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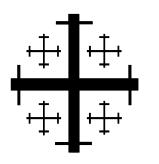
Easter

Good Shepherd Sunday

21 April 2024 9:30 am



The Liturgy at Calvary

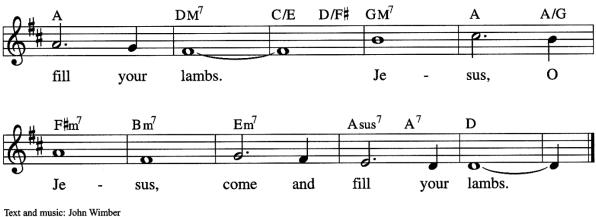


The image of the good shepherd shows us how the risen Christ brings us to life. It is the relationship between the shepherd and the sheep, one of mutual knowledge and love, that gives the shepherd authority. The shepherd's willingness to lay down his life for the sheep shows his love. First John illustrates what it means to lay down our lives for one another by the example of sharing our wealth with any sibling in need.

Prelude

Let All Things Now Living arr. Joyce Weaver [1934-2024] Medley, Fairest Lord Jesus + Jesus Loves Me Harp duo Cheril Rios, Catherine Gollhofer





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- L This is how we know what love is: Jesus Christ laid down his life for us. And we ought to lay down our lives for our sisters and brothers. If you have material possessions and see someone in need but have no pity on them, how can the love of God be in you? Dear children, let us not love with words or tongue but with actions and in truth (1 John 3:16-18).

Silence is kept for confession and reflection

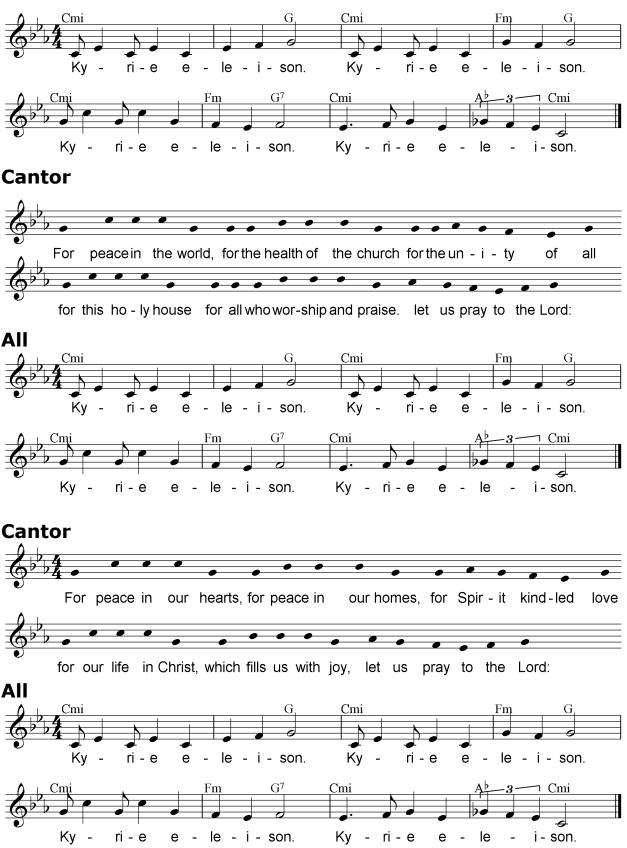
- L Most merciful God,
- C We confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. Forgive us the poverty of our love. Renew our hearts and minds that we would be rich in mercy.
- L This then is how we know that we belong to the truth, and how we set our hearts at rest in his presence whenever our hearts condemn us. For God is greater than our hearts, and he knows everything (1 John 3:19,23).

Reprise Spirit Song

- C And also with you.

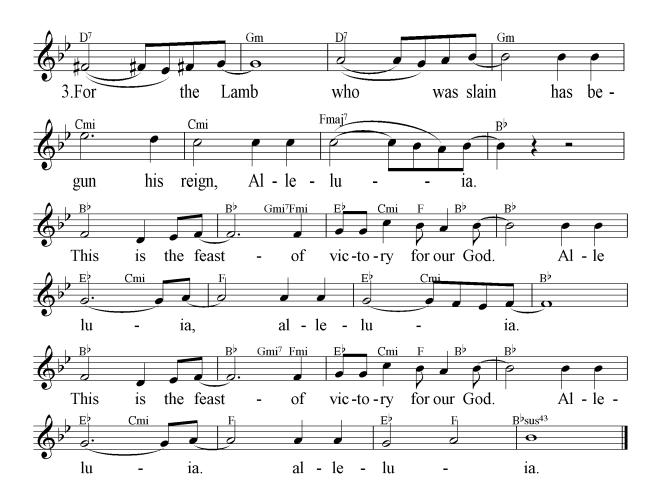
Kyrie Eleison Greek, Lord Have Mercy





This Is the Feast of Victory





Prayer of the Day

- P The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.
- P Let us pray... O Lord Christ, good shepherd of the sheep, you seek the lost and guide us into your fold. Feed us, and we shall be satisfied; heal us, and we shall be whole. Make us one with you, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.

Please sit for today's readings

First Reading: Acts 4:5-12

⁵The next day [the] rulers, elders, and scribes assembled in Jerusalem, ⁶with Annas the high priest, Caiaphas, John, and Alexander, and all who were of the high-priestly family. ⁷When they had made the prisoners stand in their midst, they inquired, "By what power or by what name did you do this?" ⁸Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them, "Rulers of the people and elders, ⁹if we are questioned today because of a good deed done to someone who was sick and are asked how this man has been healed, ¹⁰let it be known to all of you, and to all the people of Israel, that this man is standing before you in good health by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead. ¹¹This Jesus is

'the stone that was rejected by you, the builders;

it has become the cornerstone.'

¹²There is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among mortals by which we must be saved."

- L The Word of the Lord
- C Thanks be to God!

R272 Shepherd Me, O God Refrain Shep-herd me, O God, be - yond my wants, be - yond my fears, from to stanzas 1, 2, 3, 5 to stanza 4 death in - to life. life. 0 1 God is my shep-herd, SO noth - ing shall I want, I 2 Gent ly raise me you and heal my wea - ry soul, you 3 Though I should wan - der ley the val of death, I rest in the mead-ows of faith - ful - ness and I love. lead me righ - teous - ness by path - ways of and truth, my fear e - vil, for no you are at my side, your Refrain walk by qui - et the wa - ters of peace. spir - it shall sing the mu - sic of your name. rod and your staff, my com - fort and my hope. 4 You have set me a ban-quet of love in the face of ha - tred, Refrain 0 crown-ing me with love be - yond my pow'r hold. to

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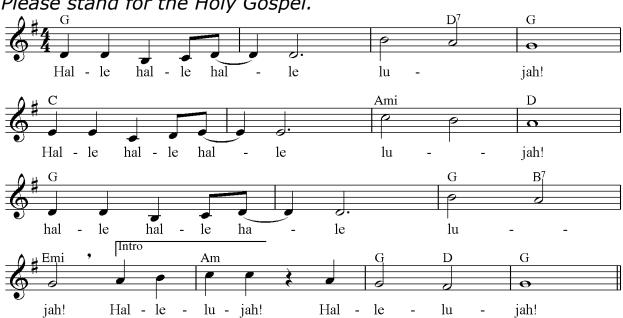
Second Reading: 1 John 3:16-24

¹⁶We know love by this, that [Jesus Christ] laid down his life for us—and we ought to lay down our lives for one another. ¹⁷How does God's love abide in anyone who has the world's goods and sees a brother or sister in need and yet refuses help?

¹⁸Little children, let us love, not in word or speech, but in truth and action. ¹⁹And by this we will know that we are from the truth and will reassure our hearts before him ²⁰whenever our hearts condemn us; for God is greater than our hearts, and he knows everything. ²¹Beloved, if our hearts do not condemn us, we have boldness before God; ²²and we receive from him whatever we ask, because we obey his commandments and do what pleases him.

²³And this is his commandment, that we should believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and love one another, just as he has commanded us. ²⁴All who obey his commandments abide in him, and he abides in them. And by this we know that he abides in us, by the Spirit that he has given us.

L The Word of the Lord **C** Thanks be to God!



Please stand for the Holy Gospel.

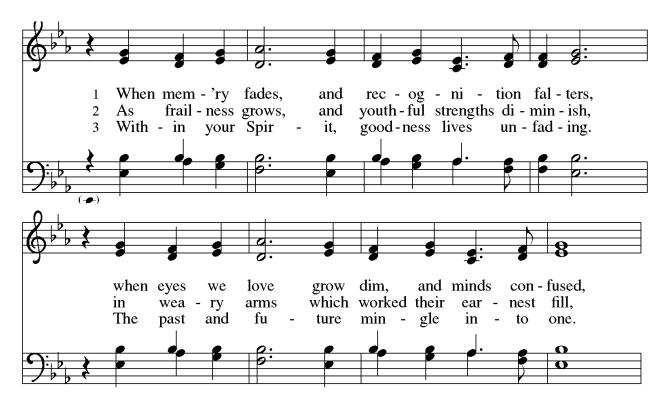
P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 10th chapter
C Glory to You, O Lord!

[Jesus said:] ¹¹"I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. ¹²The hired hand, who is not the shepherd and does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and runs away—and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. ¹³The hired hand runs away because a hired hand does not care for the sheep. ¹⁴I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, ¹⁵just as the Father knows me and I know the Father. And I lay down my life for the sheep. ¹⁶I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd. ¹⁷For this reason the Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again. ¹⁸No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it up again. I have received this command from my Father."

- P The Gospel of Our Lord
- C Praise to you, O Christ!

Sermon Pr Phil

Hymn of the Day When Memory Fades





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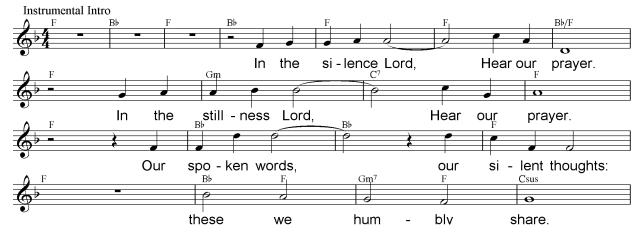
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Creed

- A Let us profess our faith in the Triune God.
- ALL 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 For our sake he was crucified under Pontius man. 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

Prayers

A Rejoicing in the wonder of new life in Jesus Christ, let us pray for the church, the world, and all of God's creation.





after each petition

A Lord in your mercy, **C Hear our prayer.** *concluding with*

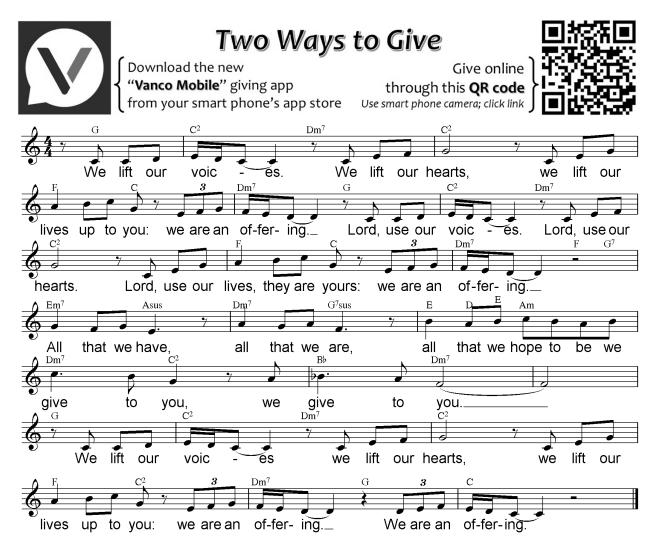
P Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord
C Amen

Peace

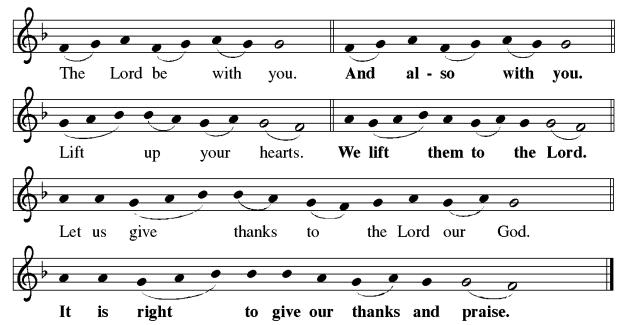
P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C And also with you.

Offertory Savior Like a Shepherd Lead Us Arr. D. Linda McKechnie [b 1941] Handbell Choir



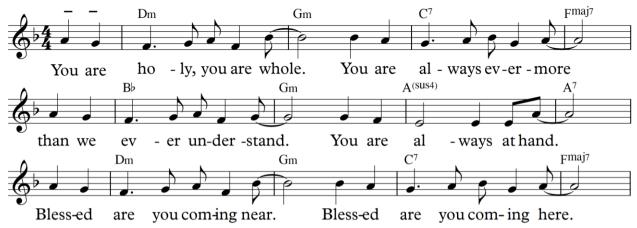
- A Let us pray. Merciful Father,
- C we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us - our selves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

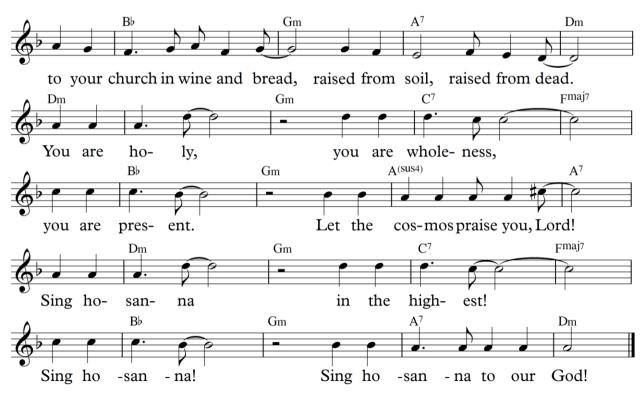


Great Thanksgiving

P It is indeed right and our duty and our joy... with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

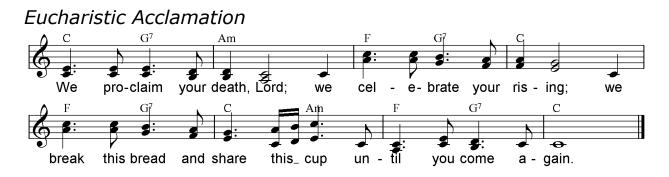
Sanctus & Benedictus Latin, Holy & Blessed





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Eucharistic Prayer



P Remember us in your kingdom, O Lord, and teach us to pray.

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

Agnus Dei [Latin, Lamb Of God]



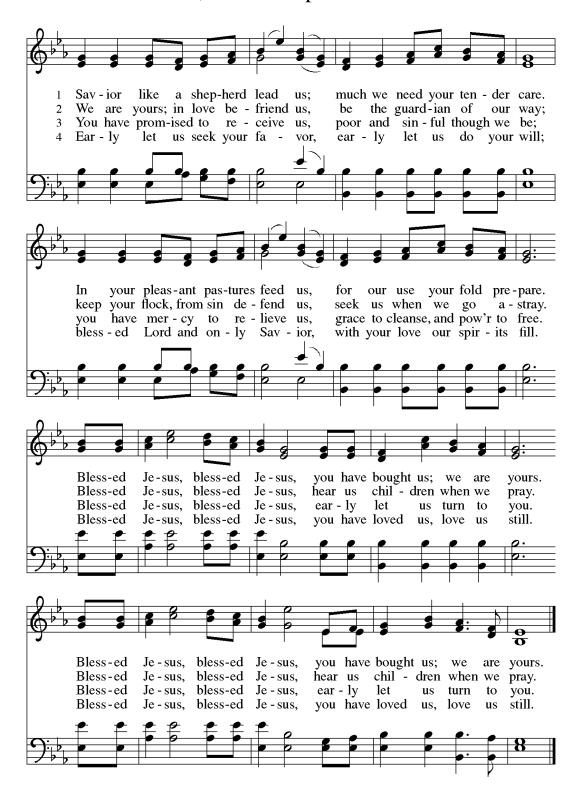
Holy Communion

In-Person: We commune at the Altar. Ushers will guide. All are welcome.Wine is Red Grape Juice is White Gluten-free wafers available upon request.

Online at Home: If you have elements at home, commune with those in attendance at the same time. We encourage you to commune each other and bless children who have not received First Communion. Consider giving this blessing: "Know that the promises of Jesus's love are for you."

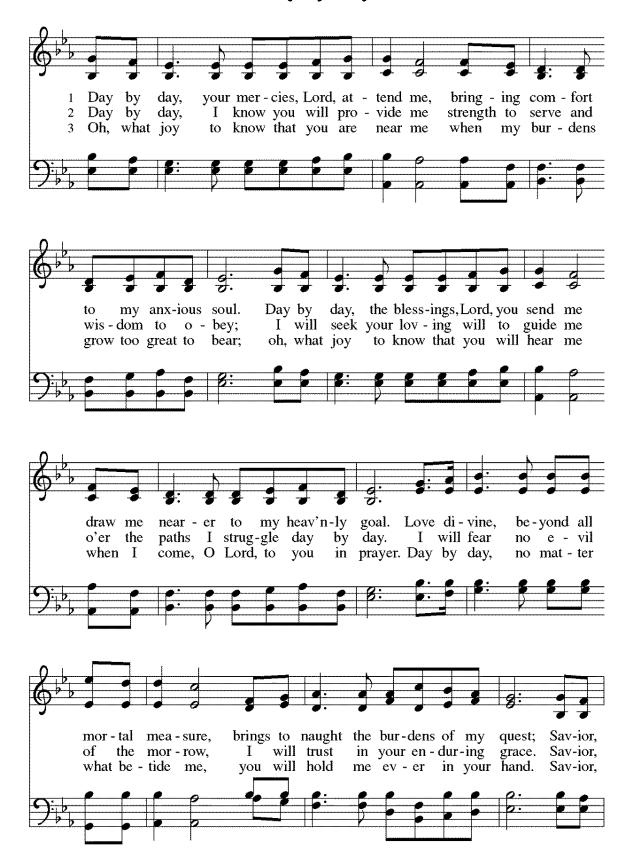
The Shepherd's Psalm J. Wayne Kerr [b 1959] Handbell Choir

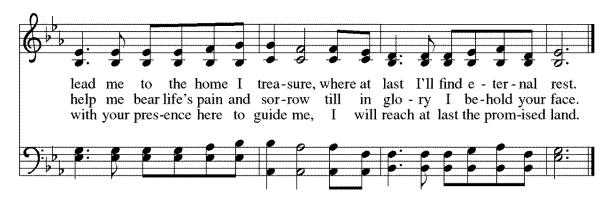
Savior, like A Shepherd Lead Us



Text: attr. Dorothy A. Thrupp, 1779–1847 Music: BRADBURY, William B. Bradbury, 1816–1868

Day by Day

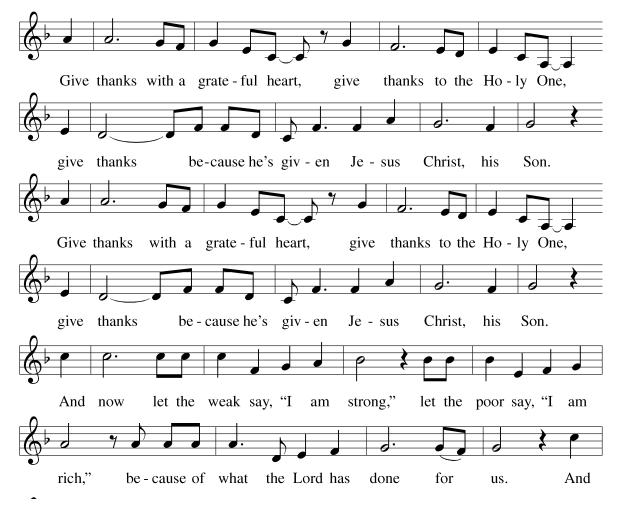


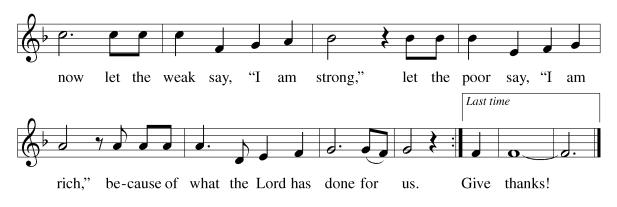


Text: Carolina Sandell Berg, 1832–1903; tr. Robert Leaf, 1936–2005 Music: BLOTT EN DAG, Oskar Ahnfelt, 1813–1882 Text © 1992 Augsburg Fortress.

P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in God's grace. **C Amen**

Post Communion Canticle



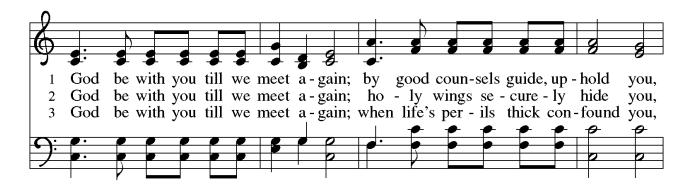


Text: Henry Smith Music: GIVE THANKS, Henry Smith

A Let us pray... Shepherding God, you have prepared a table before us and nourished us with your love. Send us forth from this banquet to proclaim your goodness and share the abundant mercy of Jesus, our redeemer and friend.

C Amen

- P The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and ★ give you peace.
- C Amen



God Be with You Till We Meet Again



Text: Jeremiah E. Rankin, 1828–1904 Music: GOD BE WITH YOU, William G. Tomer, 1833–1896

A Go in Peace. Serve the Lord. C Thanks be to God!

Postlude Dear Christians, One and All Rejoice Tune: Nun Fruet Euch, Liebe Christen G'Mein Christlich Liebe, Wittenberg 1524 JS Bach [1685-1750]

Upcoming Commemorations

Anselm, Bishop of Canterbury, died 1109 Sunday, April 21, 2024

This eleventh-century monk was one of the greatest theologians of the Middle Ages. He is remembered for emphasizing the maternal aspects of God, and for the theory that the Son of God became human in order to make the necessary payment for our sin.

Day of the Creation (Día de la Creación) (LLC) Monday, April 22, 2024

This observance invites us to notice and give God thanks for the wonders of the created universe. As stewards of that creation, we are also challenged to be careful in our use of it.

Toyohiko Kagawa, renewer of society, died 1960 Tuesday, April 23, 2024

Born in Kobe, Japan, Kagawa was orphaned as a young child. Later, when he became Christian, he was disowned by the rest of his family. Wishing to bring Christian principles into society, he worked among poor people, established schools and hospitals, and worked for peace.

Mark, Evangelist Thursday, April 25, 2024

He was not numbered among the twelve apostles, yet Mark was probably a member of the early church community. The gospel that bears his name is the shortest and most direct, and many scholars think it was the first to be written.

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