



**Immanuel Church-on-the-Hill**  
**Episcopal/Anglican**  
**Alexandria, Virginia**



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**The Fourth Sunday of Easter**

**April 22, 2018**

**Holy Eucharist, Rite I, 8:00 a.m.**

*Page references are for The Book of Common Prayer.  
Large Print Prayer Books are available; please request one from an usher.  
In respect for those wishing to pray before the service begins, the congregation is asked  
to remain as quiet as possible.*

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**Opening Acclamation**

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Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ is risen.  
People: *The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.*

**The Collect for Purity**

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***Kyrie Eleison***

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**The Collect of the Day**

O God, whose Son Jesus is the good shepherd of thy people; Grant that when we hear his voice we may know him who calleth us each by name, and follow where he doth lead; who, with thee and the Holy Spirit, liveth and reigneth, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

**The First Lesson: Acts 4:5-12**

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."

The Word of the Lord  
Response: *Thanks be to God*

*Silence*

## Psalm 23 *Dominus regit me*

- 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.

## The Epistle: 1 John 3:16-24

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.

The Word of the Lord  
Response: *Thanks be to God.*

*Silence*

## The Holy Gospel: John 10:11-18

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to John  
Response: *Glory be to thee, O Lord.*

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.”

The Gospel of the Lord

Response: *Praise be to thee, O Christ*

**The Sermon:** The Rev. J. Randolph Alexander

**The Nicene Creed** p. 326

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## THE HOLY COMMUNION

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Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us

Response: *Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.*

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*All baptized Christians are welcomed and encouraged to receive Holy Communion.*

*If you wish to receive a blessing, simply cross your arms over your chest.*

*Gluten-free hosts are available on request from the clergy.*

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**The Blessing**

**The Dismissal**

**Serving at this Eucharist:** *Altar Guild:* Candace Quinlan; *Flower Guild:* Connie Kurz; *Reader:* Pierre Shostal; *Usher:* Rollin Huntington; *Coffee Hosts:* Connie Kurz, Jim Kurz; *Vestry Greeter:* Jamie Conrad; *Vestry Counter:* Chandley McDonald; *Celebrant:* The Rev. J. Randolph Alexander

