



**CHRIST  
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*Transforming lives together,  
through the love of God, in Christ.*

**THE JORDAN SERVICES**

*The Fourth Sunday of Easter*

• May 11, 2025 •



**Sunday.  
Every Day.**

## Understanding the Lectionary: A Guide to the Easter Season

Have you ever wondered how we choose our Sunday lessons for worship? The answer lies in something called The Revised Common Lectionary—a resource that many Christian denominations use to guide worship throughout the year. This ecumenical effort helps churches across the globe remain unified in their reading of scripture, creating a shared rhythm for worship.

The Sunday Lectionary follows a three-year cycle: Years A, B, and C. Each year, we focus on one of the synoptic Gospels—Matthew, Mark, and Luke—while the Gospel of John is inserted each year for special occasions and key moments in Jesus’ life and ministry.

Typically, the structure of our Sunday lessons includes:

- An Old Testament reading
- A Psalm
- An Epistle (a letter from the New Testament)
- The Gospel reading

But during the Easter season, which stretches from Easter Sunday through to Pentecost, the lectionary takes on a unique form.

## The Seven Weeks of Easter and the Lectionary

Easter is a time of celebration, a season focused on the joy and power of Christ’s Resurrection. It’s a season that invites us to reflect deeply on the Good News that Christ is alive, and the lectionary readings shift to highlight this special message.

Here’s how the readings are different during Eastertide:

- No Old Testament readings: Instead, we focus entirely on the New Testament, highlighting the growth and spread of the early Church.



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- First Reading: Every week, the first reading comes from the Acts of the Apostles. This is because the Church wants us to reflect on the early days of the Church—how the apostles spread the message of Christ’s resurrection and the impact of that mission.
- Gospel Reading: Throughout Eastertide, the Gospel reading comes exclusively from the Gospel of John. Each Sunday follows a specific pattern:
  - The first few weeks highlight the appearances of the risen Christ.
  - The fourth Sunday of Easter always focuses on Jesus as the Good Shepherd, offering care and guidance for his flock.
  - In the final weeks, the readings draw us into the deep teachings Jesus shared with his disciples at the Last Supper.

These readings invite us to journey alongside the apostles as they spread the message of hope, renewal, and resurrection in the wake of Jesus’ triumph over death.

As we walk through these seven weeks of Easter, we are reminded not only of Christ’s resurrection but also of our calling to share in his Victory over death and sin.

Fr. Andreis Diaz  
Vice-Rector



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*Welcome to Christ Church Ponte Vedra Beach! We are delighted to have you worship with us.  
In order to prepare for this service, we ask that you silence your phone. Thank you!*

## **Prelude**

## **Welcome**

*Please stand as you are able.*

## **Opening Prayer**

**All**     **Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you  
no secrets are hid: 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.**

## **God So Loved**

## **We the Kingdom**

### *Verse 1*

Come, all you weary  
Come, all you thirsty  
Come to the well that never runs dry  
Drink of the water, come and thirst no more

### *Verse 2*

Come, all you sinners  
Come, find His mercy  
Come to the table, He will satisfy  
Taste of His goodness  
Find what you're looking for

### *Chorus 1*

For God so loved the world that He gave us  
His one and only Son to save us  
Whoever believes in Him will live forever

### *Verse 3*

Bring all your failures, bring your addictions  
Come, lay them down  
At the foot of the cross  
Jesus is waiting there with open arms

### *Chorus 2*

For God so loved the world that He gave us  
His one and only Son to save us  
Whoever believes in Him will live forever  
The power of hell forever defeated  
Now it is well, I'm walking in freedom  
For God so loved, God so loved the world

### *Bridge*

Praise God, praise God  
From whom all blessings flow  
Praise Him, praise Him  
For the wonders of His love. *(REPEAT)*

### *Chorus 3*

For God so loved the world that He gave us  
His one and only Son to save

### *Verse 4*

Bring all your failures, bring your addictions  
Come, lay them down  
At the foot of the cross  
Jesus is waiting, God so loved the world

*The children follow the leader to Children's Church.*

*Please be seated.*

## **The Reading**

*Lector*      A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

9:36-43

Now in Joppa there was a disciple whose name was Tabitha, which in Greek is Dorcas. She was devoted to good works and acts of charity. At that time she became ill and died. When they had washed her, they laid her in a room upstairs. Since Lydda was near Joppa, the disciples, who heard that Peter was there, sent two men to him with the request, "Please come to us without delay." So Peter got up and went with them; and when he arrived, they took him to the room upstairs. All the widows stood beside him, weeping and showing tunics and other clothing that Dorcas had made while she was with them. Peter put all of them outside, and then he knelt down and prayed. He turned to the body and said, "Tabitha, get up." Then she opened her eyes, and seeing Peter, she sat up. He gave her his hand and helped her up. Then calling the saints and widows, he showed her to be alive. This became known throughout Joppa, and many believed in the Lord. Meanwhile he stayed in Joppa for some time with a certain Simon, a tanner.

*Lector*      The Word of the Lord.

**People**      **Thanks be to God.**

*Please stand as you are able.*

## **Gospel Song**

**Open Our Eyes, Lord**

**Robert Cull**

Open our eyes, Lord  
We want to see Jesus  
To reach out and touch Him  
And say that we love Him

Open our ears, Lord  
And help us to listen  
Open our eyes, Lord  
We want to see Jesus

## The Gospel

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John 10:22-30

**People**      **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

At that time the festival of the Dedication took place in Jerusalem. It was winter, and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the portico of Solomon. So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, "How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah, tell us plainly." Jesus answered, "I have told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father's name testify to me; but you do not believe, because you do not belong to my sheep. My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand. What my Father has given me is greater than all else, and no one can snatch it out of the Father's hand. The Father and I are one."

*Gospeler*      The Gospel of the Lord.

**People**      **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

*Please be seated.*

**Sermon**      *The Reverend Wendy Billingslea*

*Please stand as you are able.*

## 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.**

## **The Prayers of the People, Form VI**

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

For all people in their daily life and work;

**For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.**

For this community, the nation, and the world;

**For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.**

For the just and proper use of your creation;

**For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.**

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

**For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.**

For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

**For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.**

For [N. our Presiding Bishop, and N. (N.) our Bishop(s); and for] all bishops and other ministers;

**For all who serve God in his Church.**

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

*Silence. The People may add their petitions.*

Hear us, Lord;

**For your mercy is great.**

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

*Silence. The People may add their thanksgivings.*

We will exalt you, O God our King;  
**And praise your Name for ever and ever.**

We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in  
your eternal kingdom.

*Silence. The People may add their petitions.*

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;  
**Who put their trust in you.**

## **The Collect**

*Celebrant* 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 Peace**

*Celebrant* The peace of the Lord be always with you.

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

*Please be seated.*

## **Welcome and Announcements**

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# **THE HOLY COMMUNION**

## **Offertory**



## The Lord Is My Shepherd

Jeremy Riddle

Let the pain in my life  
Find its healing in Your eyes  
Every hurt, every loss,  
Pull me closer to Your heart  
Let the wind and the waves  
Bring a new courage and faith  
And sing it out, sing it out

### *Chorus 1*

And the Lord is my shepherd  
And I'll want for nothing  
You lead me to water  
For You know I'm thirsting  
And I, I'm only satisfied by You, by You.

And every day I'll make a choice  
To be led by Your voice  
To be bold, unafraid, knowing  
I'm covered and safe  
And even now in my need,  
You are proving yet again to me  
You're there, You're always there

### *Chorus 2*

And the Lord is my shepherd  
And I'll want for nothing  
You lead me to water  
For You know I'm thirsting  
And I, I'm only satisfied by You,  
I'm only satisfied by You  
By You, by You oh God  
Yes, by You, by You oh Lord

### *Chorus 3*

And the Lord is my shepherd  
And I'll want for nothing  
You lead me to water  
For You know I'm thirsting  
And I, God, I'm only satisfied by You

### *Ending*

You are water, God, You are water  
Yes, You are water for my soul.

*Please stand as you are able.*

## Doxology

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise him, all creatures here below; Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Praise him above, ye heavenly host:  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.  
O Praise Him, O Praise Him, Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

## Eucharistic Prayer B

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

**People** And also with you.

*Celebrant* Lift up your hearts.

**People** We lift them to the Lord.

*Celebrant* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**People** It is right to give God thanks and praise.

*The Celebrant continues with the Eucharistic Prayer.*

**Celebrant and People**

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.

*You may sit. The Celebrant continues with the Eucharistic Prayer.*

*Celebrant* Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

**Celebrant and People**

We remember his death,  
We proclaim his resurrection,  
We await his coming in glory.

## The Lord's Prayer

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

**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, and the power, and the glory,  
forever and ever. Amen.

## The Breaking of the Bread

*Celebrant* Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

**People** **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

*Celebrant* The gifts of God for the people of God.

*Please be seated.*

## Distribution of Communion

***Please come forward for Communion.***

*All people, including children, are invited to receive Communion. Gluten-free wafers are also available.*

*If you would prefer not to take Communion but would like a blessing, please fold your arms across your chest.*

## Revelation Song

**Jennie Lee Riddle**

*Verse 1*

Worthy is the Lamb who was slain  
Holy holy is He  
Sing a new song to Him who sits on  
Heaven's mercy seat (2x)

*Chorus*

Holy, holy, holy  
Is the Lord God Almighty  
Who was and is and is to come  
With all creation I sing  
Praise to the King of kings  
You are my everything forever and ever

*Verse 2*

Clothed in rainbows of living color  
Flashes of lightning, rolls of thunder  
Blessing and honor  
Strength and glory and power be  
To You, the only wise King

*Bridge*

Filled with wonder, awestruck wonder  
At the mention of Your name...

*Verse 3*

Filled with wonder, awestruck wonder  
At the mention of Your name  
Jesus, Your name is power  
Breath and living water  
Such a marvelous mystery

## God So Loved

### *Bridge*

Praise God, praise God  
From whom all blessings flow  
Praise Him, praise Him  
For the wonders of His love. *(REPEAT)*

### *Chorus 2*

For God so loved  
The world that He gave us  
His one and only Son to save us  
Whoever believes in Him  
Will live forever

## We the Kingdom

The power of hell forever defeated  
Now it is well, I'm walking in freedom  
For God so loved, God so loved the world

### *Verse 4*

Bring all your failures  
Bring your addictions  
Come, lay them down  
At the foot of the cross  
Jesus is waiting  
God so loved the world

## Postcommunion Prayer

**All**      **Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## The Blessing

### Dismissal

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

**People**      **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.**

## Postlude



# Sunday. Every Day.

## TODAY – Sunday, May 11

### **Sunday Breakfast**

A delicious breakfast will be served in the dining room from 8:30am - 10:45am. \$7/person; \$28 family max

### **Nursery Care**

Nursery care is available from 8:45 am to 12:30 pm, for children ages four months to five years old. Contact Jennifer DeRycker at [JDeRycker@ccpvb.org](mailto:JDeRycker@ccpvb.org) with any questions.

### **Children's Chapel**

Sundays at 9:15 am in the Hospitality Lobby

### **Sunday Formation (10:15 – 11:00 am)**

- **Children's Formation - Ages 3 - 5th grade;** 2nd floor F+A Building
- **The Clergy Forum;** Room F 106
- **Scott Burch Bible Study;** Conference Room next to the Contemporary Worship Space. Contact: Scott Burch at [scottburch00@gmail.com](mailto:scottburch00@gmail.com).
- **The Youth Forum - Discussion and Donuts;** Youth House
- **Gabe Bove Bible Study;** Room F204. Contact: [gabe@bovecompany.com](mailto:gabe@bovecompany.com)

## HAPPENING THIS WEEK



\*\* For our regular, recurring weekly activities and groups, please see our event calendar.

### **Wednesday Night Community Dinners**

Westbury Hall Dining Room from 5:45- 7:00 p.m. \$8 per person, \$32 family max.

## MARK YOUR CALENDAR

### **BOOK STUDY of "BLACK WAS THE INK"**

Thursday, May 15, 6:30-8:30 pm

Formation+Arts Room 204

Join Facing Racism for a deep dive into Michelle Coles' "Black was the Ink." Follow young Malcolm on a supernatural journey through the Reconstruction era, guided by a ghostly ancestor, to find his place in modern-day America. This powerful story, from a celebrated civil rights attorney, will both enlighten and empower. Guest speaker Rodney Hurst will provide remarks about the reconstruction era. Register at [CCPVB.org](http://CCPVB.org). Questions: [frbobbylee2002@yahoo.com](mailto:frbobbylee2002@yahoo.com).

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### As of March 31st 2025:

YTD Budget Rev	\$1,270,919
YTD Actual Rev	\$1,173,199
YTD Budget Exp	\$1,042,427
YTD Actual Exp	\$ 968,733

The Preschool is looking for **teaching assistants** and teachers to help with **Extended Day**. If you know of anyone who would be a great fit, please reach out to Head of School Christy Maurer at [cmaurer@preschoolcec.org](mailto:cmaurer@preschoolcec.org).



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**Youth and Parents of Youth:** Are you receiving emails and texts about upcoming activities for 6th-12th grade students? If not, please email Mother Laura at [Limagevney@ccpvb.org](mailto:Limagevney@ccpvb.org).

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**Youth Hometown Mission Week:** June 16-20 for 6th-12th grades. Register at [ccpvb.org](http://ccpvb.org).

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**Make a joyful noise!** Learn more about joining a choir here.

Need prayer or assistance, or want to help those who do? Learn more about **Caring Connections** here:



There are many ways to serve here at Christ Church, and we need you! Check out current **Service Opportunities** here.

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## Worship Services

7:30 a.m.	Church Sanctuary	Holy Eucharist, Rite I
9:00 a.m.	Church Sanctuary	Holy Eucharist, Rite II
9:00 a.m.	Cooper Chapel	Holy Eucharist, Rite II
9:00 a.m.	Parish Center, 2nd floor	Jordan Service
9:00 a.m.	NSIA Community Center	Holy Eucharist, Rite II
11:15 a.m.	Church Sanctuary	Holy Eucharist, Rite II
11:15 a.m.	Parish Center, 2nd floor	Jordan Service
12:45 p.m.	Cooper Chapel	Spanish-language Service
5:00 p.m.	Church Sanctuary	Contemplative Service
5:30 p.m. (Wed)	Cooper Chapel	Holy Eucharist, Rite II

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## Vestry

<b>Jack Parker, Sr. Warden</b>	<b>Janet Burnside, Treasurer</b>	<b>Doug Knowles, Jr. Warden</b>
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**The Rev. Thomas P. Reeder, Rector**

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