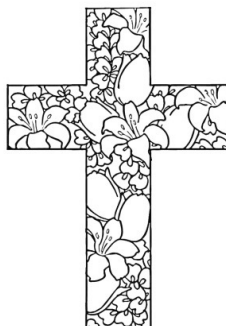


Good Shepherd Episcopal Church
Belmont, California



Fifth Sunday of Easter
Good Shepherd Sunday (Transferred)

May 3, 2026
10:00 am

Visitation of the Rt. Rev. Austin K. Rios
Bishop of the Diocese of California
and
Celebration of the 150th Anniversary
of Good Shepherd Episcopal Church

Prelude *Leslie Schipa (Mezzo-soprano) and Daniel Avedikian (Pianist)*

Antonín Dvořák, I will sing new songs of gladness (Ten Biblical Songs, Op. 99, B. 185, No. 5)

Welcome *The Rev. Stephanie Green, Priest-in-Charge*

Gathering Hymn *O Praise ye the Lord!* *Hymnal 432*

Opening Acclamation

Presider Alleluia! Christ is risen!
People **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

Gloria *All glory be to God on high* *Hymnal 421*

The Collect of the Day

Bishop The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Bishop Let us pray.

Bishop
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.**

The Lessons *Please be seated for the readings.*

The First Reading

Acts 2:42-47

Reader A reading from the Book of Acts.

Those who had been baptized 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.

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

The Psalm

Psalm 23, King James Version

- 1 The LORD is my shepherd; *
I shall not want.
- 2 He maketh me to lie down in green pastures *
and leadeth me beside the still waters.
- 3 He restoreth my soul; *
he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his Name's sake.
- 4 Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,
I shall fear no evil; *
for thou art with me;
thy rod and thy staff, they comfort me.
- 5 Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies; *
thou anointest my head with oil;
my cup runneth over.
- 6 Surely 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

1 Peter 2:19-25

Reader: A reading from the First Letter of Peter.

It is a credit to you if, being aware of God, you endure pain while suffering unjustly. If you endure when you are beaten for doing wrong, what credit is that? But if you endure when you do right and suffer for it, you have God's approval. For to this you have been called, because Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example, so that you should follow in his steps.

“He committed no sin,
and no deceit was found in his mouth.”

When he was abused, he did not return abuse; when he suffered, he did not threaten; but he entrusted himself to the one who judges justly. He himself bore our sins in his body on the cross, so that, free from sins, we might live for righteousness; by his wounds you have been healed. For you were going astray like sheep, but now you have returned to the shepherd and guardian of your souls.

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

Gospel Alleluia *Following the Cantor, all sing twice before the Gospel and once after the Gospel.*

CELTIC ALLELUIA

Celtic Mass
Fintan O'Carroll and Christopher Walker

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

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The Gospel

John 10:1-10

Archdeacon The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to John.
People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

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."

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

Homily

The Rt. Rev. Austin K. Rios

Musical Meditation

Leslie Schipa (Mezzo-soprano) and Daniel Avedikian (Pianist)

Antonín Dvořák, God, the LORD, My Shepherd Is (Ten Biblical Songs, Op. 99, B. 185, No. 4)

The Nicene Creed

Bishop Let us affirm our faith in the words of 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.**

Thanksgivings and Dedications for the 150th Anniversary of Good Shepherd Episcopal Church, Belmont

The Bishop, Archdeacon, and Priest-in-Charge process to the threshold of the church where they are met by the Junior Warden and Senior Warden. Standing at the door of the church, the Bishop says

Let the doors be opened.

The doors are opened by the Wardens.

With the pastoral staff the Bishop marks the threshold with the sign of the cross saying

Peace be to this house, and to all who enter here: + In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

The Bishop, Archdeacon, Priest-in-Charge, and Senior Warden process to the font. The congregation standing, the Bishop begins the Prayers of Dedicatory Thanksgiving for the Church

Bishop Our help is in the Name of the Lord;
People **The maker of heaven and earth.**
Bishop Let us pray.

Everliving Father, watchful and caring, our source and our end: All that we are and all that we have is yours. Accept us now, as we rededicate this place to which we come to praise your Name, to ask your forgiveness, to know your healing power, to hear your Word, and to be nourished by the Body and Blood of your Son. Be present always to guide and judge, to illumine and to bless your people.

The Senior Warden continues

Lord Jesus Christ, continue to make this a temple of your presence and a house of prayer. Be always near us when we seek you in this place. Draw us to you, when we come alone and when we come with others, to find comfort and wisdom, to be supported and strengthened, to rejoice and give thanks. May it be here, Lord Christ, that we are made one with you and with one another, so that our lives are sustained and sanctified for your service.

The Priest-in-Charge continues

Holy Spirit, open our eyes, our ears, and our hearts, that we may grow closer to you through joy and through suffering. Be with us in the fullness of your power as new members are added to your household, as we grow in grace through the years, when we are joined in marriage, when we turn to you in sickness or special need, and, at the last, when we are committed into the Father's hands.

The Bishop concludes

Now, O Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, continue to sanctify this place;
People **For everything in heaven and on earth is yours.**
Bishop Yours, O Lord, is the kingdom;
People **And you are exalted as head over all. Amen.**

The Bishop lays a hand upon the font, and says,

Father, we thank you that through the waters of Baptism we die to sin and are made new in Christ. Grant through your Spirit that those baptized here may enjoy the liberty and splendor of the children of God.

V. There is one Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;
R. **One God and Father of all.**

We recommit this Font, for new life in Christ and the ministry of all the baptized, in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

The Bishop, Archdeacon, and Priest-in-Charge process to the Chair Circle where they are met by the Ministers of Buildings and Grounds:

Antiphon (Minister of Buildings and Grounds)

Solomon beautified the sanctuary, and multiplied the vessels of the temple.

V. Oh, the majesty and magnificence of God's presence!
R. **Oh, the power and the splendor of his sanctuary!**

Bishop Let us pray. *(Silence)*

O God, whose blessed Son has sanctified and transfigured the use of material things: Receive and bless again the whole of our Good Shepherd campus which we offer: sanctuaries, halls for gathering, kitchens, classrooms, offices, and playgrounds; and grant that they may proclaim your love, benefit your Church and the communities of which your Church is a part, and minister grace and joy to those who use them; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Bishop, Archdeacon, and Priest-in-Charge process to the organ where they are met by the Ministers of Music.

Minister of Music:

Father, your people worship you with many voices and sounds, in times of joy and sorrow. Move us to express the wonder, the power, and the glory of your creation in the music we make and in the songs we sing.

Antiphon (Minister of Music)

They sing to the tambourine and the lyre, and rejoice to the sound of the pipes.

V. Praise him with the sound of the trumpet:

R. **Praise him with lyre and harp.**

Bishop Let us pray. (*Silence*)

O Lord, before whose throne trumpets sound, and saints and angels sing the songs of Moses and the Lamb: Accept this organ, dedicated to the memory and in honor of former organist and benefactor, Bruce William Nickerson, for the worship of your temple, that with the voice of music we may proclaim your praise and tell it abroad; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Bishop, Archdeacon, and Priest-in-Charge process to the icon of the Good Shepherd where they are met by the Minister of Icons.

Antiphon (Minister of Icons)

Christ is the icon of the invisible God; all things were created through him and for him.

V. The Word became flesh:

R. **And dwelt among us.**

Bishop Let us pray. (*Silence*)

Almighty God, whose Son our Savior manifested your glory in his flesh, and sanctified the outward and visible to be a means to perceive realities unseen: Accept, we pray, this icon of the Good Shepherd; and grant that as we look upon it, our hearts may be drawn to things which can be seen only by the eye of faith; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Bishop, Archdeacon, and Priest-in-Charge process to the Lectern where they are met by the Ministers of Readings and Intercessions.

Antiphon (Minister of Readings and Intercessions)

Whatever was written in former days was written for our instruction, that by steadfastness and by the encouragement of the Scriptures we might have hope.

V. Jesus opened their minds:

R. **To understand the Scriptures.**

Bishop Let us pray. *(Silence)*

O heavenly Father, whose blessed Son taught the disciples in all the Scriptures the things concerning himself: Accept this Gospel book which we dedicate here today, in loving memory and honor of Altar Guild Head, benefactor, and constant companion in prayer, Pat Hawkins, and grant that we may so diligently search your holy Word that we may find in it the wisdom that leads to salvation: through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

A Litany of Thanksgiving for a Church

Archdeacon Let us thank God whom we worship here in the beauty of holiness.

Bishop Eternal God, the heaven of heavens cannot contain you, much less the walls of temples made with hands. Graciously receive our thanks for this place, and accept the work of our hands, offered to your honor and glory.

Intercessors

For the Church universal, of which these visible buildings are the symbol,

We thank you, Lord.

For your presence whenever two or three have gathered together in your Name,

We thank you, Lord.

For this place, where we may be still and know that you are God,

We thank you, Lord.

For making us your children by adoption and grace, and refreshing us day by day with the bread of life.

We thank you, Lord.

For the knowledge of your will and the grace to perform it,
We thank you, Lord.

For the fulfilling of our desires and petitions as you see best for us,
We thank you, Lord.

For the pardon of our sins, which restores us to the company of your faithful people,
We thank you, Lord.

For the blessing of our vows and the crowning of our years with your goodness,
We thank you, Lord.

For the faith of those who have gone before us and for our encouragement by their perseverance,
We thank you, Lord.

For the fellowship of all your Saints,
We thank you, Lord.

Bishop

We give you thanks, O God, for the gifts of your people, and for the work of many hands, which have beautified this church, chapel, and campus and furnished them for the celebration of your holy mysteries and for gatherings for 150 years. Accept and bless all we have done, and grant that in these earthly things we may behold the order and beauty of things heavenly; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Bishop Yours, O Lord, is the greatness, the power, the glory, the victory, and the majesty;

People **For everything in heaven and on earth is yours.**

Bishop Yours, O Lord, is the kingdom;

People **And you are exalted as head over all. Amen.**

The Bishop, Archdeacon, and Priest-in-Charge process to the Altar where they are met by the Minister of the Altar Guild.

Antiphon (Minister of the Altar Guild)

Arise, go to Bethel – and to Belmont! – and dwell there, and make there an altar to our God.

V. I will go to the altar of God:

R. **To the God of my joy and gladness.**

Bishop Let us pray. *(Silence)*

The Bishop, standing at the Table with arms extended, says

We praise you, Almighty and eternal God, that for us and our salvation, you sent your Son Jesus Christ to be born among us, that through him we might become your sons and daughters.

Blessed be your Name, Lord God.

We praise you for his life on earth, and for his death upon the cross, through which he offered himself as a perfect sacrifice.

Blessed be your Name, Lord God.

We praise you for raising him from the dead, for exalting him to be our great High Priest.

Blessed be your Name, Lord God.

We praise you for sending your Holy Spirit to make us holy, and to unite us in your holy Church.

Blessed be your Name, Lord God.

The Bishop lays a hand upon the Table.

Lord God, hear us. Continue to sanctify this Table dedicated to you. Let it be to us a sign of the heavenly Altar where your saints and angels praise you for ever. Accept here the continual recalling of the sacrifice of your Son. Grant that all who eat and drink at this holy Table may be fed and refreshed by his flesh and blood, be forgiven for their sins, united with one another, and strengthened for your service.

Blessed be your Name, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit; now and for endless ages. Amen.

The Peace

Bishop The peace of the risen Christ be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

Announcements

The Rev. Stephanie Green

***Blessings for the Second Anniversary of the Ordination and Consecration
of the Rt. Rev. Austin K. Rios***

The Whole Congregation

The Holy Communion

Offertory Sentence

Bishop Austin

Offertory

*All gifts received will support the Bishop's Discretionary Fund.
Through this fund, the Bishop is able to respond to urgent needs, assist those in crisis,
and support ministries that serve the most vulnerable among us.*

Offertory Hymn *Shepherd of souls, refresh and bless*

Hymnal 343

Doxology *All sing as the gifts are brought to the altar.*

Hymnal 380, v. 3

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

The Great Thanksgiving

<i>Bishop</i>	The Lord be with you.
<i>People</i>	And also with you.
<i>Bishop</i>	Lift up your hearts.
<i>People</i>	We lift them to the Lord.
<i>Bishop</i>	Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
<i>People</i>	It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Bishop
It is truly right, and good and joyful,
to give you thanks, all-holy God,
source of life and fountain of mercy.
You have filled us and all creation with your blessing
and fed us with your constant love.
You have redeemed us in Jesus Christ
and knit us into one body.
Through your Spirit you replenish us
and call us to fullness of life.
Chiefly are we bound to praise you
for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord;
for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us,
and has taken away the sin of the world.

By his death he has destroyed death,
and by his rising to life again he has won for us everlasting life.

Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels
and with the faithful of every generation,
we lift our voices with all creation as we sing:

Sanctus

Hymnal S-129

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

Setting: Robert Powell (b. 1932)

The Bishop continues

Blessed are you, gracious God,
creator of the universe and giver of life.
You formed us in your image
and called us to dwell in your infinite love.
You gave the world into our care
that we might be your faithful stewards
and show forth your bountiful grace.
But we failed to honor your image
in one another and in ourselves;
we would not see your goodness in the world around us;
and so we violated your creation,
abused one another,
and rejected your love.
Yet you never ceased to care for us,
and prepared the way of salvation for all people.

Through Abraham and Sarah
you called us into covenant with you.
You delivered us from slavery,
sustained us in the wilderness,
and raised up prophets
to renew your promise of salvation.
Then, in the fullness of time,
you sent your eternal Word,
made mortal flesh in Jesus.
Born into the human family,
and dwelling among us,
he revealed your glory.
Giving himself freely to death on the cross,
he triumphed over evil,
opening the way of freedom and life.

On the night before he died for us,
Our Savior Jesus Christ took bread,
and when he had given thanks to you,
he broke it, 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.”

As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine,
and when he had given thanks,
he gave it to them, and said:
“Drink this, all of you:
This is my Blood of the new Covenant,
which is poured out for you and for all
for the forgiveness of sins.
Whenever you drink it,
do this for the remembrance of me.”

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Memorial Acclamation

LEVAS 259

The musical score is written for voice and piano. It consists of two systems of music. The first system is for the voice part, with the lyrics "Leader Christ has died." and "Christ has died." The second system is for the piano accompaniment, with the lyrics "Christ is ris - en. Christ will come a - gain." The music is in 3/4 time and G major. The piano part features a simple harmonic accompaniment with chords and moving lines in both hands.

The Bishop continues

Remembering his death and resurrection,
we now present to you from your creation
this bread and this wine.

By your Holy Spirit may they be for us
the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ.
Grant that we who share these gifts
may be filled with the Holy Spirit
and live as Christ's Body in the world.

Bring us into the everlasting heritage
of your daughters and sons,
that with [_____ and] all your saints,
past, present, and yet to come,
we may praise your Name for ever.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
to you be honor, glory and praise,
for ever and ever. (*Sung Amen, next page*)

The image shows a musical score for 'Great Amen'. It consists of two systems of music. Each system has a vocal line on a single treble clef staff and a piano accompaniment on a grand staff (treble and bass clefs). The tempo is marked as quarter note = 50. The key signature has two flats (B-flat and E-flat), and the time signature is 4/4. The lyrics 'A - men.' are written under the vocal line. The piano accompaniment features chords and moving bass lines. At the bottom of the second system, there is a copyright notice: 'Setting: Carl MaultsBy from The Saint Mary Mass © 1989 Malted Milk Music. Used by Permission. All Rights Reserved.'

Bishop

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

**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,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

The Breaking of the Bread

Fraction Anthem

WLP 874

*The Cantor sings the canon once; the People sing the canon three times following.
The soloist will sing a secondary canon.*

Principal Canon
♩ = 48

Who - ev - er eats this bread will live for - ev - er.

Who - ev - er eats this bread will live for - ev - er.

Invitation

Bishop

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

*All are welcome to receive Holy Communion
or to request a blessing by crossing one's arms over one's heart.*

Communion Anthem *My Shepherd will supply my need*

Hymnal 664

Jonathan Menger (Cellist); Daniel Avedikian (Pianist and Baritone); Leslie Schipa (Mezzo-soprano)

Meditation "Shepherd's Hymn" from *Pastoral Symphony* (cello and piano)

Beethoven

Post Communion Prayer

Bishop Let us pray.

**Loving God,
we give you thanks
for restoring us in your image
and nourishing us with spiritual food
in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood.
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.**

The Easter Blessings

Bishop Alleluia! Christ is risen!
People **The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

Bishop
God the Father,
by whose love Christ was raised from the dead,
open to you who believe the gates of everlasting life. **Amen.**

God the Son,
who in bursting from the grave has won a glorious victory,
give you joy as you share the Easter faith. **Amen.**

God the Holy Spirit,
who filled the disciples with the life of the risen Lord,
empower you and fill you with Christ's peace. **Amen.**

And the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Sending Hymn *Good Christians all, rejoice and sing!*

Hymnal 205

The Dismissal

Archdeacon Go forth in the peace of the risen Christ. Alleluia! Alleluia!
People **Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!**



*All are welcome for a Festive Coffee Hour and fellowship.
Thank you for celebrating with Good Shepherd!*

Serving this Sunday

Presider and Preacher: The Rt. Rev. Austin K. Rios, Bishop of the Diocese of California
Bishop's Chaplain: The Ven. Canon Nina Pickerrell, Archdeacon of the Diocese of California
Liturgical Coordinator: The Rev. Stephanie Green, Priest-in-Charge of Good Shepherd
Music Leader: Daniel Avedikian
Vocal Soloist: Leslie Schipa, Mezzo-soprano
Cellist: Jonathan Menger
Readers: Chuck Kredensor and Dave Carhart
Intercessors: Nancy Galleni and Michael Steffen
Greeter: Jan Christensen
Ushers: Linda Montalbano and Fred Saunders
Bread Baker: Jan Christensen
Altar Guild: Janine Fabel and Mike Fabel
Hospitality: Members of Good Shepherd Episcopal Church and Holy Family, Half Moon Bay

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