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FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

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FIRST READING

We are now turning to the Gentiles.

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

13:43-44, 47-48

After the Sabbath service,
many Jews and a lot of Gentiles who worshiped God
went with Paul and Barnabas.
They begged the people to remain faithful to God,
who had been so kind to them.

The next Sabbath almost everyone in town
came to hear the message about the Lord.

Paul and Barnabas told them,
“The Lord has given this command,

‘I have placed you here as a light for the Gentiles.
You are to take the saving power of God
to people everywhere on earth.’”

This message made the Gentiles glad,
and they praised what they had heard about the Lord.
Everyone who had been chosen for eternal life
then put their faith in the Lord.

The word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

100:1-2, 3, 5

R. (3c) We are God's people, the sheep of his flock.

or:

R. Alleluia.

Shout praises to the Lord,
everyone on this earth.
Be joyful and sing
as you come in to worship the Lord!

R. We are God's people, the sheep of his flock.
or:
R. Alleluia

You know the Lord is God!
He created us,
and we belong to him;
we are his people,
the sheep in his pasture.

R. We are God's people, the sheep of his flock.
or:
R. Alleluia

The Lord is good!
His love and faithfulness
will last forever.

R. We are God's people, the sheep of his flock.
or:
R. Alleluia

ALLELUIA

John 10:14

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

I am the good shepherd, says the Lord;
I know my sheep, and mine know me.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

GOSPEL

I give my sheep eternal life.

† A reading from the holy gospel according to John

10:27-30

Jesus said to his disciples:

“My sheep know my voice, and I know them.
They follow me,
and I give them eternal life,
so that they will never be lost.

No one can snatch them out of my hand.
My Father gave them to me,
and he is greater than all others.
No one can snatch them from his hands,
and I am one with the Father.”

The gospel of the Lord.