

**THE ANGLICAN PARISH OF LAMBTON  
FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER 8.5.2022**

Processional Hymn **TiS 145**

(Please stand if you are able)

**The king of love my shepherd is  
whose goodness faileth never;  
I nothing lack if I am his  
and he is mine for ever.**

**Where streams of living water flow  
my ransomed soul he leadeth,  
and where the verdant pastures grow  
with food celestial feedeth.**

**Perverse and foolish oft I strayed,  
but yet in love he sought me,  
and on his shoulder gently laid,  
and home rejoicing brought me.**

**In death's dark vale I fear no ill  
with thee, dear Lord, beside me;  
thy rod and staff my comfort still,  
thy cross before to guide me.**

**Thou spread'st a table in my sight;  
thy unction grace bestoweth;  
and O what transport of delight  
from thy pure chalice floweth!**

**And so through all the length of days  
thy goodness faileth never:  
good Shepherd, may I sing thy praise  
within thy house for ever.**

John Bacchus Dykes 1823-76 Henry Williams Baker 1821-77 based on Psalm 23

**Sentence**

The Lamb in the midst of the throne will be their shepherd, and will guide them to springs of the water of life, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes. Revelation 7.17

The Priest greets the people.

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you**

Christ is risen. Alleluia

**He is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

Let us pray:

**Almighty God,  
to whom all hearts are open,**

**all desires known,  
and from whom no secrets are hidden:  
cleanse the thoughts of our hearts  
by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,  
that we may perfectly love you,  
and worthily magnify your holy name,  
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

'Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God, the Lord is one; you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind, and with all your strength.' Jesus said: 'This is the great and first commandment. And a second is like it: you shall love your neighbour as yourself'.

### **Invitation to Confession**

Christ our Passover Lamb has been offered for us, therefore we come to celebrate the festival.

*Silence may be kept*

Let us confess our sins in penitence and faith, with a sincere and a true heart.

**Merciful God,  
our maker and our judge,  
we have sinned against you  
in thought, word, and deed,  
and in what we have failed to do:  
we have not loved you with our whole heart;  
we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves;  
we repent, and are sorry for all our sins.  
Father, forgive us,  
Strengthen us to love and obey you  
in newness of life;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Almighty God,  
who has promised forgiveness to all who turn to him in faith:  
pardon you and set you free from all your sins,  
strengthen you in all goodness  
and keep you in eternal life,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

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

**Glory to God in the highest,  
and peace to God's people on earth.**

**Lord God, heavenly King,  
almighty God and Father,  
we worship you, we give you thanks,  
we praise you for your glory.  
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,  
Lord God, Lamb of God,  
you take away the sin of the world:  
have mercy on us;  
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:  
receive our prayer.  
For you alone are the Holy One,  
you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High Jesus Christ,  
with the Holy Spirit,  
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

#### The Collect

Gracious God, you sent Jesus, the good shepherd, to gather us together: may we not wander from his flock, but follow wherever he leads us, listening for his voice and staying near him, until we are safely in your fold, to live with you for ever; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

#### The Ministry of the Word

##### The Old Testament Reading Acts 9. 36-43

...For the word of the Lord,  
**Thanks be to God.**

##### The Psalm Reading 23

##### The New Testament Reading Revelation 7. 9-17

...For the word of the Lord,  
**Thanks be to God.**

##### The Gospel Hymn TiS 772

**Worship, honour, glory, blessing,  
Lord we offer to your name;  
young and old, their praise expressing,  
join your goodness to proclaim.  
As the saints in heaven adore you,  
we would bow before your throne;  
as your angels serve before you,  
so on earth your will be done.**

## **The Gospel John 10.22-30**

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ...

**Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ**

This is the Gospel of the Lord

**praise to you Lord Jesus Christ**

### **Sermon**

*After the Sermon there may be a time of quiet reflection.*

Let us together affirm the faith of the Church.

**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,**

**was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary**

**and became truly human.**

**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,**

**who with the Father and the Son**

**is worshipped and glorified,**

**who 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**

Almighty God, your Son Jesus Christ has promised that you will hear us when we ask in faith: receive the prayers we offer.

Let us pray for the preservation of the earth.

We give thanks for the beauty and abundance of the earth. Give us and all peoples grace to live in harmony with your creation, wisdom and generosity in our use of its bounty.

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

Let us pray for peace and shared prosperity.

We give thanks for leaders who serve the common good. Give wisdom to those who have responsibility and authority in every land, that we may share with justice the resources of the world, and work together in trust.

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

Let us pray for our nation

We give thanks for this land and the diversity of its peoples. Grant that we may so honour one another that all may be enriched by our common heritage and freed from despair, poverty and exclusion.

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

Let us pray for the Church and its mission.

We give thanks for the good news of salvation for all people. Strengthen us for our work in the world, empower your Church to proclaim the gospel in service, word and sacrament. Unite in the truth all who confess your name, that we may live together in love to your glory.

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

Let us pray for ourselves and our community.

We give thanks for the fellowship of the communities in which we live and work. We commend to your keeping ourselves and each other, our families, those with whom we work and learn, our neighbours and our friends. Enable us by your Spirit to live in love for you and for one another.

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

Let us pray for those in need.

We give thanks that you are the God who brings mercy and wholeness. Comfort and heal, we pray, all who are in sorrow, need, sickness, or any other trouble. Give to those who care for them wisdom, patience and gentleness and, to us all, your peace.

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

Let us give thanks for the faithful departed.

We give you thanks for your servants in every age. Grant that we, and all your saints may be brought to a joyful resurrection and the fulfilment of your kingdom.

Almighty God, you have promised to hear our prayers.

**Grant that what we have asked in faith we may by your grace receive, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Accept our prayers through Jesus Christ our Lord, who taught us to pray,

**Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come,  
your will be done, on earth as in heaven.**

**Give us today our daily bread.**

**Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.**

**Save us from the time of trial  
and deliver us from evil.**

**For the Kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen**

Jesus said: I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty. John 6.35

Let us pray.

**We do not presume to come to your table, merciful Lord,  
trusting in our own righteousness, but in your manifold and great mercies.**

**We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under your table.**

**But you are the same Lord whose nature is always to have mercy.**

**Grant us, therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ,  
and to drink his blood, that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.**

### **Greeting of Peace**

Christ has reconciled us to God in one body by the cross.

**We meet in his name and share his peace.**

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**And also with you.**

### **Offertory Hymn TiS 564**

A thanksgiving offertory collection is received for the work of the Church.

**O God of Bethel, by whose hand  
your people still are fed,  
who through this earthly pilgrimage  
have all our forebears led:**

**our vows, our prayers, we now present  
before your throne of grace;  
God of our people, be the God  
of each succeeding race.**

**Through each perplexing path of life**

**our wandering footsteps guide;  
give us each day our daily bread,  
for all our needs provide.**

**O spread your covering wings around,  
till all our wanderings cease,  
and at our Father's loved abode  
our souls arrive in peace.**

Melody adapted from Johann Michael Haydn 1737-1806 Philip Doddridge 1702-51 and others based on Genesis 28: 19-22

Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation.  
Through your goodness we have these gifts to share.  
Accept and use our offerings for your glory  
And for the service of your kingdom.  
**Blessed be God for ever!**

## **The Great Thanksgiving**

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.**

All glory and honour be yours always and everywhere,  
mighty Creator, everliving God.

We give you thanks and praise for your Son,  
our Saviour Jesus Christ,  
who by the power of your Spirit was born of Mary  
and lived as one of us.

By his death on the cross  
he offered the one true sacrifice for sin  
and obtained an eternal deliverance for his people.

And now we give you thanks  
that you raised him to life triumphant,  
and exalted him in glory.

By his victory over death, the reign of sin is ended,  
a new day has dawned, a broken world is restored  
and we are made whole once more.

Therefore with angels and archangels,  
And with all the company of heaven,  
We proclaim your great and glorious name,  
for ever praising you and saying:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord,  
God of power and might,  
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.**

*Feel free to remain standing, to kneel or be seated.*

Merciful God, we thank you for these gifts of your creation,  
this bread and wine,  
and we pray that by your Word and Holy Spirit,  
we who eat and drink them  
may be partakers of Christ's body and blood.  
On the night he was betrayed Jesus took bread;  
and when he had given you thanks  
he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying,  
'Take, eat. This is my body given for you.  
Do this in remembrance of me.'  
After supper, he took the cup,  
and again giving you thanks he gave it to his disciples, saying,  
Drink from this, all of you.  
This is my blood of the new covenant  
shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins.  
Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.  
Let us proclaim the mystery of our faith:

**Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

Therefore we do as our Saviour has commanded:  
proclaiming his offering of himself  
made once for all upon the cross,  
his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension,  
and looking for his coming again,  
we celebrate, with this bread and this cup,  
his one perfect and sufficient sacrifice  
for the sins of the whole world.

Renew us by your Holy Spirit,  
unite us in the body of your Son,  
and bring us with all your people

into the joy of your eternal kingdom;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
with whom, and in whom,  
in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, we worship you,  
Father, in songs of never-ending praise:

**Blessing and honour and glory and power  
are yours for ever and ever. Amen.**

## **The Breaking of the Bread and the Communion**

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.  
We who are many are one body,  
**For we all share in the one bread.**

### **Agnus Dei**

**Jesus, Lamb of God, have mercy on us.  
Jesus, bearer of our sins, have mercy on us.  
Jesus, redeemer of the world, grant us your peace.**

### **Reflection Hymn TiS 659**

**The Lord is my shepherd, and I want to follow wherever he leads me, wherever he goes.  
Over the mountains, the waters and byways, valleys and highways he's waiting for me.**

### **Refrain**

**I want to go to meet him there, to lay myself down in his love.  
The Lord is my shepherd and I want to follow wherever he leads me, wherever he goes.**

**And while on the journey to where we are going he promised to be there to help us along,  
and over the mountains we'll walk on together, to know all the wonders he's given to me.**

Brian Kerry Boniwell 1949- arr. Kevin Hunt (based on Psalm 23)

### **Prayer after Communion**

Eternal God, giver of life,  
in the breaking of the bread we know the risen Lord.  
May we who celebrate this holy feast  
walk in his risen light  
and bring new life to all creation.

Father,  
**we offer ourselves to you  
as a living sacrifice  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Send us out in the power of your Spirit**

**to live and work to your praise and glory.**

## **Notices**

### **The Blessing**

The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you what is pleasing in his sight;

and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

### **Recessional Hymn TiS 588**

**In heavenly love abiding,  
no change my heart shall fear;  
and safe is such confiding,  
for nothing changes here:  
the storm may roar without me,  
my heart may low be laid;  
but God is round about me,  
and can I be dismayed?**

**Wherever he may guide me  
no want shall turn me back,  
my shepherd is beside me  
and nothing can I lack:  
his wisdom ever waking,  
his sight is never dim,  
he knows the way he's taking  
and I will walk with him.**

**Green pastures are before me,  
which yet I have not seen;  
bright skies will soon be o'er me  
where dark the clouds have been:  
my hope I cannot measure,  
my path to life is free;  
my Saviour has my treasure,  
and he will walk with me.**

David Jenkins 1849-1915 Anna Laetitia Waring 1823-1910 *alt*

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

**In the name of Christ. Amen**

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