Boldly Sharing the Grace of God with the World



Fourth Sunday of Easter April 21, 2024 ~ 10:15 a.m.

Evangelical Lutheran Worship - Holy Communion Setting four

– Gathering –

Opening Voluntary

My Shepherd Will Supply My Need

Roger C. Wilson

Welcome and Community Life

The congregation may stand.

Entrance Hymn 482

I Come with Joy

DOVE OF PEACE

Greeting

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. And also with you.

Thanksgiving for Baptism

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, the wellspring of grace, our Easter and our joy.

Amen.

Look, here is water!

Here is our water of life! Alleluia!

Immersed in the promises of baptism, let us give thanks for what God has done for us.

We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your voice thundered over the deep and water became the essence of life. Adam and Eve beheld Eden's verdant rivers. The ark carried your creation through the flood into a new day. Miriam led the dancing as your people passed through the sea into freedom's land. In a desert pool the Ethiopian official entered your boundless baptismal life. Look, here is water!

Here is our water of life! Alleluia!

At the river your beloved Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit. By the baptism of Jesus' death and resurrection you opened the floodgates of your reconciling love, freeing us to live as Easter people. We rejoice with glad hearts, giving all honor and praise to you, through the risen Christ, our source of living water, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

Amen.

Look, here is water! Here is our water of life! Alleluia!

Hymn of Praise



Prayer of the Day

Let us pray: O Lord Christ, good shepherd of the sheep, you seek the lost and guide us into your fold. Feed us, and we shall be satisfied; heal us, and we shall be whole. Make us one with you, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

The congregation may be seated.

First Lesson

Psalm 23

¹The LORD is my shepherd, I shall not want. ²He makes me lie down in green pastures; he leads me beside still waters; ³he restores my soul. He leads me in right paths for his name's sake. ⁴Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I fear no evil; for you are with me; your rod and your staff — they comfort me. ⁵You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows. ⁶Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD my whole life long.

Second Lesson

1 John 3:16-24

¹⁶We know love by this, that [Jesus Christ] laid down his life for us—and we ought to lay down our lives for one another. ¹⁷How 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? ¹⁸Little children, let us love, not in word or speech, but in truth and action. ¹⁹And by this we will know that we are from the truth and will reassure our hearts before him ²⁰whenever our hearts condemn us; for God is greater than our hearts, and he knows everything. ²¹Beloved, if our hearts do not condemn us, we have boldness before God; ²²and we receive from him whatever we ask, because we obey his commandments and do what pleases him. ²³And 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. ²⁴All 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.

Word of God, word of life. Thanks be to God.

The congregation may stand.

Gospel Acclamation



Gospel

John 10:11-18

The holy gospel according to John, the tenth chapter. Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus said:] ¹¹"I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. ¹²The 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. ¹³The hired hand runs away because a hired hand does not care for the sheep. ¹⁴I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, ¹⁵just as the Father knows me and I know the Father. And I lay down my life for the sheep. ¹⁶I 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. ¹⁷For this reason the Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again. ¹⁸No 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 gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, O Christ.

The congregation may be seated. Children ages 4 years through 3^{rd} grade are invited to attend the children's sermon in room 115.

Sermon		Harold Huddleston	
The congregation may stand. Children will return from the children's sermon.			
Hymn of the Day 502	The King of Love My Shepherd Is	ST. COLUMBA	
The Apostles' Creed I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; He descended to the dead. On the third day He rose again; He ascended into heaven, He is seated at the right hand of the Father, and He will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.			

Prayers

... Lord, in Your mercy,

receive our prayer.

Receive these prayers, O God, and those in our hearts known only to you, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Peace

We make peace with God and each other before coming to the Lord's table.

The peace of the Lord be with you always. And also with you.

The congregation may be seated.

Meal -

Offering

We give back to God out of the abundance with which He has blessed us. Faithful Ones offerings received during the month of March will support KOG ministry partner Metrocrest Services, which serves several cities to the northwest of the church including Addison, Carrolton and Farmers Branch. Metrocrest's mission is to provide programs for individuals, families and seniors that lead to self-sufficiency and foster independence. Metrocrest Services specializes in helping people navigate through crisis situations and work to stabilize their lives for a brighter future. Services include a food pantry, housing stability, employment coaching and job readiness, financial education, senior services and seasonal programs. In 2022, Metrocrest served 18,695 people. If you wish to offer additional funds for this ministry, please use an envelope found in the pew rack or the narthex. Checks should be made out to King of Glory with "Faithful Ones" in the memo.



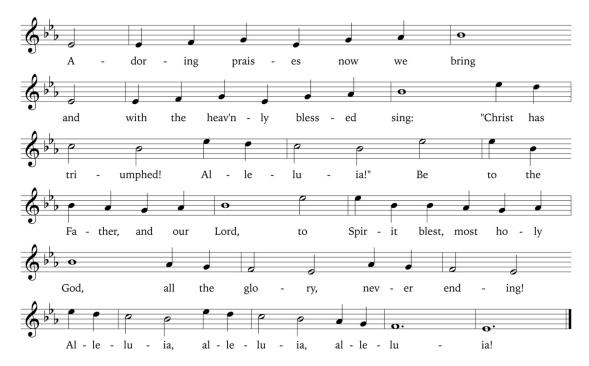
We will now present our offerings. You can share your gifts online at koggives.com or via Venmo @kingofglory. You may also place your offering in the offering plate.

Handbell Anthem

Lord Keep Us Steadfast in Thy Word

arr. Sandra Eithun

The congregation may stand.

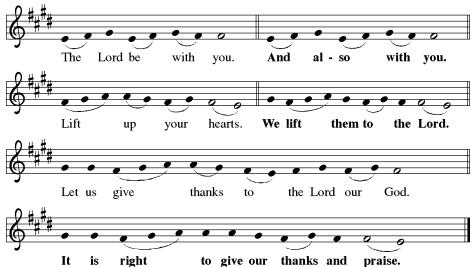


Praver

Let us pray: Risen One,

you call us to believe and bear fruit. May the gifts that we offer here be signs of your abiding love. Form us to be your witnesses in the world, through Jesus Christ, our true vine. Amen.

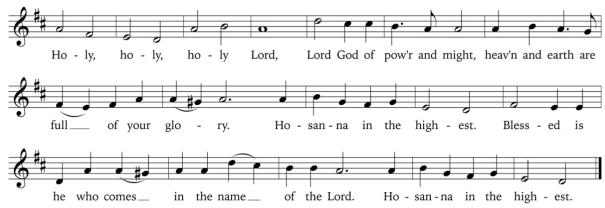
Great Thanksgiving



Preface

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places ... and join their unending hymn:

Sanctus, Holy, holy, holy



Words of Institution

Blessed are you, O God of the universe. Your mercy is everlasting With this bread and cup we remember our Lord's passover from death to life as we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

O God of resurrection and new life: Pour out your Holy Spirit on us and on these gifts of bread and wine. Bless this feast. Grace our table with your presence.

Come, Holy Spirit.

Reveal yourself to us in the breaking of the bread. Raise us up as the body of Christ for the world. Breathe new life into us. Send us forth, burning with justice, peace, and love.

Come, Holy Spirit.

With your holy ones of all times and places, with the earth and all its creatures, with sun and moon and stars, we praise you, O God, blessed and holy Trinity, now and forever.

Amen.

Lord's Prayer

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, forever and ever. Amen.

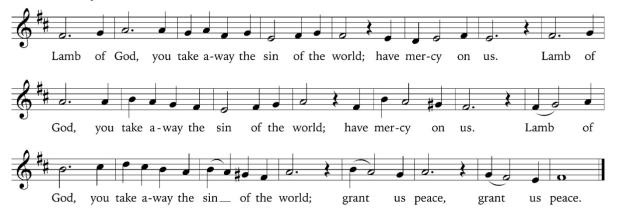
Celebrating Communion

At King of Glory we welcome all who believe Jesus Christ is present for and with us in the bread and wine.

If you choose to share in our table of communion while at home during these physically distant times, consider that your table is part of ours, and your bread and wine is the body and blood of Christ we all share. Please only use bread and wine (or grape juice) as we remain faithful to our Lord's command.

If you would prefer not to receive wine, simply request white grape juice when served. Gluten-free wafers may also be requested. Children and adults not communing are invited to come forward for a word of blessing. Open hands show you wish to receive communion; folded hands show you want a blessing.

Agnus Dei, Lamb of God



You are invited to share the bread and wine now as you hear the Pastor say: "This is the body of Christ, given for you." "This is the blood of Christ, shed for you."

Communion Hymns

474 Bread of Life from Heaven

BREAK NOW THE BREAD

780 Shepherd Me, O God

SHEPHERD ME

The communion table is cleared.

The congregation may stand.

Blessing

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in His grace.

Amen.

Prayer after Communion

Shepherding God, you have prepared a table before us and nourished us with your love. Send us forth from this banquet to proclaim your goodness and share the abundant mercy of Jesus, our redeemer and friend. **Amen.**

Sending -

Benediction

Alleluia! Christ is risen! Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

The God of resurrection power, the Christ of unending joy, and the Spirit of Easter hope + bless you now and always. Amen.

Sending Hymn 544

Praise the Lord, Rise Up Rejoicing

Alles ist an Gottes Segen

Just as we began, we end worship in the Name of the Triune God.

Dismissal

Alleluia! Go in peace. Rejoice and be glad. Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

SERVING OUR WORSHIP

Harold Huddleston, Paul Jentz Beckie Robinson, *liturgist* Tad Doering, *reader* Molly Smith, *acolyte* Sophie Khan, *crucifer* The King of Glory Ringers, Jan Fisher, *director* The King of Glory Choir Zvony Nagy, *organ*

Ross Weir, *audio visual;* Keith Prim, *av volunteers* Paul Jentz, *greeter* Lyndy Brunner-Nicks & Bill Nicks, Rachel Chewakin, Colleen Halverson, John Kelley, Ron Leeper, *usher* Liesl Bredeson, Tad Doering, *communion assistants* Caryl Gatzlaff, Sandy Horsley, *altar guild*

> The flowers in the sanctuary this morning are given by Jeanie Laube in memory of husband Rex's 86th birthday.

Listening Devices are available during

worship services. Ask an usher to acquire

A Sensory Room is located at the back of

the Sanctuary. This room is equipped with

comfortable seating, adjustable lighting

and sound, and is a safe place for those

Healing Prayer Ministry

Biblical Parenting

Sundays, April 21 - May 12

9:00 in the Living Room (Rm 115)

Mark Your Calendars!

Apr 28

May 4

May 5

May 12

May 18

May 19

Jun 16-21

Jun 24-28

Jul 16-20

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with disabilities.

Flanket Ceremony

Pentecost Picnic

Stained Glass Vespers

Jr. High Missions Trip

ELCA Youth Gathering

& Volunteer Appreciation

Visiting for the first time?

We are glad you are here! Please fill out the Friendship Pad or a Connect Card so we can get to know you and share more about KOG and our ministries.

Our worship is liturgical; rooted in Scripture. We follow a pattern of worship that embraces the diversity and richness of modern language and traditions.



DESTINATION

[Wed. nights at King of Glory]		
Dinner	6:00	
Glory Ringers	6:00 - 7:15	
Confirmation	6:30 - 8:00	
Choir Rehearsal	6:30 - 8:00	

EASY WAYS TO CONNECT

Joyful Spirit

Extend an invitation to this inclusive and uplifting service and join them in worship. The service is live-streamed on the last Sunday of each month. Find out more at kingofglory.com/joyful-spirit-worship.

VBS

GUSTO! Second Monday every other Month at 11:30 Monday morning, May 13 at 11:30 - Join us for special speaker, SSgt. Morgan, USAF ret. and author of A Dog Called Hope, A Wounded Warrior and the Dog Who Saved Him. Find out more at kingofglory.com/gusto.

Let's Eat Out! (LEOs)

First Thursday of the Month at 6:30

Sunday Evenings at 5:00

Invite a friend and enjoy conversation over dinner May 2 at Royal China on Preston. Email ifollstaedt@sbcglobal.net for more information and to RSVP.

Pickleball at KOG

Third Thursdays of the Month at 6:30 Invite friends and have a blast while building relationships on the court Thursday evening, May 16 at 6:30. Email rweir@kingofglory.com for more information. **Reservations for Six** Once a Month

Share a meal out at a restaurant the 2nd week of the month, March - Nov. For more information, email ReservationsForSix@kingofglory.com.

Upcoming Events:

Take a look at our Event Calendar at kingofglory.com/events

Church office hours: Mondays and Fridays 8:30 - Noon Tuesdays - Thursdays 8:30 - 3:00

Children are welcome in worship!

Clipboards with activity pages and fidgets are available in the Narthex. If you prefer, we have a nursery available for infants through Kindergarten in Room 142.

The Cry Room, where you can sit with your child and watch the service via livestream, is located next to the nursery in Room 140.

GROUNDED IN LOVE

Time with Miss Rainev

April 28 Following Worship First - fifth graders are invited to enjoy lunch and time creating messy art. For more information, rsmith@kingofglory.com

Stained Glass Vespers May 18 at 7 pm

Meditate through sound on the light within and shadow beyond. Held in the Atrium, this Stained Glass Vespers features the Sanctuary Choir and soloists with responses, hymns, and anthems by Helvey, Lauredsen, Nagy, and Visser.

Pentecost Picnic

May 19 Following Worship It's time for a picnic! We will gather together for food and fellowship after our morning worship service so mark your calendar and join in the fun.

GENEROUS IN SERVICE AND GIVING

Refugee Resettlement Ministry

Visit the table in the Atrium following worship to learn more about RRM!

Metrocrest Services | Faithful Ones

April Faithful Ones will support Metrocrest Services, a ministry providing services for those in crisis.

Pollinator Garden Work Day

Saturday, May 4 9 am - Noon Bring your gardening tools, gloves and water! Please RSVP to Amanda Schulz at amandajschulz@gmail.com.

Dobie Pre-K Teacher Appreciation

Show support and encourage the staff of Dobie Pre-K by donating \$10 Walmart or Target gift cards. Please bring to the church by Sunday, May 4th. You can also donate funds for the project to KOG with the designation "Dobie Pre-K."

Ways you can give: Venmo @kingofglory kingofglory.com/koggives



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