

Confession of Sin

The Celebrant says:

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Minister and People

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.

the Priest, stands and says

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

The Peace

All stand. The Celebrant says to the people

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

People: And also with you

-Announcements-

Offertory Hymn: 645 THE KING OF LOVE MY SHEPHERD IS

Doxology: Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Alleluia! Alleluia; Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost! Alleluia!
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The Holy Communion

Eucharistic Prayer A

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.*

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

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

But Chiefly we are 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 for ever say this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

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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!

Then the Celebrant continues

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, 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 in 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 we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom

All this we ask through your Son, Jesus Christ. 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.

Officiant: And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

Officiant and People Together:

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, the power and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

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Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: **HAVE MERCY ON US.**

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Celebrant: Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us:

All: Therefore let us keep the feast. ALLELUIA!

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 Hymn: **SUNG BY THE CHOIR**

Celebrant and People

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Celebrant: May Almighty God, who has redeemed us and made us his children through the resurrection of his Son our Lord, bestow upon you the riches of his blessing. Amen.

May God, who through the water of baptism has raised us from sin into newness of life, make you holy and worthy to be united with Christ for ever. Amen.

May God, who has brought us out of bondage to sin into true and lasting freedom in the Redeemer, bring you to your eternal inheritance. Amen.

And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. Amen

**CELEBRANT: GO IN PEACE TO LOVE AND SERVE THE LORD, ALLELUIA!
ALLELUIA!**

***PEOPLE:* THANKS BE TO GOD! ALLELUIA! ALLELUIA!**

Recessional Hymn: 708 SAVIOR LIKE A SHEPHERD LEAD US

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 Form VI From the Book of Common Prayer

Intercessor: In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

For all people in their daily life and work; *For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.*

For this community, the nation, and the world; *For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.*

For the just and proper use of your creation; *For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.*

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble; *For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.*

For the peace and unity of the Church of God; pray for St. Margaret's, Emmaus; and St. Matthew's Society from the Diocese of Bethlehem and Lubule, Koiba Parish from Kajo Keji- *For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.*

For Michael, our Presiding Bishop, for Kevin, our own Bishop, and for all bishops and other ministers; *For all who serve God in his Church.*

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation, especially those on our prayer list: Cheryl, Monica, Don, Charlea, Gloria, Anna, Carol, Fr. John, Alex, Cheryl, William, Grace, Tim, Nancy, Jim, Charlotte, Ric, Dorothy, Randy, Jonna -Li, Doris, Bill, Dale, Brent, Mae, Robert, Mary Ann, Fr. Tony, Diane, Fr. Bob, Curt, Mary, Steve, The Hower Family. Lynette Thomas and Susan Hear us, Lord; *For your mercy is great.*

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life. We will exalt you, O God our King; *And praise your Name for ever and ever.*

We pray for all who have died, they may have a place in your eternal kingdom. Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them; *Who put their trust in you.*

Celebrant: Lord Jesus Christ, you said to your apostles, "Peace I give to you; my own peace I leave with you." Regard not our sins, but the faith of your Church, and give to us the peace and unity of that heavenly City, where with the Father and the Holy Spirit you live and reign, now and for ever. Amen.

St. Mark and St. John Episcopal Church
April 21st, 2024
The Fourth Sunday after Easter
The Rev. Anthony Pompa
Mrs. Karen A. Horvath-Music Ministry

The Liturgy of the Word

ProceSSIONAL Hymn: 184 CHRIST THE LORD IS RISEN AGAIN!

The people standing, the Celebrant says

Celebrant Alleluia! Christ is Risen
 People The Lord is Risen indeed. Alleluia!

Celebrant: Almighty God, to you all hearts 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.

The Gloria (\$280)

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 of the Day

The Celebrant says to the people

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

Celebrant: Let us pray.

The Celebrant says the Collect: 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 Lessons (see insert)

HYMN: 343 SHEPHERD OF SOULS, REFRESH AND BLESS (1-2) (3-4)

The Gospel
 The Sermon

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The 2024 Book has opened to take reservations for Bulletin, Communion Cup Sponsorship and Flower Sponsorship. If you would like to reserve a specific date, please contact the office. Bulletin Sponsorship fee is \$10 for Sunday Services, Ash Wednesday, and Holy Week Services and \$20 for Holidays (Christmas & Easter). Communion Cups Sponsorship- \$15 per week or \$50 per month. Altar Flower Sponsorship is \$28.00.

LAY READER SCHEDULE

| Date | Reading | 9:00 AM | |
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| 04/21/24 | 4th Sunday after Easter | Sue Urban | Jill Perry |
| 04/28/24 | 5th Sunday After Easter | Rose Douglas | Jim Pompa Jr |
| 05/05/24 | 6th Sunday After Easter | Sue Ellen Andreas | Zack Baker |
| 05/12/24 | 7th Sunday After Easter | Bill Diehm | Tom Lager |
| 05/19/24 | Day of Pentecost | Deb Fry | Diane Lager |
| 05/26/24 | 1st Sunday after Pentecost | Sue Urban | Jill Perry |

ALTAR GUILD SCHEDULE

| Date: | Set Up | Clean Up |
|----------|-------------------|--------------|
| April 21 | Karen Gasker | Rose Douglas |
| April 28 | Tom & Diane Lager | Shelly Pompa |

Mark Your Calendars- There will be a String Quartet Performance on June 9th - BQE String Quartet will be performing various genres of music-afterwards there will be a Wine and Cheese Reception. Concert begins at 3pm - Reception begins at 4pm and ends at 5pm. Details to follow. Volunteers needed- please contact the parish office. The purpose of the event is to raise funds to maintain our Church Building. Members of the congregation are asked to compose a poem to be read during the concert, either presented by the composer or someone else. Please let the parish office know if you are planning to participate!

GATHER 24: Everyone is invited to Gather 24 on May 4 near Scranton. This day of formation and fellowship is open to entire diocese and includes an address from the Bishop, diocesan worship, and 21 sessions to choose from to fill your day. Please go to the diocesan website to learn more and register <https://diobeth.org/gather24>

CHOIR PRACTICE- All are welcome to join us for Choir Practice! Wednesday Evenings at 6pm- Tolman House

Did you know? Most of the items in our pantry are funded by Thrivent. What is Thrivent? Thrivent provides funding for non-profit organizations and helps with programs such as our Food Pantry. To learn more about Thrivent and how you can become involved in helping - please see Tom and Diane Lager or visit www.thrivent.com.

Blessing Box- Items most needed: Canned Soup, Boxed Macaroni and Cheese, Cereal, Juice, Peanut Butter, Non-Peanut Spreads, Jelly, Crackers, Tuna, Canned Chicken, Canned Beef, Instant Mashed Potatoes, Canned Potatoes, Dry Pasta, Ramen Noodles, Pasta Sauce, Canned Fruit, Canned Pasta, Baby Items, Socks and Toiletry Items. Thank you!

SICK AND HOMEBOUND- Please remember in your prayers: Cheryl, Monica, Don, Charlea, Gloria, Anna, Carol, Fr. John, Alex, Cheryl, William, Grace, Tim, Nancy, Jim, Charlotte, Ric, Dorothy, Randy, Jonna -Li, Doris, Bill, Dale, Brent, Mae, Robert, Mary Ann, Fr. Tony, Diane, Fr. Bob, Curt, Mary, Steve, The Hower Family. Lynette Thomas and Susan **If you would like to add a name to our prayer list, please contact the parish office**

| <u>April Service Schedule</u> |
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| April 7 th - Fr. Tim |
| April 14 th - Morning Prayer |
| April 21 st - Fr. Tony |
| April 28 th - Fr. Bob |

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Parish office hours: Monday through Friday, 9:30am– 1:30pm.

SERVICES

Sunday 9am- Main Sanctuary

Other services TBA

September – May

9:00am

Church School

CHRISTMAS, EASTER, AND HOLY DAYS AS ANNOUNCED

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The
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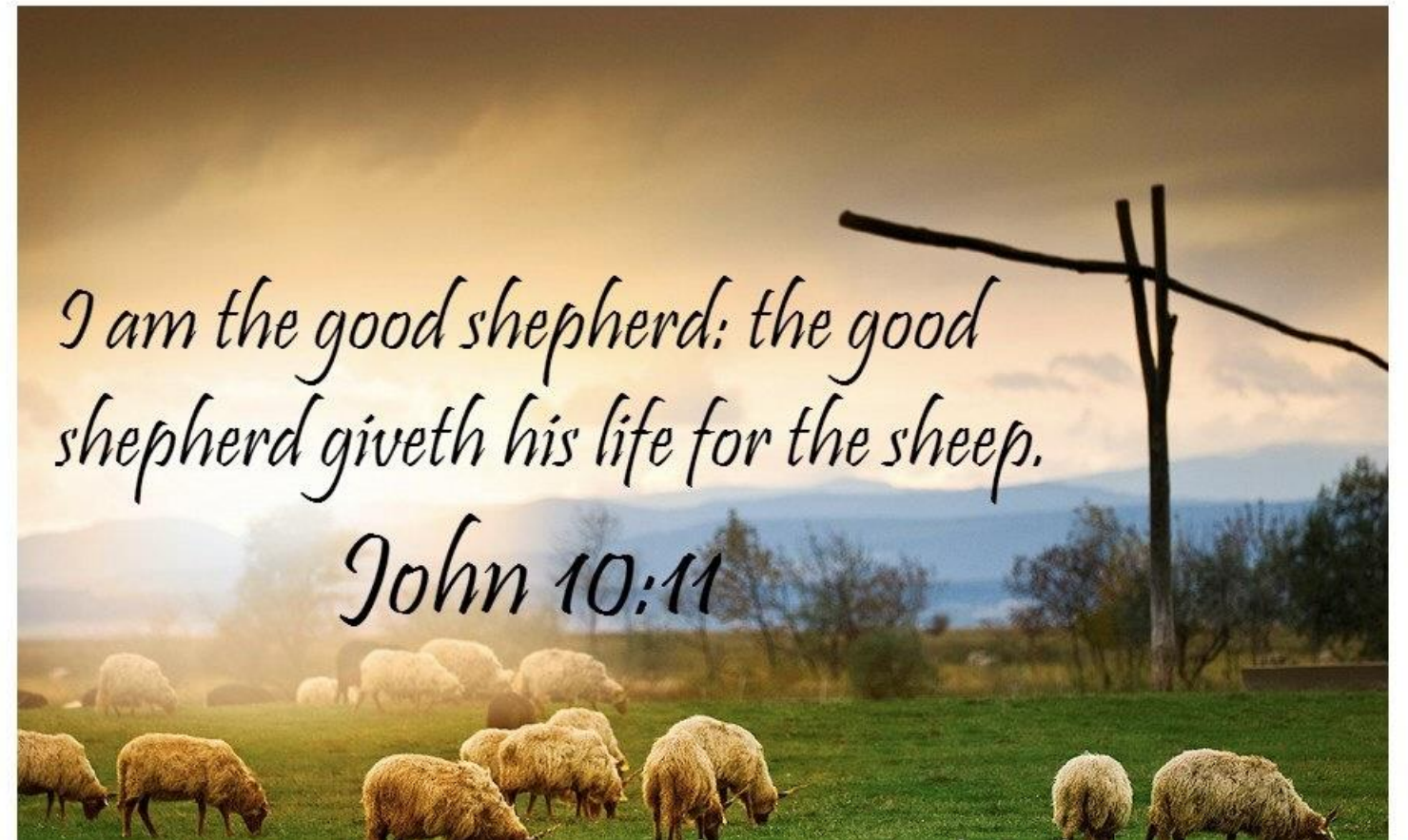
St. Mark and St. John Episcopal Church

Sunday, April 21st, 2024

The Fourth Sunday of Easter

Parish Mission Statement

Our parish will be energetic, effective, and loving as we seek to be inclusive and diverse in accomplishing God's work in the Church and Community.



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