reading from the New Testament Letters*

*Reader* A reading from the First Letter of John

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.

*1 John 3:16-24*

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

*People* **Thanks be to God.** *Stillness follows*

*All stand to sing the Sequence Hymn and remain standing for a reading from the life of Jesus.*

**Hymn 628 Help us, O Lord, to learn**

Deacon The Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to John

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ**

Deacon 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."  
John 10:11-18

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ**

*The people remain standing and sing the Gospel response.*



Word of God, come down on earth, liv - ing rain from heaven de-scend ing;  
touch our hearts and bring to birth faith and hope and love un - end-ing.

**The Sermon** *The preacher breaks open the scripture*

The Revd Canon Walter Brownridge

*A short period of stillness follows the Sermon. Then we stand and say together the Nicene Creed, a statement of Christian faith dating from the fourth century.*

Celebrant  
& People

**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,  
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.**

*We pray for the Church, this nation, the welfare of the world, the concerns and thanksgivings of our community, those who suffer, and those who have died.*

Intercessor  
People

Gracious God, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;  
**That we all may be one.**

*Intercessor* Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;  
*People* **That your Name may be glorified by all people.**

*Intercessor* We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;  
*People* **That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.**

*Intercessor* We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;  
*People* **That there may be justice and peace on the earth.**

*Intercessor* Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;  
*People* **That our works may find favor in your sight.**

*Intercessor* Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;  
*People* **That they may be delivered from their distress.**

*Intercessor* Give to the departed eternal rest;  
*People* **Let light perpetual shine upon them.**

*Intercessor* We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;  
*People* **May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.**

*Intercessor* Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.  
*The people may add their own petitions aloud or silently. The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.*

*Celebrant* The peace of the risen Christ be always with you.  
*People* **And also with you.** *We greet those nearest us with a sign of God's peace.*

*We sit for a word of welcome and announcement.*

*After the announcements the Celebrant offers a sentence of encouragement as we consider the offerings of our life and labor to the Lord.*

## The Holy Communion

*Ushers pass a plate to collect offerings for the work of the Church. Electronic giving is available through our website by scanning the QR code on the yellow announcements sheet. The choir sings an anthem:*

*Most glorious Lord of life, that on this day  
 didst make thy triumph over death and sin,  
 and having harrowed hell, didst bring away  
 captivity thence captive, us to win:  
 this joyous day, dear Lord, with joy begin,  
 and grant that we for whom thou diddest die,  
 being with thy dear blood clean washed from sin,  
 may live for ever in felicity:  
 and that thy love we weighing worthily,  
 may likewise love thee for the same again;  
 and for thy sake, that all like dear didst buy,  
 with love may one another entertain.  
 So let us love, dear Love, like as we ought;  
 love is the lesson which the Lord us taught.*

*Words Edmund Spenser (ca. 1522-1599) • Music W.H. Harris (1883-1973)*

*The gifts of bread and wine, and the fruits of our labors are brought forward. The Table is set and we sing the Offertory Hymn.*

**Hymn 421 All glory be to God on high**

### The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer 3

*Celebrant* God 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 our thanks and praise.**



*The Celebrant continues with the Prayer, leading to the singing of the Sanctus:*

*Celebrant*

Wondrous are you, Holy One of Blessing, all you create is a sign of hope for our journey; And so as the morning stars sing your praises we join the heavenly beings and all creation as we should with joy:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,  
God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry.  
Ho-san-na in the high - est. Bless-ed is the one who  
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high-est.

Setting William Mathias

*The Celebrant continues with the Prayer.*

*After the words over the bread and wine, all join in the Memorial Acclamation.*

*Celebrant*

And so, remembering all that was done for us: the cross, the tomb, the resurrection and ascension, longing for Christ's coming in glory, and presenting to you these gifts your earth has formed and human hands have made, we acclaim you, O Christ:

*Celebrant  
& People*

**Dying, you destroyed our death.  
Rising, you restored our life.  
Christ Jesus, come in glory!**

*The celebrant continues with the Prayer which concludes,*

*Celebrant*

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, we worship you our God and Creator in voices of unending praise.

*All*

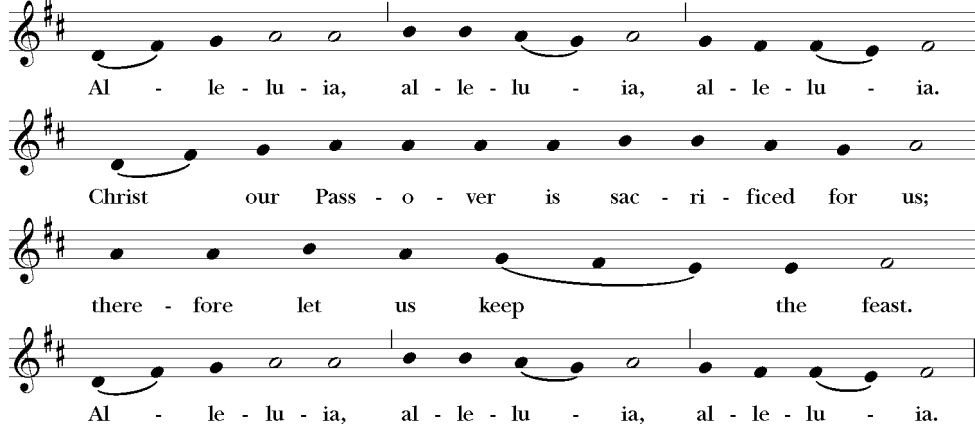
**Blessed are you now and for ever. AMEN.**

*Celebrant*

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

Our Fa-ther in hea-ven, hal-low'd be your Name, your king-dom come, your will be done, on earth as in hea-ven.  
Give us to-day our dai-ly bread. For-give us our sins as we for-give those who sin a-gainst us. Save us from the time of trial,  
and de-liv-er us from e - vil. For the king-dom, the glo-ry are yours, now and for ev - er. A-men.  
pow'r, and the

*The Celebrant breaks (fractures) the bread. After a period of stillness we sing the Fraction Anthem:*



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.  
Christ our Pass - o - ver is sac - ri - ficed for us;  
there - fore let us keep the feast.  
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

*Setting David Hurd from New Plainsong*

*The Celebrant invites us to share in the Eucharistic feast; The table fellowship we experience together is for everyone. The bread may be received directly into your hand, one palm crossed over the other. The wine may be taken by sipping from the cup or touching the bread to the cup or by using the small bowl to dip the bread into the wine (this is called intinction). Gluten-free wafers are available; please indicate your need at the time you receive Communion.*

*Those who prefer not to receive the sacrament may ask for a blessing, crossing arms, fingertips touching the shoulders.*

*During the Eucharist we sing this hymn:*

**Hymn 487 Come, my Way, my Truth, my Life**

*When all have received a period of stillness is observed. Then all stand and sing this hymn*

**Hymn 213 Come away to the skies**

*Bread and wine may be given to a member of the congregation to take to those who are sick or shut in.*

*Celebrant* In the name of this congregation I send you forth, bearing these holy gifts, that those to whom you go (*may name aloud*) may share with us in the communion of Christ's body and blood

*People* **We who are many are one body, for we all share one bread, one cup.**

*We remain standing to say this Prayer after Communion:*

*Celebrant* Let us pray. *Stillness*

God of abundance,

*All* **you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation;  
you have united us with Christ and one another;  
and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth.  
Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit,  
that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world  
and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.**

*The Celebrant offers a blessing over the People who respond,*

*People* **Amen.**

*The Deacon sends us forth with these words:*

*Deacon* Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia. Alleluia.

*People* **Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia.**

*The choir and clergy process out. The People may remain and listen to the organ music that follows or may leave quietly, so as not to disturb those who stay to listen.*

**Closing Voluntary:** *Offertory for organ*

Domenico Zipoli (1688-1726)



## SERVING IN THE LITURGY TODAY

<i>Crucifer</i>	Emiry Potter	<i>Lectors</i>	Tom Grenier, Henry Kellogg
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