



GOOD SAMARITAN
EPISCOPAL CHURCH

*Followers of Jesus, with open minds
and hearts to serve*

THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

April 21, 2024 | Harris Academy | 10 a.m.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Nanci Slagle

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Please stand as you are able.

OPENING HYMN

God of Freedom, God of Justice

Cwm Rhondda

God of freedom, God of justice, you whose love is strong as death, you who saw the dark of prison, you who knew the price of faith-- touch our world of sad oppression with your spirit's healing breath.

Rid the earth of torture's terror, you whose hands were nailed to wood; hear the cries of pain and protest, you who shed the tears and blood-- move in us the power of pity restless for the common good.

Make in us a captive conscience quick to hear, to act, to plead; make us truly sisters, brothers of whatever race or creed-- teach us to be fully human, open to each other's need - open to each other's need.

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ is risen.

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

SONG OF PRAISE

One Body

Traditional Episcopal Hymn

Chorus

*We are one
One body
Many parts
One body
God had made
One body
All of us
One body*

(ECHO)

***We are one
One body
Many parts
One body
God has made
One body
All of us
One body***

*If I am a foot
I will need the hand
If I am an ear
I will need the eye
One.... OOO....*

***One body
One body
One body
One body***

Chorus

*So it is with Christ
Each one has a place
Each must do their part
Together we will be
One.... OOO*

***One body
One body
One body
One body***

Chorus

End: All of us

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant God be with you.

***People* And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray. 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.**

Please be seated.

THE FIRST LESSON

Acts 4:5-12

Reader 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.”

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God’s people.
People **Thanks be to God.**

THE PSALM

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- 1 The Lord is my shepherd; *
I shall not be in want.
- 2 **You make me lie down in green pastures *
and lead me beside still waters.**
- 3 You revive my soul *
and guide me along right pathways for your 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 goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, *
and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.**

THE EPISTLE

1 John 3:16-24

Reader Today’s second lesson is taken from the book 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.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God’s people.
People **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand as you are able.

THE ALLELUIA

Halle, Halle, Halle

Caribbean traditional

Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - - - jah!
hal - le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - - - jah!
Hal - le - lu - jah!
hal - le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - - - jah! Hal - le -
lu - jah! Hal - le - lu - - - jah!

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THE GOSPEL

John 10:11-18

Gospeller The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

People **Glory to you, Jesus Christ.**

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.”

Gospeller The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise to you, Jesus Christ.**

Repeat The Sequence - Halle, Halle, Halle

Please be seated.

THE SERMON

Nolan Huang

Please stand as you are able.

THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Nicene Creed

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

Form IV

Litanist Lord, we pray for our church, Good Samaritan, and for our diocese. We also pray for our clergy, especially Bishop Jennifer, Rev. Jim, Rev. Von, Rev. Amy and Rev. Cal. We thank you Lord, for Good Samaritan staff and for the volunteers who make worship possible by helping with setup, altar, music, and tech. We thank you for the other lay ministry leaders, especially those that connect our community and help us with outreach. Thank you also for the lay people who work behind the scenes to support us, feed us, and teach us. Help us to show them that we think they are awesome and we appreciate them. We pray for our fellow Good Samaritans, and that you continue to help us fulfill our mission to love all people, serve all people, and include all people, no exceptions. Lord, in your mercy,
Hear our prayer.

People
Litanist

Lord, we pray for our nation. For those who serve in the armed forces to keep us safe, for our president and people in Congress. Lord, help us to stay united, despite our political and social divisions. Let us not be blind the effects of gun violence, racism, inequality & inequity, and give us courage to speak out against discrimination and injustice against people in the LGBTQ+ community. Lord, in your mercy,
Hear our prayer.

People
Litanist

Lord, we pray for our world. Thank you for the diversity of our world, the beauty of the natural planet, and the individuality of people. Help us not to overlook, but to celebrate our different colors, cultures, and experiences. Bring peace to peoples of all nations, especially those in Gaza, Israel, and Ukraine. Help us to find solutions for those who don't have access to clean water, pollution, global warming, and food insecurity. Lord, in your mercy,

People

Hear our prayer.

Litanist Lord, we pray for our community. Thank you for our educators, first responders, municipal workers, and our local elected officials. Help us manage the stress we face from standardized testing, violence in school, bullying, and lockdown drills. Lord, guide us to find healthy ways to deal with anxiety, mental health challenges, and depression in youth. Lord, in your mercy,

People **Hear our prayer.**

Litanist Lord, we pray for those who are in trouble. Prisoners, the wrongfully convicted, and people in marginalized communities. Be present for young people who face the challenges of instability at home, gender inequality, the foster system, childhood illnesses & cancers, and living in poverty. Lead us to healing and forgiveness for our own wrongdoings. Lord, in your mercy,

People **Hear our prayer.**

Litanist Lord, we pray for those who have died from acts of violence, acts of war, and self-harm. Help comfort the families of those who have succumbed to illness. Lord, in your mercy,

People **Hear our prayer.**

Litanist Lord, we give thanks for our shared meals, our animal companions, our church community, families, friends, teachers, our talents and abilities, and friendships. We pray that we do not lose sight of all the gifts you have given us. Lord, in your mercy,

People **Hear our prayer.**

The people may be asked to add their own prayers either silently or aloud.

CONCLUDING COLLECT

Almighty God, by your Holy Spirit you have made us one with your saints in heaven and on earth: Grant that in our earthly pilgrimage we may always be supported by this fellowship of love and prayer, and know ourselves to be surrounded by their witness to your power and mercy. We ask this for the sake of Jesus Christ, in whom all our intercessions are acceptable through the Spirit, and who lives and reigns for ever and ever. **Amen.**

THE PEACE

Celebrant The peace of God be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

BLESSING FOR RITE 13

Today's altar flowers are given in celebration of our R13 & J2A Youth Groups.

THE HOLY EUCHARIST

THE OFFERTORY

Down in the River

The people's offerings are collected to support the ongoing work and ministry of our community. If you wish to make a gift by text, simply send the dollar amount you wish to give to 73256 with the keyword GoodSams, followed by a space, and then a dollar amount. For example, "GoodSams 25"

Please stand as you are able.

EUCHARISTIC PRAYER C

Presider God be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them to the Lord.**

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

The Presider continues

Presider God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.

People **Glory to you for ever and ever.**

Presider At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.

People **By your will they were created and have their being.**

Presider From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.

People **Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.**

Presider Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

People **By Christ's blood, we are reconciled. By Christ's wounds, we are healed.**

Presider And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

THE SANCTUS

Land of Rest

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

The Celebrant continues

And so, Almighty God, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it, or lay a hand upon it, and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing wine to be consecrated.

On the night he was betrayed Jesus took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper, Jesus took the cup of wine, gave thanks, and said, “Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me.”

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,

People We celebrate Christ’s death and resurrection,
as we await the day of his coming.

Lord God of our holy and righteous fore-bearers; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ:

Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

People Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.

Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation. AMEN.

THE LORD’S PRAYER

Celebrant And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray:
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

Celebrant Alleluia, Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

All who are followers of Christ, regardless of your church background (or not!), are warmly welcome to receive the gifts of bread and (non-alcoholic) wine in Holy Communion. Come forward and the priest will place a piece of bread into your palm. Gluten-free bread is available; simply ask the minister. As the cup of wine passes, you may either drink from the cup or cross your arms over your chest to pass the wine. Receiving bread only is still considered full communion if you prefer not to receive the wine at this time. If you do not wish to receive bread and wine, we welcome you to come forward anyway and to cross your arms over your chest. The priest will say a prayer for God’s blessing upon you.

HYMN AFTER COMMUNION

Holy Spirit, Come to Us

Taize



Please stand as you are able.

POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.


THE PRIESTLY BLESSING

CLOSING HYMN

One Bread, One Body

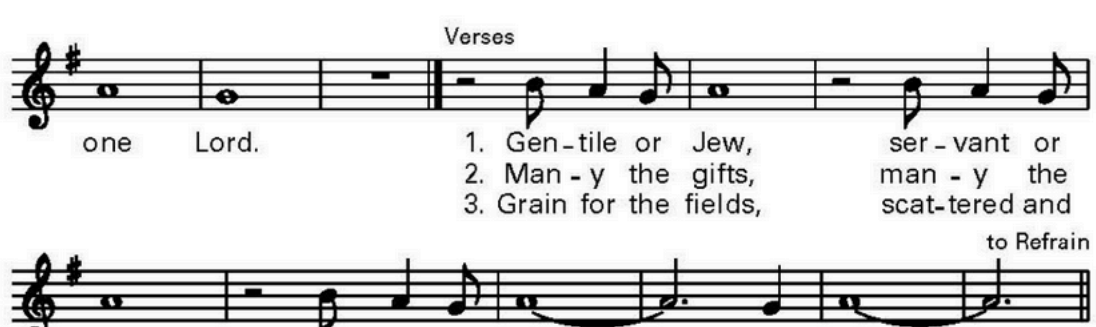
John B. Foley

Refrain



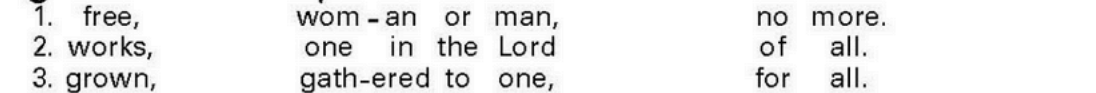
One bread, one bod-y, one Lord of all,
one cup of bless-ing which we bless. And we, though
man-y, through-out the earth, we are one bod-y in this

Verses



one Lord. 1. Gen-tile or Jew, ser-vant or
2. Man-y the gifts, man-y the
3. Grain for the fields, scat-tered and

to Refrain



1. free, wom-an or man, no more.
2. works, one in the Lord of all.
3. grown, gath-ered to one, for all.

THE DISMISSAL

Celebrant Let us go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia!

People Thanks be to God! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Our worship is over; now our service begins!

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Good Samaritan News

Good Sam's Youth Events:

Fueling Hope for Family Promise - Save the date for our first Rite13 10k walk on Sunday, **May 5th**. Our youth will be seeking sponsors for the 10k walk on the B&O Trail to purchase \$15 Speedway Gas cards that Family Promise uses to help the families in their program. Each youth has a goal of at least two sponsors, and our group will have a goal of collecting a total of \$300 to present to Family Promise by May 11th.

Pentecost Sunday - Celebrate the end of the 2023-2024 Children's and Youth formation year! We will recognize our Littles, Kids, Rite13, and J2A children and youth for participating in formation, and we will thank our awesome leaders! J2A Youth will also announce their location and dates for the 2025 J2A Youth Pilgrimage.

Diocesan Youth Events: (In order of registration dates)

Mission Trip to Philadelphia - July 7-14 (Registration due May 1st)

All current 7th through 12th graders are invited on our annual Diocesan Youth Mission Trip to Philadelphia, PA July 7th-14th, 2024. Participants will work with St. James School, a vibrant Episcopal school, worshiping community, and neighborhood hub in North Philly. We will stay in the Episcopal Mission Center of St. Luke's Episcopal Church. Service activities will be a mix of social and physical, with opportunities to experience the rich culture of Philadelphia. The trip costs \$600 for youth, and is free for adults attending as chaperones.

Youth Presence at General Convention - June 24-27 (Registration due May 6th)

The United Bishops Against Gun Violence have requested high school youth presence at Convention to learn about gun violence and activism work, as well as experience the election of the Presiding Bishop. This trip is limited to 10 youth, with a requested fee of \$60. We believe this is the kind of trip that you would invite youth to personally, rather than advertise to your entire church, as it fits a particular niche of youth! We are looking for high schoolers mature enough to handle the downtown Louisville experience, including staying in a hotel.

Youth Overnighter for Indy Pride: June 7-8 (Registration due May 26th)

Celebrate Indy Pride weekend with an overnight event for youth grades 6-12 the night before, June 7th-8th, at St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Indianapolis. Youth are invited to participate in the Pride Parade afterwards with their adults. Suggested cost is \$10. We are looking for additional adults to help chaperone this event.

Waycross Camp Registration is OPEN! Check out the awesome offerings at waycrossccc.org. Traditional summer camp can be found on the summer camp tab. Ready! Set! Camp! and other events can be found on the Events tab.

#ChurchThatServes - Harris Graduation Bags - TODAY!

Join Outreach in the cafeteria after church to assemble graduation treat bags for Harris Academy graduates. All are welcome to help fill these bags with treats and tokens to show these graduates that they are important and cared about. The bags will be given to the graduates during the reception we will host after their graduation ceremony in May.

Book & Fellowship Group - April 23

The Book & Fellowship Group will meet on Tuesday, **April 23rd** from 6:30-8:30 p.m. to discuss *The Color of Water* by James McBride. Nanci Slagle (nancislagle@gmail.com) will be hosting the event and has a few copies available to loan out if anyone needs one.

Originally published in 1995, this memoir tells the story of James McBride and his white Jewish mother who married a black man in Harlem, was twice widowed and raised 12 children. Despite hardship, poverty and suffering, she managed to send all twelve to college. James had been a journalist and then a musician before trying to find peace through writing Ruth McBride Jordan's story. *The Color of Water* has become an American Classic.

Snacks and fellowship start at 6:30pm and book discussion from 7-8:30pm. All are welcome in person or via zoom. Contact Christa Nierzwick (christanierz@gmail.com) with questions.

A Case for Love - Film and Panel Discussion - April 25

Gather with our diocesan neighbors at Trinity Episcopal Church on **April 25th** at 6 p.m. for an inspiring evening featuring "A Case for Love", a thought-provoking documentary created by an Episcopal filmmaker from the Diocese of Los Angeles, to answer the question "Is love dead?"

Good Sam's has a special tie to this event as our own Samples family appears in the film and will also serve on the panel along side Bishop Jennifer Baskerville-Burrows, and The Rev. Dr. Jim Lemler to discuss the film's themes with moderator Demarius Walker after the showing.

This event is free. A light meal will be served during the film. Please email ktruman@trinity-churchindy.org to register. (Trinity Episcopal Church - 3243 N. Meridian)

Walk with the VIC - April 27

Join us for our next "Walk with the VIC" happening Saturday, **April 27th** at 9 a.m. We will be meeting at Arbuckle Acres Park (shelter 4) (200 N. Greet St., Brownsburg). Reach out to Nanci Slagle (nancislagle@gmail.com) with questions.

Going Deeper - April 28

Going Deeper starts Sunday, **April 28th** at 3:30 p.m. at Steven and Tim's house here in Brownsburg. Going Deeper is a chance to get to know your fellow Samaritans a little better and to share your spiritual story. This session will go for three Sundays and is led by Steven Hamner and Melinda Sowers. If you are interested, get in touch with Steven (swhamner@hotmail.com), Melinda (melindacsowers@gmail.com), or Ann Lovko (annlovko@hotmail.com).

Community Sing - May 7

Mark your calendars for Tuesday, **May 7th**, at 7 p.m.! We will be hosting guest song reader, Charles Murphy. The location is TBD, so keep an eye out for future announcements! Email Kendall Ludwig (kendall@churchthatserves.org) for more information.

We welcome friends of every age to join in worship at Good Samaritan.
We also have our Good Sam's Littles Nursery available every Sunday from 9:30 a.m. -11:30 a.m. for little ones age 5 and under.

With thanks to the Youth who serve today!

Will Dixon

Joanna Allen

Nora Humphrey

Alora Winegard

Aidan Cordry

Anna Russell

Gretta Baron

Noah Weidner

Nolan Huang

Rylen Demmings

William Allen

Dean Paloma

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