



## The Fourth Sunday of Easter

May 8, 2022

WELCOME

to St. Mary's Episcopal Church

a member of the Central Michigan Episcopal Covenant

### St. Andrew's Episcopal Church

Big Rapids, MI

Seeking every day to love God  
with our whole heart, mind, and soul, and  
to love our neighbors as ourselves.

### St. Mary's Episcopal Church

Cadillac, MI

We strive to live out the Great  
Commandment: To love the Lord with all  
our heart, soul, and mind and to love our  
neighbors as ourselves.

If you have a faith or are seeking one, you are always welcome here.

If you are visiting or looking for a spiritual home,  
we'd love to get to know you.

## MORNING PRAYER, RITE II

**Opening Sentence**

*All stand as able.*

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**Officiant** Alleluia! Christ is risen.

**People** **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

**The Invitatory and Psalter**

**Officiant** Lord, open our lips.

**People** **And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.**

**All** **Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen. Alleluia.**

**All** **Alleluia. The Lord is risen indeed: Come let us adore him. Alleluia.**

**Christ our Passover**

*Said in unison*

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**The Psalm: Psalm 23**

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*After the Psalm:*

**All** **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 Lessons**

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**First Lesson**

**Acts 9:36-43**

*After the reading:* **Reader** The Word of the Lord.  
**People** **Thanks be to God.**

**Canticle 8: The Song of Moses**    *Said in unison*

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**Second Lesson**

**Revelation 7:9-17**

*After the reading:*    Reader    The Word of the Lord.  
                                  People    **Thanks be to God.**

**Canticle 18: A Song to the Lamb**    *Said in unison*

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**Third Reading**

**John 10:22-30**

*After the reading:*    Reader    The Word of the Lord.  
                                  People    **Thanks be to God.**

**Reflection**

*The reflection may be a time of silence, a homily, reading of a devotional, story, or poem, or some other response to the Word of God.*

**The Apostles' Creed**    *Said in unison, standing as able*

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**The Prayers**

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*The people stand or kneel as able while the officiant leads the prayers.*

Officiant    The Lord be with you.

**People**    **And also with you.**

Officiant    Let us pray.

**The Lord's Prayer**    *Said in unison*

## Suffrages B

Officiant Show us your mercy, O Lord;  
**People And grant us your salvation.**

Officiant Clothe your ministers with righteousness;  
**People Let your people sing with joy.**

Officiant Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;  
**People For only in you can we live in safety.**

Officiant Lord, keep this nation under your care;  
**People And guide us in the way of justice and truth.**

Officiant Let your way be known upon earth;  
**People Your saving health among all nations.**

Officiant Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;  
**People Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.**

Officiant Create in us clean hearts, O God;  
**People And sustain us with your Holy Spirit.**

## The Collect of the Day

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## The Prayers of the People

## *Praying the Scriptures*

Intercessor Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb! The good shepherd is faithful and true; therefore, let us pray with confidence: "Father, keep us; **Jesus, lead us.**"

Good Shepherd, you know your sheep: give us the ears to hear you call our names and the strength to follow where you lead.

We pray for Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Prince, our Bishop Provisional; Anne, our Canon Missioner; Radha, our Rector; our Central Michigan Episcopal Covenant; All non-parochial clergy and

Lutheran pastors serving in our congregations, St. Paul's, Flint – Don, Priest-in-Charge, St. John's Church, Sturgis – James, Rector, St. Mary's Church, Cadillac – Radha, Rector.

We pray for all those in our diocese discerning calls to ministry, both lay and ordained. In particular, we pray for those in our dioceses preparing for the Sacred Order of Priests, including Alicia, Joe, Barrett, Alex, Derek, Matt, Dell, Joanna, Kurt, and Anne Marie. We pray also for those in our dioceses preparing for the Sacred Order of Deacons, including: Elizabeth, Joy, Trish, Mark, Jim, and Linda. We remember with gratitude the retired clergy of the diocese. *Silence*

Father, keep us;

**People**      **Jesus lead us.**

Intercessor      For those killed, injured or traumatized because of human violence, we pray: God, wipe away every tear from their eyes. We pray again for and end to the violence. We pray again for peace. *Silence*

Father, keep us;

**People**      **Jesus lead us.**

Intercessor      Creator God, by the victory of your Son, turn the valleys of death into green pastures where living waters flow. Bless and renew your creation. *Silence*

Father, keep us;

**People**      **Jesus lead us.**

Intercessor      O Lord, we pray for those who work for justice and peace in our community. Flood this city with goodness and mercy. Extinguish from our reign the fear of evil. We pray for those in positions of authority in our country and in the world, especially Joe, our president; Gretchen our govenor; Carla, our mayor. *Silence*

Father, keep us;  
**People** **Jesus lead us.**

Intercessor Mighty God, we look for the day when hunger is no more, and thirst is no more. We look for the day when the souls of the downcast are revived, and the displaced find a home in your shelter. In this Easter season, we pray in faith for all those in need.  
We pray for those in the St. Mary's circle of prayer: Mike, Ben and Shea, Heather & Lonnie & Family, Lorie, Deliah, Todd, Val, Renee, Glenna, Eli, Noreen;  
For those in the St. Andrew's circle of prayer: Bob & Beth, Connie, Sowerby Family, Lori, Sarah & Jane, Laura, Bill & Family, Edna, Sharyn, Julane.  
For our family and friends in the armed forces and who are first responders: Richard, Corey, Matt, Teylor, Tony, Kim, Drew, Jon, Sabastian, Eli;  
And for all those we name at this time. *Silence*  
Father, keep us;

**People** **Jesus lead us.**

Intercessor Good Shepherd, your gift is eternal life; those who belong to you never perish. Bring us, and those who have died, into your heavenly home where we may worship you forever and ever. *Silence*  
Father, keep us;

**People** **Jesus lead us.**

Officiant All these things we have spoken, and those which we name in the silence of our hearts, we pray in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord who with you and the Holy Spirit are one God, forever and ever. **Amen.**

**The General Thanksgiving**

*Said in unison*

**BCP p. 101**

**The Celebration of Special Days and Announcements**

For a Birthday

Pew Card

For an Anniversary

BCP 431, first prayer

Travelers

BCP 831, #53

**The Dismissal**

**BCP p. 102**

**Officiant**     Let us bless the Lord. Alleluia. Alleluia.

**People**       **Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia. Amen. Amen.**



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