

The Fourth Sunday of Easter April 21, 2024 10:30 Eucharist

Welcome to St. James! We are a community of faith rooted in God's unconditional love, seeking to express that love to one another, our neighbors and the world. We're glad you're here! If this is your first time worshipping with us, please feel free to participate fully in the worship of this community. We've prepared this booklet to help you do that—but don't be afraid to ask someone sitting nearby to show you what comes next. We'd be glad to have you fill out one of the green visitor cards with as much information as you feel comfortable sharing with us.

All are welcome here! And all are welcome to receive the feast prepared for us before time, the bread and wine consecrated at the Holy Table, the sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood. You do not need to be an Episcopalian to receive communion. We'll have particular instructions to guide you coming forward if you are not familiar with our practice.

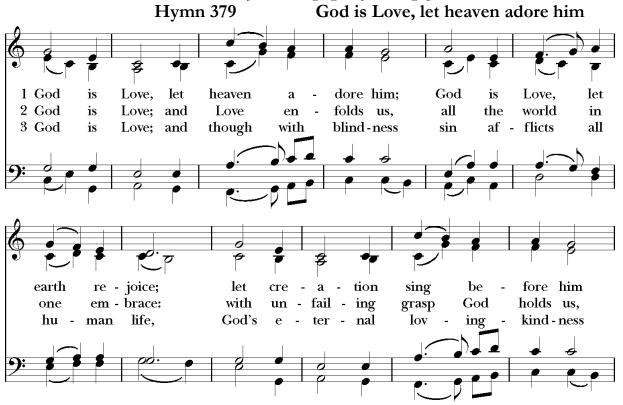
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Fourth Sunday of Easter

The Word of God

Prelude

Please stand. At the 10:30 service, all join in singing the following hymn.





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Please remain standing

Bishop Alleluia, Christ is risen.

People The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

The Bishop then continues

There is one Body and one Spirit;

People There is one hope in God's call to us;

Bishop One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;

People One God and Father of all.

Bishop The Lord be with you. People And also with you.

Bishop 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**.

Please be seated.

The Lessons

First Reading Acts 4:5-12

Reader A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

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 Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People Thanks be to God.

Silence follows the reading.



Psalm 23

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 1 John 3:16-24

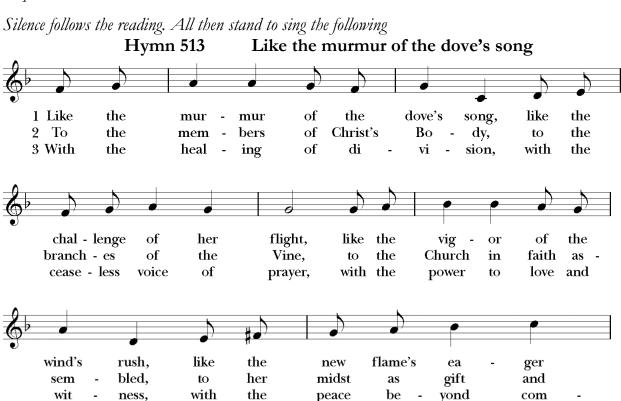
Reader A reading from the first letter of John.

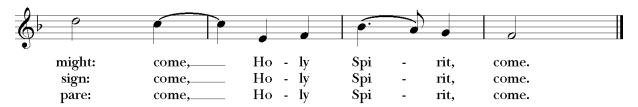
We know love by this, that he laid down his life for us-- and we ought to lay down our lives for one another. How does God's love abide in anyone who has the world's goods and sees a brother or sister in need and yet refuses help? Little children, let us love, not in word or speech, but in truth and 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.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people. Reader

People Thanks be to God.





Phrase 1 of each stanza may be sung by one group, with a contrasted group singing phrase 2, and all joining for the final phrase.

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The Gospel: John 10:11-18

Deacon 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."

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

The Rt. Rev'd Gretchen M. Rehberg

Presentation and examination of candidates

The Bishop says

The Candidate(s) will now be presented.

Presenters I present [N.] for Confirmation.

The Bishop asks the candidates

Do you reaffirm your renunciation of evil?

Candidate I do.

Bishop Do you renew your commitment to Jesus Christ?

Candidate I do, and with God's grace I will follow him as my Savior

and Lord.

After all have been presented, the Bishop addresses the congregation, saying

Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to

support these persons in their life in Christ?

People We will.

The Bishop then says these or similar words

Let us join with those who are committing themselves to Christ and renew our own baptismal covenant.

The Baptismal Covenant

Bishop Do you believe in God the Father?

People I believe in God, the Father almighty,

creator of heaven and earth.

Bishop Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

People I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary.

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He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose again.

He ascended into heaven,

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

Bishop	Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?
People	I believe in the Holy Spirit,
	the holy catholic Church,
	the communion of saints,
	the forgiveness of sins,
	the resurrection of the body,
	and the life everlasting.

Bishop Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?

People I will, with God's help.

Bishop Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

People I will, with God's help.

Bishop Will you proclaim by word and example the Good

News of God in Christ?

People I will, with God's help.

Bishop Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving

your neighbor as yourself?

People I will, with God's help.

Bishop Will you strive for justice and peace among all

people, and respect the dignity of every human being?

People I will, with God's help.

Prayers for the Candidates

The Bishop then says to the congregation

Let us now pray for these persons who have renewed their commitment to Christ.

A Person appointed leads the following petitions

Leader Deliver them, O Lord, from the way of sin and death.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader Open their hearts to your grace and truth.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader Fill them with your holy and life-giving Spirit.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader Keep them in the faith and communion of your holy Church.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader Teach them to love others in the power of the Spirit.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader Send them into the world in witness to your love.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader Bring them to the fullness of your peace and glory.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

The Bishop says

Grant, O Lord, that all who are baptized into the death of Jesus Christ your Son may live in the power of his resurrection and look for him to come again in glory; who lives and reigns now and forever. Amen.

A period of silence follows.

Then the Bishop says

Almighty God, we thank you that by the death and resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ you have overcome sin and brought us to yourself, and that by the sealing of your Holy Spirit you have bound us to your service. Renew in

these your servants the covenant you have made with them at their Baptism. Send them forth in the power of that Spirit to perform the service you set before them; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

For Confirmation

The Bishop lays hands upon each one and says

Strengthen, O Lord, your servant N. with your Holy Spirit; empower (*him*) for your service; and sustain (*him*) all the days of (*his*) life. Amen.

or this

Defend, O Lord, your servant N. with your heavenly grace, that (*he*) may continue yours for ever, and daily increase in your Holy Spirit more and more, until (*he*) comes to your everlasting kingdom. Amen.

The Bishop concludes with this prayer

Almighty and everlasting God, let your fatherly hand ever be over these your servants; let your Holy Spirit ever be with them; and so lead them in the knowledge and obedience of your Word, that they may serve you in this life, and dwell with you in the life to come; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Peace is then exchanged (please remain in your pew)

Bishop The peace of Christ always with you.

People And also with you.

Announcements

The loose offering today is for the Bishop's Discretionary Fund. The Bishop then begins the Offertory with a suitable sentence of Scripture.

Offertory Anthem

Choir

As the people's gifts are presented at the holy table all are invited to stand.

The Holy Communion

Eucharistic Prayer 1

Enriching Our Worship

The Lord be with you. Bishop People And also with you.

Bishop

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord. People Bishop

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Bishop

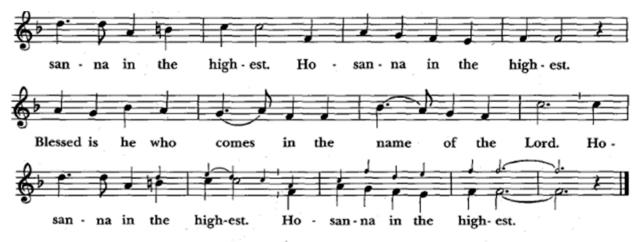
We praise you and we bless you, holy and gracious God, source of life abundant. From before time you made ready the creation. Your Spirit moved over the deep and brought all things into being: sun, moon, and stars; earth, winds, and water; and every living thing.

You made us in your image, and taught us to walk in your ways. But we rebelled against you, and wandered far away; and yet, as a mother cares for her children, you would not forget us. Time and again you called us to live in the fullness of your love.

And so this day we join with Saints and Angels in the chorus of praise that rings through eternity, lifting our voice to magnify you as we sing:

Bishop and People





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

The Bishop continues

Glory and honor and praise to you, holy and living God. To deliver us from the power of sin and death and to reveal the riches of your grace, you looked with favor upon Mary, your willing servant, that she might conceive and bear a son, Jesus the holy child of God. Living among us, Jesus loved us. He broke bread with outcasts and sinners, healed the sick, and proclaimed good news to the poor. He yearned to draw all the world to himself yet we were heedless of his call to walk in love. Then, the time came for him to complete upon the cross the sacrifice of his life, and to be glorified by you.

On the night before he died for us, Jesus was at table with his friends. He took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it, and gave it to them, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine. Again, he gave thanks to you, gave it to them, and said: "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Now gathered at your table, O God of all creation, and remembering Christ, crucified and risen, who was and is and is to come, we offer to you our gifts of bread and wine, and ourselves, a living sacrifice. Pour out your Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Body and Blood of Christ. Breathe your Spirit over the whole earth and make us your new creation, the Body of Christ given for the world you have made.

In the fullness of time bring us, with [_____ and] all your saints, from every

tribe and language and people and nation, to feast at the banquet prepared from the foundation of the world.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. *AMEN*.

The Lord's Prayer

Bishop As our Savior Christ has taught us we now pray.

Bishop and People

Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your Name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those
who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial,
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

The Bishop breaks the consecrated Bread and a period of silence is kept.

Fraction Anthem



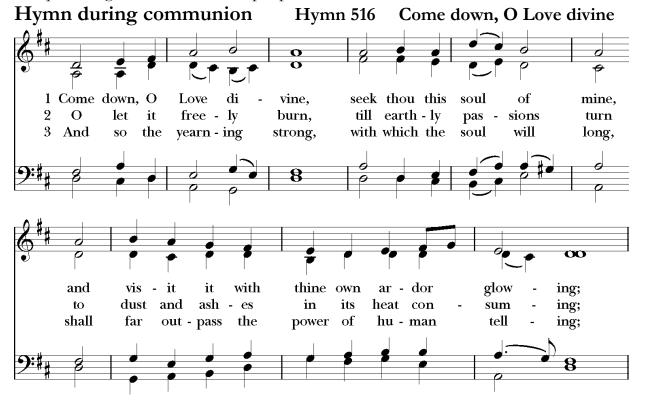
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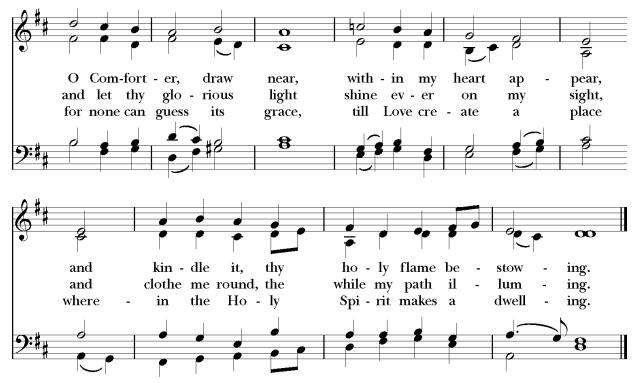
Communion

Receiving Communion at Saint James' Episcopal Church:

- ♦ This is God's table and all are welcome
- ♦ The Priest will distribute the bread at a station in front of the altar.
- ♦ Please wait for the Usher to signal you to come to receive.
- ♦ The Priest will place the bread in your cupped hand.
- ♦ If you wish to drink wine from the Chalice, go to the cup distributor. Guide the cup to your mouth and take a sip.
- ♦ Please **do not** dip your bread into the cup.
- ♦ Gluten free wafers are available. Ask the Priest when you come to receive.
- ♦ If you have a hard time walking, the Usher will have the Priest bring the Eucharist to you.
- ♦ If you don't wish to receive you may come to the Priest for a blessing. Cross your arms over your chest and the Priest will know to give you a blessing.

Bishop The gifts of God for the people of God.





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Post-communion prayer

From Enriching Our Worship

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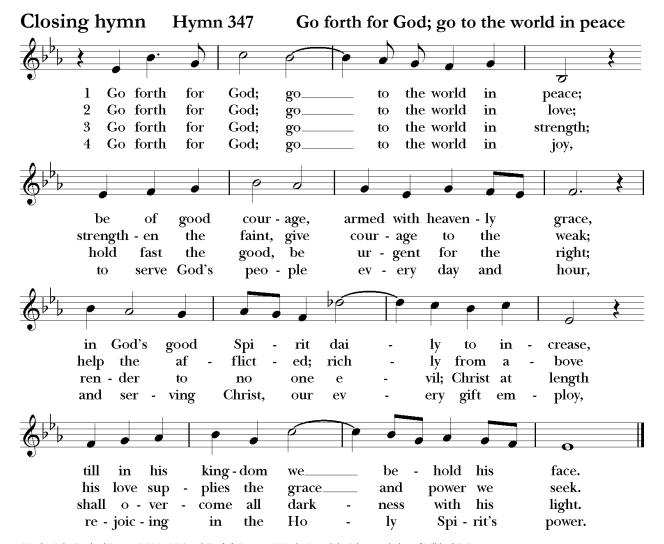
Bishop Let us pray

All God of abundance,

you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation; you have united us with Christ and one another; and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

The Blessing

The Bishop may bless the people who respond: Amen.



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Deacon Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit. Alleluia, Alleluia.

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia.

Our ministry team for Sunday April 21, 2024

The Right Reverend Gretchen Rehberg presiding and preaching

8 am Reader: Jan Stewart

10:30 am Reader 1: Julian Dodson

10:30 am Eucharistic Minister/Reader 2: Jane Sielken

Usher: Linda Johnson

Coffee Hour: Jane Sielken & Linda Johnson

Vestry counter: TBD

Altar flowers today are given to the Glory of God: In celebration of Margaret Rehberg's 89th birthday.

Our ministry team for Sunday April 28, 2024

The Rev. Linda M. Young presiding and preaching

8 am Reader: Catherine Ritchie

8am Eucharistic Minister/Reader: Dean Ritchie

10:30 am Reader 1: Stephan Flores

10:30 am Eucharistic Minister/Reader 2: Beth Benten-Burns

Usher: Linda Johnson

Coffee Hour: Gia Gordon and Arvid Olson

Vestry counter: Judy Croskey

Adult Forum The Adult Forum will have a conversation with the Bishop.

Food for the Food Bank

Canned meat except salmon, Canned Fruit, Pasta, Gluten-Free Items, Jam, Peanut butter, Dry beans except black.

This Week at St. James – April 21 – 28, 2024

Sunday (04/21) 8:00am & 10:30am Eucharist The Fourth Sunday of Easter

Wednesday 7:30 am Men's Breakfast at Zoe's (Stadium Way and the Moscow

Highway). All men and women welcome

5:00 pm ELM Dinner & program (at Simpson UMC)

Thursday 7:00 pm Lectionary study - via Zoom

Sunday (04/28) 8:00am & 10:30am Eucharist The Fifth Sunday of Easter

Reading for Sunday April 21, 2024

Acts 4:5-12

Psalm 23

1 John 3:16-24

John 10:11-18

Reading for Sunday April 28, 2024

Acts 8:26-40

Psalm 22:24-30

1 John 4:7-21

John 15:1-8



Welcome to St. James!

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The Ministers of the Parish are: The People of St. James

Supported by these lay and ordained leaders

Senior Warden: Sharon Nitz (2025)

Jr. Warden: Rex Burns (2025)

Treasurer: Dennis Edgecombe, Doug Adams

Vestry: Sharon Nitz (2025), Helen Smith (2025), Judy Croskey (2026), Rex

Burns (2025), Carolyn Ross-Ridout (2026), Linda Johnson (2027), Gretchen O'Connor (2026)

Music Director: Elena Panchenko

Rector: The Rev. Linda M. Young Deacon: The Ven. Theodore Nitz

as part of the Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Spokane, under the leadership of our Bishop,

The Right Reverend Gretchen Rehberg.