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"And I have other sheep, which are not of this fold; those also I must bring, and they will listen to my voice, and they will become one flock, one shepherd."

John 10:16



Lakeshore Presbyterian Church April 21, 2024 Pastor Bill Davis, presiding

WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP (Psalm 23)

One: The LORD is my shepherd, I shall not want.

ALL: He makes me lie down in green pastures; he leads me beside still waters;

He restores my soul. He leads me in right paths for his name's sake. One:

ALL: Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I fear no evil; for you are with me;

You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; you anoint my head One:

with oil; my cup overflows.

ALL: Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life,

and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD my whole life long.

Please stand if you are able

HYMN "Joy to the World" #40

1 Joy to the world, the Lord is come:

Let earth receive her King;

Let every heart prepare Him room,

And heaven and nature sing,

And heaven and nature sing,

And heaven, and heaven, and nature sing.

2 Joy to the world, the Savior reigns:

Let us our songs employ;

While fields and floods, rocks, hills and plains

Repeat the sounding joy,

Repeat the sounding joy,

Repeat, repeat, the sounding joy.

3 No more let sins and sorrows grow,

Nor thorns infest the ground:

He comes to make His blessings flow

Far as the curse is found,

Far as the curse is found,

Far as, far as, the curse is found.

4 He rules the world with truth and grace,

And makes the nations prove

The glories of His righteousness, And wonders of His love, And wonders of His love, And wonders, wonders, of His love.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

LORD, YOU are the GOOD SHEPHERD, yet we don't always follow YOU. Instead we have followed our impulses. We have grazed in pastures where YOU have not led us. We wanted to be in control. We chose to follow other shepherds, and they have led us astray. Forgive us when we fail to follow YOUR will for our lives. Help us to listen to YOUR voice and follow YOUR will for our lives. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

RESPONSE OF PRAISE Gloria Patri

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE John 10: 10-16

¹⁰ The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly.

¹¹ 'I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. ¹² 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. ¹³ The hired hand runs away because a hired hand does not care for the sheep. ¹⁴ I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, ¹⁵ just as the Father knows me and I know the Father. And I lay down my life for the sheep. ¹⁶ 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.

SERMON "The Good Shepherd"

Please stand if you are able

HYMN "The Lord is My Shepherd" #170 1 The Lord's my Shepherd, I'll not want. He makes me down to lie In pastures green; He leadeth me The quiet waters by. 2 My soul He doth restore again; And me to walk doth make Within the paths of righteousness, E'en for His own name's sake.

3 Yea, though I walk in death's dark vale, Yet will I fear none ill; For Thou art with me; and Thy rod And staff me comfort still.

4 My table Thou hast furnished In presence of my foes; My head Thou dost with oil anoint, And my cup overflows.

5 Goodness and mercy all my life Shall surely follow me; And in God's house forevermore My dwelling place shall be.

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Let us say what we believe:

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried.

He descended into hell; On the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

PASSING OF THE PEACE

May the peace of Christ rule in your hearts.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you!

Let us greet one another with the peace of Christ.

SHARING OF JOYS, CONCERNS AND PRAYER REQUESTS

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, which 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, For ever and ever. Amen.

RESPONSE "Hear Our Prayer, O LORD"

Hear our prayer, O Lord Hear our prayer, O Lord Incline Thine ear to us And grant us Thy peace

THE OFFERING

DOXOLOGY

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him all creatures here below. Praise Him above ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen

Please stand if you are able

HYMN "Precious Lord, Take My Hand" #404
Precious Lord, take my hand
Lead me on, let me stand
I'm tired, I'm weak, I'm worn;
Through the storm, through the night
Lead me on to the light
Take my hand precious Lord, lead me home

When my way grows drear,
Precious Lord linger near
When my life is almost gone
Hear my cry, hear my call
Hold my hand lest I fall
Take my hand precious Lord, lead me home

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

Please stand if you are able

BENEDICTION RESPONSE

I have decided to follow Jesus; I have decided to follow Jesus; I have decided to follow Jesus; No turning back, no turning back. The world behind me, the cross before me. The world behind me, the cross before me; The world behind me, the cross before me; No turning back, no turning back.

FELLOWSHIP