

We welcome you this morning!
If you are visiting, we hope you enjoy worshipping with us today.

Officiant Rev Chris McCann **April 30, 2023**

Opening Hymn *Praise my soul* # 410

Collect for Purity BCP p. 355

Gloria S280

Collect Inserted

(Please be seated for the readings)

First Reading *Acts of the Apostles [2:42–47]*

Psalm 23

Second Reading *First Letter of Peter [2:19 –25]*

Gospel Acclamation

Alternate Refrain

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia

Alternate Tone

A A/G# D7/F# E

Cantor: “Now is Christ Risen from the dead, and become the first fruits of them that slept”

The Holy Gospel *John [10:1–10]*

Sermon

Rev Chris McCann

Intercessions

BCP. p. 305

Parish prayer requests.....

- I ask your prayers for Michael our Presiding Bishop, Mark our Bishop, for The Rev Ann Jolly, Co-Adjutor Bishop elect and for the clergy of the diocese, for our own pastor, Fr Chris,...

- I ask your prayers for the whole world for which Jesus offered himself as a saving source of our reconciliation with God: for all who strive for peace with justice in God's creation. For our civic life; for leaders in government, for all who work for the common good

- I ask your prayers for the mission of the church, and especially for the ministry of Reconciliation and especially for clergy and congregations as we anticipate the Lord's appearing

- I ask your prayers for an end to the ongoing war in Ukraine, and in every place where war is waged.

- I ask your prayers for all who have asked our prayers: Joan, Suzanne, Jeannette, Doug, Carolyn, Jaime, Katie, Rae, Nancy, Karmen, Grace, Kenny, Jim, Lindsay, Wendy, Bob, Roger, Mark, Karen, Jack, Marilyn, Addison, Debbie, Mia, Joy, David, Barb, Agnes ...for all who are distressed and discouraged because of illness,...and all those we name either silently or aloud

- Of your charity I ask your prayers for the Faithful Departed:

Confession

BCP p 360

The Peace

Offertory Hymn *The king of love my shepherd is* # 645

Prayer Over The Gifts

Celebrant: Blessed be the Lord God of Israel for ever and ever.
All that is in the heaven and in the earth is thine

*People: All things come of thee, O Lord,
and of thine own have we given thee.*

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Eucharistic Prayer A BCP p 361

Sanctus S130

Lord's Prayer S149

Fraction Sentence

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia

Communion - Instrumental music

(Please kneel)

Prayer after Communion BCP p. 366

(Please stand)

Closing Hymn Alleluia! sing to Jesus! # 460

Chalice Bearer: John Gregory

Lectors: Kate Witosky & Greg Videtic

Organist: Jean Spangler

Today's Readings

Fourth Sunday of Easter

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.*

First Reading

Acts of the Apostles [2:42-47]

They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and
fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers. Awe came
upon everyone, because many wonders and signs were being
done by the apostles. All who believed were together and had all
things in common; they would sell their possessions and goods
and distribute the proceeds to all, as any had need. Day 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,
praising God and having the goodwill of all the people. And day
by day the Lord added to their number those who were being
saved. *The Word of the Lord.*

Psalm

23

1 The Lord is my shepherd; *
I shall not be in want.
2 He makes me lie down in green pastures *
and leads me beside still waters.
3 He revives my soul *
and guides me along right pathways for his 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.

5 You spread a table before me in the presence of those who trouble me; *
you have anointed my head with oil, and my cup is running over.
6 Surely your goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, *
and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

Second Reading
First Letter of Peter [2:19 –25]

It is a credit to you if, being aware of God, you endure pain while suffering unjustly. If 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. For to this you have been called, because Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example, so that you should follow in his steps. “He committed no sin, and no deceit was found in his mouth.” When 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. He 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. For you were going astray like sheep, but now you have returned to the shepherd and guardian of your souls. *The Word of the Lord.*

Gospel
John [10:1–10]

“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. The one who enters by the gate is the shepherd of the sheep. The gatekeeper opens the gate for him, and the sheep hear his voice. He calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. When he has brought out all his own, he goes ahead of them, and the sheep follow him because they know his voice. They will not follow a stranger, but they will run from him because they do not know the voice of strangers.” Jesus used this figure of speech with them, but they did not understand what he was saying to

them. So again Jesus said to them, “Very truly, I tell you, I am the gate for the sheep. All who came before me are thieves and bandits; but the sheep did not listen to them. I am the gate. Whoever enters by me will be saved, and will come in and go out and find pasture. The 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.

MEMORIAL GIFTS TO PARISH

Dear friend, the parish of St Luke is currently engaging in two projects that will greatly enhance the worshiping life of the parish. The first is a complete renovation of the church organ coupled with the addition of the Robson Pipe Organ generously donated in 2022 by Mr George Barnum. The second project takes the form of an update and some additions to the frontals and hangings which hang seasonally on the Altar. Both projects are an excellent way to memorialize a loved one by way of contributing to the fabric of the church. If you would like to make a memorial donation to either project, you may do so by placing your gift in the collection plate any Sunday in 2023. Cheques should include a memo noting the project you desire to support, whether altar or organ. Envelopes found in the pews are a useful way to leave a note concerning who you wish to honor through your gift.

ST. LUKE COMMUNITY MEAL

'For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in' Matthew 25:35

Our Christian life is lived in community and being present with others. This is why St Luke Episcopal church invites you to join us for a delicious cooked Sunday dinner on the following dates:

May 7

These dinners are free and open to the public and begin at 11:30 am. You may find an opportunity to serve by signing up on the monthly roster found on the stair way bulletin board.

You are welcome to sit down with us for dinner or request a take home meal

**YOU MAY ALSO WISH TO JOIN US FOR WORSHIP ON
SUNDAY MORNING AT 10:15 AM.**

Tuesdays @ 10a St Luke Morning Prayer and study

On Tuesday mornings this winter, please consider joining the rector for Morning Prayer, followed by a lectionary study of the coming Sunday's Eucharistic lectionary readings. Bring a bible and your curiosity. Tea and coffee provided.

Metro Food Bank Project

The next Metro Food Bank event will be on May 20, 2023. Volunteer sign-up online www.stlukechardon.org, in food pantry info.