

**Saint Andrew Presbyterian Church**

**Sanctuary**

April 21, 2024

10 AM

**Fourth Sunday of Easter**

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“My sheep hear my voice, says the Lord. I know them, and they follow me.”

*John 10: 27*

**GATHERING MUSIC**

Dr. Bill Holda

**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**GATHERING AROUND THE WORD**

**PRELUDE**

“You Are Near”

DAN SCHUTTE

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

We come to God, our holy shepherd,  
**as we come to a green meadow.**

God prepares a place for us,  
**and we give glory in God’s presence.**

How excellent is this dwelling place  
under the eyes of God’s care.

**We turn to God in joy. Our good shepherd provides for all our needs.**

Shall we worship God?

**Let us worship God together in one spirit, seeking one truth.**

**\*HYMN – No. 396**

**“Brethren, We Have Met to Worship”**

HOLY MANNA

**\*CALL TO AND PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

**God of all power, in our weakness we have fallen short,  
and failed to be the disciples and Christians we profess to be.**

**Yet you called from death our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep.**

**Forgive us for not hearing your call, as we listen to our own desires and  
travel the safe paths in our life, enjoying the fine foods among our own.**

**Send us as shepherds to rescue the lost, to heal the injured,  
and to feed one another with knowledge and understanding;**

**Forgive us Lord, for our lack of courage, conviction, and clarity.**

**So we pray through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord**

*(A time for silent prayers.)*

### **\*ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

The mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting.

I declare to you, in the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

**We declare to you also, in the same mercy of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.**

May the God of mercy, who forgives all of our sins,  
strengthen us in all goodness,

**and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep us in eternal life. Amen.**

### **\*HYMN 581**

**“Glory be to the Father”**

GLORIA PATRI

### **\*SHARING IN THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

Since God has forgiven us in Christ, let us forgive one another.

The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

**And also with you.**

*(Please exchange, by words and gesture, signs of peace and reconciliation.)*

## **ENGAGING WITH THE WORD**

### **PRAYERS OF AND FOR ALL THE PEOPLE AND FOR THE CREATION**

#### **PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

reader, Alan Peters

God our helper, by your Holy Spirit, open our minds,  
that as the Scriptures are read and your Word is proclaimed,  
we may be led into your truth and taught your will,  
for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

### **SCRIPTURE TEXTS**

#### **Hebrew Lesson – Psalm 23**

The Lord bless the reading of these words.

**The Lord bless the hearing of these words.**

#### **Epistle Lesson – I Thessalonians 1: 1-10**

Holy wisdom, holy words.

**Thanks be to God.**

#### **HYMN – No. 802**

**“The King of Love My Shepherd Is”**

ST. COLUMBIA

#### **Gospel Lesson – Mark 13: 9-11**

Now God has spoken to us through Jesus Christ the Son.

**Thanks be to you O Christ; Thanks be to God.**

**New Testament Lesson – Acts 17:1-15**

Holy wisdom, holy word.

**Thanks be to God.**

**SERMON**

**“The Same Church, the Same Gospel,  
In Word, Power, and Conviction!”**

Rev. David F. Judd

**RESPONSE TO THE WORD**

**ASCRPTION OF PRAISE**

**INVITATION TO BECOME THE CHURCH**

**\* LITANY FOR EASTER**

O Christ, after your resurrection you appeared to your disciples;  
you breathed on them, that they might receive the Holy Spirit.

**You gave joy and exultation to the whole creation.**

**Through your victory, we pray to you:**

Hear us, Lord of glory.

**O Christ, after your resurrection you sent out your disciples  
to teach all nations and to baptize them in the name of the Father  
and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit;**

you promised to be with them and us until the end of the world.

**Through your victory, we pray to you: Hear us, Lord of glory.**

O Christ, through your resurrection you lifted us up, and filled us with rejoicing.

Through your salvation you enrich us with your gifts.

**Renew our lives and fill our hearts with joy. Through your victory,  
we pray to you: Hear us, Lord of glory.**

O Christ, you are glorified by angels in heaven, and worshiped on earth.

**On the glorious feast of your resurrection, we pray to you:**

**Hear us, Lord of glory.**

Save us, O Christ our Lord, in your goodness, extend your mercy  
to your people who await the resurrection, and have mercy on us.

**Hear us, Lord of glory.**

O merciful God, you raised your beloved Son, and in your love  
you established him as head of your church, and ruler of the universe.

**By your goodness we pray: Hear us, Lord of glory.**

*(After a brief silence, the leader concludes the litany)*

O God, you gave your only Son to suffer death on the cross for our redemption,  
and by his glorious resurrection you delivered us from the power of death.  
Grant us so to die daily to sin, that we may evermore live with him  
in the joy of his resurrection; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives,  
And the One who reigns with you O God, and the Holy Spirit.  
**One God, now and forever. Amen.**

## **GIVE THANKS UNTO THE LORD**

### **CALL FOR OFFERING TO GOD**

### **PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING**

**\*HYMN – No. 609**

**“Doxology”**

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

### **\*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 debts, as we forgive our debtors;  
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom,  
and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

## **GOING FORTH TO LIVE THE WORD**

**\*HYMN – No. 280**

**“Come, O Spirit, Dwell Among Us”**

EBENEZER

### **\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

**\*POSTLUDE**

**“Hyfrydol”**

HYFRYDOL

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**Welcome friends!** May the welcome you feel here be worthy of the gracious God we serve. In this service, an asterisk (\*) invites you to stand as health allows. Material printed in **bold** is for the congregation to sing or say. Let us worship God!

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## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Wednesday Night Live** meal is served at 6 pm. Please call or email the church office by noon on Tuesday so we can have a meal for you. Let us know if you would like it packaged to go. The cost is \$10 for adults, with reduced prices for children. The menu for the coming week is Salad Trio: pasta, chicken and tuna, sides, salad, dessert, and drink.

The **Session** approved participating with CUMC to ask our congregation to gather items for weekend snack bags to give to the unsheltered clients of **One Love Longview**. The greatest needs now are fruit cups and individual bags of peanuts and pumpkin seeds.

### **The Discernment Process - Invitation**

The session invites you to join them for an informal gathering to listen or share thoughts, ideas, and questions. After each Sunday worship service, we'll have a 45-minute discussion on the book **Sailboat Church** by Joan S. Gray. We will meet for five weeks to review the book, ending May 12. If you need a book, let the church office know. Pastor David will guide us as we seek to Rethink our Mission and Practice at St. Andrew Presbyterian Church. Call Pastor David with questions.

**A discernment prayer group will meet at 9:30 on Sundays**, praying for the future direction of the church, as well as other prayer needs.

The **East Texas Literacy Council** is providing "Fast Start" Tutor Training for those who want to make a difference in the lives of our adult learners. If you are interested in helping adult learners, we would like you to attend our next training session. The "**Fast Start**" Tutor Training will be held on **Saturday, April 27, from 8:30 am-1:00 pm** at 320 E. Methvin in the basement of the Longview News-Journal. Please call 903 757-9302 for further information and to reserve your spot for this training.

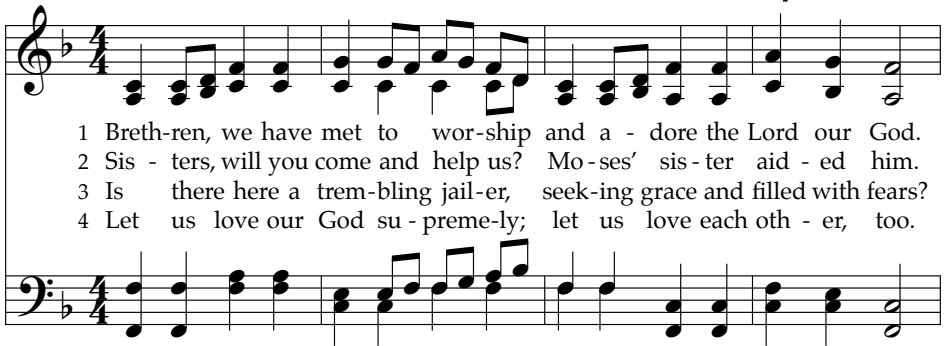
**Your eclipse glasses can help others view safely!** Please drop off eclipse glasses in the Narthex by 15 May, when Katy Manck will mail them to Eclipse23.com, which will safety-test & distribute glasses to school groups, including those in Latin America where an annular eclipse will be visible this fall.

**Women's Bible Study** will meet on Tuesday, April 23, at 10:30 in the Fellowship Hall.

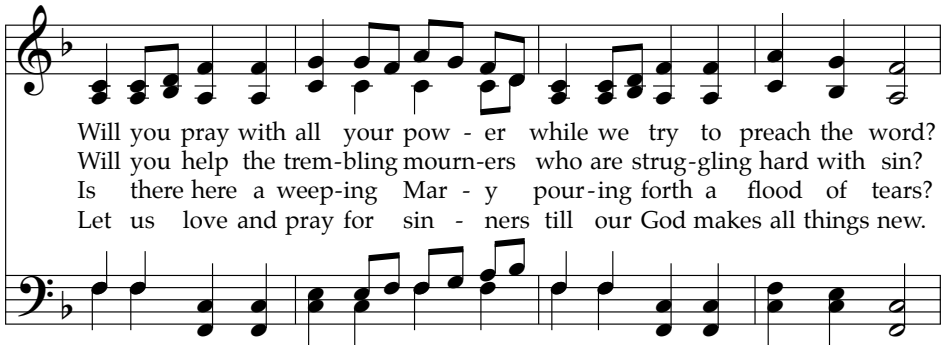
St. Andrew needs **volunteers to serve breakfast at Newgate Mission** on Saturday, May 25<sup>th</sup>. Call Steve Crane at 903-452-2925 for more information.

**Grace Presbytery meeting** will be held in **Denton on May 4th** at St. Andrew Presbyterian Church.

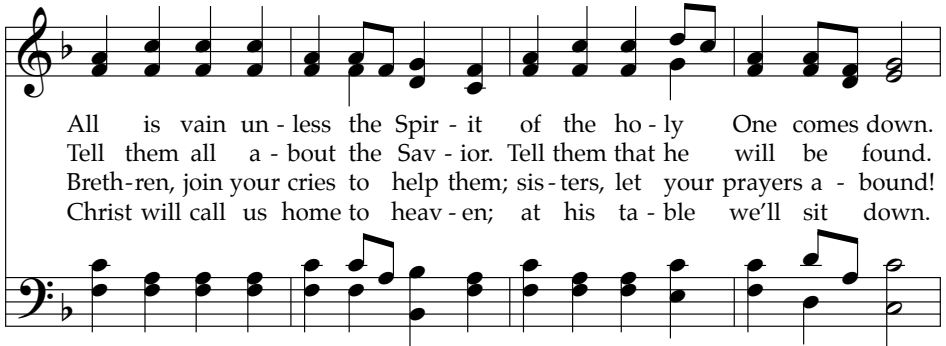
## Brethren, We Have Met to Worship 396



1 Breth-ren, we have met to wor-ship and a - dore the Lord our God.  
 2 Sis - ters, will you come and help us? Mo-ses' sis-ter aid - ed him.  
 3 Is there here a trem-bling jail-er, seek-ing grace and filled with fears?  
 4 Let us love our God su-preme-ly; let us love each oth - er, too.



Will you pray with all your pow - er while we try to preach the word?  
 Will you help the trem-bling mourn-ers who are strug-gling hard with sin?  
 Is there here a weep-ing Mar - y pour-ing forth a flood of tears?  
 Let us love and pray for sin - ners till our God makes all things new.



All is vain un - less the Spir - it of the ho - ly One comes down.  
 Tell them all a - bout the Sav - ior. Tell them that he will be found.  
 Breth-ren, join your cries to help them; sis-ters, let your prayers a - bound!  
 Christ will call us home to heav - en; at his ta - ble we'll sit down.



Breth - ren, pray, and ho - ly man-na will be show-ered all a-round.  
 Sis - ters, pray, and ho - ly man-na will be show-ered all a-round.  
 Pray, O pray, that ho - ly man-na will be scat-tered all a-round.  
 Christ will gird him-self and serve us with sweet man-na all a-round.

This hymn comes out of the early 19th-century southern camp meeting experience, where believers were invited to pray for new converts, often likened to biblical characters such as Paul's jailer (Philippians 1:12-13). As its name shows, the five-note tune was created for this text.

## Glory Be to the Father

581

Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther, and to the

The first system of the musical score is in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of a treble and bass staff. The melody in the treble staff begins with a half note G4, followed by quarter notes A4, B4, and C5, then a half note B4, and finally a half note G4. The bass staff provides a harmonic accompaniment with chords: G2-B2-D3, A2-B2-C3, B2-A2-G2, and F2-A2-C3.

Son, and to the Ho - ly Ghost; as it was in the be -

The second system continues the melody. The treble staff has half notes G4, A4, and B4, followed by a half note G4. The bass staff has chords: G2-B2-D3, A2-B2-C3, B2-A2-G2, and F2-A2-C3.

gin - ning, is now, and ev - er shall be,

The third system continues the melody. The treble staff has half notes G4, A4, and B4, followed by a half note G4. The bass staff has chords: G2-B2-D3, A2-B2-C3, B2-A2-G2, and F2-A2-C3.

world with - out end. A - men, a - men.

The fourth system concludes the piece. The treble staff has half notes G4, A4, and B4, followed by a half note G4. The bass staff has chords: G2-B2-D3, A2-B2-C3, B2-A2-G2, and F2-A2-C3. The piece ends with a double bar line.

## 802 The King of Love My Shepherd Is

(Psalm 23)

1 The King of love my shep-herd is, whose good - ness  
 2 Where streams of liv - ing wa - ter flow my ran - somed  
 3 Per - verse and fool - ish oft I strayed, but yet in  
 4 In death's dark vale I fear no ill with thee, dear

fail - eth nev - er; I noth - ing lack if  
 soul he lead - eth, and where the ver - dant  
 love he sought me, and on his shoul - der  
 Lord, be - side me; thy rod and staff my

I am his and he is mine for - ev - er.  
 pas - tures grow, with food ce - les - tial feed - eth.  
 gent - ly laid, and home, re - joic - ing, brought me.  
 com - fort still, thy cross be - fore to guide me.

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

6 And so through all the length of days  
 thy goodness faileth never;  
 Good Shepherd, may I sing thy praise  
 within thy house forever.

Since its creation in the mid-19th century, this text has been one of the favorite paraphrases of Psalm 23 in the English-speaking world. That popularity increased in the early 20th century when *The English Hymnal*, 1906, first joined these words to this flowing Irish melody.

## 609

# Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

D A D

Praise God, from whom all bless-ings flow. Praise God, all crea-tures

Bm A D G D Bm E A D

high and low. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Praise

D

God, in Je - sus ful - ly known: Cre - a - tor, Word, and Spir - it

G A D Em A Bm

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

Em D G A Em G A D

lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

## 280 Come, O Spirit, Dwell Among Us

1 Come, O Spir - it, dwell a - mong us; come with  
 2 We would raise our al - le - lu - ias for the  
 3 Come, O Spir - it, dwell a - mong us; give us

Pen - te - cos - tal power; give the church a  
 grace of yes - ter - years; for to - mor - row's  
 words of fire and flame. Help our fee - ble

strong - er vi - sion; help us face each cru - cial hour.  
 un - known path - way, hear, O Lord, our hum - ble prayers.  
 lips to praise you, glo - ri - fy your ho - ly name.

Built up - on a firm foun - da - tion, Je - sus Christ, the  
 In the church -'s pil - grim jour - ney you have led us  
 Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Spir - it, Three in One: what

This 20th-century text was written by a Presbyterian layperson and poet, who in her later years became interested in writing hymns for the seasons of the church year and prepared a collection of them for her congregation. It pairs effectively with this sturdy Welsh tune.

# GIFT OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

Cor - ner - stone, still the church is called to  
all the way; still in pres - ence move be -  
mys - ter - y! We would sing our loud ho -

mis - sion that God's love shall be made known.  
fore us, fire by night and cloud by day.  
san - nas now and through e - ter - ni - ty.