

## **BIBLE READINGS - April 30, 2023**

**Acts 2:42-47**

**Revised Standard Version**

<sup>42</sup> And they devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers.

### **Life among the Believers**

<sup>43</sup> And fear came upon every soul; and many wonders and signs were done through the apostles. <sup>44</sup> And all who believed were together and had all things in common; <sup>45</sup> and they sold their possessions and goods and distributed them to all, as any had need. <sup>46</sup> And day by day, attending the temple together and breaking bread in their homes, they partook of food with glad and generous hearts, <sup>47</sup> praising God and having favor with all the people. And the Lord added to their number day by day those who were being saved.

### **John 10:1-10**

#### **Jesus the Good Shepherd**

<sup>10</sup> "Truly, truly, I say to you, he who does not enter the sheepfold by the door but climbs in by another way, that man is a thief and a robber; <sup>2</sup> but he who enters by the door is the shepherd of the sheep. <sup>3</sup> To him the gatekeeper opens; the sheep hear his voice, and he calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. <sup>4</sup> When he has brought out all his own, he goes before them, and the sheep follow him, for they know his voice. <sup>5</sup> A stranger they will not follow, but they will flee from him, for they do not know the voice of strangers." <sup>6</sup> This figure Jesus used with them, but they did not understand what he was saying to them.

<sup>7</sup> So Jesus again said to them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, I am the door of the sheep. <sup>8</sup> All who came before me are thieves and robbers; but the sheep did not heed them. <sup>9</sup> I am the door; if any one enters by me, he will be saved, and will go in and out and find pasture. <sup>10</sup> The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly.