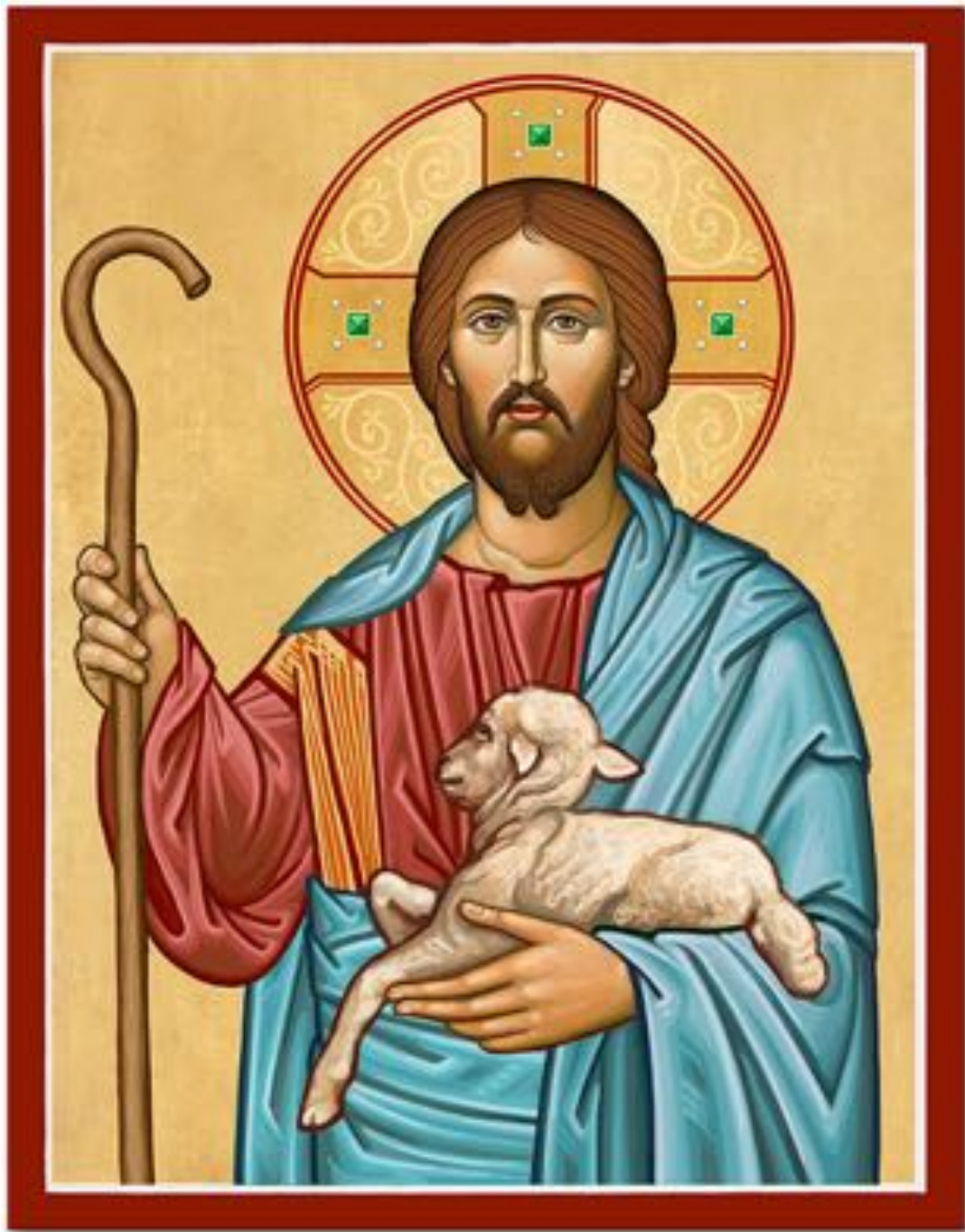


**4<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY OF EASTER | APRIL 25, 10AM**



**ST LUKE'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH**

515 2ND STREET, WOODLAND, CALIFORNIA

WITH CHRIST AND IN CHRIST, WE WELCOME, CELEBRATE, COLLABORATE, AND GROW.

## ORGAN PRELUDE

## RINGING OF THE BELLS

## EASTER ACCLAMATION

*Presider* Alleluia! Christ is risen!  
*People* Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

## OPENING HYMN

*words: Henry Williams Baker; music: Irish melody, 645*



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.

## GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

*All* Glory to God in the highest,  
and peace to God's people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King,  
almighty God and Father,  
we worship you, we give you thanks,  
we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,  
Lord God, Lamb of God,  
you take away the sin of the world:  
have mercy on us;  
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:  
receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One,  
you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High,  
Jesus Christ,  
with the Holy Spirit,  
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

## THE COLLECT OF DAY

*Presider* God 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.

*All* **Amen.**

## THE LESSONS

### FIRST TESTAMENT

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

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

### PSALM

*Dominus regit me, 23*

<sup>1</sup> The Lord is my shepherd; \*  
I shall not be in want.

<sup>2</sup> He makes me lie down in green pastures \*  
and leads me beside still waters.

<sup>3</sup> He revives my soul \*  
and guides me along right pathways for his Name's sake.

<sup>4</sup> 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.

<sup>5</sup> 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.

<sup>6</sup> 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.

*All* **Praise to the holy and undivided Trinity, one God: as it  
was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen**

## **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.

*Reader*    Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.  
*People*    **Thanks be to God.**

# SEQUENCE HYMN

words: Carolina Maria Noel; music: Ralph V. Williams, 435



1 At the Name of Je - sus ev - ery knee shall bow,  
 2 Hum - bled for a sea - son, to re - ceive a Name  
 3 bore it up tri - um - phant, with its hu - man light,  
 4 Name him, Chris - tians, name him, with love strong as death,  
 \*5 In your hearts en - throne him; there let him sub - due  
 \*6 Chris - tians, this Lord Je - sus shall re - turn a - gain,



1 ev - ery tongue con - fess him King of glo - ry now;  
 2 from the lips of sin - ners, un - to whom he came,  
 3 through all ranks of crea - tures, to the cen - tral height,  
 4 name with awe and won - der and with bat - ed breath;  
 5 all that is not ho - ly, all that is not true;  
 6 with his Fa - ther's glo - ry o'er the earth to reign;



1 'tis the Fa - ther's plea - sure we should call him Lord  
 2 faith - ful - ly he bore it spot - less to the last,  
 3 to the throne of God - head, to the Fa - ther's breast;  
 4 he is God the Sa - vior, he is Christ the Lord,  
 5 crown him as your Cap - tain in temp - ta - tion's hour;  
 6 for all wreaths of em - pire meet up - on his brow,



1 who from the be - gin - ning was the might - y Word.  
 2 brought it back vic - to - rious, when from death he passed;  
 3 filled it with the glo - ry of that per - fect rest.  
 4 ev - er to be wor - shiped, trust - ed, and a - dored.  
 5 let his will en - fold you in its light and power.  
 6 and our hearts con - fess him King of glo - ry now.

## GOSPEL

John 10:11-18

*Presider*     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."

*Reader*     The Gospel of the Lord.  
*People*       **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

## HOMILY

*A time of silence follows the homily.*

The Rev. Carren Sheldon

## NICENE CREED

EOW, p. 53

*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,  
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.

#### THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*Intercessor* Lord God, our Creator, we thank and praise you for the glorious resurrection of Jesus Christ, your Son, our Passover Lamb, who has taken away the sin of the world. Give new life to us and to all people. God of life:

*People* **Hear our prayer.**

*Intercessor* After his rising, Jesus said, "Peace be with you." Bring your peace to this world and to our own land. God of life:

*People* **Hear our prayer.**

*Intercessor* Your Son appeared to Mary Magdalene when she was weeping. Comfort those who are suffering, lonely, or grieving. God of life:

*People* **Hear our prayer.**



*Intercessor* The Risen Christ met the women and asked them to tell the disciples about his resurrection. Guide Christians everywhere to witness to the power of faith in their lives. God of life:

*People* **Hear our prayer.**

*Intercessor* Jesus revealed himself to the disciples through the Scriptures and made himself known in the sharing of food. Make him known to all through your Word and the feasts of your holy people. God of life:

*People* **Hear our prayer.**

*Intercessor* Your Son strengthened the faith of Thomas by telling him to touch his hands and side. Reassure those who are troubled by doubts, and strengthen their faith in your goodness. God of life:

*People* **Hear our prayer.**

*Intercessor* Your Son conquered death by his death and won the victory by his resurrection. Be with those who have died, and lead them to life with you forever. God of life:

*People* **Hear our prayer.**

*Presider* Gracious God, grant that all who now celebrate these joyful holy days here on earth may finally praise you forever, with all the angels and saints in heaven. We ask this through the Risen Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

## **THE PEACE**

*Presider* May the peace of the Risen Christ be always with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

## **OFFERTORY SENTENCE**

*Presider* On this day the Lord has acted; Jesus Christ is risen!  
Let us rejoice and be glad!

# OFFERTORY HYMN

words: Brian A. Wren; music: Annabel Morris Buchanan, 304

*Unison or harmony*

1 I come with joy to meet my Lord, for -  
 2 I come with Chris - tians far and near to  
 3 As Christ breaks bread and bids us share, each  
 4 And thus with joy we meet our Lord. His  
 5 To - geth - er met, to - geth - er bound, we'll

1 giv - en, loved, and free, in awe and won - der  
 2 find, as all are fed, the new com - mu - ni -  
 3 proud di - vi - sion ends. That love that made us  
 4 pres - ence, al - ways near, is in such friend - ship  
 5 go our dif - ferent ways, and as his peo - ple

1 to re - call his life laid down for me.  
 2 ty of love in Christ's com - mun - ion bread.  
 3 makes us one, and stran - gers now are friends.  
 4 bet - ter known: we see, and praise him here.  
 5 in the world, we'll live and speak his praise.

## SHARED HOME COMMUNION

### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

*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 God thanks and praise.**

*Presider* God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.

*People* **Glory to you for ever and ever.**

*Presider* At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.

*People* **By your will they were created and have their being.**

*Presider* From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.

*People* **Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.**

*Presider* Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

*People* **By his blood, he reconciled us. By his wounds, we are healed.**

*Presider* And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

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

*Presider* And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, 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, gave thanks, 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."

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,

*People* **We celebrate his death and resurrection, as we await the day of his coming.**

*Presider* Lord God of our Mothers and Fathers; God of Abraham and Sarah, Isaac and Rebecca, and Jacob, Rachel and Leah; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

*People* **Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.**

*Presider* Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation.

*People* **AMEN.**

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

*Presider* And now as Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray.

*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,  
for ever and ever. Amen.**

## AT THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

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

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

## INVITATION TO COMMUNION

*Presider* The Gifts of God for the People of God.

*All who have consecrated bread now share it, saying:*

**The Body of our Lord Jesus Christ keep you in everlasting life. Amen.**

*Or pray the following Prayer for Spiritual Communion instead:*

Come Lord Jesus, and dwell in my heart in the fullness of your strength; be my wisdom and guide me in right pathways; conform my life and actions to the image of your holiness; and, in the power of your gracious might, rule over every hostile power that threatens or disturbs the growth of your kingdom, who with the Creator and the Holy Spirit, lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting. Amen.

## POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

*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.**

## EASTER BLESSING

*Presider* 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 All Holy, the Creator, the Christ, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always.

*People* **Amen.**

## CONCLUDING HYMN

*words: Hymns for the Young; music: Sicilian melody, 708*

1 Sa - vior, like a shep - herd lead us; much we need thy  
2 Ear - ly let us seek thy fa - vor, ear - ly let us

ten - der care; in thy plea - sant pas - tures feed us;  
learn thy will; do thou, Lord, our on - ly Sa - vior,

for our use thy folds pre - pare. Bless - ed Je - sus!  
 with thy love our hos - oms fill. Bless - ed Je - sus!

Bless - ed Je - sus! Thou hast bought us, thine we are.  
 Bless - ed Je - sus! Thou hast loved us: love us still.

## THE DISMISSAL

*Presider* Let us go forth in the name of the risen Christ.  
 Alleluia, Alleluia!

*People* **Thanks be to God! Alleluia, Alleluia!**

## POSTLUDE

**Coffee Hour is online, immediately after the service.  
You're invited!**

LeAnn is this week's host. Please join us via Zoom.  
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- **Centering Prayer, Sundays, 7pm, Sanctuary, contact Tom Eaton**
- **Book Study, Mondays, 5:15pm, via Zoom, contact Tom Eaton**
- **“The Social Justice Bible Challenge”, Weds, 7 pm,  
via Zoom, contact Margaret**
- **Queer Alliance, Thursdays, 6:30 pm via Zoom, contact Mairic**



*St. Luke's is committed  
to full inclusion  
for queer folk.*





## WHAT IS TEMENOS?

(Pronounced “tem-én-nos”)

A refuge where community honors and intentionally works with the land, plants, soil, air, water, and animals. This sanctuary offers healing, respite, a nourishing garden, and a place of learning where diversity is sought and all are welcome.

Temenos is located at corner of County Roads 22 and 94B on the far west end of Woodland, across the street from the Woodland Airport. Come by any time and take a stroll.

## SAVE THE DATE!

**Saturday, May 22, 2021**

Join us at Temenos for a socially-distanced gathering and fundraiser. We will be selling containers of Amy Allen’s famous salsas, as well as vegetable starts for you to plant in your home garden.



## WE COULD USE...

In preparation for the fundraiser, we are in need of the disposable plastic containers that your plants came in from the hardware store or nursery. If you have a stash of them lying about and would be willing to donate, please email Shawn at [triskal@mac.com](mailto:triskal@mac.com) and he’ll swing by and pick them up.

Our next big expense is the construction of a new greenhouse. If you feel called to donate financially, please visit our GoFundMe page:

**<https://www.gofundme.com/f/seed-money-to-start-a-nonprofit>**