



**ST. DAVID'S ON-THE-HILL
EPISCOPAL CHURCH**

**The Fourth Sunday of Easter
April 30, 2023**

**The Reverend Edward G. Beaudreau, Jr.
Priest-in-Charge**

Entrance Hymn: "The Strife is O'er"

H 208

The Holy Eucharist: Rite Two

BCP 355

Celebrant: Alleluia, Christ is Risen.

People: **The Lord is Risen Indeed.**

The Collect for Purity: 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.**

Gloria:

HS 278

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

BCP 357

People: **And also with you.**

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Collect for the Day: 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.**

Old Testament

The First Lesson

First Reading: A Reading from Acts

Chapter 2: 14a, 36-41

Those who had been baptized devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers.

Awe came upon everyone, because many wonders and signs were being done by the apostles. All who believed were together and had all things in common; they would sell their possessions and goods and distribute the proceeds to all, as any had need. Day by day, as they spent much time together in the temple, they broke bread at home and ate their food with glad and generous hearts, praising God and having the goodwill of all the

people. And day by day the Lord added to their number those who were being saved.

The Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God

Psalm 23

Dominus regit me

1 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.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: *
As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. **Amen.**

The Second Lesson

A Reading from The First Letter of Peter Chapter 1 Peter 2: 19-25

It is a credit to you if, being aware of God, you endure pain while suffering unjustly. If you endure when you are beaten for doing wrong, what credit is that? But if you endure when you do right and suffer for it, you have God's approval. For to this you have been called, because Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example, so that you should follow in his steps.

“He committed no sin,
and no deceit was found in his mouth.”

When he was abused, he did not return abuse; when he suffered, he did not threaten; but he entrusted himself to the one who judges justly. He himself bore our sins in his body on the cross, so that, free from sins, we might live for righteousness; by his wounds you have been healed. For you were going astray like sheep, but now you have returned to the shepherd and guardian of your souls.

The Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God

Gradual Hymn: "Seek Ye First"

H 711

The Gospel

**The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to
John 10: 1-10**

Jesus said, "Very truly, I tell you, anyone who does not enter the sheepfold by the gate but climbs in by another way is a thief and a bandit. The one who enters by the gate is the shepherd of the sheep. The gatekeeper opens the gate for him, and the sheep hear his voice. He calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. When he has brought out all his own, he goes ahead of them, and the sheep follow him because they know his voice. They will not follow a stranger, but they will run from him because they do not know the voice of strangers." Jesus used this figure of speech with them, but they did not understand what he was saying to them.

So again Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, I am the gate for the sheep. All who came before me are thieves and bandits; but the sheep did not listen to them. I am the gate. Whoever enters by me will be saved, and will come in and go out and find pasture. The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly."

The Gospel of the Lord

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Hymn: "Seek Ye First"

H 711

The Sermon

The Reverend Edward Beaudreau, Jr.

Nicene Creed

BCP 358

The Prayers of the People

Form III

BCP 387

Confession of Sin

BCP 359

The Peace BCP 360

The Offertory Hymn: “When morning gilds the skies” H 427

The Hymn of Doxology

Celebrant: Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise hi, all creatures here below; Praise him above, ye heav’nly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

The Holy Communion

The Great Thanksgiving (Eucharistic Prayer C) BCP 369

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord HS 125

The Lord’s Prayer BCP 364
Breaking of Bread BCP 364

Christ our Passover HS 154

Communion Hymn: “My God thy table now is spread” H 321

The Blessing BCP 365

The Dismissal BCP 366

Closing Hymn: “He is risen” H 180

We especially pray for our Service Members: Jake & Christie Knight, Elizabeth Butler, Matthew Paiva, Debbie Cox, Corbin Warner and Rachel Beaudreau.

We also keep all those who suffer with illness in our prayers: Anne, Andrea, Lois, Claudia, Andre, Terri, David, Michael B., Geri, Matt B., Grace, Gladys, Sue, Marjorie, Bill, Joseph, David, Tom, James, Beth, Max, Jack, Fred, Diane, Vinny, Ronnie, Paul.