May the Lord bless this reading. All: Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn: 599

Gospel Reading: John 10. 11-18

Reader: David Knight

The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John. All: Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus said, 'I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. The 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. The hired hand runs away because a hired hand does not care for the sheep. I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father. And I lay down my life for the sheep. I 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. For this reason the Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again. No 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.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon: Ven Alastair Cutting

Intercessions: Jane Hobbs

We pray for:

<u>Our Diocese:</u> Christopher our Diocesan Bishop; St Margaret the Queen, Streatham Hill

<u>World Church</u>: The bishops, priests, deacons & people of the Anglican Church of Australia

<u>The World</u>: The ongoing conflicts in Gaza and Israel; Yemen, Sudan and Congo; the war in Ukraine and other nations in conflict.

<u>The Environment:</u> Awaken in us a renewed commitment to care for the earth and for each other.

<u>Our Community</u>: We pray for the Age Exchange in Blackheath.

<u>The Sick</u>: Adrian Falconer; Catherine Williams; Artemis Anastasi; Glenys Grey; Michael Letchfield; Daren Hearne; Ros Wilkes; Sandra Parsons; Jonathan; Shelagh; Felix. <u>The Departed</u>: Bob Lassam; Barry Wintour.

<u>Year's Mind</u>: Irene Walker; Maurice Rhoden; Lilian Mutch; Nellie Caton; Patrick O'Keeffe.

Offertory Hymn: 593

All are warmly invited to the dais to receive communion. If you would prefer to receive a blessing, please bow your head as a signal to the priest.

Anthem: The Lamb (John Tavener)

Communion Hymn: 324

Post Communion Prayer

Merciful Father, you gave your Son Jesus Christ to be the good shepherd, and in his love for us to lay down his life and rise again: keep us always under his protection, and give us grace to follow in his steps; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Recessional Hymn: 453

Organ Voluntary: Paean (Herbert Howells)

NOTICES

- 1. **PCC Secretary Vacancy:** We are looking for someone to take over as the PCC secretary. Please see the noticeboard at the back of the church for more details.
- 2. **Parish Electoral Roll:** If you are not on the Parish Electoral Roll, please fill in one of the forms at the back of the church. These will be available until 28th April.
- 3. **Our pattern of services has changed:** There will be no Online Morning Prayer or Tuesday Morning Eucharist. The second Sunday evening service will be a Said Evening Prayer for the remainder of the interregnum.
- 4. Breakfast Club Games Night: Friday 26th April, 6-8pm, in the Crypt. All young people in Years 5-9 are welcome.
- 5. **Choral Evensong:** Sunday 28th April, 6pm.
- 6. **Quaggy Quilters Exhibition:** An exhibition of pieces made by the Quaggy Quilters, who are celebrating their 25th anniversary. Saturday 27th April, St Margaret's Church, 10:30am-4pm. £4 for over-16s; under-16s can attend for free if they are accompanied by an adult.
- 7. Ascension Day Services: On Thursday 9th May, Ascension Day services will be taking place at St Mildred's at 7.30pm, and at the Church of the Ascension, Blackheath at 8pm.
- 8. **APCM:** Our Annual Parochial Church Meeting will take place on Sunday 19th May, after the 10.30 service.
- 9. More volunteers are needed, particularly for the coffee rota and the Welcomers rota. please see the church noticeboard/contact the office if you can help.

Donations: One-off donations may be given in cash via the offertory plate or contactless giving machine at the back of the church. We also encourage you to sign up to our Parish Giving Scheme- see website/back of church for details. **Donations can also be given using the following QR code:**



6:00pm EVENING PRAYER

Leader: Jenny Standage

Psalm: 81, vv. 8-16.

Old Testament Reading: Exodus 16. 4-15 New Testament Reading: Revelation 2. 12-17

Please contact the office if you would like to add anyone to the prayers list for the sick or departed.

Useful contacts:

Operations Manager: Amie Dotchin, community@stmargaretslee.org.uk Church Office: office@stmargaretslee.org.uk or call 020 8318 9643 Website: www.stmargaretslee.org.uk Facebook: www.facebook.com/StMargaretsLee Insta: www.instagram.com/saintmargaretschurchlee

St Margaret's School: Church Places

If you are thinking of applying for a church place at St Margaret's Lee school you will need to:

- Make contact with the Parish Administrator
- Read the school Admissions Policy which can be found at<u>www.stmargaretslee.lewisham.sch.uk</u>
- Complete two years of church attendance, fortnightly.

St Margaret's, Lee Fourth Sunday of Easter

21st April 2024

8am BCP Holy Eucharist 10.30am Parish Eucharist 6pm Evening Prayer

8.00am HOLY EUCHARIST

Celebrant: Revd Joan Burkitt-Gray

The service begins on page 237.

The Collect

Almighty God, whose Son Jesus Christ is the resurrection and the life: raise us, who trust in him, from the death of sin to the life of righteousness, that we may seek those things which are above, where he reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

First Reading: Acts 4. 5-12 Gospel Reading: John 10. 11-18

10.30am PARISH EUCHARIST

Celebrant: Ven Alastair Cutting

If you have a young child who needs a break, we have a creche room downstairs in the crypt (go through the doors at the bottom of the stairs); feel free to come and go during the service.

The setting for today's service (Gloria, Sanctus, Agnus Dei) is the Little Organ Mass (Joseph Haydn).

Hymn: 589

The Collect

First Reading: Acts 4. 5-12

Reader: Cilla Bartlett

The next day their rulers, elders, and scribes assembled in Jerusalem, with Annas the high priest, Caiaphas, John, and Alexander, and all who were of the high-priestly family. When they had made the prisoners stand in their midst, they inquired, 'By what power or by what name did you do this?' Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them, 'Rulers of the people and elders, if we are questioned today because of a good deed done to someone who was sick and are asked how this man has been healed, let 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. This Jesus is "the stone that was rejected by you, the builders; it has become the cornerstone." There is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among mortals by which we must be saved.'