

# Parish of the Good Shepherd

THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN WABAN, MASSACHUSETTS

*Easter Sunday: the Feast of the Resurrection*

April 5, 2026 - 10:00AM

**CHORAL EUCHARIST, Rite I**

*The Book of Common Prayer, page 323*



**Prelude** *Prelude in D major (BWV 532)*

Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

**Introit** *Haec dies*

William Byrd (1540-1623)

*Haec dies quam fecit Dominus. Exultemus et laetemur in ea. Alleluia*  
*This is the day that the Lord hath made. We will rejoice and be glad in it. Alleluia.*  
*The people stand as the bell tolls.*

**Processional Hymn** *The Hymnal 1982 #207*

*Easter Hymn* (descant: Apgar)

“Jesus Christ is risen today, Alleluia!”

## THE WORD OF GOD

### The Easter Acclamation

*Celebrant* Alleluia! Christ is risen!

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

**The Collect for Purity and Summary of the Law**

*BCP 323*

## The Gloria

*The Hymnal 1982 #S 202*

Glory be to God on high,  
and on earth peace, good will towards men.  
We praise thee, we bless thee,  
we worship thee, we glorify thee,  
we give thanks to thee for thy great glory,  
O Lord God, heavenly King,  
God the Father Almighty.  
O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ;  
O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,  
that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.  
Thou that takest away the sins of the world, receive our prayer.  
Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us.  
For thou only art holy; thou only art the Lord;  
thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost,  
art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

## The Collect for Easter Day

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.  
*People* **And with thy Spirit.**  
*Celebrant* Let us pray.

O God, who for our redemption didst give thine only-begotten Son to the death of the cross, and by his glorious resurrection hast delivered us from the power of our enemy: Grant us so to die daily to sin, that we may evermore live with him in the joy of his resurrection; through the same thy Son Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with the and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

*At this time, children are dismissed for Sunday School; they will return at the Peace.*

## The First Lesson

*The People sit.*

Acts 10:34-43

Peter began to speak to Cornelius and the other Gentiles: "I truly understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ--he is Lord of all. That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name."

The Word of the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

## Psalm 118: 1-2, 14, 17, 21-24

Chant: Joshua Lamoreaux (b. 1983)

*Sung by the Choir*

- 1 Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; for his mercy endures for ever.
- 2 Let Israel now proclaim, "His mercy endures for ever."
- 14 The Lord is my strength and my song, and he has become my salvation.
- 17 I shall not die, but live, and declare the works of the Lord.
- 22 The same stone which the builders rejected has become the chief  
cornerstone.
- 23 This is the Lord's doing, and it is marvelous in our eyes.
- 24 On this day the Lord has acted; we will rejoice and be glad in it.

## The Second Lesson

1 Corinthians 15:1-11

I would remind you, brothers and sisters, of the good news that I proclaimed to you, which you in turn received, in which also you stand, through which also you are being saved, if you hold firmly to the message that I proclaimed to you—unless you have come to believe in vain. For I handed on to you as of first importance what I in turn had received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures, and that he was buried, and that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures, and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers and sisters at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died. Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me. For I am the least of the apostles, unfit to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace toward me has not been in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them—though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me. Whether then it was I or they, so we proclaim and so you have come to believe.

The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

**Sequence Hymn** *the Hymnal 1982 #180*

*Unser Herrscher*

“He is risen, he is risen!”

## The Gospel

John 20:1-18

*Celebrant* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John

People **Glory be to thee, O Lord.**



**Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!**

Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the tomb. So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, “They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him.” Then Peter and the other disciple set out and went toward the tomb. The two were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. He bent down to look in and saw the linen wrappings lying there, but he did not go in. Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen wrappings lying there, and the cloth that had been on Jesus’ head, not lying with the linen wrappings but rolled up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; for as yet they did not understand the scripture, that he must rise from the dead. Then the disciples returned to their homes.

But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb; and she saw two angels in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had been lying, one at the head and the other at the feet. They said to her, “Woman, why are you weeping?” She said to them, “They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him.” When she had said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to her, “Woman, why are you weeping? Whom are you looking for?” Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, “Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away.” Jesus said to her, “Mary!” She turned and said to him in Hebrew, “Rabbouni!” (which means Teacher). Jesus said to her, “Do not hold on to me, because I have not yet ascended to the Father. But go to my brothers and say to them, ‘I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.’” Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, “I have seen the Lord”; and she told them that he had said these things to her.

The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise be to thee, O Christ.**



**Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!**

## The Sermon

*The People sit.*

**The Nicene Creed**     *The People stand.*

*The Book of Common Prayer* 326

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

*The Book of Common Prayer* 388

*Intersessor*     Risen Lord,

*People*     **Hear our prayer.**

*By ancient tradition of the Church, the Confession of Sin is omitted during Eastertide.*

**The Peace**

*The Book of Common Prayer* 332

*Celebrant*     The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People*     **And with thy spirit.**

**Welcome, Announcements, and Offertory Sentence**

**THE HOLY COMMUNION**

**Offertory Anthem** *Dum transisset Sabbatum*

John Taverner (1490–1545)

*And when the sabbath was past, Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James, and Salome, had bought sweet spices, that they might come and anoint him. Alleluia. Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified, has been raised; he is not here. Look, there is the place they laid him.*

## The Great Thanksgiving (Prayer II)

The Book of Common Prayer 340

*Celebrant*      *People*



The Lord be with you. And with thy spirit.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them up unto the Lord.

Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

It is meet and right so to do.

The Celebrant continues with the Proper Preface until saying,

Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,

**“Holy, holy, holy”** *Sanctus*

The Hymnal 1982 #S 114

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts:  
Heaven and earth are full of thy glory.  
Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High.  
Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.

The people kneel. The Celebrant continues with the Eucharistic Prayer until saying,

By whom and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. **Amen.**

*Celebrant* And now as our Savior Christ hath taught us, we are bold to say,

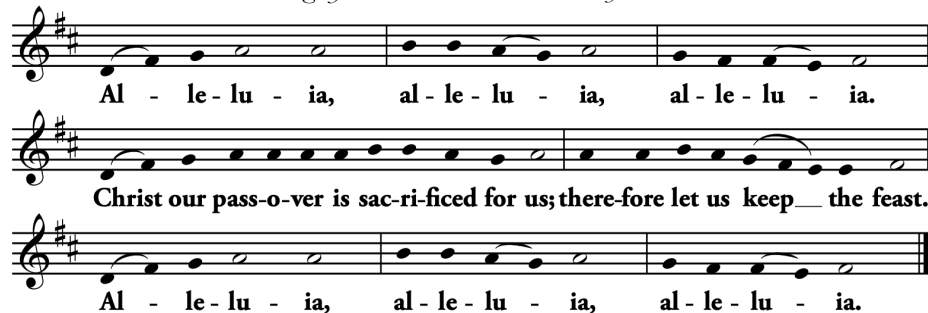
**“Our Father”** *The Lord’s Prayer*

The Book of Common Prayer 336

**The Eastertide Confractorium**

sung by all

The Hymnal 1982 S154



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Christ our pass-o-ver is sac-ri-ficed for us; there-fore let us keep the feast.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

**The Fraction Anthem** *All repeat the antiphon after the cantor* The Hymnal 1982 S171



Be known to us, Lord Je - sus, in the break - ing of the bread.

The bread which we break, alleluia, is the communion of the body of Christ. *Antiphon*  
One body are we, alleluia, for though many we share one bread. *Antiphon*

**The Presentation and Invitation**

We welcome all baptized persons, regardless of denomination or tradition to receive Communion. Please come forward as the ushers direct you. The Celebrant communicates every individual with bread. To receive wine, you may either drink from the common cup or by intinction. Those wishing to receive a blessing instead should indicate by crossing their arms.

## During the Administration of the Sacrament

Anthem *Sing joyfully*

William Byrd (1540-1623)

Anthem *Alleluia, I heard a voice*

Thomas Weelkes (1575-1623)

Hymn *The Hymnal 1982 #174*

*Salzburg*

“At the Lamb’s high feast we sing”

## The Post-Communion Prayer

*The Book of Common Prayer 339*

*Celebrant and People, kneeling*

Almighty and everliving God,

we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

## The Eastertide Blessing

Processional Hymn *The Hymnal 1982 #175*

*Salve festa dies* (descant: Apgar)

“Hail thee, festival day!”

## The Eastertide Dismissal



Let us bless the Lord, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!\_

*People*

Thanks be to God, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!\_

Voluntary *Fugue in D major (BWV 532)*

Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

## Parish Notes for Easter Sunday

### This Week at Good Shepherd:

Tuesday 6:30 PM Bible Study on ZOOM

Wednesday 6:45 PM MidWeek Eucharist

**Easter Gala Coffee Hour** – Join us in the Common Room and out on the Good Shepherd Green. Special thanks to our host, Louise Conant, and everyone who has donated and volunteered.

**Easter Egg Hunt** – During our Easter Gala Reception, children will gather on the Good Shepherd Green for the Hunt, then meet with the Easter Bunny!

**Eastertide Confirmation** – God willing, the Rt. Rev’d Julia Whitworth will confirm Charlotte Baker, Louisa Younkin, and Theo Younkin at St. Andrew’s Episcopal Church in Framingham on Saturday, April 11, 2026 at 10:30AM. Your prayers and presence are requested.

**Easter II** – Sunday, April 12, 2026 ~ a day of celebration and thanksgiving, Fr. Jay’s final Sunday as Rector of the Parish of the Good Shepherd

10:00 AM	Choral Holy Eucharist with Holy Baptism
11:15 AM	Festive Coffee Hour
5:30 PM	Celtic Eucharist
6:30 PM	Farewell Celebration for the Weldons (Common Room)

**Adult Forum** – Spring Series begins May 3, 2026

**Music Minute** – Today’s psalm setting was composed by Andrew Sheranian’s cousin, an actor and composer in Tucson, Arizona. In this chant, Joshua Lamoreaux freely borrows harmonies from the jazz tradition to highlight the joy and exuberance of today’s feast. The other pieces of choral music feature works by the English Renaissance composers Byrd, Weelkes, and Tavener.

**Serving in the Liturgy today:**

**Matthew and Elodie Weinzierl** – Lector/Usher; **Sunu Yeh** – Subdeacon; **Kathleen Conroy** – Chalice Bearer; **James Oldfield** – Intercessor; **Matthew Groves** – AV Tech; **Ella Weldon** – Thurifer; **Theo Younkin** – Crucifer; **Conroy Wing and Louisa Younkin** – Torch Bearer(s); **Jennifer Manthei** – Altar Guild

The Reverend Dr. James Weldon, Jr. – Celebrant & Preacher

**Easter Flowers this year are given:**

**In Loving Memory Of:**

Rob Hausman  
By Barbara Wood  
Wayne Keith  
By Alison and Jay Weldon  
Aley Kutty and A.G. John  
By Sunu Yeh  
Hannah Pheasant  
By James Oldfield  
George and Joan Nesgos  
By Nick Nesgos  
Lucy Snyder, Robert Snyder, Ruth Snyder  
By Craig Snyder  
Nancy & C. Earl Bennett, Bruce Younkin  
By Roysin Younkin  
David Cole  
By Mary Ellen and Nick Washienko

**In Thanksgiving For:**

Otis, Revere, Elizabeth, Amelia  
and their Parents  
By Marygrace Barber  
The Hausman and Wood Families  
By Barbara Wood  
Good Shepherd Church  
By Ernie Gianelly  
The Good Shepherd Musicians,  
Volunteers, and Servers  
By Father Jay

The Reverend Dr. James A. Weldon, Jr., Rector  
The Reverend Dr. Paul Kolbet, Priest Associate  
Andrew Sheranian, Organist/Choirmaster  
Dr. Rachel Teubner, Christian Education Director  
Sara Foley, Parish Administrator

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