

April 21, 2024

Prelude and Chimes

Welcome and Announcements

***Call to Worship**

Leader: When we are scattered, Jesus our Good Shepherd gathers us in.

People: When we are lost and lonely, we can depend on Christ's love.

Leader: When we are oppressed, Jesus our Good Shepherd cares for us.

People: When we are threatened because of who we are, we can depend on Christ's protection.

Leader: We know Christ, because Christ's tenderness has guided us for generations.

People: Christ knows us by name. Christ will lay down his very life for our sake.

Leader: Let us worship our Good Shepherd, who cares for all of us with a fierce love.

People: Let us give thanks for Christ's presence with us.

***Hymn #252: "Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us"**

***Passing the Peace**

Scripture: John 10:11-18

Karen Jones

Anthem: One God, by Joseph Martin

Celebration of Ministry

Belinda Addae, Church World Service

(Young Disciples please remain in your seats and listen to this presentation. You may go to your class afterward)

Psalm of the Day

23 The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.

² He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: he leadeth me beside the still waters.

³ He restoreth my soul: he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake.

⁴Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me.

⁵Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies: thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over.

⁶Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

Sermon: "Shepherd Model for Discipleship"

***Hymn #247:** "My Shepherd Is the Living God"

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**

Gracious God, thank you for your gift of Jesus Christ, who cares for us and protects us. With these gifts we return to you, help us care for others in our communities and around the world. Amen.

***Hymn #77:** "Lord, Dismiss Us With Your Blessing"

***Commissioning and Blessing**

***Choral Response**

***Postlude**