

**ST. EDWARD'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH  
LANCASTER, PENNSYLVANIA**



**the Reverend Dr. Richard C. Bauer, Rector**



*Fourth Sunday of Easter  
April 25, 2021  
8:00 a.m. Service*

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*The Holy Eucharist Rite I*

*The people standing the Celebrant says*

Alleluia. Christ is risen.

*People The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.*

*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.*

Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ saith:

Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it: Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets.

*Glory be to God on high,  
and on earth peace, good will towards men.*

*We praise thee, we bless thee,  
we worship thee,  
we glorify thee,  
we give thanks to thee for thy great glory,  
O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty.*

*O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ;  
O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,  
that takest away the sins of the world,  
have mercy upon us.*

*Thou that takest away the sins of the world,  
receive our prayer.  
Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father,  
have mercy upon us.*

*For thou only art holy;  
thou only art the Lord;  
thou only, O Christ,  
with the Holy Ghost,  
art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.*

## **The Collect of the Day**

*The Celebrant says to the people*

The Lord be with you.  
**People**      ***And also with you.***  
*Celebrant*      Let us pray.

*The Celebrant says the Collect.*

O God, whose Son Jesus is the good shepherd of thy people: Grant that when we hear his voice we may know him who calleth us each by name, and follow where he doth lead; who, with thee and the Holy Spirit, liveth and reigneth, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

**People** *Amen.*

## **The Lessons** *(The people sit)*

### **A Reading from the Book of Acts.**

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."

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.

### **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.

*People*            The Word of the Lord.  
*Thanks be to God.*

*Celebrant*        The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ According to *John*.  
*People*            *Glory be to thee, O Lord.*

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."

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

## **The Sermon**

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### **The Nicene Creed** *(The people standing)*

*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:  
by the power of the Holy Spirit  
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,  
and was made man.  
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 and the Son.  
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.  
He 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** *(The people kneel)*

Let us pray for the whole state of Christ's Church and the world.

Almighty and everliving God, who in thy holy Word hast taught us to make prayers, and supplications, and to give thanks for all men: Receive these our prayers which we offer unto thy divine Majesty, beseeching thee to inspire continually the Universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity, and concord; and grant that all those who do confess thy holy Name may agree in the truth of thy holy Word, and live in unity and godly love.

Give grace, O heavenly Father, to all bishops and other ministers [especially \_\_\_\_\_], that they may, both by their life and doctrine, set forth thy true and lively Word, and rightly and duly administer thy holy Sacraments.

And to all thy people give thy heavenly grace, and especially to this congregation here present; that, with meek heart and due reverence, they may hear and receive thy holy Word, truly serving thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of their life.

We beseech thee also so to rule the hearts of those who bear the authority of government in this and every land [especially \_\_\_\_\_], that they may be led to wise decisions and right actions for the welfare and peace of the world.

Open, O Lord, the eyes of all people to behold thy gracious hand in all thy works, that, rejoicing in thy whole creation, they may honor thee with their substance, and be faithful stewards of thy bounty.

And we most humbly beseech thee, of thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succor [\_\_\_\_\_ and] all those who, in this transitory life, are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity.

*Additional petitions and thanksgivings may be included here.*

And we also bless thy holy Name for all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear [especially \_\_\_\_\_], beseeching thee to grant them continual growth in thy love and service; and to grant us grace so to follow the good examples of [\_\_\_\_\_ and of] all thy saints, that with them we may be partakers of thy heavenly kingdom.

Grant these our prayers, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate.  
***Amen.***

## **Confession of Sin**

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Celebrant and People*

***Most merciful God,  
we confess that we have sinned against thee  
in thought, word, and deed,  
by what we have done,  
and by what we have left undone.  
We have not loved thee with our whole heart;  
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.  
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.  
For the sake of thy Son Jesus Christ,  
have mercy on us and forgive us;  
that we may delight in thy will,  
and walk in thy ways,  
to the glory of thy Name. Amen.***

*The Celebrant says the absolution*

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.  
**Amen.**

## **The Peace** *(All stand)*

The peace of the Lord be always with you.  
**People** *And with thy spirit.*

*We greet one another in the name of the Lord.*

## **The Great Thanksgiving**

*Eucharistic Prayer II*

*The Lord be with you.*  
**People** *And with thy spirit.*  
*Celebrant* Lift up your hearts.  
**People** *We lift them up unto the Lord.*  
*Celebrant* Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.  
**People** *It is meet and right so to do.*

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God. But chiefly are we bound to praise thee for the glorious resurrection of thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the very Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and hath taken away the sin of the world; who by his death hath destroyed death, and by his rising to life again hath won for us everlasting life.

Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,

*Celebrant and People*

***Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts:  
Heaven and earth are full of thy glory.  
Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High.***

***Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.***

All glory be to thee, O Lord our God, for that thou didst create heaven and earth, and didst make us in thine own image; and, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to take our nature upon him, and to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption. He made there a full and perfect sacrifice for the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread; and when he had given thanks to thee, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat, this is my Body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Likewise, after supper, he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink this, all of you; for this is my Blood of the New Covenant, which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins. Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me."

Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, we thy people do celebrate and make, with these thy holy gifts which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; and looking for his coming again with power and great glory.

And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us, and, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, to bless and sanctify these gifts of bread and wine, that they may be unto us the Body and Blood of thy dearly-beloved Son Jesus Christ.

And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, whereby we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies. Grant, we beseech thee, that all who partake of this Holy Communion may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, and be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction; and also that we and all thy whole Church may be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord;

By whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. AMEN.

And now, as our Savior Christ hath taught us, we are bold to say,

*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.*

## **The Breaking of the Bread**

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;  
*Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.*

*O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.  
O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.  
O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, grant us thy peace.*



*We do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.*

*The Communion Table of the Episcopal Church is open to all baptized Christians. In the understanding of the Episcopal Church it is truly the Lord's Table, and not the property of any single denomination. Those of you who are here to share the service this morning are welcome to that table at the Lord's invitation...*

*After Communion, the Celebrant says*

Let us pray.

*Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.*

***Blessing***

the Reverend Dr. Richard C. Bauer

The peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you, and remain with you always. Amen.

## **The Dismissal**

*Celebrant*      Let us go forth into the world,  
rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.  
*People*          ***Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.***

## *Serving the Liturgy*

the Reverend Dr. Richard C. Bauer, Rector

### *Reader*

Lucetta Kiefer

### *Ushers*

Herb Johnston and Bob Mutari

### *Altar Guild*

Karen Grant, Julie Hoff, Dorris Smith



In our Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we pray for The Nippon Sei Ko Kai.

In our Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we pray for St. Andrew's, York.

We pray for Christians, Muslims, and Jews and all people of faith throughout the world who are suffering persecution for their beliefs.

In our Parish Cycle of Prayer, we pray for: Peggy Hanzelman; Bev Hess; Jerry and Julie Hoff; Joe and Donna Holwager.

Our Sunday altar arrangements were given by the good people of St. Edward's.

*Praying for those we love and who are important in our lives is an essential component of our worship, but many of the names listed and read out in the Prayers of the People are known only to those who have requested them, and the list grows each week. So, when we come to the Prayers of the people in the service, the names for those "You are asked to pray for" and those "for our military personnel" will not be read aloud; rather we invite you to lift those names up to God in Christ silently in your heart as we pray the Prayers of the People, adding any others you wish to pray for.*

You are asked to pray for: Rayelenn Casey, Emily and Elizabeth Casey and the Casey family; the Rev. Dr. Rick Bauer and family; Karen Grant; Matthew and Libby Sternberg; Mary Snyder; Jodi Good; Amy, Bill, Reed and Cole Swiernik; Joe Holwager; Arch Cross; Mary Walker; Liz Yeager; Patricia Stout; Mimi Stauffer; Robert Hubbard; Tom Joerger; Donna J. Mott; Charlotte Jakiel; Dakota Patrone; DJ Dixon; Robert; Dorothy Diehl; Barbara Bradfield; Fran Davis; Heather; Cheryl Shearer; Myra Taylor; Sally Mears; Barry Leed; Dr. Randy Cohen and Family; Aaron Rowe, Sr.; Dorothy Rowe; Dr. Karl and Carolyn Moyer; James Pentland Moore; Rick Welk; Max Lown; Aiden Guillory; Winnie Sternberg and her family; Paul Gomez; Jillian; Adelaide L. Petersen; Dorothy Johnson; Annette Green; John Holena; Joe Holena; Carrie; Larry Haffey; Janine Holena; Ted Fitzgerald; Peter Kelly; Cindy and Ken; Teresa Kennedy; the family of Julie Sandblade – Elle, Dustin, and Robby; Amy Diehl; Jim Gayenski; Ken and Kim Berkich; Richard Burgess; Connie Mathias; Bill Gilbert; John Goddard; Kathy Kuzimak; Cynthia Luna; Madison Luna; Jane Gene; all prisoners who are on lockdown due to COVID19

You are asked to pray for our military personnel who are being deployed or serving in the military: Rev. David J. Sparks; Evan Westgate; David Peck; David Sternberg; John Lewis; Gordon Frankenfield; Allison Tomich; Mike Spurr; Seamas Whitesel; Capt. Andrew Pfeiffer; 1st Lt. Thomas Whitesel; Brandon Fox; Alex Kube; Richard Mutari; Dustin Burleson; Anthony Koser; Jack Hawk; Christina Dragon; Justin Carnahan; Clayton Tennes; Benjamin Jenkins; Andy Lopez

# WELCOME TO ST. EDWARD'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

*"Joy in the Lord as Companions in Christ"*

*the Rt. Reverend Audrey Cady Scanlan, DMin  
Bishop of Central Pennsylvania  
the Reverend Dr. Richard C. Bauer, Rector  
Michelle Bentley, Parish Administrative Assistant  
Karen E. Waddill, Organist & Pianist  
Patrick Ishler, Choir Director*

## SUNDAY WORSHIP

*10:15 a.m. service live streamed on YouTube Live – St. Edward's Channel*

### *In-person Worship*

*8:00 a.m. - Holy Eucharist: Rite I ~ 10:15 a.m. - Holy Eucharist: Rite II*

*Temporarily suspended due to Covid19 mandates*

*10:40 a.m. Christian Education ages*

*pre-K/K – Grade 12*

*Nursery is available up to age 4*

## WEDNESDAY SERVICE

*12:00 p.m. – Contemplative Eucharist with Meditation & Healing Prayer*

## FRIDAY EVENING PRAYER

*7:00 p.m.: Join us on Zoom – led by Patrick Ishler*

*<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86327105082>*

*Join Code: 863 2710 5082*

## SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHING STAFF

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*Welcome Visitors and Newcomers!*

The community of St. Edward's is glad you are worshipping with us this morning. Please take one of the Visitor's Packets to learn more about us. Then complete the card found inside to let us know how we can serve you. *(Place it in the collection plate).*

## Weekly Parish Announcements – April 25, 2021



Father Rick+ and our Faith in Action ministry invite you to join us in participating as *Team St. Edward's* for the 2021 Race Against Racism event. We are going to "race our way" and will be meeting at **12 Noon on Saturday, May 15<sup>th</sup>**, downtown, to take the 5K Lancaster City walk as a group. Learn more about this important community event by visiting the [sainteds.org/community-outreach](https://sainteds.org/community-outreach) page which will have information & links to register.

We have a special code for registration. *We have 20 people walking with us, so far!*

*For those who have registered, we have picked up your team "swag." When you come to church, in the next 2 weeks, please stop by the library area in the Christian Ed wing and pick up your items. Each person's items will be on the library table with your name on them.*

Please continue your support of the **Hempfield Area Food Pantry**. April food list: Canned green beans; canned corn; canned peas; canned applesauce; cereal; pancake mix; pancake syrup; large grape jelly; bagged noodles. This month we have donated \$4,500 to the HAFP. The support from the St. Edward's community is a wonderful tribute to our Faith in Action. And, we should note, we have parishioners who also make substantial monetary donations directly to HAFP. We thank you all, in all the ways you support this important ministry.

Thank you to all who participated in our Annual Spring clean-up, yesterday! It was wonderful to gather in fellowship and in good stewardship of our spiritual home!

**Adult Spiritual Formation at St. Edward's:** *All links and details are in Monday/Thursday emails*

**Bible Study: Wednesday Evenings from 6:30 PM to 8:00 PM:** For questions, please contact Bob Mosebach at [rcmosebach@comcast.net](mailto:rcmosebach@comcast.net) or Leslie Arnold at [larnold897@aol.com](mailto:larnold897@aol.com).

**Lunch & Learn: Episcopal Beliefs and Practices: Fridays from 12 Noon – 1 PM** led by Bob Mosebach

**Friday Evening Prayer: Each Friday at 7:00 PM** - hosted by Patrick and Dina Ishler. This is a wonderful way to peacefully end our week and is led by Patrick Ishler.

Join us on Zoom:

<https://uso2web.zoom.us/j/86327105082>

Join Code: 863 2710 5082

**Sunday Evening Prayer: Each Sunday at 7:00 PM.** Anyone interested can send Br. David Rutledge an email to be put on an email distribution list: [drutledge1225@gmail.com](mailto:drutledge1225@gmail.com)

Join Zoom Meeting:

<https://zoom.us/j/95355083080>

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