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May Memory Verse

I am the good shepherd; I know my sheep and my sheep know me - just as the Father knows me and I know the Father - and I lay down my life for the sheep. (John 10:14-15)

The Fourth Sunday of Easter
Sunday, May 8, 2022 – 8:00 & 9:30 am &
Monday, May 9, 2022 – 6:30 pm

* - Congregation will rise

Opening Hymn

“Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us” - #711

*Order of Worship “Prayer & Preaching”

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Old Testament Canticle (Sunday)

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First Reading

Acts 20:17-35

¹⁷Now from Miletus [Paul] sent to Ephesus and called the elders of the church to come to him.

¹⁸And when they came to him, he said to them:

“You yourselves know how I lived among you the whole time from the first day that I set foot in Asia, ¹⁹servicing the Lord with all humility and with tears and with trials that happened to me through the plots of the Jews; ²⁰how I did not shrink from declaring to you anything that was profitable, and teaching you in public and from house to house, ²¹testifying both to Jews and to Greeks of repentance toward God and of faith in our Lord Jesus Christ. ²²And now, behold, I am going to Jerusalem, constrained by the Spirit, not knowing what will happen to me there, ²³except that the Holy Spirit testifies to me in every city that imprisonment and afflictions await me. ²⁴But I do not account my life of any value nor as precious to myself, if only I may finish my course and the ministry that I received from the Lord Jesus, to testify to the gospel of the grace of God. ²⁵And now, behold, I know that none of you among whom I have gone about proclaiming the kingdom will see my face again. ²⁶Therefore I testify to you this day that I am innocent of the blood of all of you, ²⁷for I did not shrink from declaring to you the whole counsel of God. ²⁸Pay careful attention to yourselves and to all the flock, in which the Holy Spirit has made you overseers, to care for the church of God, which he obtained with his own blood. ²⁹I know that after

my departure fierce wolves will come in among you, not sparing the flock; ³⁰and from among your own selves will arise men speaking twisted things, to draw away the disciples after them. ³¹Therefore be alert, remembering that for three years I did not cease night or day to admonish everyone with tears. ³²And now I commend you to God and to the word of his grace, which is able to build you up and to give you the inheritance among all those who are sanctified. ³³I coveted no one's silver or gold or apparel. ³⁴You yourselves know that these hands ministered to my necessities and to those who were with me. ³⁵In all things I have shown you that by working hard in this way we must help the weak and remember the words of the Lord Jesus, how he himself said, 'It is more blessed to give than to receive.'"

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

Second Reading

Revelation 7:9-17

⁹After this I looked, and behold, a great multitude that no one could number, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed in white robes, with palm branches in their hands, ¹⁰and crying out with a loud voice, "Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!" ¹¹And all the angels were standing around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, ¹²saying, "Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen."

¹³Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, clothed in white robes, and from where have they come?" ¹⁴I said to him, "Sir, you know." And he said to me, "These are the ones coming out of the great tribulation. They have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

¹⁵"Therefore they are before the throne of God,
and serve him day and night in his temple;
and he who sits on the throne will shelter them with his presence.

¹⁶They shall hunger no more, neither thirst anymore;
the sun shall not strike them,
nor any scorching heat.

¹⁷For the Lamb in the midst of the throne will be their shepherd,
and he will guide them to springs of living water,
and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

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

Psalm of the Day

Psalm 23

*Holy Gospel

John 10:22-30

²²At that time the Feast of Dedication took place at Jerusalem. It was winter, ²³and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the colonnade of Solomon. ²⁴So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, "How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Christ, tell us plainly." ²⁵Jesus answered them, "I told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father's name bear witness about me, ²⁶but you do not believe because you are not part of my flock. ²⁷My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me. ²⁸I give them eternal life, and they will never perish, and no one will snatch them out of my hand. ²⁹My Father, who has given them to me, is greater than all, and no one is able to snatch them out of the Father's hand. ³⁰I and the Father are one."

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*Common Responsory

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Pastor: Forever, O Lord, Your Word is firmly set in the heavens.

People: Refrain: Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glory dwells.

Pastor: Blessed are those who hear the Word of God and keep it. **Refrain**

Pastor: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit. **Refrain**

*The Apostles' Creed

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*The Lord's Prayer

Children's Message (8:00)

Hymn

"The King of Love My Shepherd Is" - #709

Sermon

"The LORD is My (Good) Shepherd" - (Psalm 23 & John 10)

Hymn

"I Am Jesus' Little Lamb" - #740

Offering

*Offering Prayer

*Prayer

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*Prayers & Special Intercessions

† On this Mothers' Day, graciously accept our thanksgiving for our mothers, whom you have given to us;

Strengthen all women with child and protect them in their deliverance, especially: Ally Walters-Garrison, Kate Schroeder-Brinkman, Myndi McGarrigle, Sarah Von Ahsen, Alicia Wehling;

Comfort all women who long to have children, but cannot, that they may find their consolation in You and Your unfailing love.

- † The family of Sue Mosbey at the death of her father, Rev. James Black, who died on April 30th;
The family of Carol Jost at the sudden death of her fiancè, William Howard, on April 28th.
- † May Beilsmith who is celebrating her 90th birthday on May 7th.
- † For Christ’s help and hope for those fighting cancer: *(please notify the Church Office of updates for long-term cancer patients and we will gladly include them in our prayers)* For Christ’s help and hope for those fighting cancer: Marianne Adolf, Tim Aubuchon, Henry Bauer, Michael Boyles, Claire Brown, Dr. Jim Bryant, Jodi Lombardo Bubenzer, Lonna Cook, Ronald Davis, Teresa Doer, Joni Duncan, Glenn Erschen, Donna Feise, Paige Fosher, David Gabrhel, Christopher Goodman, Doris Gregory, Dorothy Hallemeier, Amber Hellstrand, Bill Herman, Bob Hodson, Terri Joseph, James Kayser, Jeanette Koechner, Mitch Konrad, Pat Leezer, CJ Lindner, Angie Luetkenhaus, Susan Miller, Ruth Nolle, Mary Ellen Pratt, Gary Rice, Shirley Rose, Rev. Mike Schempf, Marilyn Sprung, Julie Stevens, Dale Stivison, Nicole Taylor, Frank Thompson, Brandy Thoroughman, Richard Toedebusch, Dale White, Randy Ziegler
- † Hospitalized this past week: Carolyn Reineke, Sandy Greiwe

***Morning/Evening Prayer** Page 266

***New Testament Canticle (Sunday)**

***Blessing** Page 267

***Closing Hymn** “The Lord’s My Shepherd, I’ll Not Want” - #710

***Postlude**

Participants

Preacher Rev. Scott Schmieding
Liturgist Vicar Matt Gerzevske (8:00);
Rev. Ryan Taylor, Sem. Josiah Schultz (9:30)
Children’s Message.....Vicar Matt Gerzevske (8:00)
Organist..... Mrs. Karen Haak
Acolyte..... Mya Douglas (9:30)
Student Usher.....Dylan Wahoff (9:30)
Sound Technician..... Tim Bower (8:00); Adrian Archer (9:30)

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