

# ***St. Andrew's Episcopal Church***

*Centered in God, Focused on Others*



## ***FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER*** ***Sunday, April 21, 2024***

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### **Please note updated COVID-19 Guidelines:**

- Masks are optional.
- Seek designated area if you wish to remain masked and socially distanced.
- Hand sanitizer is available at the entrance to the church, and for use before and after Holy Communion.

# THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

## PROCESSIONAL HYMN *I come with joy to meet my Lord (Land of Rest) (H 304)*

1 I come with joy to meet my Lord, for -  
2 I come with Chris - tians far and near to  
3 As Christ breaks bread and bids us share, each  
4 And thus with joy we meet our Lord. His  
5 To - geth - er met, to - geth - er bound, we'll

1 giv - en, loved, and free, in awe and won - der  
2 find, as all are fed, the new com - mu - ni -  
3 proud di - vi - sion ends. That love that made us  
4 pres - ence, al - ways near, is in such friend - ship  
5 go our dif - ferent ways, and as his peo - ple

1 to re - call his life laid down for me.  
2 ty of love in Christ's com - mun - ion bread.  
3 makes us one, and stran - gers now are friends.  
4 bet - ter known: we see, and praise him here.  
5 in the world, we'll live and speak his praise.

## OPENING ACCLAMATION

*Celebrant:* Alleluia! Christ is risen.

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

## OPENING COLLECT

*Celebrant:* Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: 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.**

## HYMN *Christ Has Arisen (LEVAS 41)*

Christ has a - ris - en, Al - le - lu - ia. Re - joice and

1 praise Him, Al - le - lu - ia. For our Re - deem - er burst from the

tomb, E-ven from death dis - pel - ling its gloom. Let us sing praise to Him  
 with end - less joy. Death's fear - ful sting He has come to de - stroy, Our sin for -  
 giv - ing, Al - le - lu - ia. Je - sus is liv - ing, Al - le - lu - ia.

**THE COLLECT OF THE DAY**

*Celebrant:* The Lord be with you.

*People:* **And also with you.**

*Celebrant:* Let us pray.

**God, maker of marvels, you weave the planet and all its creatures together in kinship; your unifying love is revealed in the interdependence of relationships in the complex world that you have made. Save us from the illusion that humankind is separate and alone, and join us in communion with all inhabitants of the universe; through Jesus Christ, our Redeemer, who topples the dividing walls by the power of your Holy Spirit, and who lives and reigns with you, for ever and ever. Amen.**

**CHILDREN'S HOMILY**

*We invite all of the children to come forward.*

**THE LESSONS**

**FIRST READING:** Acts 4:5-12 A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

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."

*Reader*

The Word of the Lord.

*People*

**Thanks be to God.**

**PSALM: Psalm 23**

*The Lord my God my shepherd is (Crimond) (H 663) (sung in lieu of recited psalm)*

1 The Lord my God my shep - herd is; how  
2 To whole - ness he re - stores my soul and  
3 Yea, e - ven when I must pass through the  
4 Thou hast in grace my ta - ble spread se -  
5 Then sure - ly I can trust thy love for

1 could I want or need? In pas - tures green, by  
2 doth in mer - cy bless, and helps me take for  
3 val - ley of death's shade, I will not fear, for  
4 cure in all a - larms, and filled my cup, and  
5 all the days to come, that I may tell thy

1 streams se - rene, he safe - ly doth me lead.  
2 his Name's sake the paths of right - eous - ness.  
3 thou art here, to com - fort and to aid.  
4 borne me up in ev - er - last - ing arms.  
5 praise, and dwell for ev - er in thy home.

**SECOND READING: 1 John 3:16-24** A Reading from the First letter of John.

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.

*Reader*  
*People*

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

**GRADUAL HYMN** *Shepherd of souls, refresh and bless (St. Agnes) (H 343) (V 1-2)*

1 Shep - herd of souls, re - fresh and bless thy cho - sen  
2 We would not live by bread a - lone, but by thy  
pil - grim flock with man - na in the  
word of grace, in strength of which we  
wil - der - ness, with wa - ter from the rock.  
trav - el on to our a - bid - ing - place.

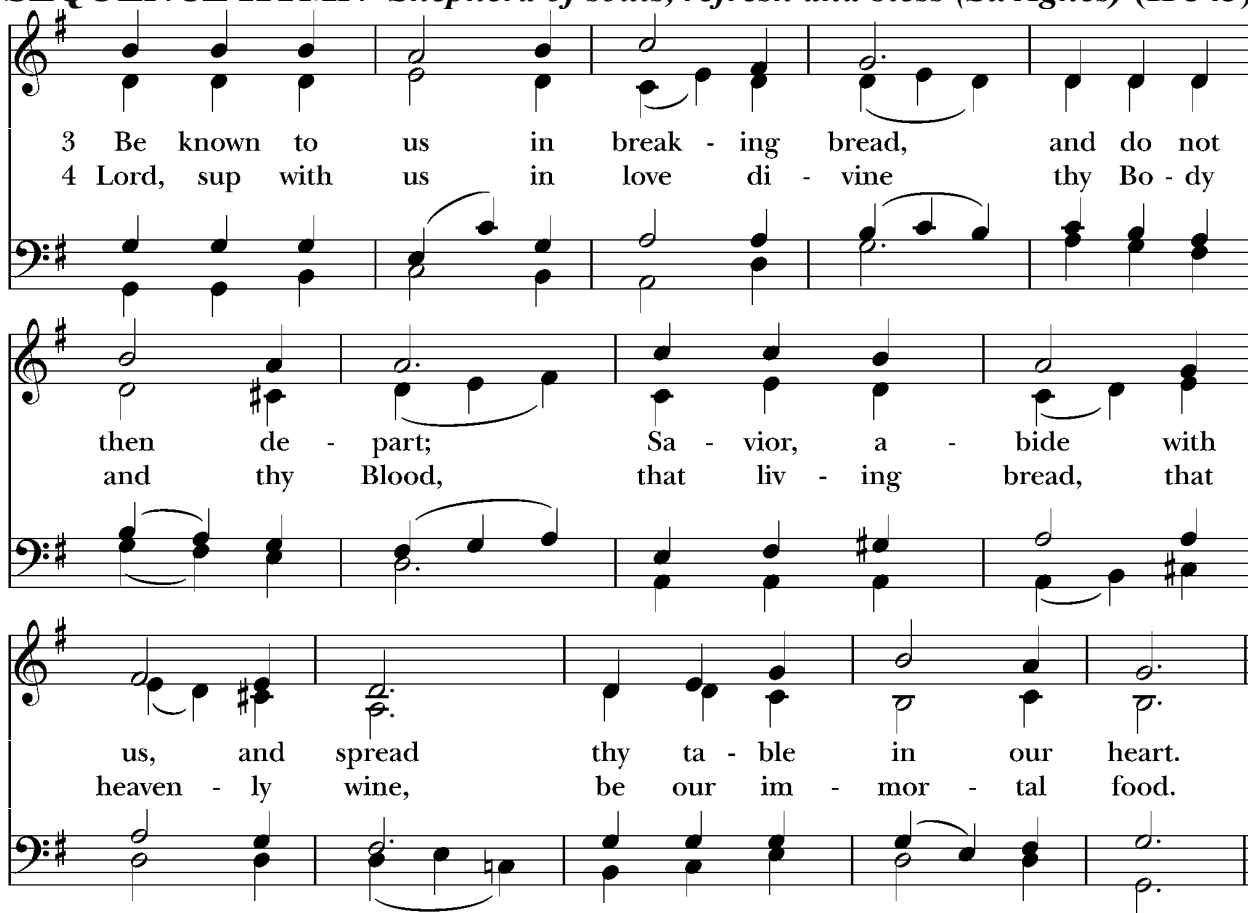
**GOSPEL: John 10:11-18**

*Celebrant* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John  
*People* **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.”

*Celebrant* The Gospel of the Lord  
*People* **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

**SEQUENCE HYMN** *Shepherd of souls, refresh and bless (St. Agnes) (H 343) (V 3-4)*



3 Be known to us in break - ing bread, and do not  
4 Lord, sup with us in love di - vine thy Bo - dy

then and de - part; Sa - vior, a - bide with  
and thy Blood, that liv - ing bread, that

us, and spread thy ta - ble in our heart.  
heaven - ly wine, be our im - mor - tal food.

**THE SERMON**

The Reverend Patricia Handloss

**THE NICENE CREED**

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. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He 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

Let us pray for the revealing of the reign of God in the world, now and always.

In the beginning,

*God was.*

Here and now,

*God is.*

In the future,

*God will be.*

Creator of earth, sea, and sky, kindle the fire of your Spirit within us that we may be bold to heal and defend the earth, and pour your blessing upon all who work for the good of the planet.

*Silence*

God, Giver of life,

*Hear our prayer.*

Breath of life, receive our thanks for the beauty of our local habitat and all who dwell in it, and grant us the wisdom and will to conserve it.

*Silence*

God, Giver of life,

*Hear our prayer.*

Source of life, heal and redeem the wounds of your creation, and visit the places and people who suffer from our indifference, neglect, and greed.

*Silence*

God, Giver of life,

*Hear our prayer.*

Lover of all you have made, we thank you for the wondrous diversity of your creatures, and we pray for their well-being.

*Silence*

God, Giver of life,

*Hear our prayer.*

Author of the book of nature, receive our gratitude for places of restoration and healing, and continue to bless those places that feed our lives and spirits.

*Silence*

God, Giver of life,

*Hear our prayer.*

Wise Creator, whose works are full of mystery, give us wonder and appreciation for your creatures with whom we find ourselves in conflict.

*Silence*

God, Giver of life,

*Hear our prayer.*

Giver of all good gifts, awaken us daily to our dependence upon your bounty, and make us always thankful for the abundance of your blessings.

*Silence*

God, Giver of life,

*Hear our prayer.*

Creator of all life, giver of all gifts, we ask you for guidance and patience as we seek our new Rector. Grant us the ability to hear your word and know your presence as we go about the business of choosing the Priest who will be our companion and leader in the future. Give us the Grace to see ourselves as we are and know the goodness of ourselves as we go through this process.

God, Giver of life,

*Hear our prayer.*

Divine Physician, heal our communities, especially those where neglect, greed, or violence inflict suffering upon people and other creatures.

*Silence*

God, Giver of life,

*Hear our prayer.*

Comforter of all the earth, sustain the people of this congregation who desire or need your presence and help.

*Silence*

God, Giver of life,

*Hear our prayer.*

Rock and refuge of all your creatures, receive into everlasting mercy all those who have died especially David Long.

*Silence*

God, Giver of life,

*Hear our prayer.*

***Celebrant:*** Eternal God, the light of all who know you, come and fill our hearts with your love. Help us speak when many keep silent, help us stand for what is right when many sit in indifference. Increase our faith and charity, rejoice in everlasting glory; through your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ. Amen. ***Amen.***

## **THE PEACE**

*Celebrant*  
*People*

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

**\*ANNOUNCEMENTS\***

## ***THE HOLY COMMUNION***

***OFFERTORY SENTENCE***

Walk in Love as Christ loved us and gave himself for us.



## OFFERTORY ANTHEM *Where He Leads Me* (LEVAS 144)



1. I can hear my Sav - ior call - ing, — I can hear my Sav - ior call - ing, —
2. I'll go with Him through the gar - den, — I'll go with Him through the gar - den, —
3. I'll go with Him through the judge - ment, — I'll go with Him through the judge - ment, —
4. He will give me grace and glo - ry, — He will give me grace and glo - ry, —



1. I can hear my Sav - ior call - ing, — "Take thy cross and fol - low, fol - low me."
2. I'll go with Him through the gar - den, — I'll go with Him, with Him all the way.
3. I'll go with Him through the judge - ment, — I'll go with Him, with Him all the way.
4. He will give me grace and glo - ry, — And go with me, with me all the way.



Where He leads me I will fol - low, — Where He leads me I will fol - low, —



Where He leads me I will fol - low, — I'll go with Him, with Him all the way.



## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Eucharistic Prayer C

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* ***And also with you.***

*Celebrant* Lift up your hearts.

*People* ***We lift them to the Lord.***

*Celebrant* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*People* ***It is right to offer thanks and praise.***

God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.

***Glory to you for ever and ever.***

At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.

*By your will they were created and have their being.*

From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.

*Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.*

We praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

## **SANCTUS**

*Holy, holy, holy (Proulx) (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.

And so, God, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, 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, gave thanks, 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.”

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,

*We celebrate his death and resurrection, as we await the day of his coming.*

Lord God of our Fathers and Mothers: God of Abraham and Sarah, Isaac and Rebecca, and Jacob and Leah; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength, for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

*Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.*

Accept these prayers and praises, Creator of All Life, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation. **AMEN.**

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

## **THE LORDS 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, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.**

## **THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD**

*Celebrant:* Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

*People:* **Therefore, let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

## **INVITATION**

*Celebrant:* The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on God in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

*All are welcome at God's table. If you wish a blessing only, please cross your arms over your chest.*

**COMMUNION:** The Body of Christ, the bread of heaven. [*Amen.*]  
The Blood of Christ, the cup of salvation. [*Amen.*]

## **POST-COMMUNION PRAYER**

Let us pray.

**Eternal God, heavenly Creator, 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.**

## **BLESSING**

May Christ be our new beginning, the hope and salvation of the world, and may the peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep our hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God and Jesus the Christ. The blessing of God, Creator, Redeemer and Sustainer be with you and remain with you always. **AMEN.**

**RECESSIONAL HYMN** *Savior, like a shepherd lead us (Sicilian Mariners) (H 708)*

1 Sa - vior, like a shep - herd lead us; much we need thy  
2 Ear - ly let us seek thy fa - vor, ear - ly let us

ten - der care; in thy plea - sant pas - tures feed us;  
learn thy will; do thou, Lord, our on - ly Sa - vior,

for our use thy folds pre - pare. Bless - ed Je - sus!  
with thy love our bos - oms fill. Bless - ed Je - sus!

Bless - ed Je - sus! Thou hast bought us, thine we are.  
Bless - ed Je - sus! Thou hast loved us: love us still.

The musical score consists of four systems, each with a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment line (bass clef). The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 4/4. The lyrics are printed below the vocal line of each system.

**DISMISSAL** *Celebrant: Alleluia! Alleluia! Let us go forth in the name of Christ.*  
*People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!*

## PRAYER LIST

David L (deceased) – Wesley – Sherry L -- Peter C - Dave N – CH - Joan & Keith Macleod – Hilarie Lennan – Pam F – Lee G. – Kristyn & Jesse – Gene and Maryann – Jackie – Sally Cotten – Kristen, Marc & Eleanor – Edgar, Gary, Glenn, and Gayle & Darrell and Kassandra & Corey – Don S – Steve K – Nancy – Heather – Teddy – Jackie H. – Michael Curry – John and Janet – Dwayne – Tracy Sprows – Sally W.- Cathey Gately - Barbara W .- Betsy S.- Barbara K. - JoAnn K. - Pam W. - Charlotte C. - Paul M. - Karen C. - Carolyn R. - Ashley E. - Sue G. - Meredith C. - Seth H. - Joann K. - Gerry M. - Paul Sheehan - Bonnie T. – Jerry - Bob S. - Nancy Huntley - Sally D. – Janice – Lisa – Alex – Bruce – Paul R. - Susan J. - Diane G. - Beth - Marilyn - Sara, Matthew & Trang

**Flowers on the altar this Sunday were provided in loving memory of Sophy Church Hansen and Frances Tilden Sampson for their birthday, April 25.**

**VESTRY MEETING:** Today, April 21, 2024, after service. All are welcome!

**CONFIRMATION PROGRAM** – Classes meet on Sundays after the 9:30 services.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL** meets during Sunday Service (Calendar on the parish website- no meeting 4/21/24).

## **DOCUMENTARY SCREENING OF “THE PHILADELPHIA ELEVEN”**

**In 1974, at a church in Philadelphia, a group of eleven women were ordained to the Episcopal priesthood. Their compelling and inspirational story is told in the new documentary “The Philadelphia Eleven.” The screening here at St. Andrew’s in the parish hall will take place Thursday, April 25, 2024 at 7 p.m.** We ask that you reserve a seat by (1) putting your name on the reservation sheet at St. Andrew’s before/after Sunday 9:30 a.m. services; (2) calling the office at 781-826-2062; or (3) using the reservation form at <https://www.standrewshanover.org>.

**HANOVER FOOD PANTRY:** St. Andrew’s collects items for the **Hanover Food Pantry**. Please drop off in the narthex. Our current needs are: canned chicken, tuna, mustard, dish washer detergent, liquid dish detergent, strawberry jelly, peanut butter, mayonnaise, salad dressing, canned peas

**“LOVE FROM OLIVIA”:** We are collecting donations of diapers and Similac formula from now until Mother’s Day, May 12, 2024 to fill care baskets for the babies in shelter at the Baymont Hotel and the Pilgrim’s Hope shelter in Kingston (under the care of the Plymouth Area Coalition for the Homeless). Needed: **Diapers (sizes 4,5 and 6); Similac formula (blue) powdered**. Please leave donations on stage in the Parish Hall. See Sherry Long with any questions.

**Mother’s Day Walk for Peace on May 12.** Dianne and Paul Nicol have created a St Andrew’s Episcopal Church, Hanover - 28th Annual Mother's Day Walk for Peace TEAM. See <https://www.mothersdaywalk4peace.org/StAndrews> to JOIN the TEAM as a WALKER and/or to donate in support of the walkers. See parish website for detailed information.

**Election of Bishop:** Registration for the Special Convention to Elect our 17th Bishop Diocesan for the Episcopal Diocese of Massachusetts, to take place Saturday, May 18, 2024, at Trinity Church in Boston, is **OPEN!** Register now at <https://cvent.me/2WEVy5>. This convention is open to all in the diocesan community, however only voting members and those with assigned credentials will have center floor seating. For more information: <https://www.diomass.org/electing-convention-2024>

**OFFICE HOURS:** For month of APRIL, the office will be OPEN every Wednesday, 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.; every Thursday noon to 6:00 p.m. and alternating Tuesdays and Fridays, 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. as follows: Tuesday, APRIL 9 & 23; Friday, APRIL 5 & 19





*Bountiful God, you call us to labor with you in tending the earth:  
Where we lack love, open our hearts to the world;  
where we waste, give us discipline to conserve;  
where we neglect, awaken our minds and wills to insight and care.*

*May we with all your creatures honor and serve you in all things,  
for you live and reign with Christ, Redeemer of all,  
and with your Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.*