



## Welcome to St. George's Morning Prayer Service!

Please introduce yourself as you arrive and feel free to chat with others. Once the service starts, we will mute your microphone so everyone can hear the service.

If you would like us to pray for you or someone else by name, please send us a prayer request via the chat box marked: Prayers-

There will be welcome and a brief introduction at 10:27am. Then there will be a prelude to begin our service at 10:30.



# THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER: AN ONLINE SERVICE OF MORNING PRAYER

Sunday May 3, 2020  
10:30am

**Prelude: BWV 633**  
**Liebster Jesu, wir sind hier**  
J.S. Bach (1685-1750)  
*(Dearest Jesus, we are here)*

Played by  
Helmut Walcha (1907-1991)





# Opening Responsories

*Officiant:* I am the good shepherd, says the Lord: I know my own and my own know me. John 10:14

*Officiant:* Alleluia! Christ is risen

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

*Officiant:* May his grace and peace be with you.

*People :* **May he fill our hearts with joy.**

*All:* **Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.**

*Officiant:* Almighty God

*People:* to you all hearts are open  
all desires known  
and from you no secrets are hidden.  
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

**The Gloria:                      St. George's Church**



*Collect for the Fourth Sunday of Easter:*

*Officiant:* O God of peace, who brought again from the dead  
our Lord Jesus Christ, that great shepherd of the sheep,  
by the blood of the eternal covenant,  
make us perfect in every good work to do your will,  
and work in us that which is well-pleasing in your sight;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

***All:***        **Amen.**



# The Readings

Psalm 23

*Said responsively*

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**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.**

**Glory to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit, as it  
was in the beginning, is now and will be for ever. Amen.**

## New Testament Reading

*(Read in French)*

Reader: A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles

(Those who welcomed Peter's message and were baptised) devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers. Awe came upon everyone, because many wonders and signs were being done by the apostles. All who believed were together and had all things in common; they would sell their possessions and goods and distribute the proceeds to all, as any had need. Day by day, as they spent much time together in the temple, they broke bread at home and ate their food with glad and generous hearts, praising God and having the goodwill of all the people. And day by day the Lord added to their number those who were being saved.

*Acts 2:42-47*

*Reader:* Parole du Seigneur.

***People:* Nous rendons grâce à Dieu.**

*A moment of silence is observed*



## **HYMN 444**

**Thy Hand, O God, Has Guided**

## A Reading from the Gospel of John (John 10.1-10)

Jesus said, "Very truly, I tell you, anyone who does not enter the sheepfold by the gate but climbs in by another way is a thief and a bandit. The one who enters by the gate is the shepherd of the sheep. The gatekeeper opens the gate for him, and the sheep hear his voice. He calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. When he has brought out all his own, he goes ahead of them, and the sheep follow him because they know his voice. They will not follow a stranger, but they will run from him because they do not know the voice of strangers." Jesus used this figure of speech with them, but they did not understand what he was saying to them.

So again Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, I am the gate for the sheep. All who came before me are thieves and bandits; but the sheep did not listen to them. I am the gate. Whoever enters by me will be saved, and will come in and go out and find pasture. The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly."

*Reader:* The Word of the Lord.

***People:* Thanks be to God.**





*A short time of silence is observed to ponder the readings and psalms.*

Homily

The Rev. Karen Egan



# Affirmation of Faith

## The Apostles' Creed

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I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.

**Amen.**



## **HYMN 508**

I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say



# The Prayers of the People

*Leader:* As we are gathered together, confident of the presence of our Good Shepherd, let us pray.

*Prayers for the church are offered*

We pray for all who shepherd others as bishops and pastors, and for all in their care.

We pray for Christians living under the threat of persecution, and all who worship bravely under threat.

We pray in the spirit of great affection towards your whole church, one for another gathered with us, and for all in the community.

Lord, our Shepherd:

**All: Guide us and protect us.**

*Leader:* As we gather together in unity, one flock, one human family, let us pray.

*Prayers for the world are offered*

We pray for all in positions of leadership and authority in our world, that they may use the power given to them for the benefit of all, rich and poor alike.

Lord, our Shepherd:

**All: Guide us and protect us.**

*Leader:* As we are gathered together we are aware of the many among us who are in need of healing and wholeness. Let us pray for the sick and suffering.

*The names of the sick and suffering are offered*

I invite your prayers and petitions, spoken aloud or offered in silence.

*Please offer your prayers, as the Spirit moves you*

*Leader:* We pray for all those who are wandering, lost and aimless, those who have not known our Good Shepherd; and for all those who are unaware of their value and worth. Lead us to them, so that we may invite them in to this flock, and find them a home.  
Lord, our Shepherd:

***All:* Guide us and protect us.**

*Leader:* As we gather together, confident in God's promise of life everlasting, let us pray for those who have died..

*The names of those who have died are offered*

Rest eternal grant unto them, O Lord.

***All:* And let light perpetual shine upon them.**

*Leader:* May they rest in peace and rise in Christ's glory. Bless and comfort their loved ones and grant us all peace at the last.  
Lord, our Shepherd:

**All: Guide us and protect us.**

*Leader:* Holy God, your blessed Son Jesus Christ  
went about doing good, and healing  
all manner of sickness and disease among the people.  
We pray that you would continue his gracious work among us:  
cheer, heal, and sanctify the sick;  
grant to the physicians, surgeons, and nurses  
wisdom and skill, sympathy and patience;  
and send down your blessing upon all who work to prevent suffering,  
especially those who have been tending to the homeless in our city,  
and we look to you always to forward your purposes of love;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**All: Amen.**



# The Lord's Prayer

*Officiant:* As our Saviour Christ has taught us, let us pray:

**All:** 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.



# Blessing

*Officiant:* May Christ, who out of defeat brings new hope and a new future, fill you with his new life; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be with you now and remain with you always.

**Amen.**

*Dismissal*

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia! Alleluia!

**All: Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!**



# Announcements

- For information email or call the church office  
([office@st-georges.org](mailto:office@st-georges.org)) or 514-866-7113
- Mid-week Online Worship Wednesday @12:15pm  
Bible study on same link immediately follows.
- Virtual coffee hours:  
Tuesday from 4-5pm  
Friday from 7-8pm (all are welcome)

Look for more info on your church email and on our Facebook page

If you want, but do not receive a weekly church email, update your contact information using the email [office@st-georges.org](mailto:office@st-georges.org)



# Postlude

## Epigram 7 (from a set of 9)

## Zoltán Kodály (1882-1967)

Played by *Philip Crozier*

Organ of Altenberg Cathedral, Germany

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