



ST. ANNE'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

THE HOLY EUCHARIST • FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER • APRIL 21, 2024

8:00 A.M.

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WELCOME TO ST. ANNE'S!

Whatever your religious background, wherever you are in your faith journey, and however you have come to be here, we are glad you have joined for worship today. We hope you will experience God's presence among this community, people, place, and prayers.

Children's worship bags are available from an usher to use during the service. Please use our "Welcome" and "Prayer Request" cards located in the pews, or scan the QR code to complete our Connect card as a way to connect beyond your visit today. Return your completed card to an usher, clergy person, or place it in the offering plate.



THE MINISTERS OF ST. ANNE'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH ARE
THE PEOPLE OF THIS PARISH
supported by

The Very Rev. Jessica T. Holthus, *Rector*

The Rev. Dr. Nancy D. Searby, *Deacon*

The Rev. Dr. Anne Fredericks Cooper, *Assisting Priest*

Sheri Schaffer, *Parish Administrator*

The Rev. Maria Maguire, *Assistant to the Rector*

Francisco Fernandez, *Director of Music*

The Rev. Winston W. Welty, *Assisting Priest*

Angie Gray, *Office Administrator*

Celebrations & Thanksgivings • April 21-27

Birthdays

Paul Bishop, Ron Hobrla, Margot Lyddane, Reuben Sidifall, Thelma Kpadeh, Marc Sciallo,
Robert Cochran, Karen Dawn, Riverly Twardy, Enid Benson, Jonathan Krentel,
Ethan Paul, Caitlin Quigley, Kathryn Santoro

Anniversaries

Evan & Angie Gray

Flowers to the glory of God.

We at St. Anne's acknowledge we are on the traditional lands of the Manahoac and Piscataway people. We honor with gratitude the land itself and the continued existence of Native peoples today and into the future.

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

THE WELCOME

OPENING ACCLAMATION

People responses are in bold.

Alleluia. Christ is risen.

The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

As the morning approaches, Risen Lord, be our light, our life, and our hope. Enlighten our hearts, awaken our minds, and show us the way of resurrection life.
Amen.

THE GLORIA

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 OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

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.**

THE WORD OF GOD

The people are seated for the readings and the psalm.

THE FIRST READING

ACTS 4:5-12

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."

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

THE PSALM

PSALM 23

The psalm is read responsively by whole verse.

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

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.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The people stand and turn to face the Gospel.

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

Glory to you, Lord 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."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The people are seated at the indication of the preacher.

THE SERMON

The Sermon is followed by a moment of silence.

The Rev. Dr. Nancy D. Searby

THE NICENE CREED

The people stand as they are able.

**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.
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped 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.**

Lead your church into the way of love. Teach us to hear and follow your voice and your vision for the world. Tender Shepherd,
Call us each by name and lead us home.

Guide those around the world who make decisions that impact the lives of individuals and nations. Tender Shepherd,
Precede us all in the ways of justice and peace.

Lighten the burden of those who are suffering loss, illness, and anxiety, those whom we know and love and those who are unknown to us. We pray especially for Angie, Jamie, Bruce & Jean, Gerald, Nancy, Sue, Rich, Eleanor, Katherine, Nora, Rachel, James, Grace, Brandon, Eloise, Ester, Joe, James, Semaj, Pierrein, Helene, and Michael, our presiding Bishop. *(Please pray either silently or aloud for those you wish to remember.)*

Tender shepherd,
Comfort them and shower them with your healing grace.

We pray for those who have died. Carry those who have finished their earthly journey into the next life and gently place them in God's eternal embrace. Tender Shepherd,
Hold them close to your heart forever.

PRAYER FOR EARTH DAY

Creator God, we thank you for all that you have made. You fashioned the universe with all its marvelous order, its atoms, worlds, and galaxies, and the infinite complexity of living creatures. Grant that as we marvel at its beauty, we may come to know you more truly and follow you more closely. Grant us your forgiveness where we have failed to be just stewards of this earth, our island home. Give us your guidance in restoring its health and wholeness. As we follow the example of our Savior Jesus Christ, may we learn to live in harmony, safety, and just sharing of resources among all, to your honor and glory, forever and ever. Amen.

CONCLUDING COLLECT

The Celebrant prays a concluding collect.

Holy God, long ago faithful women and men first proclaimed the good news of the Resurrection and the world was changed forever. May we keep faith with them, that our witness may be bold, our love deep, and our faith true. **Amen.**

THE PEACE

The Celebrant says to the people

The peace of the Lord be always with you.
And also with you.

All are invited to share the sign of peace.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

At this celebration of the Lord's Supper, bread and wine are blessed and broken and shared in remembrance of Christ Jesus our Lord.

THE OFFERTORY

Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and a sacrifice to God.

We invite you to give generously to support the mission and ministry of St. Anne's. You can scan the QR code, text-to-give at 703-997-4436, or go to our website at stannes-reston.org.



THE PRESENTATION

As the offering is brought forward the following is said:

With gladness we present the gifts of our life and labor to the Lord.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

PRAYER A

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 him thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

The Celebrant says a Proper Preface, and then continues

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

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.

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, 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.”

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him.

Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE LORD’S PRAYER

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 FRACTION

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

THE INVITATION TO HOLY COMMUNION

To receive communion, please process down the center aisle. Hold your palm out flat with two hands if you wish to receive bread dipped in wine by the clergy, and one palm out if you wish bread only. Please let the clergy know if you would like gluten-free wafers. If you prefer to receive a blessing, please cross your arms over your chest.

THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Let us pray.

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE BLESSING

May Christ be in our minds, that we may see what is true.

May Christ be in our mouths, that we may speak with power.

May Christ be in our hands, that we may work with tenderness.

May Christ be in our arms, that we may embrace without fear.

May Christ be in our feet, that we may follow with love, and receive the blessing of God Almighty: Father, Son and Holy Spirit, this day and always. **Amen.**

THE DISMISSAL

Alleluia! Alleluia! Let us go forth into the world rejoicing in the Risen Lord.

Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Celebrants • *The Very Rev. Jessica Holthus, The Rev. Maria Maguire*
Deacon • *The Rev. Dr. Nancy D. Searby*
Acolyte • *Glen Corso*
Chalice Bearers • *Emily Besuden, Christine Skitol*
Lay Reader • *Art Light*
Altar Guild • *Sidney Johnson*
Flower Guild • *Terri Cox, Lee Hobart, Sue Robinson*

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sunday, April 21

Children & Youth Choir Rehearsal, 11:30 a.m. - 12:10 p.m.
Creation Care Property Walk, after today's service
Life Planning Workshop, after 10:00 a.m. service

Sunday, April 28

Children & Youth Choir Rehearsal, 11:30 a.m. - 12:10 p.m.
Youth-Led Worship Rehearsal, 12:00-1:00 p.m.
Saving Jesus Redux, 4:00 p.m., Library

Sunday, May 5

Youth-Led Worship, 10:00 a.m.

Sunday, May 19 - Pentecost

Baptisms - 10:00 a.m.
Praying with the African American Spirituals 4:00 p.m., Library

Saturday, June 1

Reston Pride - 12:00 - 6:00 p.m. - Lake Anne

