



# The Parish Church of St Cuthbert

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## The Fourth Sunday of Easter Good Shepherd Sunday Sunday 21 April 2024

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**A warm welcome to worship.**

Today is the **Fourth Sunday of Easter**, also known as **Good Shepherd Sunday**, and the liturgical colours for this ongoing celebration of our Lord's Resurrection are **white and gold**.

**Hymns** are unannounced and sung standing unless otherwise indicated. Please ask one of the Duty Elders if there is not a hymnbook (purple Church Hymnary) near your seat.

The text of the **Psalm** can either be found in this Order of Service, or in the hymnbook at the hymn number indicated. The **Alleluia**, the **Creed** and the **Lord's Prayer** can also be found in the hymnbook at the numbers indicated in this Order of Service.

**Bible Readings** are taken from the New Revised Standard Version. Please ask one of the Duty Elders if you would like a copy.

Congregational responses are printed in **bold**. The congregation is encouraged to join in with the saying of **'Amen'** at the end of prayers.

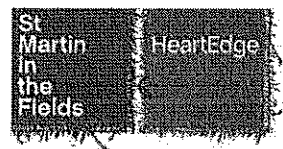
**Please join us after the service in the Lammermuir Hall for tea and coffee.**

**Please note this service is being filmed and broadcast live on the church's website and YouTube channel. If you do not wish to be seen, please make your wishes known.**



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## APPROACH TO GOD

INTROIT

Saviour, like a shepherd lead us,  
much we need thy tender care;  
in thy pleasant pastures feed us;  
for our use thy folds prepare.  
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus,  
thou hast bought us, thine we are.

Text: Dorothy A. Thrupp (1836)

Music: 'Jesu, Bone Pastor', John Henry Willcox (1827-1875)

OPENING SENTENCE

Like a shepherd, the Lord will tend his flock;  
**and with his arm will keep all his sheep together.**

Isaiah 40:11

CALL TO WORSHIP

Let us worship God.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

**462 The King of Love my Shepherd is**

CALL TO PRAYER

please remain standing

PRAYERS OF APPROACH  
AND CONFESSION

Lord, have mercy.  
**Christ, have mercy.**  
Lord, have mercy.

please be seated

ABSOLUTION

COLLECT FOR THE  
FOURTH SUNDAY  
OF EASTER

**God of peace,  
who brought back from the dead our Lord Jesus,  
the great Shepherd of the sheep,  
through the blood of an eternal covenant,  
make us perfect in goodness  
so that we may do your will;  
and create in us what is pleasing to you;  
through the same Jesus Christ our Lord  
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever. Amen.**

HYMN

**551 In heavenly love abiding**

## THE WORD OF GOD

FIRST LESSON

Acts 4: 5-12

EPISTLE

1 John 3: 16-24

PSALM 23

**1 The Lord's my shepherd, I'll not want.**

Hymn 14

**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,  
ev'n for his own name's sake.**

**4 My table thou hast furnishèd  
in presence of my foes;  
my head thou dost with oil anoint,  
and my cup overflows.**

**3 Yea, though I walk in death's dark vale,  
yet will I fear none ill:  
for thou art with me; and thy rod  
and staff me comfort still.**

**5 Goodness and mercy all my life  
shall surely follow me:  
and in God's house for evermore  
my dwelling-place shall be.**

**6 To Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,  
the God whom we adore,  
be glory, as it was, and is,  
and shall be evermore. Amen.**

The Scottish Psalter, 1929, Psalm 23

THE GOSPEL

St John 10: 11-18

ALLELUIA

**Alleluia, Alleluia,  
Jesus, risen Lord of life!  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

Church Hymnary, Fourth Edition, Hymn 428 (refrain)  
Music: Bernadette Farrell (b.1957)  
descant by Graham Maclagan

THE SERMON

The Revd Peter Sutton

## RESPONSE TO THE WORD OF GOD

### ANTHEM

Loving Shepherd of thy sheep,  
keep thy lamb, in safety keep;  
nothing can thy power withstand;  
none can pluck me from thy hand.

I would praise thee every day,  
gladly all thy will obey,  
like thy blessed ones above  
happy in thy precious love.

Loving Shepherd, ever near,  
teach thy lambs thy voice to hear;  
suffer not our steps to stray  
from the straight and narrow way.

Where thou leadest we would go,  
walking in thy steps below,  
till before our Father's throne  
I shall know as I am known.

Text: Jane E. Leeson (1807-1882)

Music: Philip Ledger (1937-2012)

### THE APOSTLES' CREED

*the text can be found at Hymn 628*

### HYMN

**272 Father of peace, and God of love!**

Paraphrase 60

### PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

*One of the following responses may be used:*

Lord, in your mercy: **hear our prayer.**

Lord, hear us: **Lord, graciously hear us.**

THE OFFERING *is collected, and received during the singing of:*

### DOXOLOGY

**Glory to God the Father,**

**the unbegotten One;**

**all honour be to Jesus,**

**his sole-begotten Son;**

**and to the Holy Spirit –**

**the perfect Trinity.**

**Let all the worlds give answer,**

**'Amen, so let it be'.**

Hymn 814

SURSUM CORDA

The Lord be with you.  
**and also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

PRAYERS OF  
THANKSGIVING and  
THE LORD'S PRAYER

*the text can be found at Hymn 652, second form (b)*

DISMISSAL HYMN

**681 Send out the gospel!**

DISMISSAL and BLESSING

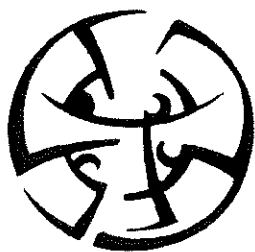
Eastertide Alleluia Amen

Music: Graham Maclagan

ORGAN RECESSIONAL

Der Herr ist mein getreuer Hirt

The Lord is my faithful Shepherd    Johann Pachabel (c.1653-1706)



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21<sup>st</sup> April 2024

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## Weekly Intimations

### **Men's Group, 25<sup>th</sup> April**

Our next meeting is a social lunch – St John's have very kindly agreed to host us while our gets a makeover. The meal will be at 12.30 and Oscar will be cooking mince and tatties, followed by a simple dessert. We will be meeting in the Cornerstone Centre. As we are using their space, I've offered an invitation to the gent's of St John's to join us, so we may see a few new faces and old friends. I'll have the doors open from 12noon.

### **Jubilo concert, 27<sup>th</sup> April 7.30pm**

Pergolesi's Magnificat, Handel's Let God Arise, Bach's Jesu Meine Freude. Tickets £14/12.50 from [ticketsource.co.uk/Jubilo](https://ticketsource.co.uk/Jubilo)

### **Ukrainian Children's Choir, Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> May 6pm**

Please support this concert, as we host this new Ukrainian children's choir, who will provide an evening of Ukrainian folk songs . All are invited. Please invite your friends. No tickets necessary. Refreshments available.

### **Sinfonia concert, 5<sup>th</sup> May 7.30pm**

Holst's the Planets, with Vaughan Williams's overture to the Wasps and Walton's violin concerto. Tickets £16/14/8 from the Usher Hall box office.

**Bible Fellowship Group** meet every Thursday at 7.30pm via Zoom. We will be reading through the letter to the **Galatians** during the summer term. The joy of the group is the sharing in fellowship, as well as learning together. All are welcome. Just join us when you can. Zoom details from [martin.pearce2109@outlook.com](mailto:martin.pearce2109@outlook.com) Mob **07913 625 394**

### **Tuesday Coffee Morning, 10.30am – noon**

Pop along for a coffee and a chat in the Lindisfarne Room. All are welcome.

### **Prayer Circle**

Prayer requests should be made to **Irene Gill** on **226 2727** or **prayercircle@stcuthberts-edinburgh.uk** . For longer term prayer, please add names to the purple book in the vestibule. If you could be part of the Prayer Circle and spend time praying for others, please contact Irene.

### **Fresh Start**

Fresh Start are very grateful for all our donations of household items and non-perishable food. Please continue to place your donations in “The Big White Box” in the vestibule. If you are unable to deliver them, please telephone Jim McLean on **0131 332 5114** and leave a message with your name, phone number and that the call is about Fresh Start, or email **jamesangusmclean@gmail.com**

