

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

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ENTRANCE HYMN

Come, my brothers, praise the Lord, *alleluia*
He's our God and we are his, *alleluia*.

Come to him with songs of praise,
songs of praise, rejoice in him.

For the Lord is a mighty God,
he is king of all the world.

GLORIA

Glory to God in the highest,
and on earth peace to people of good will.

We praise you, we bless you,
we adore you, we glorify you,
we give you thanks for your great glory,
Lord God, heavenly King,
O God, almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
you take away the sins of the world:
have mercy on us;
you take away the sins of the world,
receive our prayer;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:
have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One,
You alone are the Lord,
You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen

FIRST READING

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles 13:14.43-52
We must turn to the pagans.

Paul and Barnabas carried on from Perga till they reached Antioch in Pisidia. Here they went to synagogue on the sabbath and took their seats.

When the meeting broke up, many Jews and devout converts joined Paul and Barnabas, and in their talks with them Paul and Barnabas urged them to remain faithful to the grace God had given them.

The next sabbath almost the whole town assembled to hear the word of God. When they saw the crowds, the Jews, prompted by jealousy, used blasphemies and contradicted everything Paul said. Then Paul and Barnabas spoke out boldly, 'We had to proclaim the word of God to you first, but since you have rejected it, since you do not think yourselves worthy of eternal life, we must turn to the pagans. For this is what the Lord commanded us to do when he said:

I have made you a light for the nations,
so that my salvation may reach the ends of the earth.'



It made the pagans very happy to hear this and they thanked the Lord for his message; all who were destined for eternal life became believers. Thus the word of the Lord spread through the whole countryside.

But the Jews worked upon some of the devout women of the upper classes and the leading men of the city and persuaded them to turn against Paul and Barnabas and expel them from their territory. So they shook the dust from their feet in defiance and went off to Iconium; but the disciples were filled with joy and the Holy Spirit.

The word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps 99:1-3. 5. R) v.3

R. We are his people, the sheep of his flock.

1. Cry out with joy to the Lord, all the earth.
Serve the Lord with gladness.
Come before him, singing for joy. (R.)
2. Know that he, the Lord, is God.
He made us, we belong to him,
we are his people, the sheep of his flock. (R.)
3. Indeed, how good is the Lord,
eternal his merciful love.
He is faithful from age to age. (R.)

SECOND READING

A reading from the book of the Apocalypse 7:9. 14-17
The Lamb will be their shepherd and will lead them to springs of living water.

I, John, saw a huge number, impossible to count, of people from every nation, race, tribe and language; they were standing in front of the throne and in front of the Lamb, dressed in white robes and holding palms in their hands. One of the elders said to me, 'These are the people who have been through the great persecution, and because they have washed their robes white again in the blood of the Lamb, they now stand in front of God's throne and serve him day and night in his sanctuary; and the One who sits on the throne will spread his tent over them. They will never hunger or thirst again; neither the sun nor scorching wind will ever plague them, because the Lamb who is at the throne will be their shepherd and will lead them to springs of living water; and God will wipe away all tears from their eyes.'

The word of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION
Alleluia, alleluia!

Jn 10:14

GOSPEL

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John 10:27-30
I give eternal life to the sheep that belong to me.



Jesus said:

'The sheep that belong to me listen to my voice;
I know them and they follow me.
I give them eternal life;
they will never be lost
and no one will ever steal them from me.
The Father who gave them to me is greater than
anyone,
and no one can steal from the Father.
The Father and I are one.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
(All bow)
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried;
he descended into hell;
on the third day he rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of God the Father
almighty;
from there he will come 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 life everlasting. Amen.

OFFERTORY HYMN

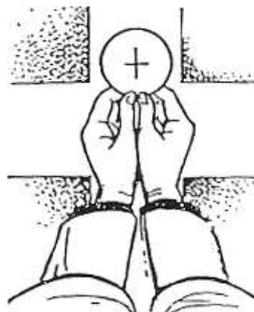
I give my hands to do your work
and Jesus Lord, I give them willingly
I give my feet to go your way
and every step I shall take cheerfully

*O the joy of the Lord is my strength, my strength
O the joy of the Lord is my help, my help
For the power of His Spirit is in my heart
And the joy of the Lord is my strength*

COMMUNION HYMNS

1. I, the Lord of sea and sky
I have heard my people cry,
All who dwell in dark and sin,
My hand will save.
I who made the stars of night,
I will make their darkness bright,
Who will bear my light to them?
Whom shall I send?

Ch: *Here I am Lord.
Is it I Lord?
I have heard you calling in the night.
I will go Lord,
If you lead me
I will hold your people in my heart.*



2. I the Lord of snow and rain
I have borne my peoples' pain,
I have wept for love of them,
They turn away.
I will break their hearts of stone
Give them hearts for love alone
I will speak my word to them
Whom shall I send?

3. I, the Lord of wind and flame
I will tend the poor and lame
I will set a feast for them
My hand will save
Finest bread I will provide
Till their hearts be satisfied,
I will give my life to them,
Whom shall I send?

Oh, the Lord is my Shepherd
And I shall not want,
in green pastures he gives me repose.

***For the love of the Lord never dies, never dies,
will carry me in his arms***

2. To clear waters he leads me refreshing my soul.
And he guides me a long lighted paths.
3. Though I walk in dark valleys, I feel no alarm,
For the Lord ever stays by my side.
4. With his rod and his staff he has given me
strength
And a banquet he spreads out for me.
5. He anointed my head with the oil of his might,
And my cup overflows with his joy.
6. Only goodness and mercy are mine all my life,
As I dwell in the house of my God.

RECESSIONAL HYMN

1. God's spirit is in my heart,
He has called me and set me apart
This is what I have to do,
what I have to do.

*He sent me to give the Good News to the poor,
tell prisoners that they are prisoners no more,
tell blind people that they can see,
and set the downtrodden free,
and go tell ev'ryone
the news that the Kingdom of God has come,
and go tell everyone
the news that God's kingdom has come.*