



ST. THOMAS'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER, YEAR B

Service of Holy Eucharist

April 22, 2018

10 A.M.

If you are new or visiting ...

Welcome! After the service, please come to Coffee Hour (in the Lounge on the 2nd floor) for food and fellowship. Though other churches make the claim, ours really is the Best Coffee Hour in Connecticut. Please consider filling out a blue visitor information card (found in your pew rack). You can request a name tag using the form in the pew rack or the sheet at the entrance. Next Sunday your new name tag will be waiting for you on the table in the foyer inside the main church entrance.

To follow along with the service all you need is this service bulletin.

Families with small children: Three seating areas at the front of the church are reserved for families with small children: the area under the array of paper cranes (for children age 3 and under), and the areas in front of the two front pews (for children age 10 and under). For safety, every child should be accompanied by a caregiver.

Education for All Ages takes place from 9 to 9:45 A.M. on most Sundays during the academic year.

Wireless access in the Sanctuary is accessible by connecting to wireless network STEC – Guest. Your device will open a web browser and St. Thomas's website. Sunday bulletins are posted on the website's Bulletin Archive. We aim to reduce printing by encouraging worshippers to use their smart devices to follow the order of service.

Restrooms for men and women are located on the second floor. Go through the red double doors at the front of the church, up the stairs to the left, and to the far end of the hallway. An **all-gender restroom (with baby changing table)** in the Vesting Room, located opposite the red double doors at the front of the church.

For the celebration of Holy Eucharist, the People gather around the altar. While this may be unfamiliar to you, most find it to be a powerful experience of true communion at our common table.

All are invited to receive Holy Communion. Baptism is not required; church membership is not required. Instructions for Holy Communion will be given during the announcements. **Gluten-free bread** is available at each station. **Non-alcoholic wine** is available only from the single server at the center. Any difference will be explained during the announcements.

To receive Holy Communion hold out your hands, and the server will place bread in them. If you wish to receive wine, please sip it from the common cup, using both hands to guide the chalice to your lips.

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ORGAN VOLUNTARY

Meditation on 'Brother James's Air'

Harold Darke (1888-1976)

INTROIT

Surrexit pastor bonus

*Surrexit pastor bonus
qui animam suam posuit pro ovibus suis,
et pro grege suo mori dignatus est. Alleluia.*

The good shepherd has arisen,
who laid down his life for his sheep,
and for his flock deigned to die. Alleluia.

Words: Respond for Vespers on Easter Day; Music: Orlandus Lassus (1532-1594)

At the ringing of the bell, please stand.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

Hymn 191: Alleluia, alleluia!, *The Hymnal 1982*

1 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Hearts and voic - es heaven-ward raise:
2 Now the i - ron bars are bro - ken, Christ from death to life is born,
3 Christ is ris - en, Christ, the first-fruits of the ho - ly har - vest - field,
4 Christ is ris - en, we are ris - en! Shed up - on us heaven - ly grace,
5 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Glo - ry be to God on high;

1 sing to God a hymn of glad-ness, sing to God a hymn of praise.
2 glor - ious life, and life im - mor - tal, on his re - sur - rec - tion morn.
3 which with all its full a - bun - dance at his sec - ond com - ing yield:
4 rain and dew and gleams of glo - ry from the bright-ness of thy face;
5 Al - le - lu - ia! to the Sa - vior who has won the vic - to - ry;

1 He, who on the cross a vic - tim, for the world's sal - va - tion bled,
2 Christ has tri - umphed, and we con - quer by his might - y en - ter - prise:
3 then the gold - en ears of har - vest will their heads be - fore him wave,
4 that, with hearts in hea - ven dwell - ing, we on earth may fruit - ful be,
5 Al - le - lu - ia! to the Spi - rit, fount of love and sanc - ti - ty:

1 Je - sus Christ, the King of glo - ry, now is ris - en from the dead.
 2 we with him to life e - ter - nal by his re - sur - rec - tion rise.
 3 ri - pened by his glo - rious sun - shine from the fur - rows of the grave.
 4 and by an - gel hands be gath - ered, and be ev - er, Lord, with thee.
 5 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! to the Tri - une Ma - jes - ty.

Words: Christopher Wordsworth (1807-1885), alt.; Music: *Lux eoi*, Arthur Seymour Sullivan (1842-1900)

ACCLAMATION

Presider: Alleluia. Christ is risen.

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

Said by all

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

S-236: Canticle 13, Benedictus es, Domine, *The Hymnal 1982*

1. Glo - ry to you, Lord
 God of our fa - thers; you are wor - thy of praise;
 glo - ry to you. 2. Glo - ry to you
 for the ra - di - ance of your ho - ly Name; we will
 praise you and high - ly ex - alt you for ev - er.
 3. Glo - ry to you in the splen - dor of your
 tem - ple; on the throne of your ma - jes - ty, glo - ry to

you. _____ 4. Glo - ry to you, seat - ed bet -
ween the Cher - u - bim; _____ we will praise you and
high - ly ex - alt you for ev - er. _____

Descant
5. Glo - ry to you, _____ be -
5. Glo - ry to you, _____ be - hold - ing the

hold - ing the depths; _____ in the high vault of
depths; _____ in the high vault of hea - ven, glo - ry to

hea - ven, 6. Glo - ry to you, _____
you. _____ 6. Glo - ry to you, _____ Fa - ther,

— Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Spi - rit; we will
Son, and Ho - ly Spi - rit; _____ we will praise you and

high - ly ex - alt you Glo - ry to you! _____
high - ly ex - alt you for ev - er. _____

Music: John Rutter (b. 1945)

SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

Presider: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Presider: Let us pray.

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.**

All are seated.

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."

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

PSALM 23 *(sung by the choir)*

Dominus regit me

- 1 The Lord is my shepherd *
therefore can I lack nothing.
- 2 He shall feed me in a green pasture *
and lead me forth beside the waters of comfort.
- 3 He shall convert my soul *
and bring me forth in the paths of righteousness, for his Name's sake.
- 4 Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil *
for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff comfort me.
- 5 Thou shalt prepare a table before me against them that trouble me *
thou hast anointed my head with oil, and my cup shall be full.
- 6 But thy loving-kindness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life *
and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

Chant: Edward C. Bairstow (1874-1946)

SECOND LESSON

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.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

All stand.

SEQUENCE HYMN Hymn 644: How sweet the Name of Jesus sounds, *The Hymnal 1982*

1 How sweet the Name of Je - sus sounds in a be - liev - er's ear!
2 It makes the wound - ed spi - rit whole, and calms the trou - bled breast;
3 Dear Name, the rock on which I build, my shield and hid - ing - place,
4 O Je - sus! Shep - herd, Guard - ian, Friend, O Pro - phet, Priest, and King,
*5 Weak is the ef - fort of my heart, and cold my warm - est thought;

1 It soothes our sor - rows, heals our wounds, and drives a - way our fear.
2 'tis man - na to the hun - gry soul, and to the wea - ry, rest.
3 my nev - er - fail - ing trea - sury, filled with bound - less stores of grace!
4 my Lord, my Life, my Way, my End, ac - cept the praise I bring.
5 but when I see thee as thou art, I'll praise thee as I ought.

Words: John Newton (1725-1807), alt.; Music: *St. Peter*, Alexander Robert Reinagle (1799-1877)

GOSPEL

JOHN 10:11-18

Priest: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

People: **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

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.”

Priest: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

All are seated.

THE SERMON

After the Sermon, there follows a short period of silent reflection. Then, all stand.

THE NICENE CREED

Presider and People

**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:

**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,
who with the Father and the Son 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 THE PEOPLE

Priest

Our Savior is resurrected from the dead, bringing renewal for Christians across the Earth. With joyful gratitude, we pray for the church and for the world, saying “Risen Christ, hear our prayer.”

Intercessor

We pray for your universal church: guide your ministers as they honor the traditions of the past, tend the cares of the present, and build the communities of the future. Risen Christ, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for the leaders of the world: plant wisdom and compassion in their hearts, and teach them to sow seeds of righteousness and mercy. Risen Christ, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for your wondrous creation: continue to reveal its bountiful complexity and fragile beauty, and inspire us to safeguard these gifts for all posterity. Risen Christ, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for this holy gathering of the faithful: strengthen us to continue in the way of the apostles, proclaim the Good News of God in Christ, seek and serve Christ in all persons, and strive for justice and peace among all people. Risen Christ, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for all who are discerning God’s call to them: stir within them curiosity, imagination, and passion. Risen Christ, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for those whose lives are tainted by violence: give strength and courage to all sufferers, and turn the hearts of all perpetrators. Risen Christ, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for those in any need or trouble: feed the hungry, tend the sick, relieve the weary, bless the dying, and soothe the suffering. Risen Christ, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for those who have died: give them Christ’s triumph over death, and bring them into your perpetual light. Risen Christ, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for all that we now name before you, either silently or aloud.

Presider

Risen Christ, hear the prayers offered by these your gathered people; instill in our hearts the assurance of your resurrected life, that we may follow your Way in faith, hope, joy, and love; in the name of the one Holy and undivided Trinity. **Amen.**

THE PEACE

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

People: **And also with you.**

*The People greet one another with a sign of peace, and then are seated for brief announcements. After the announcements, the People remain seated for the **Offertory Anthem**, during which the collection is taken.*

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Alleluia, I heard a voice

Alleluia. I heard a voice as of strong thunderings, saying, Alleluia.

Salvation and glory and honour and power

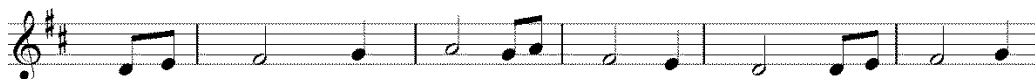
be unto the Lord our God and to the Lamb for evermore. Alleluia.

Words: Based on Revelation 5; Music: Thomas Weelkes (1576-1623)

*During the singing of the **Offertory Hymn**, the Usbers carry the gifts forward. The People follow and encircle the altar. You are encouraged to position children where they can see. Small children may sit with a caregiver on the floor in front of the altar. Standing time is approximately 15 minutes. If you are unable to stand, you may sit in one of the chairs arranged near the altar, move to the front row of pews, or remain where you are.*

OFFERTORY HYMN

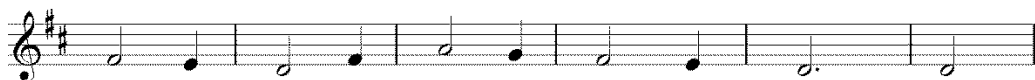
Hymn 645: The King of love my shepherd is, *The Hymnal 1982*



1 The King of love my shep-herd is, whose good-ness
2 Where streams of liv-ing wa-ter flow, my ran-somed
* 3 Per-verse and fool-ish oft I strayed, but yet in
* 4 In death's dark vale I fear no ill with thee, dear
5 Thou spread'st a ta-ble in my sight; thy unc-tion
6 And so through all the length of days thy good-ness



1 fail-eth nev-er; I noth-ing lack if
2 soul he lead-eth, and where the ver-dant
3 love he sought me, and on his shoul-der
4 Lord, be-side me; thy rod and staff my
5 grace be-stow-eth; and oh, what trans-port
6 fail-eth nev-er: Good Shep-herd, may I



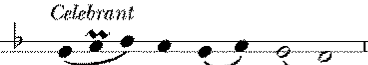



1 I am his, and he is mine for ev-er.
2 pas-tures grow, with food ce-less-tial feed-eth.
3 gent-ly laid, and home, re-joic-ing, brought me.
4 com-fort still, thy cross be-fore to guide me.
5 of de-light from thy pure chal-ice flow-eth!
6 sing thy praise with-in thy house for ev-er.

Words: Henry Williams Baker (1821-1877); para. Psalm 23;
Music: *St. Columba*, Irish melody, harm. *Hymnal 1982*

All remain standing.

THE HOLY COMMUNION
THE GREAT THANKSGIVING: EUCHARISTIC PRAYER B

<p><i>Celebrant</i></p>  <p>The Lord be with you.</p>	<p><i>People</i></p>  <p>And al-so with you.</p>
<p><i>Celebrant</i></p>  <p>Lift up your hearts.</p>	<p><i>People</i></p>  <p>We lift them to the Lord.</p>
<p><i>Celebrant</i></p>  <p>Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.</p>	
<p><i>People</i></p>  <p>It is right to give him thanks and praise.</p>	

Presider

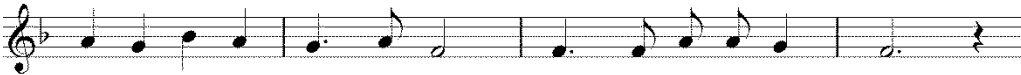




It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

But chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again he has won for us everlasting life.

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 AND BENEDICTUS

S-125, The Hymnal 1982

 <p>Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might,</p>
 <p>heaven and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho -</p>
 <p>san - na in the high-est. Ho - san - na in the high-est.</p>
 <p>Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -</p>
 <p>san - na in the high-est. Ho - san-na in the high-est.</p>

Music: From *A Community Mass*; Richard Proulx (b. 1937)

Presider

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, 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."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

Presider and People

**We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;**

Presider

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit.

In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with Thomas and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

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 forever. **AMEN.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

You are invited to say the Lord's Prayer in the language of your choice.

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

The Presider breaks the consecrated bread. A period of silence is kept.

FRACTION ANTHEM

S-155, *The Hymnal 1982*

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

lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Christ our Pass - o - ver is

sac - ri - ficed for us; There-fore let us keep the feast.

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

Music: Gerald R. Near (b. 1942)

Presider

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

All are invited to receive Holy Communion at God's table in this church. You may be seated while communion is served. At the usher's direction, please proceed to receive communion, and then return to your seat. Gluten-free wafers and non-alcoholic wine are available. To receive a blessing instead of communion, approach the priest with your arms crossed over your chest.

COMMUNION ANTHEM

Loving shepherd of thy sheep

Loving shepherd of thy sheep,
 Keep thy lamb, in safety keep;
 Nothing can thy power withstand,
 None can pluck me from thy hand.

I would bless thee every day,
 Gladly all thy will obey,
 Like thy blessed ones above,
 Happy in thy precious love.

Loving Shepherd, every near,
 Teach thy lamb thy voice to hear;
 Suffer not my steps to stray
 From the straight and narrow way.

Where thou ledest I would go,
 Walking in thy steps below,
 Till before my Father's throne
 I shall know as I am known.

Words: Jane Elizabeth Leeson (1809-1881); Music: Philip Ledger (1937-2012)

After all have received communion, the People remain seated for a period of silence. Then all stand.

THE POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Presider

Let us pray.

Presider and People

**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.**

THE PASCHAL BLESSING

The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting 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 Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

FINAL HYMN

Hymn 334: Praise the Lord, rise up rejoicing, *The Hymnal 1982*

1 Praise the Lord, rise up re - joic - ing, wor - ship, thanks, de -
 2 Scat - tered flock, one shep - herd shar - ing, lost and lone - ly,
 3 Sins for - giv - en, wrongs for - giv - ing, we go forth a -

vo - tion voic - ing; glo - ry be to God on high!
 one voice hear - ing, ears at - ten - tive to your word;
 lert and liv - ing in your Spi - rit, strong and free.

Christ, your cross and pas - sion shar - ing, by this Eu - cha -
 by your Blood new life re - ceiv - ing, in your Bo - dy,
 Part - ners in your new cre - a - tion, seek - ing peace in

rist de - clar - ing yours the fi - nal vic - to - ry.
 firm be - liev - ing, we are yours, and you the Lord.
 ev - ery na - tion, may we faith - ful fol - lowers be.

Words: Howard Charles Adie Gaunt (1902-1983), alt.;
 Music: *Alles ist an Gottes Segen*, melody att. Johann Balthasar König (1691-1758), alt.;
 harm. Johann Löhner (1645-1705), after chorale ver. Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

DISMISSAL

Priest: *[A priest dismisses the people.]* Alleluia, alleluia!

People: **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!**

ORGAN VOLUNTARY

Jubilant March
 John Stainer (1840-1901)

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Memorial and Honorific Gifts

Announcements

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Choral Evensong for Easter: This Evening, April 22, 5:00 p.m., Sung by the St. Thomas's Choir

Simon Jacobs, director; Janet Yieh, organ.

Responses: David Jernigan

Psalm 103 (Chants by Stanford and Pye)

Canticles: Wood in E flat, no. 2

Anthem: Blessed be the God and Father - S. S. Wesley

All are welcome. A freewill offering will be taken.

This Monday, April 23, 5:30 p.m.: Knitters and Crafters Open Lounge

Last month, an open invitation was made to all who knit, crochet, or otherwise craft to meet in the Lounge at 5:30 (ahead of the Vestry meeting at 7) for a brown-bag supper. The turnout was great, and the fellowship was superb, so we're doing it again! Bring your projects with you. Keri expects to help folks make Anglican Prayer Beads. Questions? Contact Diana Empsall or Alexandria Robison.

Deconsecration of St. Andrew's Church: Tuesday, April 24, 2:00 p.m.

On Tuesday, Bishop Laura Ahrens, assisted by Canon Tim Hodapp, will deconsecrate St. Andrew's Church (266 Shelton Avenue, New Haven). They write: "This brief and moving service is a time to offer to God in prayer our thanks for the ways this important parish has informed our ministries. It is also a time to offer to God the range of emotions that fill our hearts at this time." All are invited to attend. Keri expects to be there.

Adult Forum, Next Sunday, April 29 – Bob Herdt: The Stewardship of Creation 3

A continuation of the discussion Bob's April 15 session on the sustainability of agriculture and food supply and our responsibilities as stewards of God's creation.

Easter Giving: Malawi and Sanctuary. Please see the Enews for more information.

CT Food Bank Walk Against Hunger: Sunday, April 29, 1 p.m., Lighthouse Point. A team from St. Thomas's will be participating. Please consider walking and/or donating.

Day School Gala: Saturday, April 28, 6 p.m., at the Day School

All proceeds go toward rebuilding the playgrounds!

For more information and announcements, see our website and last week's Weekly Parish Enews.

Serving Today

Presider: The Rev. Jakki Flanagan
Preacher: The Rev. Keri Aubert
Music Director & Organist: Simon Jacobs
Emcee: Dr. Dorothy Asch
Eucharistic Minister: Christopher Martinez
Crucifer: Michael Dunlap
Torchbearers: Derek Stefanovsky, Kate Schilling
Lectors: Kate Ross, Don Edwards
Intercessor: Claire Scully
Sacristans: Judy & Madison Thompson
Ushers/Greeters: Drew McDermott, Gail Curran, Katie Coleman
Coffee Hour Hosts: Sally & Bill Nanfeldt, Ozan & Sarah Insley Say
Vestry Host: Constance Cahill
Counters: Constance Cahill, Anthony Gopal

This Week's Prayer Intentions

Pray for those in any need or trouble, including:
Dorothy, Greg, Katie, Lee, Luann, Maria, Marilyn, Parke

Pray for those who have died.

In the Parish Cycle of Prayer, pray for:
Allen Girvin, Margaret Girvin, Susan Fernandez, Anthony Gopal, Alicia, Alesandro

Pray for our Parish, especially the Vestry:
Joann Sweasy, Don Edwards, Diana Empsall, Martha Deeds Hogan, Anne Harrison, Constance Cahill, Daniel Harrison, Dawn Lorentson, Chris Martinez, Jennifer Regan, Alexandria Robison, Kate Schilling

In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, pray for:
St. Andrew's, Meriden; Christ Church, Middle Haddam; St. George's, Middlebury; Holy Trinity, Middletown; Hospital chaplains; Stephen Ministers; other pastoral care groups; ministries of healing; parish nurses; wellness programs; recovery ministries

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, pray for:
The Nippon Sei Ko Kai (The Anglican Communion in Japan); The Most Rev. Nathaniel Makoto Uematsu Primate of The Nippon Sei Ko Kai & Bishop of Hokkaido

In the World Council of Churches Ecumenical Prayer Cycle, pray for:
Armenia, Azerbaijan, Georgia

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Daniel Harrison
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Chris Martinez
Jennifer Regan
Alexandria Robison
Kate Schilling
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The Rev. Dexter Cheney
The Rev. Jakki Flanagan
The Rev. Julie Kelsey
The Rev. Bill Loutrel
The Rev. Dr. Carolyn Sharp
The Rev. Lee McGee Street
The Rev. Dr. Parke Street

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