Welcome to St. Peter's Anglican Church



Morning Prayer 9:30 AM

April 14, 2024

Meeting at 191 Allentown Rd. Souderton PA

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The Second Sunday after Easter

The Order for Morning Prayer

According to the Order of the Book of Common Prayer, 1662

We welcome you to St. Peter's Anglican Church today. Whether you are visiting for the first time or have been with us before, we are glad you are here and welcome you in the Name of the Lord. Within this bulletin you will find the entire service, including Scripture readings and Hymns. If there are matters you are facing and would like prayer for, please speak with our clergy, or complete a Connect Card.

Prelude: "Awake, My Heart, with Gladness"

Processional Hymn: The Day of Resurrection



Ellacombe

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The Minister will say,

WHEN the wicked man turneth away from his wickedness that he hath committed, and doeth that which is lawful and right, he shall save his soul alive. *Ezekiel 18:27*

I will arise and go to my father, and will say unto him, Father, I have sinned against heaven, and before thee, and am no more worthy to be called thy son. *Luke 15:18-19*

Introduction

Dearly beloved brethren, the Scripture moveth us in sundry places to acknowledge and confess our manifold sins and wickedness, and that we should not dissemble nor cloak them before the face of almighty God our heavenly Father, but confess them with a humble, lowly, penitent, and obedient heart, to the end that we may obtain forgiveness of the same, by his infinite goodness and mercy. And although we ought at all times humbly to acknowledge our sins before God, yet ought we most chiefly so to do, when we assemble and meet together to render thanks for the great benefits that we have received at his hands, to set forth his most worthy praise, to hear his most holy word, and to ask those things which are requisite and necessary, as well for the body as the soul. Wherefore I pray and beseech you, as many as are here present, to accompany me with a pure heart and humble voice, unto the throne of the heavenly grace, saying after me,

A general confession to be said by the whole congregation after the minister, all kneeling.

Almighty and most merciful Father, We have erred and strayed from thy ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have offended against thy holy laws. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done; And we have done those things which we ought not to have done; And there is no health in us. But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us, miserable offenders. Spare thou those, O God, who confess their faults. Restore thou those who are penitent, According to thy promises declared unto mankind In Christ Jesus our Lord. And grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake, That we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life, To the glory of thy holy name. Amen.

The absolution or remission of sins to be pronounced by the Presbyter alone, standing, the people still kneeling.

Almighty God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who desireth not the death of a sinner, but rather that he may turn from his wickedness and live, and hath given power and commandment to his ministers to declare and pronounce to his people, being penitent, the absolution and remission of their sins: He pardoneth and absolveth all those who truly repent and unfeignedly believe his holy gospel; wherefore let us beseech him to grant us true repentance and his Holy Spirit, that those things may please him which we do at this present, and that the rest of our life hereafter may be pure and holy, so that at the last we may come to his eternal joy, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Please remain kneeling or seated.

The Presbyter then leads the congregation in the Lord's Prayer.

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.

Minister	O Lord, open thou our lips.
Answer	And our mouth shall show forth thy praise.
Minister	O God, make speed to save us.
Answer	O Lord, make haste to help us.

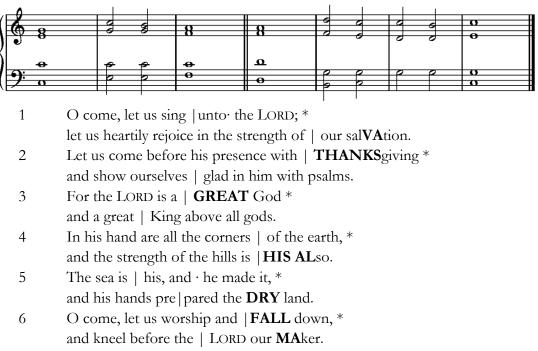
Here, all standing,

Minister	Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
Answer	As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.
Minister	Praise ye the Lord.
Answer	The Lord's name be praised.

Then shall be said or sung this psalm following.

The Venite

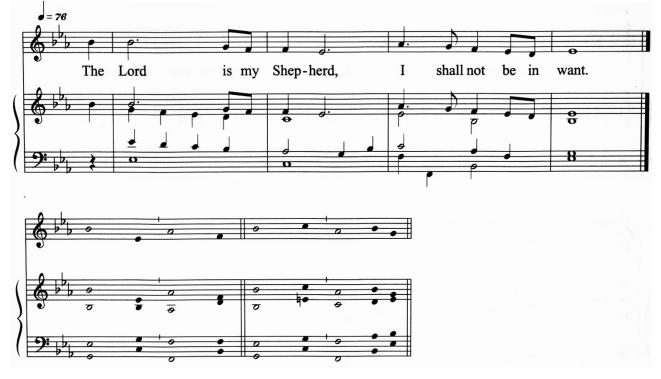
Venite, exultemus Domino. Psalm 95.



7	For he is the Lord our God, *
	and we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep of HIS hand.
8	Today, if you will hear his voice harden not your hearts *
	as in the provocation, and as in the day of temptation in the wilderness,
9	When your fathers tempted me, *
	Proved me, and saw my works.
10	Forty years long was I grieved with this gener ation · and said, *
	"It is a people that err in their hearts, for they have not known my ways,"
11	Of whom I sware in ·my wrath *
	that they should not enter into my rest.
	Glory be to the Father, $ $ and to \cdot the Son, *
	and to the · HOLY · Ghost;
	As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, *
	world without end. $ \mathbf{A} \cdot men.$

Psalm 23

The Cantor will introduce the Antiphon and the Assembly will repeat it. The Cantor sings the verses and the congregation repeats the Antiphon.



1 The Lord is my <u>shepherd</u>; * therefore can I lack <u>nothing</u>.

2 He shall feed me in a green pasture, *

- and lead me forth beside the waters of <u>comfort</u>.
- 3 He shall convert my <u>soul</u>, *

and bring me forth in the paths of righteousness, for his name's sake.

4 Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no <u>evil</u>, * For thou art with me, thy rod and thy staff <u>comfort me</u>.

[Antiphon]

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- 5 Thou shalt prepare a table before me against them that <u>trouble me</u>, * thou hast anointed my head with oil, and my cup shall be <u>full</u>.
- 6 But thy loving-kindness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my <u>life</u>, * and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for <u>ever</u>.

Glory be to the Father, and to the <u>Son</u>, and to the Holy <u>Spirit</u>; as it was in the beginning, is now and ever <u>shall be</u>, world without end. A-<u>men</u> [Antiphon]

[Antiphon]

Please be seated for the first lesson.

First Lesson

The first lesson is written in the 34th Chapter of the book of Ezekiel, beginning at the 1st verse.

¹The word of the LORD came to me: ²"Son of man, prophesy against the shepherds of Israel; prophesy, and say to them, even to the shepherds, Thus says the Lord GOD: Ah, shepherds of Israel who have been feeding yourselves! Should not shepherds feed the sheep? ³You eat the fat, you clothe yourselves with the wool, you slaughter the fat ones, but you do not feed the sheep. ⁴The weak you have not strengthened, the sick you have not healed, the injured you have not bound up, the strayed you have not brought back, the lost you have not sought, and with force and harshness you have ruled them. ⁵So they were scattered, because there was no shepherd, and they became food for all the wild beasts. My sheep were scattered; ⁶they wandered over all the mountains and on every high hill. My sheep were scattered over all the face of the earth, with none to search or seek for them.

⁷"Therefore, you shepherds, hear the word of the LORD: ⁸As I live, declares the Lord GOD, surely because my sheep have become a prey, and my sheep have become food for all the wild beasts, since there was no shepherd, and because my shepherds have not searched for my sheep, but the shepherds have fed themselves, and have not fed my sheep, ⁹therefore, you shepherds, hear the word of the LORD: ¹⁰Thus says the Lord GOD, Behold, I am against the shepherds, and I will require my sheep at their hand and put a stop to their feeding the sheep. No longer shall the shepherds feed themselves. I will rescue my sheep from their mouths, that they may not be food for them.

¹¹"For thus says the Lord GOD: Behold, I, I myself will search for my sheep and will seek them out. ¹²As a shepherd seeks out his flock when he is among his sheep that have been scattered, so will I seek out my sheep, and I will rescue them from all places where they have been scattered on a day of clouds and thick darkness. ¹³And I will bring them out from the peoples and gather them from the countries, and will bring them into their own land. And I will feed them on the mountains of Israel, by the ravines, and in all the inhabited places of the country. ¹⁴I will feed them with good pasture, and on the mountain heights of Israel shall be their grazing land. There they shall lie down in good grazing land, and on rich pasture they shall feed on the mountains of Israel. ¹⁵I myself will be the shepherd of my sheep, and I myself will make them lie down, declares the Lord GOD. ¹⁶I will seek the lost, and I will bring back the strayed, and I will bind up the injured, and I will strengthen the weak, and the fat and the strong I will destroy. I will feed them in justice.

Here endeth the first lesson.

Pause for a moment of silent reflection. Please stand for the Te Deum

Te Deum Laudamus.

We praise thee, O God; * we acknowledge thee to be the Lord.

All the earth doth worship thee, * the Father everlasting.

To thee all angels cry aloud, * the heavens and all the powers therein;

To thee cherubim and seraphim * continually do cry,

'Holy, holy, holy, * Lord God of Sabaoth;

Heaven and earth are full of the majesty * of thy glory.'

The glorious company of the apostles * praise thee.

The goodly fellowship of the prophets * praise thee.

The noble army of martyrs * praise thee.

The holy church throughout all the world * doth acknowledge thee:

The Father * of an infinite majesty;

Thine honorable, true, * and only Son;

Also the Holy Ghost, * the Comforter.

Thou art the king of glory, * O Christ.

Thou art the everlasting Son * of the Father.

When thou tookest upon thee to deliver man, * thou didst not abhor the Virgin's womb.

When thou hadst overcome the sharpness of death, * thou didst open the kingdom of heaven to all believers.

Thou sittest at the right hand of God * in the glory of the Father.

We believe that thou shalt come * to be our judge.

We therefore pray thee, help thy servants, * whom thou hast redeemed with thy precious blood.

Make them to be numbered with thy saints * in glory everlasting.

O Lord, save thy people, * and bless thine heritage.

Govern them, * and lift them up for ever.

Day by day * we magnify thee,

And we worship thy name, * ever world without end.

Vouchsafe, O Lord, * to keep us this day without sin.

O Lord, have mercy upon us, * have mercy upon us.

O Lord, let thy mercy lighten upon us, * as our trust is in thee.

O Lord, in thee have I trusted; * let me never be confounded.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, * and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, * world without end. Amen.

Please be seated for the second lesson

Second Lesson

The second lesson is written in the 2nd Chapter of Peter's First Letter, beginning at the 19th verse.

¹⁹For this is a gracious thing, when, mindful of God, one endures sorrows while suffering unjustly. ²⁰For what credit is it if, when you sin and are beaten for it, you endure? But if when you do good and suffer for it you endure, this is a gracious thing in the sight of God. ²¹For to this you have been called, because Christ

also suffered for you, leaving you an example, so that you might follow in his steps. ²²He committed no sin, neither was deceit found in his mouth. ²³When he was reviled, he did not revile in return; when he suffered, he did not threaten, but continued entrusting himself to him who judges justly. ²⁴He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness. By his wounds you have been healed. ²⁵For you were straying like sheep, but have now returned to the Shepherd and Overseer of your souls.

Here endeth the second lesson.

Pause for a moment of silent reflection.

Please stand.

Jubilate Deo



Hymn/Canticle: All People That On Earth Do Dwell

OLD HUNDREDTH

We remain standing.

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father almighty, Maker of heaven and earth;

And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord, Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, Born of the Virgin Mary, Suffered under Pontius Pilate, Was crucified, dead, and buried. He descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven, And sitteth on the right hand of God the Father almighty. From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost, The holy catholic church, The communion of saints, The forgiveness of sins, The resurrection of the body, And the life everlasting. Amen.

The Prayers

We sit or kneel.

Minister	The Lord be with you.
Answer	And with thy spirit.
Minister	Let us pray.
	Lord, have mercy upon us.
Answer	Christ, have mercy upon us.
	Lord, have mercy upon 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. Amen.

Officiant standing up, shall say,

Officiant	O Lord, show thy mercy upon us.	
Answer	And grant us thy salvation.	
Officiant	O Lord, save them that rule.	
Answer	And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.	
Officiant	Endue thy ministers with righteousness.	
Answer	And make thy chosen people joyful.	
Officiant	O Lord, save thy people.	
Answer	And bless thine inheritance.	
Officiant	Give peace in our time, O Lord.	
Answer	Because there is none other that fighteth for us, but only thou, O God.	
Officiant	O God, make clean our hearts within us.	
Answer	And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.	

The Collect for the Second Sunday after Easter

Almighty God, who hast given thine only Son to be unto us both a sacrifice for sin, and also an ensample of godly life; Give us grace that we may always most thankfully receive that his inestimable benefit, and also daily endeavour ourselves to follow the blessed steps of his most holy life; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

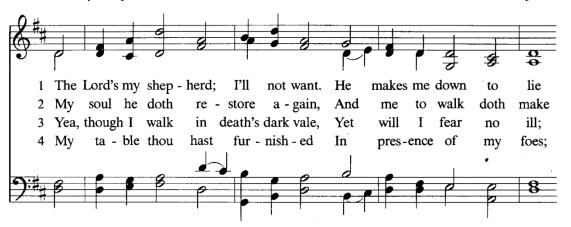
The Second Collect, for Peace

O God, who art the author of peace and lover of concord, in knowledge of whom standeth our eternal life, whose service is perfect freedom: Defend us thy humble servants in all assaults of our enemies, that we, surely trusting in thy defence, may not fear the power of any adversaries, through the might of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

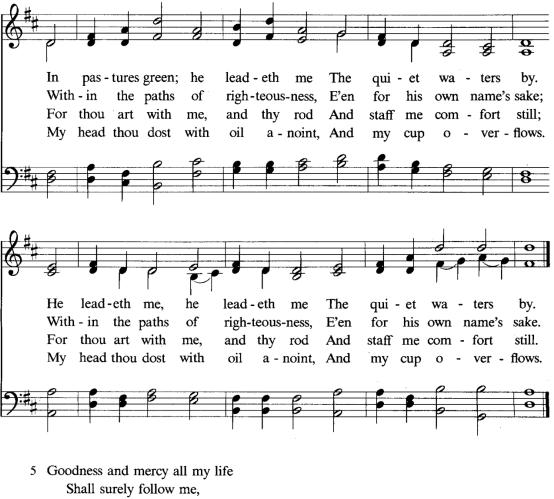
The Third Collect, for Grace

O Lord, our heavenly Father, almighty and everlasting God, who hast safely brought us to the beginning of this day: Defend us in the same with thy mighty power, and grant that this day we fall into no sin, neither run into any kind of danger, but that all our doings may be ordered by thy governance, to do always what is righteous in thy sight, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Hymn: The Lord's My Shepherd



BROTHER JAMES AIR



And in God's house forevermore My dwelling-place shall be.

Sermon:

The Rev'd Geoffrey Firth

arr. C. Callahan

Musical Meditation: "Meditation on 'Crimond""

Silence is kept.

A Thanksgiving Prayer

Accept, O Lord, our thanks and praise for all that you have done for us. We thank you for the splendor of the whole creation, for the beauty of this world, for the wonder of life, and for the mystery of love. We thank you for the blessing of family and friends, and for the loving care which surrounds us on every side. We thank you for setting us at tasks that demand our best efforts, and for leading us to accomplishments that satisfy and delight us. We thank you also for those disappointments and failures that lead us to acknowledge our dependence on you alone. Above all, we thank you for your Son Jesus Christ; for the truth of his Word and the example of his life; for his steadfast obedience, by which he overcame temptation; for his dying, through which he conquered death; and for his rising to life again, in which we are raised to the life of your kingdom. Grant us the gift of your Spirit, that we may know Christ and make him known; and through him, at all times and in all places, may give thanks to you in all things. **Amen.**

A Prayer for all those in Civil Authority

Almighty God, whose kingdom is everlasting and power infinite: Have mercy upon this whole land, and so rule the hearts of all in authority, especially Joseph our President and Joshua our Governor, that they, knowing whose ministers they are, may above all things seek thy honor and glory; and that we and all the people, duly considering whose authority they bear, may faithfully and obediently honor them, according to thy blessed word and ordinance, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with thee and the Holy Ghost liveth and reigneth, ever one God, world without end. **Amen.**

A Prayer for the Clergy and People

Almighty and everlasting God, who alone workest great marvels: Send down upon our bishops and pastors, and all congregations committed to their charge the healthful Spirit of thy grace (especially Foley our Archbishop, Julian and William our bishops, and Geoffrey, Phil and Blair our clergy); and that they may truly please thee, pour upon them the continual dew of thy blessing. As we look forward to the election of a new Archbishop, we ask, Lord, that you would be preparing the heart of the man of your choosing. In our Diocesan Cycle of Prayer we lift to you Lord St. Augustine Anglican Church Westerville, Ohio and their clergy, the Venerable Jeff Hunt, the Rev. Tucker Messamore and the Rev. Philip Sang, asking that they might walk righteously before you. We also pray that you would prosper the work of evangelism and outreach across Diocese, that many may yet come to know your mercy and grace, as shown in your Son Jesus Christ. We continue to pray for parish growth here at St. Peter's, asking that you would bring one new person or family into our fellowship a month. Grant this, O Lord, for the honor of our advocate and mediator, Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

A Prayer for All Conditions of Mankind

O God, the creator and preserver of all mankind, we humbly beseech thee for all sorts and conditions of men, that thou wouldst be pleased to make thy ways known unto them, thy saving health unto all nations. More especially we pray for the good estate of Thy catholic church, that it may be so guided and governed by thy good Spirit, that all who profess and call themselves Christians may be led into the way of truth, and hold the faith in unity of spirit, in the bond of peace, and in righteousness of life. Finally, we commend to thy fatherly goodness all those who are any ways afflicted or distressed, in mind, body, or estate (**especially those for whom our prayers are desired _______*) that it may please thee to comfort and relieve them, according to their several necessities, giving them patience under their sufferings, and a happy issue out of all their afflictions. And this we beg for Jesus Christ's sake. **Amen.**

A Prayer for Israel and People of Gaza

Almighty God, who sent thy one and only begotten Son as the Prince of Peace, we beseech thee to overrule in the land of Israel. Frustrate the plans of those who would work evil, give wisdom to political leaders, courage and discernment to military forces, strength to those who are held hostage, comfort to all those who mourn, and uphold the weary and fainthearted. Hasten the day when people from every tribe and nation will enter into thy eternal and perfect kingdom, when swords are beaten into plowshares and spears are turned to pruning hooks: thou alone, O Lord, workest all things for thine own glory and we pray above all that the peoples of Israel and Palestine would come to know thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ, in whose name we pray. **Amen.**

A Prayer of Saint Chrysostom

Almighty God, who hast given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplications unto thee, and dost promise that when two or three are gathered together in thy name, thou wilt grant their requests: Fulfil now, O Lord, the desires and petitions of thy servants, as may be most expedient for them, granting us in this world knowledge of thy truth, and in the world to come life everlasting. **Amen.**

The Grace

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost, be with us all evermore. **Amen.** *2 Corinthians 13:14*

The Offertory

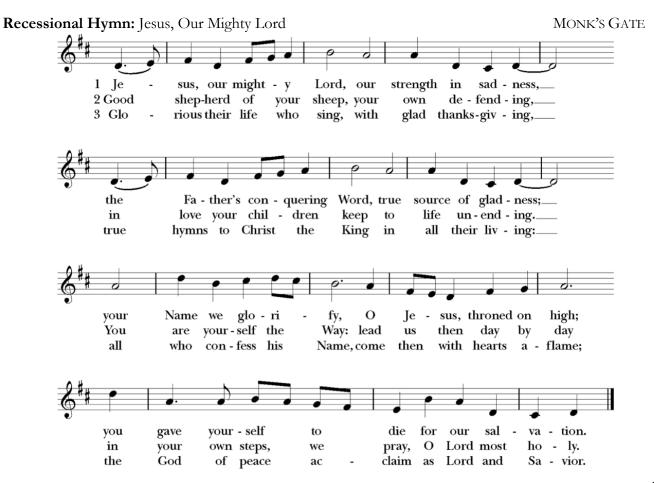
Do ye not know that they who minister about holy things live of the sacrifice; and they who wait at the altar are partakers with the altar? Even so hath the Lord also ordained, that they who preach the Gospel should live of the Gospel. *1 Corinthians 9:6-7*

Doxology

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Praise God from who all blessings flow, Praise him all creatures here below, Praise Him above ye heavenly hosts, Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost, Amen.

Parish Notices



Ending

Now may the God of peace who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, equip you with everything good that you may do his will, working in us that which is pleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever and ever. **Amen.**

Hebrews 13:20-21

Postlude: "Victory"

PalestrinaWyton



PRAYER REQUESTS

For Our Church

For growth of the Parish The Wednesday Night Book group @ BSG

For Mission

ADLW Mission to Haiti | Rev. Joseph Jocelyn Carol Derstine | Missionary to Brazil (Crossworld) Dean & Kira Baldwin | MTW Ethiopia Heartworks, Vienna, Austria.

For Our Community

MontCo low-income & homeless residents North Care Women's Clinic, Lansdale

For Those Serving in Our Military Greg Shade | US Army Tim Miles | US Army

For Those in Need

Den Blair Biddle | health needs Rev. Bill Kenney | declining health Jill, Roger, David, Steve & Gail | cancer Sherry Cressman | cancer Ron & Gloria Arnott | recovering Steven Loveless | recovering Ruby Shade | health needs Deb | chronic illness Pip Harding | Brain Tumor

For Faith or the Renewal of Faith

Luke & Anna | renewal of faith Noah, Matt, Lissy | come to faith Jessup & Alexa | come to faith

CLERGY & PARISH LEADERSHIP

The Rt. Rev. Julian M. Dobbs, Bishop The Rt. Rev. William Love, Assistant Bishop The Rev. Geoffrey Firth, Vicar The Rev. Dcn. Phillip Shade The Rev. Dcn Blair Biddle Mr. Charles Steege, Senior Warden Mrs. Sandra Buckley, Vestry Mr John Greaves, Vestry Mr. Steven Loveless, Cantor

UPCOMING SERVICES

April 21 | Third Sunday after Easter – Holy Communion | 9.30am The Rev. Geoffrey Firth, Preaching and leading

April 28 | Fourth Sunday after Easter – Morning Prayer | 9.30am The Rev. Deacon Phillip Shade, Preaching; The Rev. Geoffrey Firth leading

May 5 | Fifth Sunday after Easter – Holy Communion | 9.30am The Rev. Geoffrey Firth, Preaching and leading

May 12 | Sunday after Ascension Day – Morning Prayer | 9.30am The Rev. Geoffrey Firth Preaching and leading

Our Wednesday night Book Group (with Compline) resumes on Wednesday at the Broad Street Grind (6:45 – 8:30pm)

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