## **April 30, 2023**

#### **Prelude and Chimes**

#### **Welcome and Announcements**

## \*Call to Worship

Leader: Jesus the Good Shepherd calls our names to come and follow him.

People: His voice, speaking our names, draws us to him. Leader: We follow without fear, for the shepherd cares for us.

People: Our hearts rejoice and we can place our trust in the Good Shepherd.

Leader: Come, let us enter the gate with thanksgiving!

People: Let us go forth confidently with songs of praise! AMEN.

\*Hymn #43: "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"

\*Passing of the Peace

Scripture Reading: John 10:1-10 Karen Jones

#### Anthem

**Time With Young Disciples** 

#### **Unison Prayer**

O God, without you, we would be terribly alone. Without your love, there would be no good life. We sense that it is through faith that we can know your presence, and your love. Thank you for leading us toward faith. Amen.

**Sermon:** "Incredible Hospitality and the Divine Invitation into Eternity"

\*Hymn #248: "Such Perfect Love My Shepherd Shows"

The Community at Prayer (Joys and Concerns, Prayers for the People, Lord's Prayer)

If you are watching online, type any prayer requests in the chat by the end of the sermon and we can voice them and get the names on the prayer list.

## **Prayer Response**

## Invitation to the Offering

(Opportunities to give for the ministries of this church are available through an offering plate during service, by mailing your gift to the church office, or by signing up for electronic giving through our website.)

# \*Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below; Praise God for all that love has done Creator, Christ, and Spirit, One. Amen.

# \*Prayer of Dedication

We dedicate our lives and all that we have to the work of life, of love, of peace. Receive our gifts and lead us in wisdom and courage. Amen.

\*Hymn #573: "Lead On Eternal Sovereign"

\*Commissioning and Blessing

\*Choral Response

\*Postlude