

Prince of Peace Church

May 3, 2020

I am the gate
for the sheep

JOHN 10:7



Prelude

Meditation on “The King of Love My Shepherd Is” Darke

Welcome

Christ is Risen!

He is risen indeed!

Praise the God and father of our Lord, Jesus Christ!

He gave us new life and hope by raising Jesus from death!

Rejoice, then even in your distress!

We shall be counted worthy when Christ appears!

God has claimed us as His own!

He has called us from darkness into his marvelous light!

Christ is Risen!

He is risen indeed!

Gathering Hymn “The King of Love My Shepherd Is” St. Columba

1. The King of love my shepherd is,
Whose goodness faileth never;
I nothing lack if I am his,
And he is mine forever.

2. Where streams of living water flow,
and ransomed soul he leadeth,
and where the verdant pastures grow,
With food celestial feedeth.

3. Perverse and foolish oft I strayed,
But yet in love he sought me,
And on his shoulder gently laid,
And home, rejoicing, brought me.

4. In death's dark vale I fear no ill
With thee, dear Lord, beside me;
thy rod and staff my comfort still,
thy cross before to guide me.

5. Thou spreadst a table in my sight,
thine unction grace bestoweth;
And O what transport of delight
From thy pure chalice floweth!

6. And so through all the length of days,
thy goodness faileth never:
Good Shepherd, may I sing your praise
Within thy house forever.

Greeting

Alleluia! Christ is Risen!

Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you!**

Hymn of Praise



A This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le-lu-ia.



B Wor-thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us



free to be peo-ple of God. Pow-er and rich-es and wis-dom and



strength, and hon-or and bless-ing and glo-ry are his.



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le-lu-ia.



Sing with all the peo-ple of God and join in the



hymn of all cre-a-tion: Bless-ing and hon-or and glo-ry and



might be to God and the Lamb for-ev-er. A-men.



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God, for the Lamb who was slain



has be-gun his reign. Al-le-lu-ia. Al-le-lu-ia.

Prayer of the Day

O God our shepherd, you know your sheep by name and lead us to safety through the valleys of death. Guide us by your voice, that we may walk in certainty and security to the joyous feast prepared in your house, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

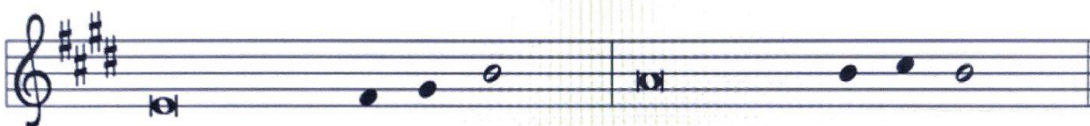
First Reading: Acts 2.42-47

⁴²[The baptized] devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers. ⁴³Awe came upon everyone, because many wonders and signs were being done by the apostles. ⁴⁴All who believed were together and had all things in common; ⁴⁵they would sell their possessions and goods and distribute the proceeds to all, as any had need. ⁴⁶Day by day, as they spent much time together in the temple, they broke bread at home and ate their food with glad and generous hearts, ⁴⁷praising God and having the goodwill of all the people. And day by day the Lord added to their number those who were being saved.

Lector: The Word of the Lord

Congregation: **Thanks be to God**

Psalm 23



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

**²The Lord makes me lie down in green pastures
and leads me beside still waters.**

³You restore my soul, O Lord,
and guide me along right pathways for your name's sake.

**⁴Though 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.**

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.**

Second Reading: 1 Peter 2.19-25

¹⁹It is a credit to you if, being aware of God, you endure pain while suffering unjustly. ²⁰If you endure when you are beaten for doing wrong, what credit is that? But if you endure when you do right and suffer for it, you have God's approval. ²¹For to this you have been called because Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example, so that you should follow in his steps.

²²“He committed no sin,
and no deceit was found in his mouth.”

²³When he was abused, he did not return abuse; when he suffered, he did not threaten; but he entrusted himself to the one who judges justly. ²⁴He himself bore our sins in his body on the cross, so that, free from sins, we might live for righteousness; by his wounds you have been healed. ²⁵For you were going astray like sheep, but now you have returned to the shepherd and guardian of your souls.

Lector: The Word of the Lord

Congregation: **Thanks be to God**

Gospel Acclamation Halle, Halle, Hallelujah

Halle, Halle, hallelujah. Halle, halle, hallelujah, Halle, halle, hallelujah, Hallelujah. Hallelujah. (*sing twice*)

Gospel: John 10.1-10

The gospel is announced. The holy gospel according to Saint John the tenth chapter.

Congregation: **Glory to you O, Lord.**

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.”

The gospel of the Lord.

Congregation: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Children's Sermon Sermon

Pastor Beatrice Michals-Brown
Pastor Jeffrey Johnson

Hymn of the Day "For the Beauty of the Earth" Dix

Refrain Christ our God, to thee we raise this our sacrifice of praise

1. For the beauty of the earth,
For the beauty of the skies,
For the love which from our birth
Over and around us lies. *Ref.*

2. For the wonder of each hour
Of the day and of the night,
Hill and vale, and tree and flow'r,
Sun and moon, and stars of light. *Ref.*

3. For the joy of ear and eye,
for the heart and mind's delight,
For the mystic harmony
linking sense to sound and sight. *Ref.*

4. For the joy of human love,
Brother, sister, parent, child,
Friends on earth and friends above;
For all gentle thoughts and mild. *Ref.*

5. For each perfect gift of thine,
Peace on earth and joy in heav'n:
For thyself, best gift divine,
To our world so freely giv'n: *Ref.*

Nicene Creed

**We believe in one God, the Father 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 and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son he 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.**

Prayers of Intercession

Uplifted by the promised hope of healing and resurrection, we join the people of God in all times and places in praying for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

A brief silence.

Shepherding God, we thank you for the educational ministries of your church. Enrich the work of teachers, professors, mentors, advisors, and faculty at colleges, seminaries, and learning sites.

Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Creating God, we praise you for those who maintain and operate farm equipment, for those who plant and harvest crops, for local farmers' markets, and for those involved in agriculture of any kind. Strengthen their hands as they feed the world.

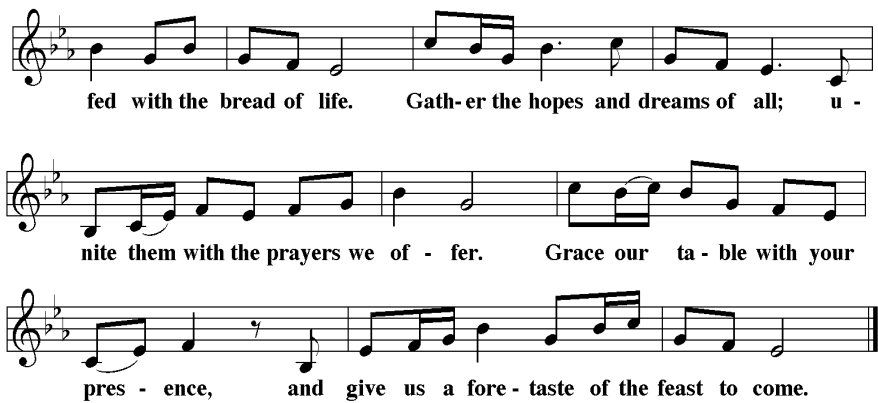
Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Guiding God, no one should be in want. Bid the nations to return to your paths of righteousness and inspire our leaders to walk in your ways, so that all may have the opportunity to live abundantly and sustainably.

Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Comforting God, you carry us tenderly. We pray for those who walk through dark valleys overshadowed by anxiety and overwhelmed with suffering (especially).

Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**



fed with the bread of life. Gather the hopes and dreams of all; u -
nite them with the prayers we of - fer. Grace our ta - ble with your
pres - ence, and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

Offering Prayer

Let us pray, Blessed are you, O God, ruler of heaven and earth. Day by day you shower us with blessings. As you have raised us to new life in Christ, give us glad and generous hearts, ready to praise you and to respond to those in need, through Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.
**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,
Forever and ever. Amen.**

THE BLESSING

The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the eternal 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 the Creator, God the Redeemer +, and God the Sustainer be with you all the days of your life. **Amen.**

The Sending Hymn “ Savior Like a Shepherd Lead Us” Bradbury

1. Saviour like a shepherd lead us
Much we need your tender care
In your pleasant pastures feed us
For our use your fold prepare.
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus,
You have bought us; we are yours
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus,
You have bought us; we are yours.

2. We are yours in love befriend us,
Be the guardian of our way;
Keep your flock, from sin defend us,
Seek us when we go astray.
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus,
Hear us children when we pray.
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus,
Hear us children when we pray.

3. You have promised to receive us,
Poor and sinful though we be;
You have mercy to relieve us,
Grace to cleanse, and pow'r to free.
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus,
Early let us turn to you.
Blessed Jesus blessed Jesus
Early let us turn to you.

4. Early let us seek yours favor
Early let us do your will;
Blessed Lord and only Savior,
With your love our spirits fill.
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus,
You have loved us, love us still.
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus,
You have loved us, love us still.

Dismissal

Christ is risen, just as he said.

Go in peace. Share the good news. Alleluia!

Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

Postlude

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