

MAGNOLIA LUTHERAN CHURCH

May 3, 2020 Easter 4

10am

Prelude Sheep May Safely Graze J.S. Bach, arr, S. Oines

Welcome and Introductions

Greeting

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ
the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

Kyrie Eleison

In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,
and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship
and praise, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

Help, save, comfort and defend us, gracious Lord. **Amen.**

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.

You who spoke over the chaos waters

You who stilled the stormy sea

You are the wind that invites us into a new day

Bind us, together Lord,

Bind us together with chords that can never be broken

Grant us wisdom

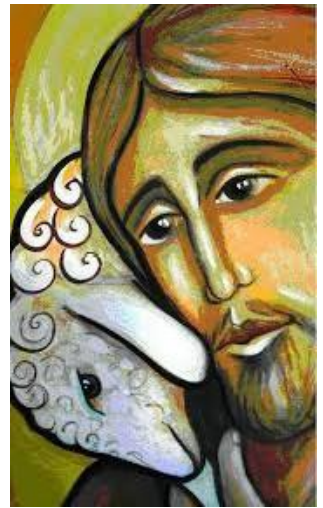
Grant us courage

For these days

Open us up to the wonder of your ways

You are revealed in bread and wine.

You are revealed in the word – and the word made flesh



You are revealed in yesterday. You call to us from beyond tomorrow
You are Father, Son and Holy Spirit
Creator, Redeemer, Sustainer
You are present before we call upon you
In you we place our trust
Through Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Scripture Readings

Psalm: Psalm 23

¹The LORD | is my shepherd;
I shall not | be in want.

²**The LORD makes me lie down | in green pastures
and leads me be- | side still waters.**

³You restore my | soul, O LORD,
and guide me along right pathways | for your 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. R**

⁵You prepare a table before me in the presence | of my enemies;
you anoint my head with oil, and my cup is | running over.

⁶**Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days | of my life,
and I will dwell in the house of the | LORD forever. R**

Gospel: John 10:1-10

Before the reading: Glory to you, O Lord!

[Jesus said:] ¹“Very truly, I tell you, anyone who does not enter the sheepfold by the gate but climbs in by another way is a thief and a bandit. ²The one who enters by the gate is the shepherd of the sheep. ³The gatekeeper opens the gate for him, and the sheep hear his voice. He calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. ⁴When he has brought out all his own, he goes ahead of them, and the sheep follow him because they know his voice. ⁵They will not follow a stranger, but they will run from him because they do not know the voice of strangers.” ⁶Jesus used this figure of speech with them, but they did not understand what he was saying to them. ⁷So again Jesus said to them, “Very truly, I tell you, I am the gate for the sheep. ⁸All who came before me are thieves and bandits; but the sheep did not listen to them. ⁹I am the gate. Whoever enters by me will be

saved, and will come in and go out and find pasture. ¹⁰The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly.”

After the reading: **Praise to you, O Christ!**

Homily

Hymn

We Are Called, vs. 1

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1 Come! Live in the light! Shine with the joy and the love of the
Lord! We are called to be light for the king - dom, to
live in the free - dom of the cit - y of God.

Refrain
We are called to act with jus - tice, we are called to
love ten - der - ly; we are called to serve one an -
oth - er, to walk hum - bly with God.

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Confession

Almighty God,
to whom all hearts are open,
all desires known,
and from whom 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 Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

**Gracious God,
have mercy on us.
We confess that we have turned from you.
We have regrets. We are sorry. We humbly repent.
In your compassion forgive our sins
known and unknown
things we have done
and things we have failed to do.
Turn us again to you,
and uphold us by your Spirit
so that we may live and serve you
in newness of life
through Jesus Christ our Saviour and Lord. Amen.**

In the mercy of almighty God
Jesus Christ was given to die for us
and for his sake forgives us all our sins.
As a called and ordained minister
of the church of Christ and by his authority
I therefore declare the entire forgiveness of all of your sins
In the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Prayers of the People

Lord, in your 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 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,
forever and ever. Amen.**

Announcements

Sending Blessing

Postlude

Gavotte from French Suite V

J. S. Bach