



The Episcopal Church Of The Good Shepherd
Venice, Florida
May 4, 2025



The Third Sunday of Easter (Year C)
The Holy Eucharist: Rite Two – 10:00 A.M.

Prelude

Canon in D
Susan Debronsky, Cello

Pachelbel

THE WORD OF GOD

WELCOME

Processional Hymn *Christ is Alive, Let Christians Sing* **Hymnal 182**

Opening Acclamation **BCP pg 355**

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

Collect for Purity

Presider: Almighty God, to you all hearts are 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.**

Song of Praise **Gloria in Excelsis** **Hymnal S 280**

The Collect of the Day

Presider: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Presider: Let us pray.

O God, whose blessed Son made himself known to his disciples in the breaking of bread: Open the eyes of our faith, that we may behold him in all his redeeming work; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE LESSONS

The First Lesson - Acts 9:1-6

Reader: A reading from The Acts of the Apostles.

Saul, still breathing threats and murder against the disciples of the Lord, went to the high priest and asked him for letters to the synagogues at Damascus, so that if he found any who belonged to the Way, men or women, he might bring them bound to Jerusalem. Now as he was going along and approaching Damascus, suddenly a light from heaven flashed around him. He fell to the ground and heard a voice saying to him, "Saul, Saul, why do you persecute me?" He asked, "Who are you, Lord?" The reply came, "I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting. But get up and enter the city, and you will be told what you are to do."

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 30 *Exaltabo te, Domine*

Jerome Webster Meachen
(b. 1930)



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Choir:

1 I will exalt you, O Lord,
because you have lifted me up *
and have not let my enemies triumph
over me.

2 O Lord my God, I cried out to you, *
and you restored me to health.

All:

3 You brought me up, O Lord, from the dead; *
you restored my life as I was going down to the grave.

4 Sing to the Lord, you servants of his; *
give thanks for the remembrance of his holiness.

5 For his wrath endures but the twinkling of an eye, *
his favor for a lifetime.

6 Weeping may spend the night, *
but joy comes in the morning.

7 While I felt secure, I said,
"I shall never be disturbed. *
You, Lord, with your favor, made me as strong as the mountains."

8 Then you hid your face, *
and I was filled with fear.

9 I cried to you, O Lord; *

I pleaded with the Lord, saying,

10 "What profit is there in my blood, if I go down to the Pit? *
will the dust praise you or declare your faithfulness?"

11 Hear, O Lord, and have mercy upon me; *

O Lord, be my helper."

12 You have turned my wailing into dancing; *

you have put off my sack-cloth and clothed me with joy.

13 Therefore my heart sings to you without ceasing; *

O Lord my God, I will give you thanks for ever.

Choir:

Glory to the Father, and to the Son,

And to the Holy Spirit;

As it was in the beginning, is now,

And will be forever. Amen

The Epistle Lesson Revelation 5:11-14

Reader: A reading from the book of Revelation.

I looked, and I heard the voice of many angels surrounding the throne and the living creatures and the elders; they numbered myriads of myriads and thousands of thousands, singing with full voice,

"Worthy is the Lamb that was slaughtered
to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might
and honor and glory and blessing!"

Then I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and in the sea, and all that is in them, singing,

"To the one seated on the throne and to the Lamb
be blessing and honor and glory and might forever and ever!"

And the four living creatures said, "Amen!" And the elders fell down and worshiped.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sequence Hymn

This is the Feast of Victory for Our God

Hymnal 417

The Holy Gospel - John 21:1-19

Deacon: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to John. ✠

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus showed himself again to the disciples by the Sea of Tiberias; and he showed himself in this way. Gathered there together were Simon Peter, Thomas called the Twin, Nathanael of Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee, and two others of his disciples. Simon Peter said to them, "I am going fishing." They said to him, "We will go with you." They went out and got into the boat, but that night they caught nothing.

Just after daybreak, Jesus stood on the beach; but the disciples did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to them, "Children, you have no fish, have you?" They answered him, "No." He said to them, "Cast the net to the right side of the boat, and you will find some." So they cast it, and now they were not able to haul it in because there were so many fish. That disciple whom Jesus loved said to Peter, "It is the Lord!" When Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he put on some clothes, for he was naked, and jumped into the sea. But the other disciples came in the boat, dragging the net full of fish, for they were not far from the land, only about a hundred yards off.

When they had gone ashore, they saw a charcoal fire there, with fish on it, and bread. Jesus said to them, "Bring some of the fish that you have just caught." So Simon Peter went aboard and hauled the net ashore, full of large fish, a hundred fifty-three of them; and though there were so many, the net was not torn. Jesus said to them, "Come and have breakfast." Now none of the disciples dared to ask him, "Who are you?" because they knew it was the Lord. Jesus came and took the bread and gave it to them, and did the same with the fish. This was now the third time that Jesus appeared to the disciples after he was raised from the dead.

When they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, "Simon son of John, do you love me more than these?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my lambs." A second time he said to him, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Tend my sheep." He said to him the third time, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" Peter felt hurt because he said to him the third time, "Do you love me?" And he said to him, "Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my sheep. Very truly, I tell you, when you were younger, you used to fasten your own belt and to go wherever you wished. But when you grow old, you will stretch out your hands, and someone else will fasten a belt around you and take you where you do not wish to go." (He said this to indicate the kind of death by which he would glorify God.) After this he said to him, "Follow me."

Deacon: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE SERMON

Fr. Joe Hudson

After the sermon, the people remain seated and observe a time of silent reflection on the Sermon.

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All: 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 worshipped 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.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Intercessor:

Beloved kindred, give thanks to the One who clothes us with joy. The Lord is our helper and restorer; therefore, let us pray, "Hear, O Lord, and have mercy upon us."

Intercessor: O God, you have chosen your Church to bring your name before all nations: give us hearts to feed your lambs and tend your sheep. Give us hearts to follow Jesus. *Silence*

Intercessor: Hear, O Lord,

All: **And have mercy upon us.**

Lord Christ, we look for the day when all will live together in peace, when every voice will together sing this hymn: to the one seated on the throne and to the Lamb be blessing and honor and glory and might forever and ever! *Silence*

Intercessor: Hear, O Lord,

All: **And have mercy upon us.**

Creator of the deep, protect and preserve our lakes, rivers, and oceans, and all creatures who live therein. May we be good stewards of the gift of water. *Silence*

Intercessor: Hear, O Lord,

All: **And have mercy upon us.**

Ancient of Days, we pray for the senior members of our community. Bless with patience and confidence those who rely on others for support, care, and transportation. Bless their caretakers with strength. *Silence*

Intercessor: Hear, O Lord,

All: **And have mercy upon us.**

O Lord our God, restore to health those who cry out to you. Lift up the lowly. Turn wailing into joyful dancing. We pray for those on our ongoing prayer list (Sarah and her family, Barbara, Shawn, Mike and Debbie, Steven, Terri, Jason F., Susan, Anne W, Michael, Abigail, Jane, Patrick and Vickie and family, Linda S, Jim, Jaime, Ruthie, and Jeanne, Christophe,

Samantha, and Abigail, Joyce Harmon, Cindy Silva, Kay, Nancy, Jack, Kate B, Judy, John, Pam, Ellie and Sharon, Lilly and family, Bernice, Kay, Ellen, Carole, Jerry, Marcia, Harper, Christopher, Babs, Pam, Britney, Elli, David, Gretchen, Ruth, Jameson, Scott, Traci, Tom, Haydon, and Jim,) and those on today's prayer list... are there any others? *silence*

Intercessor: Hear, O Lord,

All: **And have mercy upon us.**

Living God, you restore the life of those in the grave: may we, and all the dead, experience resurrection and life everlasting. *Silence*

Intercessor: Hear, O Lord,

All: **And have mercy upon us.**

We remember those celebrating their birthday this week: Maggie Buonarosa, Mary Castell, Nancy Popovec, Dee Clark, Donna Perkins, Rusty Shelley, Bob Hazelrigg and Larry Freeman, as well as those celebrating an anniversary: Christine and Hank Pizer.

The flowers in the church today are given to the Glory of Almighty God in loving memory of Herbert Scherz by Don and Helga Knoerr, and the Sanctuary Candle is given to the Glory of Almighty God by the parish family.

The Presider adds a concluding Collect.

THE PEACE *(All stand, if able)*

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

People: **And also with you.**

The Ministers and People greet one another in the name of the Lord.

THE HOLY EUCHARIST

THE OFFERTORY

Presider: Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.

Offertory Anthem

"I Know that My Redeemer Liveth" from *Messiah*

G.F. Handel

Grace Gagliardi, Soprano

Susan Debronsky, Cello

Presentation Hymn (Doxology)

Old 100th – Isaac Watts

Hymnal 380 (vs.3)

(Sung by the people, standing while offerings are presented and placed on the altar.)

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him, all creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heavenly host:
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.**

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING *(People remain standing, as able)*

Eucharistic Prayer A

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Presider: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Presider: Lift up your hearts.

People: **We lift them to the Lord.**

Presider: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

Presider: It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

The Proper Preface (said by Presider)

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Sanctus *(sung by All)*

Hymnal S 130

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
Heaven and earth are full, full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. ✠
Hosanna in the highest.
Hosanna in the highest.**

(The people stand, or kneel as able)

Presider: 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 is 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." ✠

Presider: Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

People: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Presider: 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.

The People: AMEN.

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

All:

**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.**

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

A period of silence is kept.

Presider: Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

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

Fraction Anthem (*sung by people*) **Agnus Dei** **F. Schubert** **Hymnal S 164**

Jesus, Lamb of God: Have mercy on us.
Jesus, bearer of our sins: Have mercy on us.
Jesus, redeemer of the world: Give us your peace.

Presider: 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.

All are welcome to receive Communion

Communion Hymns **Lord Enthroned in Heavenly Splendor** **Hymnal 307**

Alleluia! Alleluia! Give Thanks to the Risen Lord **Hymnal 178**

SENDING FORTH OF EUCHARISTIC VISITORS

Post Communion Prayer (*People kneel or stand, as able*)

Presider: Let us pray.

All: 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.

Presider: 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.**

Processional Hymn **Sing Ye Faithful, Sing with Gladness** **Hymnal 492**

THE DISMISSAL

Deacon: Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia.

People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

Voluntary

**We welcome back Susan Debronsky, Cellist with the Venice Symphony,
and Principal Cellist with the Albany (NY) Symphony. See:**

<https://www.thevenicesymphony.org/susan-debronsky-cello/>



**Birthdays
May**

- 4 - Maggie Buonarosa
Mary Castell
Nancy Popovec
- 5 - Dee Clark
- 8 - Donna Perkins
Rusty Shelley
- 10 - Bob Hazelrigg
Larry Freeman

**Anniversaries
May**

- 9 - Diane & Leonard Smoler

**May 4 - 10, 2025
Good Shepherd Welcomes All!
We're glad you're here!**

If you are new, we invite you to fill out a WELCOME CARD found in the back of the hymnal and at the WELCOME DESK in the entry. Cards may be placed in the offering plate or given to an usher.



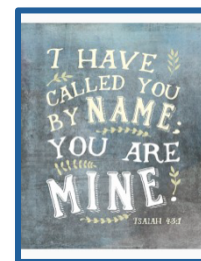
If you are a first-time visitor to Good Shepherd, we welcome you! At announcement time, if you are comfortable, we invite you to introduce yourselves.

We also invite you to join us at coffee hour immediately after our 10 a.m. service. Please sit at our Visitor table and our Hospitality team will serve you coffee and goodies and then spend some time getting to know you.

Would you like to be listed in our Good Shepherd Parish Directory?

If so, please complete the yellow Directory Sign Up card that is located at our Connections Center near the garden doors at the back of our Parish Hall.

See Nancy Fees to have a photo taken for the directory



Name Tags

If you would like a Good Shepherd nametag, please put your name on the list at the Connections Center. Your completed tag will be available at the table near the Welcome Desk the next Sunday.

PRAYERS - May 4 - 10, 2025

We pray for those on our ongoing prayer list: Sarah and her family, Barbara, Shawn, Mike and Debbie, Steven, Terri, Jason F., Susan, Anne W, Michael, Abigail, Jane, Patrick and Vickie and family, Linda S, Jan T., Jim, Jaime, Ruthie, and Jeanne, Christophe, Samantha, and Abigail, Joyce Harmon, Cindy Silva, Kay, Nancy, Jack, Kate B, Judy, John, Pam, Ellie and Sharon, Lilly and family, Bernice, Kay, Ellen, Carole, Jerry, Marcia, Harper, Christopher, Babs, Pam, Britney, Elli, David, Gretchen, Ruth, Jameson, Scott, Traci, Tom, Haydon, and Jim.

SERVING OR LIVING IN HARM'S WAY: Robert Matern, Kevin Sweet, Max Wilson, Matthew Stricker, Sam Blair, Mason Roush, Chris Hoffman, Joseph Sharpe and James Kilroe.

FOR OUR DIOCESE AND COMPANION DIOCESES:

The Diocese of Southwest Florida— The Rt. Rev. Douglas F. Scharf , Our Companion Diocese of the Dominican Republic, Companion Diocese of Georgia, Companion Diocese of South Carolina, Companion Diocese of Western Louisiana.

DIOCESAN CYCLE OF PRAYER: St. James' House of Prayer, Tampa; St. John's, Tampa; St. Mark's, Tampa; St. Mary's, Tampa; St. Catherine's, Temple Terrace; Holy Innocents Church, Valrico; St. Paul's Wesley Chapel, and St. Elizabeth's, Zephyrhills.

MEMORIALS AND DEDICATIONS

The flowers in the church today are given to the Glory of Almighty God in loving memory of Herbert Scherz by Don and Helga Knoerr, and the Sanctuary Candle is given to the Glory of Almighty God by the parish family.

Sign up for flower or candle dedications in the white binder located at the CONNECTIONS CENTER near the garden doors in the Parish Hall.

Weekly Email Blast - If you do not receive the weekly email blast & would like to be added, please contact Nancy Fees at communication@goodshepherdvenicefl.org or call the church office 941-497-7286.

The Parish Office is open Monday through Friday 9:00 am to 1:00 pm

When the office is closed, you may leave a voice message by telephone or e-mail us. The office phone number is 941-497-7286, The email address - office@goodshepherdvenicefl.org

If you are calling with a pastoral care emergency after hours, please leave a message on the church office voicemails. Voicemails are monitored overnight and on weekends. OR, you may call any of our Clergy directly at the numbers below if you need assistance, support, and prayer.

Fr. Joe Hudson at (573) 450-9059

Fr. John Warfel at (845) 548-9064

Archdeacon Michael Kitt at (847) 525-5546

Deacon Rich Wilson at (407) 461-2109

Deacon John Riherd at (503) 753-5115

This Week at Good Shepherd

SUNDAY

05/04

The Third Sunday of Easter

Holy Eucharist Rite I - 8:00 a.m.

Holy Eucharist Rite II – 10 a.m.

AA Meeting – 6 p.m.

MONDAY

05/05

Parish Care Meeting – 11:30 a.m.

TUESDAY

05/06

Women's AA – 4:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY

05/07

Morning Prayer with Deacon Rich on Facebook – 9:15 a.m.

All Faiths Food Bank – 10 a.m.

Acts of the Apostles – 1 p.m. – led by Deacon John Riherd

Centering Prayer – **CANCELLED FOR TODAY**

THURSDAY

05/08

Memorial Garden & Grounds Crew - 8:00 a.m.

Morning Prayer – 9:00 a.m.

Women's Bible Study – 10 a.m. – Unlocking the Mystery of The Bible

Choir Rehearsal – 6:00 p.m.

FRIDAY

05/09

Creative Design Outreach - 9:30 a.m.

SATURDAY

05/10

Altar Guild & Flower Guild

Wedding – 1:30 p.m.

Saturday Afternoon Eucharist

IMPORTANT NEW UPCOMING EVENTS

Wednesdays – 1 p.m. – Acts of the Apostles
Led by Deacon John Riherd

Thursdays – 10 a.m. – Women's Bible Study
Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible

**Serving in Ministry at Good Shepherd
The Third Sunday of Easter – May 4, 2025**

	Rite I – 8 a.m.	Rite II – 10 a.m.
Presider Preaching	Fr. Joe Hudson Fr. Joe Hudson	Fr. Joe Hudson Fr. Joe Hudson
Assisting Clergy	Deacon John Riherd	Deacon John Riherd
Crucifer Acolyte Server Acolyte	Elaine Hedrick	Sue Miller Carol Mitchell
1st Lesson Prayers of the People	John Pearson Deacon	John Mitchell Liz Bosch
2nd Lesson	Elaine Hedrick	Kathrine Riherd
Prayer Team		Elaine Hedrick/Liz Bosch
Altar Guild	Team 1	Team 1
Greeter (s)		Barbara Rao Pat McNickle
Usher (s)	Barbara Davis	Donna McCutcheon & Pat Madyda
Tech Team		Cameras – Sue Greene/Maria Voreh CamCorder – Bob Sawyer Sound – Joe Bentley Director – Nancy Fees & Bridget Blackburn
Secure Building		Ruth Bruno