



*Anglican Churches of  
Quinte West  
April 30, 2023  
4th Sunday of Easter*

**Opening Hymn CP#519 *The Lord's My Shepherd***

1. The Lord's my shepherd, I'll not want:  
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,  
even for his own name's sake.

3. Yea, though I walk through death's dark vale,  
yet will I fear no ill;  
for thou art with  
me, and thy rod  
and staff me comfort still.

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

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

### **Opening Greeting**

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

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

May his grace and peace be with you.

**May he fill our hearts with joy.**

### **The Gloria**

Glory be to God in heaven;  
peace, goodwill to all the earth.  
Mighty God of all creation,  
Father of surpassing worth:  
we exalt you, we adore you,  
we lift high our thanks and praise.  
Saints and angels bow before you;  
here on earth our songs we raise.

Glory be to Christ forever,  
Lamb of God, and Lord of love.  
Son of God and gracious Saviour,  
you have come from heaven above;  
on the cross you died to save us;  
now you reign at God's right hand.  
Hear our prayer; restore, forgive us;  
in your promise firm we stand.

Holy One we now acclaim you;  
Lord alone, to you we call;  
Holy One in faith we name you,  
God most high, yet near to all.  
Jesus Christ, with God the Spirit,  
in the Father's splendour bright.  
For the peace that we inherit,  
glory be to God on high.

### The Collect of the Day

O God,

**whose Son is the good shepherd,  
send us out as shepherds to seek the lost,  
to heal the injured and to nurture  
all with grace and compassion;  
through Jesus, who calls each by name. Amen.**

### First Reading Acts 2: 42 - 47

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church.

**Thanks be to God.**

### Psalm 23

The Lord is my shepherd; **\*I shall not be in want.**

You make me lie down in green pastures **\*and lead me beside still waters.**

You revive my soul **\*and guide me along right pathways for your name's sake.**

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.**

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.**  
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.**

Glory be 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.**

**Second Reading** 1 Peter 2: 19 - 25

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church.  
**Thanks be to God.**

**The Gospel**

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

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ  
According to John  
**Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ!**

John 10: 1 – 10

The Gospel of Christ  
**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

**The Homily**

**The Apostles' Creed**

I believe in God,  
the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.  
I believe in Jesus Christ,  
his only Son, our Lord.  
He was conceived by the power of the  
Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary.  
He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was  
crucified, died, and was buried.  
He descended to the dead.  
On the third day he rose again.  
He ascended into heaven,  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again to judge the living  
and the dead.

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

### **Prayers of the People**

Let us pray for the church, the world, and all in need, saying,  
God in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

### **The Lord's Prayer**

Gathering our prayers into one,  
let us pray as our Saviour taught us.

**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,  
the power, and the glory,  
for ever and ever. Amen.**

### **The Doxology**

Glory to God,  
**whose power, working in us,  
can do infinitely more than we  
could ask or imagine.  
Glory to God, from generation to generation,  
in the Church, and in Christ Jesus,  
for ever and ever. Amen.**

### **Announcements**

## The Blessing

### Closing Hymn CP#564

#### Lead Us, Heavenly Father, Lead Us

1. Lead us, heavenly Father, lead us  
o'er the world's tempestuous sea;  
guard us, guide us, keep us, feed us,  
for we have no help but thee;  
yet possessing every blessing  
if our God our Father be.
  
2. Saviour, breathe forgiveness o'er us;  
all our weakness thou dost know;  
thou didst tread this earth before us,  
thou didst feel its keenest woe;  
lone and dreary, faint and weary,  
through the desert thou didst go.
  
3. Spirit of our God, descending,  
fill our hearts with heavenly joy,  
love with every passion blending,  
pleasure that can never cloy;  
thus provided, pardoned, guided,  
nothing can our peace destroy.  
God the First and Last is with us.  
Sing hosanna everyone.

## The Dismissal

Alleluia! Go in peace to love and serve God  
and one another.

**Thanks be to God. Alleluia!**

# *Sunday by Sunday: Reflections on Stewardship*

**4th Sunday of Easter April 30, 2023 • John 10:1-10**

Jesus is the ultimate steward. He cares for the sheep, i.e., what has been entrusted to his care, with utmost regard for their welfare. As people who want to be his disciples, ought we not to take his life as an example, a template, for our own actions?