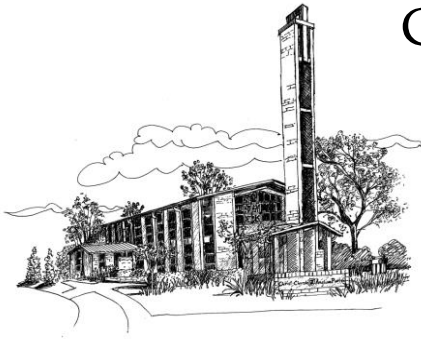


# CHRIST CHURCH ST LUCIA

**Sunday 21st April 2024**

*The Fourth Sunday of Easter*

*Year B*



## *Acknowledgment of Country*

*We acknowledge the Turrbal & Jagera people, traditional custodians of the Country on which we gather for worship. We pay our respects to elders past, present, and emerging, and extend that respect to all First Nations people present today.*

## **GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME**

**MASS SETTING:** Shephard

**PRELUDE:**

**INTROIT HYMN 61**

**Tune: IST CONFESSOR**

*The service begins on p.119 of the Green Prayer Book, APBA*

*Confession & Absolution, APBA p.120, p.154, followed by the Gloria on p. 121.*

**The Collect**

*Fourth Sunday of Easter*

Jesus, good shepherd of the sheep, by whom the lost are sought and guided into the fold: feed us and we shall be satisfied, heal us and we shall be whole, and lead us that we may be with you, where you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

**Amen.**

**First Reading**

*Acts 4.5-12*

The next day their 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.’

**Psalm 23** APBA p.243 sung by the choir at 9am to a chant by Edward C Bairstow

## Second Reading

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.

## GRADUAL HYMN 445

Tune: WAREHAM

*The Gospel Acclamation (9am)*



*Choir/ALL:* Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. **Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

*Choir:* I am the good shepherd, says the Lord:  
I know my sheep, and they know me.

*All:* **Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

'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.'

**The Sermon:** Fr. Shane Hübner

REFLECTION: TiS 611

*The Creed is on p.123 APBA, followed by the prayers on p.124*

**OFFERTORY HYMN**

Tune: SALZBURG [AM t.198]

- 1 At the Lamb's high feast we sing praise to our victorious King,  
who hath washed us in the tide flowing from his pierced side;  
praise we him, whose love divine gives his sacred blood for wine,  
gives his body for the feast, Christ the victim, Christ the priest.**
  
- 2 Where the Paschal blood is poured,  
death's dark angel sheathes his sword;  
Israel's hosts triumphant go through the wave that drowns the foe.  
Praise we Christ, whose blood was shed,  
Paschal victim, Paschal bread;  
with sincerity and love eat we manna from above.**
  
- 3 Mighty victim from the sky, hell's fierce powers beneath thee lie;  
thou hast conquered in the fight, thou hast brought us life and light:  
now no more can death appal, now no more the grave enthrall;  
thou hast opened Paradise, and in thee thy saints shall rise.**

**4 Easter triumph, Easter joy, sin alone can this destroy;  
from sin's power do thou set free souls new-born, O Lord, in thee.  
Hymns of glory and of praise, risen Lord, to thee we raise;  
holy Father, praise to thee, with the Spirit, ever be.**

*Words: Latin, 1632; trans. Robert Campbell, 1849*

*The Greeting of Peace is on p.127, followed by the Thanksgiving is on p.128*

*The Breaking of the Bread & the Communion p.141.*

## MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

ORGAN:

CHOIR MOTET: *Jesu, lead my footsteps ever - J.S.Bach (1685-1750)*

Jesu, lead my footsteps ever; ever all my senses guide;  
Jesu let thy grace attend me; from all evil e'er defend me.  
From all ills my doings sever; put all else than thee aside!  
Jesu let thy grace attend me; from all evil e'er defend me.

## Post-Communion Sentence

The good shepherd is risen! He who laid down his life for his sheep, who died for his flock, he is risen, alleluia.

*The Sending Out of God's People follows on p.143 and response on p. 144*

**THANKSGIVING HYMN 530 (t. 139)**

Tune: BOW BRICKHILL

*The Blessing & Dismissal, p.155.*

POSTLUDE:

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***Services on Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> April, 2024***

*Holy Eucharist will be celebrated at 7am and 9am*

***Readings for Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> April, 2024***

*Acts 8.26-40 | Psalm 22 (26-32) | 1John 4.7-21 | John 15.1-8*

**Readers: Dorothy W | Keith W. (7am); Peter DeJ | Ruth K (9am)**

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