# **St. Matthew’s Episcopal Church**

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**Sunday, April 21st, 2024**

**The Fourth Sunday of Easter**

**Communion in the Absence of a Priest**

**Worship at 10:15 am**

Prelude

**Processional Hymnal #577**

**“God is Love and Where True Love Is”**

**The Ministry of the Word**

Opening Acclamation

*Minister of the Word:* Grace and peace. In the name of Christ.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**Glory to God in the Highest Hymnal #S-280**

Collect of the Day BCP pg. 225

## First Lesson *(sit)* Acts 4:5-12

## Psalm 23 BCP pg. 612

## Second Lesson 1 John 3:16-24

**Sequence Hymn** (*stand)* **Hymnal #645 vs 1, 2**

**“The King of Love My Shepherd Is”**

Gospel John 10:11-18

**Sequence Hymn** (*stand)* **Hymnal #645 vs 3, 4**

**“The King of Love My Shepherd Is”**

Proclamation(*sit*)

Nicene Creed BCP pg. 358

Prayers of the People Form IV BCP pg. 388

Confession

**Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; in your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone; and so uphold us by your Spirit that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

The Peace (*stand*) BCP pg. 360

Announcements

Offertory

**Doxology Hymnal #380 v.3**

**The Ministry of the Table**

*Minister of the Table:* God be with you.

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

*Minister of the Table:* Let us pray.

The Lord’s Prayer BCP pg. 364

**Holy, Holy, Holy Hymnal #S-129**

The Prayer of Humble Access

**Most merciful Lord, your love compels us to come to your table. Our hands were unclean, our hearts were unprepared. We were not fit even to eat the crumbs from under your table. But you, Lord, are the God of our salvation and share your bread with sinners. Cleanse and feed us with the precious body and blood of your Son, so that he may live in us and we in him; and that we, with the whole company of Christ, may sit and eat in your kingdom. Amen.**

Communion

**Post Communion Hymn Hymnal #304**

**“I Come With Joy to Meet My Lord”**

Post Communion Prayer

**Loving God, we give you thanks for restoring us in your image and nourishing us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of Christ Body. Now send us forth a people, forgiven, healed, renewed; that we may proclaim your love to the world and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. *Amen***

*Minister of Reserved Sacrament:* Let us bless the Lord

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

May the God of hope fill us all with joy and peace in believing through the power of the Holy Spirit, **Amen.**

**Recessional Hymnal #518**

**“Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation”**

Dismissal

Postlude

**Ministers this Service**

**Minister of the Word:** Mary Anne McCloud, Maggie Snow

**Lector:** Jeremy Kitto

**Ushers:** Rick Glover, Mary Werner

**Counters:** Mary Upton, Fred Schroeder

**Organist:** Chris Teichler

**Videographer:** Ben Teichler

**Altar Guild:** *Twila Lockaby, Scott McCloud, Ruth Cooper, Maggie Snow*

***Altar Flowers: Steve and Darla Stonehouse***

***“For blessings received”***

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**Prayer List**

Conner Ekerberg

Jordan Orr

Ryan Bernard

Nyla

Jim

Shayne

Steve

Donna

Larry

**Calendar**

TODAY

 Capital Campaign Mtg

Wednesday

Evening Prayer 6:30 p.m.

EFM, 7 p.m.

Thursday

Diocesan Book Study, 7 p.m., Zoom Meet

Friday

A.A. meeting, lounge 6:30 p.m.

Sat, Apr 27

 Parish Council Mtg, 10 a.m.

Sun, Apr 28

 PEF Mtg after service