

**Parish of Ida and Omemee
St. John's, Ida
April 21, 2024
Fourth Sunday of Easter
Service of Holy Communion**

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!

May his grace and peace be with you.

May he fill our hearts with joy.

Opening: We Fall Down

**We fall down, we lay our crowns at the feet of Jesus,
the greatness of your mercy and love at the feet of Jesus.
And we cry holy, holy, holy, we cry holy, holy, holy,
we cry holy, holy, holy is the Lamb.**

Hymn: CP1 – Holy, Holy, Holy

**Holy, holy, holy, Lord God almighty!
Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee:
holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty,
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!**

**Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore thee,
casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;
cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee,
which wert, and art, and evermore shalt be.**

**Holy, holy, holy! Though the darkness hide thee,
though our sinful human gaze thy glory may not see,
only thou art holy; there is none beside thee,
perfect in power, in love, and purity.**

**Holy, holy, holy, Lord God almighty!
All thy works shall praise thy name
in earth and sky and sea;
holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty,
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**Almighty God, 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.**

All Glory to God

**All glory to God in the heights of the heavens,
and peace to his people, his people on earth.
We praise you, we bless you, we give you our worship,
and for your great glory we sing out our thanks.
O Lord, heav'nly King, God the Father Almighty,
Lord Jesus the Christ and the Father's dear Son,
Lord God, Lamb of God, only Son of the Father
have mercy on us, Lord, have mercy on us.**

**Lord, you take away all the sin of the world,
hear our prayer from your place at the Father's right hand.
Have mercy upon us; you only are holy and you,
you alone, are our Lord and our God.**

**Lord Christ, Holy Spirit and Father Almighty,
Most High and most glorious, we give you our praise.
All glory to God in the heights of the heavens,
and peace to his people, his people on earth.**

**Lord, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.**

The Collect of the Day

**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. Amen.

The Word

The First Reading: Acts 4: 5-12

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 23

**The Lord is my shepherd;
I shall not be in want.**

**He makes me lie down in green pastures
and leads me beside still waters.**

**He revives my soul
and guides me along right pathways for his name's sake.**

**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.**

**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.**

**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.**

Psalm Prayer

**Glory to you, Jesus Christ, our good shepherd. In the waters of baptism you give us new birth, at your table you nourish us with heavenly food, and in your goodness and mercy, you guide us beyond the terrors of evil and death to your Father's home to dwell in eternal light.
Glory to you for ever. Amen.**

The Second Reading: 1 John 3: 16-24
This is the Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
according to John.
Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

John 10: 11-18

The Gospel of Christ.
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Hymn – CP519 – The Lord’s My Shepherd (Crimond)

**The Lord’s my shepherd, I’ll not want:
he makes me down to lie
in pastures green; he leadeth me
the quiet waters by.**

**My soul he doth restore again,
and me to walk doth make
within the paths of righteousness,
even for his own name’s sake.**

**Yea, though I walk through death’s dark vale,
yet will I fear no ill;
for thou art with me, and thy rod
and staff me comfort still.**

**My table thou hast furnished
in presence of my foes;
my head thou dost with oil anoint,
and my cup over-flows.**

**Goodness and mercy all my life
shall surely follow me,**

**and in God's house for evermore
my dwelling place shall be.**

The Sermon: – Canon Ric

The Apostles' Creed

Let us confess the faith of our baptism, as we say:

**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.**

The Prayers of the People

We pray for the World, the Church and Ourselves.

The response to the Intercessions will be:

Lord in your mercy.

Hear our prayer.

Confession and Absolution

Let us confess our sins.

**Jesus Christ, risen Master and triumphant Lord,
we come to you in sorrow for our sins,
and confess to you our weakness and unbelief.**

**We have lived by our own strength,
and not by the power of your resurrection.**

In your mercy, forgive us.

Lord, hear us and help us.

**We have lived by the light of our own eyes,
as faithless and not believing.
In your mercy, forgive us.
Lord, hear us and help us.**

**We have lived for this world alone,
and doubted our home in heaven.
In your mercy, forgive us.
Lord, hear us and help us.**

Almighty God have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Peace

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

The offering plate will not be passed during the service but will be available at the back and front of the church.

Offertory – CP520 – The King of Love My Shepherd Is

**The King of love my shepherd is,
whose goodness faileth never;
I nothing lack if I am his
and he is mine for ever.**

**Where streams of living water flow,
my ransomed soul he leadeth,
and where the verdant pastures grow,
with food celestial feedeth.**

**Perverse and foolish oft I strayed,
but yet in love he sought me,
and on his shoulder gently laid,
and home rejoicing brought me.**

**In death's dark vale I fear no ill
with thee, dear Lord, beside me;**

thy rod and staff my comfort still,
thy cross before to guide me.

Prayer over the Gifts

God of loving care, you spread before us the table of life, and give us the cup of salvation to drink. Keep us always in the fold of your Son Jesus Christ, our Saviour and our shepherd. Amen.

All who are baptized in any Christian Church are welcome to receive communion. If you prefer to receive the bread only, please cross your arms over your chest. If you would prefer to receive a blessing, please indicate this by crossing your arms over your chest.

We stand throughout the Eucharistic prayer as a joyful sign that we have been raised to the new life in Christ.

The Celebration of the Eucharist (2)

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

We give you thanks and praise, almighty God,
through your beloved Son, Jesus Christ,
our Saviour and Redeemer.
He is your living Word,
through whom you have created all things.
By the power of the Holy Spirit he took flesh of the Virgin Mary
and shared our human nature.
He lived and died as one of us, to reconcile us to you,
the God and Father of all.

In fulfilment of your will
he stretched out his hands in suffering,

to bring release to those who place their hope in you;
and so he won for you a holy people.

He chose to bear our griefs and sorrows,
and to give up his life on the cross,
that he might shatter the chains of evil and death,
and banish the darkness of sin and despair.
By his resurrection he brings us into the light
of your presence.

Now with all creation we raise our voices
to proclaim the glory of your name.

**Holy, most holy all holy the Lord,
in power and wisdom for ever adored.
The earth and the heavens are full of your love;
our joyful hosannas re-echo above.**

**Blessèd, most blessèd, all blessèd is he
whose life makes us whole, and whose death sets us free:
who comes in the name of the Father of light,
let endless hosannas resound in the height.**

Holy and gracious God, accept our praise,
through your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ;
who on the night he was handed over
to suffering and death, took bread
and gave you thanks, saying, "Take, and eat:
this is my body which is broken for you."

In the same way he took the cup,
saying, "This is my blood which is shed for you.
When you do this, you do it in memory of me."
Remembering, therefore, his death and resurrection,
we offer you this bread and this cup,
giving thanks that you have made us worthy
to stand in your presence and serve you.
We ask you to send your Holy Spirit
upon the offering of your holy Church.
Gather into one all who share in these sacred mysteries,

filling them with the Holy Spirit
and confirming their faith in the truth,
that together we may praise you and give you glory
through your Servant, Jesus Christ.
All glory and honour are yours, Father and Son,
with the Holy Spirit in the holy Church,
now and for ever. **Amen.**

Rejoicing in God's new creation,
as our Saviour taught us, so we pray:

Our Father in heaven, **hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come, your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.**
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours now and for ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

Lord, we died with you on the cross.
Now we are raised to new life.

We were buried in your tomb.
Now we share in your resurrection.
Live in us, that we may live in you.

The gifts of God for the People of God.
Thanks be to God.

**Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us.**
**Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us.**
**Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,
grant us peace, grant us peace.**

Hymn – Communion Song

Take this bread I give to you,
and as you do, remember Me.
This bread is My body broken for you.
Take it, (take it) eat it (eat it).
Each time you do; remember Me, remember Me.
Take this cup I fill for you and as you do, remember Me.
This cup is the new covenant I'm making with you.
Take it, (take it) drink it, (drink it).
Each time you do, remember Me, remember Me.

Take this love I've given you,
And as you do, remember Me, remember Me,
remember Me.

Hymn – Jesus, Name Above All Names

Jesus, name above all names,
beautiful Saviour, glorious Lord.
Emmanuel, God is with us,
blessed Redeemer, living Word.

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Hymn – Jesus is King

Jesus is King, and I will extol Him.
Give Him the glory and honour His name.
He reigns on high, enthroned in the heavens,
Word of the Father, exalted for us.

We have a hope that is steadfast and certain.
Gone through the curtain and touching the throne.
We have a Priest who is there interceding.
Pouring His grace on our lives day by day.

We come to Him, our Priest and Apostle.
Clothed in His glory and bearing His name.
Laying our lives with gladness before Him.
Filled with His Spirit, we worship the King.

**O Holy One, our hearts do adore You.
Thrilled with Your goodness, we give You our praise.
Angels in light, with worship surround Him,
Jesus, our Saviour, forever the same.**

Prayer after Communion

God of steadfast love, watch over the Church redeemed by the blood of your Son. May we who share in these holy mysteries come safely to your eternal kingdom, where there is one flock and one shepherd. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the risen Lord. Amen.

Please stand.

**Glory to God, whose power, working in us,
can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine.
Glory to God from generation to generation,
in the Church and in Christ Jesus, for ever and ever. Amen.**

The Blessing

God the Father, by whose glory Christ was raised from the dead, strengthen you to walk with him in his risen life; and the blessing of God almighty, Eternal Glory, Incarnate Word and Abiding Spirit be among us and remain with us always. Amen.

Closing – Promise of the Ages

**God's saints of old through history told
of the One who was to come:
A Son, a King, a Lamb to be slain
for the sins of all the world.**

*He's the promise of the ages,
lifted up to save us, Jesus Christ, our sacrifice.
He's the fount of living water,
King and friend forever,
bow before the promise of the ages.*

**In flesh He came, yet chose to remain
with the outcast and the poor.
He bled, He died, was raised, glorified,
now He lives for evermore!**

Refrain:

Lift your hands and sing hallelujah
to the King of all the earth.
Raise your voice and sing hallelujah
to the King of all the earth.

Refrain:

How long until the earth will be filled
with the knowledge of the Lord,
when He shall come, when nations and tongues
will be joined in glorious song?

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lifted up to save us, Jesus Christ, our sacrifice.
He's the fount of living water,
King and friend forever,
bow before the promise of the ages.*

*Bow before the promise of the ages.
Bow before the promise of the ages.*

Send Us Out

Send us out in the power of Your Spirit, Lord.
May our lives show Jesus to the world.
May each thought and word bring glory to Your name.
Send us out in Your Spirit, Lord, we pray.

Dismissal

We are raised to new life with Christ.
Go in his peace. Alleluia, alleluia!
Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!

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The flowers on the Holy Table today are to the glory of God and in loving memory of Dorothy, given by the Montgomery family.

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