

Becoming a beloved community of God where all belong. Fourth Sunday of Easter April 21, 2024

Opening Hymn: H-199 | Come, ye faithful, raise the strain

Gospel Hymn: H-644 | *How sweet the name of Jesus sounds*

Communion Hymn: H-645 | The King of love my shepherd is

Closing Hymn: H-304 | *I come with joy to meet my Lord*

The Collect/ Prayer of the Day

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*.

Readings: https://lectionarypage.net/YearB RCL/Easter/BEaster4 RCL.html

Psalm 23– Prayed in unison

- 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.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Barbara Miles – Thanks to Barbara for being our pianist today while Carolyn is away.

Refugee Household Care Packages - In partnership with St. John's Olney, St. Nicholas' Church will be collecting items that the IRC (International Rescue Committee) can use to set up homes for arriving refugee families. We hope to collect new or gently used items by the first week of May. If you are interested in helping, please use the Sign-Up Genius link below. We will also provide a list of needed items at Church. Thank you!

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0F4DAAAE2DA0FFCF8-48548008-household

<u>Garden Angels</u> – Please sign up to help in the garden <u>using this link</u>. We are hoping to have people helping on Sundays and during the week for watering and weeding. Many hands make lighter work! <u>https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0849AEA92FA0FA7-45757430-garden</u>

Roberta Miller Learning Cottage — Construction of the piers began on Wednesday, April 17. The modular building will be moved to campus and parked on the grass below the parking lot. It should be moved early this week to the final location. If you would like to donate toward the final project, specifically, the electrical work to connect to the fire alarm system, please make a check out to **St. Nicholas** with *Learning Cottage* on the memo line. The Learning Cottage will be used for Sunday School and other meetings.

<u>Congratulations to Dawn Booth</u> – Dawn, our Deacon Intern, has been approved by the EDOW Standing Committee for Ordination to the Vocational Diaconate. Dawn will be ordained on Saturday, October 26 at the Washington National Cathedral. Dawn's last Sunday with us is Pentecost, May 19, 2024. If you would like to make a donation to Dawn's gift please write a check to **St. Nicholas** and write *Dawn Booth* on the memo line.

<u>Confirmation and Reception at the National Cathedral on Saturday, May 11 at 10:00</u>
<u>AM</u> – You are invited to attend the service at the Cathedral when Amy Benedict, Nancy Hadad and John Dunlop, Molly and Jason Ryan, and Gisele White will be received or confirmed into The Episcopal Church.

PLEASE TAKE INSERT HOME & RETURN THE SERVICE LEAFLET TO THE WELCOME TABLE.

