



THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

APRIL 26, 2026 (YEAR A)

Saint Philip's in the Hills Episcopal Church, Tucson, Arizona

Celebrant: Mtr Margaret Babcock (7:45am) | The Rev'd Richard Mallory (10:00am)

Preacher: Mtr Margaret Babcock

Choir: Choir of Saint Philip's and Saint Nicholas Choir

Director of Music: Dr Justin Appel

Associate Director of Music & Organist: Dr Jeffrey Campbell

Welcome! The full text of today's liturgy is in the **black Book of Common Prayer (BCP)**. Hymns are in the **red Hymnal 1982**. Both are in your pew. The Readings come from the New Revised Standard Version of the Bible.

7:45 AM THE HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE ONE

Welcome & Announcements

Blessing of the Music Center for Worship

THE WORD OF GOD

The Opening Acclamation, Collect for Purity, & Summary of the Law

BCP 323

The Kyrie and Gloria

BCP 324

The Collect of the Day

Please be seated

The First Lesson

Same as at 10

The Psalm

The Second Lesson

Please stand

The Holy Gospel

Same as at 10

The Sermon

Please stand

The Nicene Creed

BCP 326

The Prayers of the People

BCP 328

Confession of Sin

BCP 331

The Peace

BCP 332

THE HOLY COMMUNION

The Great Thanksgiving (Eucharistic Prayer II)

BCP 340

The Lord's Prayer

BCP 336

The Breaking of the Bread

BCP 337

The Agnus Dei &

Prayer of Humble Access

The Post-Communion Prayer

BCP 339

The Blessing and Dismissal

10:00 AM THE HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE TWO

Today's setting of the Mass Ordinary is:

W. Mathias in C major

We invite you to keep a prayerful silence before service.

Voluntary Johannes Brahms

Deck thyself, my soul, with gladness

Welcome & Announcements

Blessing of the Music Center for Worship

Celebrant Through the ages, Almighty God has moved his people to build houses of prayer and praise, and to set apart places for the ministry of his holy Word and Sacraments. With gratitude for this space, our music center to now also serve as a temporary place for worship, prayer, and Holy Eucharist, we are now gathered to dedicate and consecrate it in God's Name.

Let us pray.

Almighty God, we thank you for making us in your image, to share in the ordering of your world. Receive the work of our hands in this place, now to be set apart for your worship, the building up of the living, and the remembrance of the dead, to the praise and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Opening Hymn Hymnal 492

Sing, ye faithful, sing with gladness

THE WORD OF GOD

The Opening Acclamation & Collect for Purity

BCP 355

The Gloria

Hymnal S-278

The Collect 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.

Please be seated

The First Reading

Acts 2:42-47

Lector A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

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.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

The Psalm

Psalm 23

Dominus regit me.

(Coverdale Psalter)

Sung by the Choir

[At 7:45, spoken in unison]

- 1 The Lord is my shepherd:*
therefore can I lack nothing.
- 2 He shall feed me in a green pasture:*
and lead me forth beside the waters of
comfort.
- 3 He shall convert my soul:*
and bring me forth in the paths of
righteousness, for his Name's sake.
- 4 Yea, though I walk through the valley of the
shadow of death, I will fear no evil:*
for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff
comfort me.

5 Thou shalt prepare a table before me against
them that trouble me:*
thou hast anointed my head with oil, and my
cup shall be full.

6 Surely thy loving-kindness 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

Lector 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.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand and join in singing the

Sequence Hymn

Hymnal 646

The King of love my shepherd is

The Holy Gospel

John 10:1-10

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

[At 7:45 **Glory be to thee, O Lord.]**

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.”

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

[At 7:45 **Praise be to thee, O Christ.**]

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

The Sermon Mtr Margaret Babcock

Please stand

The Nicene Creed BCP 358

The Prayers of the People, Form IV BCP 388

At the end of each petition the Subdeacon says,

Lord in your mercy

People **Hear our prayer.**

Confession of Sin BCP 360

The Peace

The Offertory

We are grateful for whatever you can contribute to the life of St Philip's. You can use the QR code below.

SCAN HERE TO GIVE:



The Anthem *O quam gloriosum* Victoria

(In Latin) O, how glorious is the kingdom, in which all the saints rejoice with Christ! Arrayed in white robes, they follow the Lamb, wherever he goes.

Please stand and join in singing the

Offertory Hymn Hymnal 304

I come with joy to meet my Lord

THE HOLY COMMUNION

The Great Thanksgiving (Prayer B) BCP 367

Sanctus, Benedictus Hymnal S-128

The Lord's Prayer BCP 364

The Breaking of the Bread BCP 364

Agnus Dei Hymnal S-165

The Motet *Draw us in the Spirit's tether* Friedell

Draw us in the Spirit's tether; for when humbly, in your name, Two or three are met together, you are in the midst of them: Alleluya! Alleluya! Touch we now your garment's hem.

As disciples used to gather in the name of Christ to sup, Then with thanks to God the giver break the bread and bless the cup: Alleluya! Alleluya! So bind our friendship up.

All our meals and all our living make us sacraments of you, that by caring, helping, giving we may be disciples true. Alleluya! Alleluya! We we will serve with faith anew!

Percy Dearmer

Communion Hymns

Shepherd of souls, refresh and bless Hymnal 343

Please stand

The Post-Communion Prayer BCP 366

Almighty and everliving God, **we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.**

Closing Hymn Hymnal 208

The strife is o'er, the battle done

The Blessing and Dismissal

Voluntary Trumpet Voluntary John Stanley

AFTER THE SERVICE

Immediately after the service, please join us in the East Gallery for the Fourth Sunday Forum. All are invited to hear University of Arizona Poetry Center Archivist & Outreach Librarian Julie Swarstad Johnson share pieces from a virtual exhibit called "Opening Ourselves Like a Book:" Contemporary Poetry of the Abrahamic Religions.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

If you are visiting, new, or simply have a question about the parish, visit the blue umbrella after this service. You'll find it wherever coffee hour is held. Today that is in the Perry Garden.

Beginning today, Sunday, April 26, and for the next few months, all Sunday services will be in the Bloom Music Center due to construction.

Choral Evensong: At 4:30pm, this evening, Sunday, April 26, all are invited to attend Choral Evensong in the Bloom Music Center.

Campus projects: *IMAGINE* if every member of Saint Philip's took on just one item from the campus work list. It has been said, "Many hands make light work. Please prayerfully consider the possibility of joining the other many hands at Saint Philip's. You would be most appreciated. For more information, please email parishioner John Koza at jdkoza007@gmail.com.

Mosaic, the parish's principal adult formation series continues this **Wednesday, April 29**, with 5:30pm Evening Prayer, 6:00pm fellowship with tea, coffee, and cookies, and a 6:30pm-7:30pm discussion hour led by parishioner Angelina Hannum. The Bible is alive with movement and movement is sacred. This session will invite attendees to explore how everyday movement can be a bridge into a moment of sacred worship.

Centering Prayer will meet two times in May: 9:30am on Saturday, May 2 and, 2:00pm on Tuesday, May 12. Starting in June, the Centering Prayer group will take a summer vacation. For those who wish to continue their practice with another Tucson local group this summer, please visit <https://contemplativeoutreach-phoenix.org/groups>.

First Sunday Breakfast: All are invited to enjoy food and fellowship from 8:45am-10:00am, next Sunday, May 3. The suggested donation for adults is \$10.00, but will be reduced to \$7.00 with a canned good to support Saint Philip's food pantry. Children younger than 12 eat for free.

First Sunday Drive: Next Sunday, May 3, the First Sunday Drive will collect items for Saint Philip's food pantry. Please leave your donations next to the entrance on the church's east side.

All are invited to hear Saint Philip's youth in concert at 7:00pm on Saturday, May 9. For their annual UK Residency fundraising concert, the Saint Nicholas Choir and Appel/Friesen quintet return with performances of favorite liturgical anthems, canticles, and folk song arrangements, featuring upper voices, organ, and string ensembles. Come celebrate these wonderful young musicians and support a good musical cause at Saint Philip's. This is a free concert but donations for the 2027 UK Residency & Pilgrimage will be accepted gratefully.

WORSHIP THIS WEEK AT SAINT PHILIP'S

SUNDAY

4:30 Choral Evensong (Saint Morwenna Voices)

Music: *Plainchant Responses* | 183, *Victimae Paschali laudes* | Psalm 103 | Briggs Jesus College Service *Magnificat & Nunc dimittis* | Panufnik *Ubicarnitas* | Hymn 24

Due to construction, all weekday services are suspended except for one service:

WEDNESDAY

5:30 Evening Prayer Rite I, in Saint Anne's Center

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