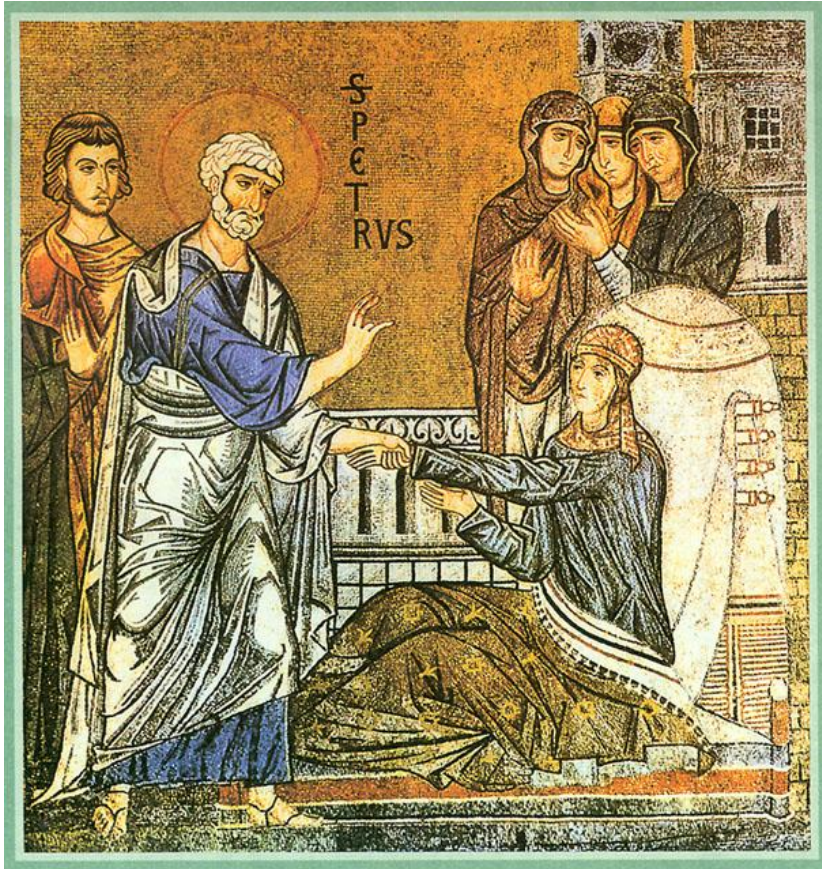


THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER AT ST. PAUL'S
The Holy Eucharist, May 11, 2025



*Peter raises Tabitha from the dead; traditional Orthodox icon,
provenance unknown.*

**ALLELUIA! CHRIST IS RISEN!
THE LORD IS RISEN INDEED! ALLELUIA!**

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!
Christ our Passover has been sacrificed for us;
therefore let us keep the feast,
Not with the old leaven,
the leaven of malice and wickedness,
but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth. Alleluia!

Christ being raised from the dead will never die again;
death no longer has dominion over him.
The death that he dies, he died to sin, once for all;
But the life he lives, he lives for God.
So also consider yourselves dead to sin,
And alive to God in Jesus Christ our Lord. Alleluia!

Christ is risen from the dead, *
the first fruits of those who have fallen asleep.
For since by a man came death,
by a man has come also the resurrection of the dead.
For as in Adam all die,
So also in Christ shall all be made alive.
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

(The Book of Common Prayer p. 83)

Welcome to St. Paul's!

Whether you come from far or near, we greet you in the name of Jesus Christ! We invite people of all denominations and none to join in our worship together.

Worshipping With Us: *Our worship follows the Book of Common Prayer in the pew racks (**BCP**) and authorized supplements, The People's responses are in **bold**. Our music comes from The Hymnal unless noted. "**H-**" is the Hymnal, and "**L-**" is the black-and-red Lift Every Voice and Sing. Links to the online Book of Common Prayer are in **blue**. Explanations of each section are marked with ¶.*

Restrooms are located downstairs; please ask for directions.

Please ensure devices are off or set to vibrate. Thank you.

The Fourth Sunday of Easter

The Holy Eucharist

May 11, 2025

Prelude

Recorded

We adorn our worship with the beauty of the church building bequeathed to us, and by our own music. Supported by the organ, all are invited to "make a joyful noise unto the Lord." When we support each other, our own joy is heightened.

Opening Hymn

God's Paschal Lamb

WLP 880

Descant

3. In Christ we see the first fruits of the dead;

1. God's Pas - chal Lamb is sac - ri - ficed for us;
2. Now Christ is raised and will not die a - gain;
3. In Christ we see the first fruits of the dead;

The first system of the musical score consists of two staves. The top staff is a vocal line in G major (one sharp) with a 3/4 time signature. It begins with a descant marked '3.' and continues with the lyrics 'In Christ we see the first fruits of the dead;'. The bottom staff is a piano accompaniment, also in G major, featuring chords and a melodic line in the bass. The lyrics for the first system are: '3. In Christ we see the first fruits of the dead;' followed by three verses: '1. God's Pas - chal Lamb is sac - ri - ficed for us;', '2. Now Christ is raised and will not die a - gain;', and '3. In Christ we see the first fruits of the dead;'.

though Ad - am's sin had doomed all flesh to die, in

There - fore with joy we keep the Eas - ter feast; for -
death has no more do - min - ion o - ver him; Through
though Ad - am's sin had doomed all flesh to die, in

The second system of the musical score continues the vocal line and piano accompaniment. The vocal line begins with the lyrics 'though Ad - am's sin had doomed all flesh to die, in'. The piano accompaniment provides harmonic support with chords and a bass line. The lyrics for the second system are: 'though Ad - am's sin had doomed all flesh to die, in' followed by three verses: 'There - fore with joy we keep the Eas - ter feast; for -', 'death has no more do - min - ion o - ver him; Through', and 'though Ad - am's sin had doomed all flesh to die, in'.

Christ's new life shall all be made a - live. Al -

sak - ing sin, we share the bread of truth. Al -
 him we die to sin and live to God. Al -
 Christ's new life shall all be made a - live. Al -

le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia!

le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia!
 le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia!
 le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia!

The musical score is written for voice and piano. The key signature has one sharp (F#), and the time signature is 4/4. The piano accompaniment features a steady eighth-note bass line and chords in the right hand. The vocal parts consist of a soprano line and a three-part harmony (alto, tenor, and bass) for the 'le - lu - ia' section.

Words: Carl P. Daw, Jr. (B. 1944). Music: Sine Nomine, Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958); desc. Alec Wyton (b. 1921).

The Easter Acclamation (*standing*)

Presider: Alleluia, Christ is risen!

People: **The Lord is Risen Indeed, Alleluia!**

Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to his 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 Word of God

The Collect is the prayer appointed for each Sunday that “collects” or captures the theme of the day or season of the Church year. It summarizes the attributes of God as revealed in the scriptures for the day.

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Celebrant: 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.** (BCP p. 225)

The First Reading

Acts 9. 9:36-43

Now in Joppa there was a disciple whose name was Tabitha, which in Greek is Dorcas. She was devoted to good works and acts of charity. At that time she became ill and died. When they had washed her, they laid her in a room upstairs. Since Lydda was near Joppa, the disciples, who heard that Peter was there, sent two men to him with the request, "Please come to us without delay." So Peter got up and went with them; and when he arrived, they took him to the room upstairs. All the widows stood beside him, weeping and showing tunics and other clothing that Dorcas had made while she was with them. Peter put all of them outside, and then he knelt down and prayed. He turned to the body and said, "Tabitha, get up." Then she opened her eyes, and seeing Peter, she sat up. He gave her his hand and helped her up. Then calling the saints and widows, he showed her to be alive. This became known throughout Joppa, and many believed in the Lord. Meanwhile he stayed in Joppa for some time with a certain Simon, a tanner.

In Eastertide, the First Reading is from the Acts of the Apostles, the record of the sermons, actions, and travels of the first generation of believers.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

The Response

Dominus regit me

Psalm 23, BCP p. 612

The LORD is my shepherd; *

I shall not be in want.

He makes me lie down in green pastures *

and leads me beside still waters.

He revives my soul *

and guides me along right pathways for his 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.

The Psalms are songs from the Hebrew Scriptures that Jesus used and cover every mood of humanity's relationship with God and one another. Anglicans pray the Psalms daily at Morning and Evening Prayer and at nearly all public services.

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.

The Second Reading

Revelation 7:9-17

*This reading, taken
from the New
Testament, is typically
from a letter (epistle) to
the early Church, the
Acts of the Apostles, or
the Revelation to John.*

I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. They cried out in a loud voice, saying,

“Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!”

And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, singing,

“Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom
and thanksgiving and honor
and power and might
be to our God forever and ever!
Amen.”

Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?" I said to him, "Sir, you are the one that knows." Then he said to me, "These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

For this reason they are before the throne of God,
and worship him day and night within his temple,
and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them.
They will hunger no more, and thirst no more;
the sun will not strike them,
nor any scorching heat;
for the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd,
and he will guide them to springs of the water of life,
and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Hymn at the Gospel

The King of love my shepherd is

H-645

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

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

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

The Holy Gospel

John 20.19-31

¶*Please stand as able.*

Acclamation before the Gospel:

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

At that time the festival of the Dedication took place in Jerusalem. It was winter, and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the portico of Solomon. So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, "How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah, tell us plainly." Jesus answered, "I have told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father's name testify to me; but you do not believe, because you do not belong to my sheep. My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand. What my Father has given me is greater than all else, and no one can snatch it out of the Father's hand. The Father and I are one."

The Gospel of the Lord.

¶*Response after the Gospel*

Praise to you, Lord Christ

*4 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.*

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

This reading is always from one of the four Gospels (Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John), which depict the life, teachings, death, resurrection, and ascension of our Lord Jesus Christ.

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

Sermon

The Rev. Robert Solon

The Nicene Creed (*standing as able*)

[BCP p. 358](#)

Prayers of the People

As announced

Intercessor: We also pray today for those who have requested our prayers:

We pray for Sue Ferguson, **Heather** Durdil, **Zach** Mitchell, **Mary** Solon, **Missi** Kowalski, **Jeanne** Burgess, **Anne** Parker, **Mike** Goebel, **Noreen** Hahn, **Michael** John Przyojski, **the Scarpelli and Wrobbel families**, **Sandy** Chance, and those others, whom we now name, aloud or in our hearts....

We pray for all who have died, especially those we call out now in our hearts or aloud....

We pray for a just ending to war throughout the world, and especially in Sudan, Gaza, and Ukraine.

We pray in thanksgiving for all your blessings that you have bestowed on us, and especially those we call out, aloud or in our hearts....

We pray for all the residents and visitors of these Lake Erie Islands, and those we call out now, in our hearts or aloud....

We pray for **all the members and guests of this parish**, for **Bob** our rector, and for our sister churches of **St Paul's Duluth**, **St. Paul's Elkins Park**, **Our Lady Star of the Sea Pelee Island**, **Mother of Sorrows Put-in-Bay**, **Zion Methodist Kelleys Island**, and **St. Michael's Kelleys Island**.

In the Diocese of Ohio, we pray for: **Anne** our Bishop, and in the **Southeast Mission Area**, for **St. Paul's Church, Steubenville**; **St. Stephen's Church, Steubenville**; **Christ Church, Warren**; and **St. John's Church, Youngstown**.

In our wider Church, we pray for **Sean**, our Presiding Bishop, and the **churchwide staff**. And in the Anglican Communion, we pray for: the election of the next Archbishop of Canterbury, and for the people and clergy of: **The Anglican Church of Japan**; the Diocese of Mishamikoweesh (Canada); the The Missionary District of the Province of Brazil; the Missionary District of Mississippi (The Episcopal Church [TEC]); the Diocese of Missouri (TEC); the Diocese of West Missouri (TEC); and the Diocese of Mityana (Uganda).

For whom else and what else shall we pray today?

¶*The Presider will add a concluding prayer.*

Confession of Sin and Absolution

[BCP p. 360](#)

The Greeting:

Presider:

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

¶*All may greet those close to them with a sign of peace. Short announcements may follow.*

Having listened to the Word of God, affirmed our faith, prayed for the Church and the world, confessed our sin, and shared in the peace, we are prepared for the sacrifice and miracle of the Holy Communion. At the offering, we gratefully offer back to God some of what God has given us, in the money we give, and symbolically in the bread and wine.

The Holy Communion

At the Offering

Instrumental

Please support the ministry of St. Paul's with your tithes and offerings.

To give online, Scan this QR code:



At the Presentation

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow

H-380, vs 3

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below
Praise him above, ye heav'nly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.*

In the Great Thanksgiving, we do what Jesus himself asked us to do: we thank God and recall all that God has done for us in the life, death, and resurrection of Christ. In this prayer, often called the Eucharistic Prayer, we recall God's acts of salvation history. The priest prays the Words of Institution over the bread and wine that Jesus said at the Last Supper. At the Memorial Acclamation we remember Christ's death, resurrection, and promise to return at the end of the age. During the prayer, the Holy Spirit is invoked to bless and sanctify the gifts of bread and wine, and we who will receive them.

The Great Thanksgiving:

Prayer B

[BCP p. 367](#)

The Song of the Angels

Holy Holy Holy

S-125

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

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The Lord's Prayer (*traditional*)

At The Breaking of the Bread

Presider Alleluia, Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People **Therefore let us keep the feast, Alleluia!**

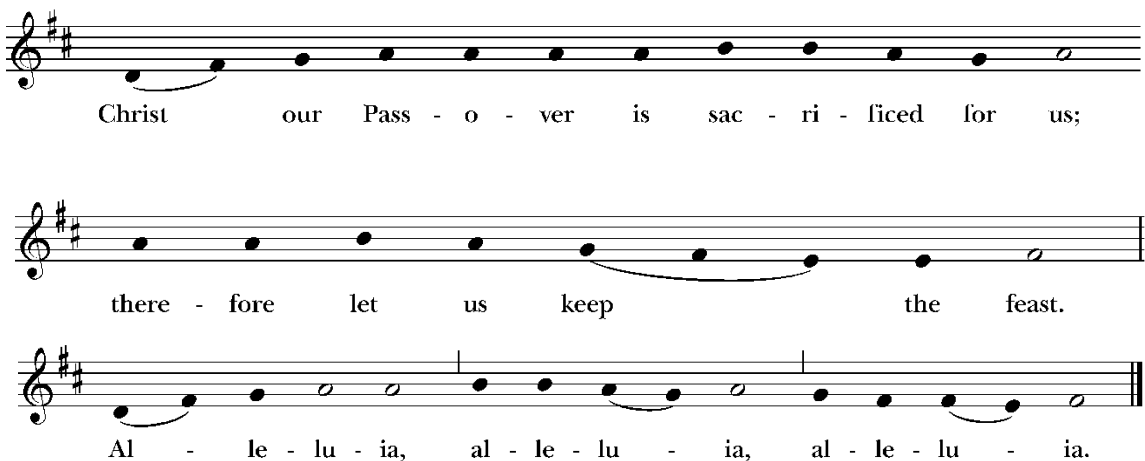
During the Preparation

Christ Our Passover

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This setting is not used in Lent.

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



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Distribution of Communion

¶ *All who are baptized and permitted to receive Communion in their own traditions are welcome at the Lord's Supper. Come up to the Altar Rail and stand or kneel. We have gluten-free hosts available; just ask the Presider. Receive the Bread or gluten-free Host in your hand, and either consume it and then drink from the Chalice, or dip the Bread or Host into the Chalice when it comes to you. If you wish to receive a blessing instead of Communion, please simply cross your hands over your chest.*

For those who cannot receive the Sacrament today,

you may wish to pray this prayer while Communion is being distributed:

In union, O Lord, with the faithful at every altar of your Church where the Holy Eucharist is now being celebrated, I desire to offer you praise and thanksgiving. I present to you my soul and body with the earnest wish that I may always be united to you. And since I cannot now receive you with my own faith community, I beseech you to come spiritually into my heart. Strengthen me with your grace, Lord Jesus, and let me never be separated from you. May I live in you, and you live in me, in this life and in the life to come. Amen.

Communion Hymn *Alleluia! Give thanks to the Risen Lord*

H-178

Refrain: Alleluia, Alleluia! Give thanks to the Risen Lord. Alleluia, Alleluia, Give praise to his Name.

1. *Jesus is Lord of all the earth.
He is the King of creation.*
2. *Spread the good news o'er all the earth:
Jesus has died and has risen.*
3. *We have been crucified with Christ.
Now we shall live forever.*
4. *Come, let us praise the living God,
Joyfully sing to our Savior.*

Prayer after Communion

[BCP pg. 366](#)

The Easter Blessing (After each section, reply **Amen!**)

Closing Hymn

Savior, Like a Shepherd

H-708

*1 Savior, like a shepherd lead us;
much we need thy tender care;
in thy pleasant pastures feed us;
for our use thy folds prepare.
Blessed Jesus! Blessed Jesus!
Thou hast bought us, thine we are.*

*2 Early let us seek thy favor,
early let us learn thy will;
do thou, Lord, our only Savior,
with thy love our bosoms fill.
Blessed Jesus! Blessed Jesus!
Thou hast loved us: love us still.*

Dismissal

All respond: **Thanks be to God, Alleluia, Alleluia!**



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News and Announcements

Help Deliver Summer Meals. St. Paul's has agreed to assist Family Advocacy Center of Port Clinton to deliver summer meals for island children this summer. There's a mandatory training session on Friday, May 16 at 11 AM. Contact Fr. Bob if you would like to assist in this ministry. Copies of the flyer are in the vestibule and the parish hall, and have been distributed to all students at the school. Please help spread the word!

St. Paul's is on YouTube! We are uploading all our Facebook live videos and are looking into how and if to livestream to both Facebook and Youtube at the same time. We will need at least 50 subscribers in order to livestream directly. Check us out here. <http://www.youtube.com/@StPaulsPut-in-Bay>

Celebration of New Ministry: Bishop Anne Jolly will be with us on Thursday, May 29, at 5 PM, the Feast of the Ascension of our Lord, to celebrate with us as we formally institute Fr. Bob as Rector of St. Paul's. There will be a light reception afterward. Please spread the word and mark your calendars for this very special event.





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[This Week \(May 11-18\):](#)

Worship and Formation

Sunday, May 11

9 AM: Christian Formation

10:30 AM: Holy Eucharist

Wednesday 6 PM: Prayer for the Nation and the World, with Holy Communion

Spring Office Hours: By appt. – call Fr Bob to arrange a time.

12-Step Groups, in the Parish Hall: Monday 8 AM – AA, Tuesday 7:30 PM – Al-Anon
Thursday 7 PM – AA; Saturday 9 PM – AA

Service Schedule:

	Sunday, May 11	Sunday, May 18
Musicians	Justin Case	Paula Hubner
Reader	Amy Huston	Bob White
Intercessor	Sarah Toole	Mary Ann Meyers
Chalicerist	Val Chornyak	Val Chornyak