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The Order of Service *for Holy Eucharist*



Jesus said, "I am the good shepherd"

Good Shepherd Sunday

Sunday 23rd April 2023 • 8.45 am

Welcome to St Thomas' Cathedral for this service

Jesus the Good Shepherd

A Gospel Reflection

As we begin to move on from the Easter narrative we have this wonderful image of Christ as the Good Shepherd.

Jesus demonstrates His love for His 'flock' by giving His life. 'Greater love hath no man....' He is always looking for bringing in other 'sheep' who recognize His call and is prepared to die so that the flock may remain secure. Our Lord compares this calling with the hired hand who is only into shepherding for the money and lacks loyalty, running away at the first sign of danger. Under the hired hand the flock is in jeopardy from wolves. Under the good shepherd, the sheep bask in the reflected love of their Creator, offered to them by the Son.

*Follow the readings and the Order of Service for the Lord's Supper in **The Book of Common Prayer** (refer page numbers). The hymns can be found in **The English Hymnal**.*



Do not leave this service booklet behind. Take it home with you to reflect on the prayers and readings and as a reminder of your visit.

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Order of Service

The congregation is asked to join in all text printed in **bold**.

The Gathering

Voluntary

Sheep may safely graze, from Cantata No. 208 ... Johann Sebastian Bach (1685 - 1750)

Welcome

All keep silence and prepare for worship

Introit

Loving Shepherd of thy sheep,
Keep thy lamb, in safety keep;
Nothing can thy power withstand,
None can pluck me from thy hand.

Words: Jane E. Lesson (1807 - 82)

Tune: BUCKLAND
L. G. Hayne (1836 - 83)

All stand and face the West Door

Opening Sentences

The Presbyter

Sing joyfully to the Lord all you lands;
serve the Lord with gladness;
come before Him with joyful song.

All

We are His people, the sheep of His flock.

Know that the Lord is God;

He made us, His we are;

His people, the flock He tends.

We are His people, the sheep of His flock.

The Lord is good:

His kindness endures forever,

and His faithfulness, to all generations.

We are His people, the sheep of His flock.

All sing

Hymn at the Procession | # 139

Ye choirs of new Jerusalem

Tune: ST. FULBERT

All sit

All say together

The Collect for Purity | Page 260

The Liturgy of the Word

The Collect for the Day | Page 419

Read by the Presbyter

Old Testament Reading | page 420

Ezekiel 34:11 - 16

A reading from the Book of the Prophet Ezekiel.

At the end of the reading This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

All stand

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 23 • *Dominus regit me*

Refrain I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

The Lord is my shepherd; ♦
therefore can I lack nothing.
He makes me lie down in green pastures ♦
and leads me beside still waters.

I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

He shall refresh my soul ♦
and guide me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake.

Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,
I will fear no evil; ♦
for you are with me;
your rod and your staff, they comfort me.

I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

You spread a table before me
in the presence of those who trouble me; ♦
you have anointed my head with oil
and my cup shall be full.
Surely goodness and loving mercy shall follow me
all the days of my life, ♦
and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

**O God, our sovereign and shepherd,
who brought again your Son Jesus Christ
from the valley of death,
comfort us with your protecting presence
and your angels of goodness and love,
that we also may come home
and dwell with him in your house for ever.**

All sit

The Epistle | **page 420**

| St. Peter 2:19 - 25

A reading from the first letter of Peter.

At the end of the reading This is the word of the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

All STAND and join in singing

Gradual Hymn | **# 93**

The God of love my Shepherd is

Tune: UNIVERSITY

Remain standing for the Gospel and the Creed

Preparation of the Table

The altar is set with the gifts of bread and wine.

At this time an offering will be received for the ministries of the Cathedral.

Thank you for your generosity.

All join in singing

Hymn at the Offertory

**The Lord's my Shepherd, I'll not want;
He makes me down to lie
In pastures green; He leadeth me
The quiet waters by.**

**² My soul He doth restore again,
And me to walk doth make
Within the paths of righteousness,
E'en for His own name's sake.**

**³ Yea, though I walk through death's dark vale,
Yet will I fear no ill;
For Thou art with me, and Thy rod
And staff me comfort still.**

**⁴ My table Thou hast furnishèd
In presence of my foes;
My head Thou dost with oil anoint,
And my cup overflows.**

**⁵ Goodness and mercy all my life
Shall surely follow me;
And in God's house for evermore,
My dwelling place shall be.**

Words: Psalm 23

Tune: CRIMOND
Jessie Seymour Irvine (1836 - 1883)

All say

Offertory Prayer | **page 357**

All sit

While seated, all sing

Invocation

**Alleluia, Alleluia,
give thanks to the risen Lord;
alleluia, alleluia,
give praise to His name.**

**Spread the good news o'er all the earth.
Jesus has died and has risen.**

Donald Fishel

Kneel as able or remain seated

The Prayers of the People

Intercessor

We pray to Jesus who is present with us to eternity. Jesus, light of the world, bring the light and peace of your gospel to the nations.

Jesus, Lord of life,
in your mercy, hear us.

Jesus, bread of life,
give food to the hungry
and nourish us all with your word.

Jesus, Lord of life,
in your mercy, hear us.

Jesus, our way, our truth, our life,
be with us and all who follow you in the way.
Deepen our appreciation of your truth
and fill us with your life.

Jesus, Lord of life,
in your mercy, hear us.

Jesus, Good Shepherd who gave your life for the sheep,
recover the straggler,
bind up the injured,
strengthen the sick
and lead the healthy and strong to new pastures.

Jesus, Lord of life,
in your mercy, hear us.

Jesus, the resurrection and the life,
we give you thanks for all who have lived and
believed in you.
Raise us with them to eternal life.
Jesus, Lord of life,
**in your mercy, hear us,
accept our prayers, and be with us always.
Amen.**

The Preparation for Communion | *page 275*

The Consecration & Proper Preface *pages 277, 279. 281*

Sanctus

**Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
Heaven and earth are full of your glory,
Hosanna in the highest.**

Benedictus

**Blessed is he who comes
in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

The Communion | *page 284*

Agnus Dei

**Jesus, Lamb of God, have mercy on us,
Jesus, bearer of our sins, have mercy on us,
Jesus, redeemer of the world, grant us peace.**

Proceed to the High Altar for receiving Communion

While seated, we sing

Hymn at the Communion

**Softly and tenderly Jesus is calling,
Calling for you and for me;
See, on the portals He's waiting and watching,
Watching for you and for me.**

**Come home, come home,
You who are weary, come home;
Earnestly, tenderly, Jesus is calling,
Calling, O sinner, come home!**

**Why should we tarry when Jesus is pleading,
Pleading for you and for me?
Why should we linger and heed not His mercies,
Mercies for you and for me?**

**Time is now fleeting, the moments are passing,
Passing from you and from me;
Shadows are gathering, deathbeds are coming,
Coming for you and for me.**

Will L. Thompson (1847 - 1909)

The Thanksgiving | **page 287**

*All **STAND** and sing*

Gloria in Excelsis | **page 288**

The Blessing
The Presbyter

Nourished by the Shepherd's abundant love,
go forth to walk in the paths of righteousness.
Love one another in truth and action.
And the blessing of God almighty,
† the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

All join in singing

The King of love my Shepherd is

Hymn at the Closing | **# 490**

Tune: DOMINUS REGIT ME

Dismissal

From the West Door the Presbyter says

He is not here. He is risen.
Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
Alleluia, alleluia.

All In the name of Christ. Amen.
Alleluia, alleluia.

Postlude

Minuet, from Suite Gothique

Léon Boëllmann (1862 - 1897)

Birthdays this Week

*The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases; His mercies never come to an end;
they are new every morning; great is your faithfulness.*

Lamentations 3:22, 23

Deborah Baker (30), Michelle Pasgon (1st May), Premanand Telgote (1),
Roshni Jadhav (1), Nalina Sathia Raj (3), Pratik Kachhap (4), Allen Moses (4),
Alina Philip (4), Sathia Solomonraj (4), Kamal Jadhav (5)

Wedding Anniversaries this Week

*No one has ever seen God; but if we love one another,
God lives in us and His love is made complete in us.*

1 John 4:12

Mani & Annie Thomas (25), Mukul Gupte & Vijaya Pastala (26),
Premanand & Supriya Telgote (29), Bhaskar & RekhaGhose (1st May)

Notices

- The 49th Ordinary meeting of the Bombay Diocesan Council was held on 21st and 22nd April 2023 at St. Peter's School, Mazagaon. Pray for the guidance of the Holy Spirit in providing leadership to our Diocese.
- It has come to our notice that there have been instances of money being lent by worshippers, leading to bad debts. Worshippers are advised to use their own discretion in this matter,

*The flowers in the Sanctuary are in loving memory of
the late Mrs. Rajathi Moses
to commemorate her birth anniversary on 26th April.*

Pray with us

† **THE WORLD** Pray for peace in the Asia Pacific region. • For a peaceful and productive visit by the Roman Catholic Bishop of Hong Kong to China. • Pray for the safety of the New Zealand pilot kidnapped in Papua. • For justice for prisoners in Myanmar as the military promises to release many to celebrate their traditional New Year, remembering especially Aung San Suu Kyi. • Pray for an end to the conflict in Sudan. The country straddles the Nile River, making the nation's fate of almost existential importance; downstream, to water-hungry Egypt, and upstream, to land-locked Ethiopia with its ambitious hydro-electric plans that now affect the river's flow. • World Earth Day was observed yesterday. This day marks the anniversary of the birth of the modern environmental movement in 1970. Pray for all who are making efforts to save the environment and tackle climate change.

† **OUR COUNTRY** For relief from the severe heatwave conditions affecting many parts of the country. Pray for a normal monsoon this year.

† **THE WORLDWIDE CHURCH** We give thanks with the Church universal for the ministry of Mark (evangelist and writer of one of the Gospels). He is commemorated on 25th April. • In the *Anglican Communion* for the Church of the Province of Uganda and the Most Reverend Stephen Kaziimba.

† **THE CHURCH IN INDIA** For the Church of North India's Diocese of Chhattisgarh and the Right Reverend Ajay James. For the Church of South India's Diocese of Madras and the Right Reverend Jayaraj George Stephen.

† **THE DIOCESE OF BOMBAY** This week for St. Thomas's Church, Airoli (Tamil pastorate) and the Reverend John Thavakumar.

† **OUR CATHEDRAL** For the office bearers of the Pastorate Committee. • For God's comforting presence with all senior citizens and their care providers.



"Sing to the Lord a new song."

Psalm 96

If you enjoy singing, the choir needs you!
Help preserve and uphold the tradition of choral music
in our Cathedral dating back to over 300 years.

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