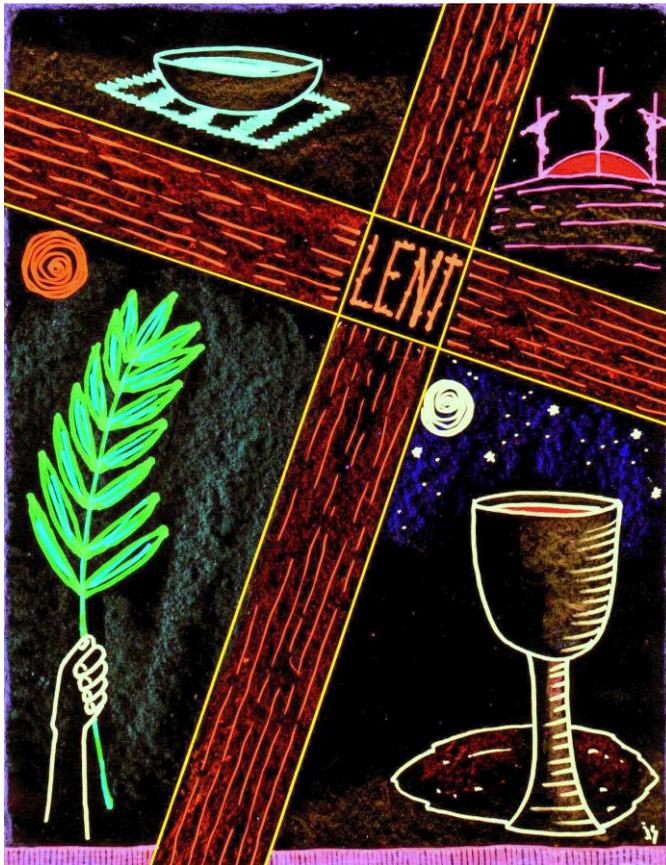


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Diverse People United in Christ



Traveling Light: From Suffering to Salvation...

The Worship of God

Fourth Sunday in Lent

March 22, 2020

10:55 A.M.

Words of Welcome & Instruction

Tim Schaefer & Michael Gregg

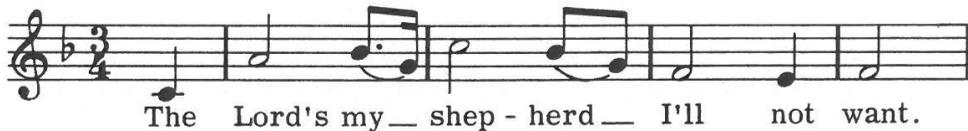
Voluntary

David Weigle

Call to Worship

Harry Wooten

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The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want.
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
Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I fear no evil
for you are with me; your rod and your staff—they comfort me. **R**

You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies;
You anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.
Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life,
and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord for ever. **R**

Hymn [see insert]

Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us — BRADBURY

Congregation

Time for Young Disciples

Laura Keller

Prayers of the People

Quietly we come to you in prayer. During this time we want to be still and know that you are God. So much of our existence is spent in scrambling and searching that we forget what quietness and contemplation are. Today we ask for a steadying, a refocusing, a reshaping, of our lives. Let us meet you at the deepest places of our hearts. We know we cannot stay still. We must move again. But out of this time of stillness, may we go steadier and surer of who you are and who we are.

Today we pray especially for those we name now silently or aloud, or place in the comment section of the livestream. . .

Silence Is Kept

May our breath move in and out as one with yours. In the silence, we rest, we worship, we open ourselves to you. Amen.

Prayer Response

Congregation

O Lord, Hear My Prayer

1. O Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer: when I call an - swer me.

O Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer. Come and lis - ten to me.

The image shows a musical score for the hymn "O Lord, Hear My Prayer". It consists of two systems of music. Each system has a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment line (bass clef). The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 4/4. The lyrics are: "1. O Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer: when I call an - swer me." and "O Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer. Come and lis - ten to me." The piano accompaniment features a steady bass line and chords that support the vocal melody.

Scripture Lesson

Tim Schaefer

John 8:31-38 [see insert]

Holy Wisdom, Holy Word ... **Thanks be to God!**

Solo

Simple Gifts — SHAKER TUNE

Sermon

Michael Gregg

“ Authentic Freedom: Dropping Keys ”

Reflection & Offering

Closing Hymn [see insert]

Congregation

God Be with You — GOD BE WITH YOU

Blessing

Michael Gregg

Amen.

Amen.

Dismissal

David Weigle

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Hymn Notes

Psalm 23 - Response

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Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us

1. Sav - ior, like a shep-herd lead us, much we need Thy ten - der care;
2. We are Thine; do Thou be - friend us, be the guard-ian of our way;
3. Thou has prom-ised to re - ceive us, poor and sin - ful though we be;
4. Ear - ly let us seek Thy fa - vor; ear - ly let us do Thy will;

in Thy pleas - ant pas-tures feed us, for our use Thy folds pre-pare:
keep Thy flock, from sin de - fend us, seek us when we go a - stray:
Thou hast mer - cy to re - lieve us, grace to cleanse, and power to free:
bless - ed Lord and on - ly Sav - ior, with Thy love our be - ings fill:

bless-ed Je - sus, bless-ed Je - sus, Thou has bought us, Thine we are;
bless-ed Je - sus, bless-ed Je - sus, hear, O hear us when we pray;
bless-ed Je - sus, bless-ed Je - sus, ear - ly let us turn to Thee;
bless-ed Je - sus, bless-ed Je - sus, Thou has loved us, love us still;

bless-ed Je - sus, bless-ed Je - sus, Thou hast bought us, Thine we are.
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bless-ed Je - sus, bless-ed Je - sus, ear - ly let us turn to Thee.
bless-ed Je - sus, bless-ed Je - sus, Thou hast loved us, love us still.

God Be with You

1. God be with you till we meet a-gain! By His coun-sels guide, up-hold you,
2. God be with you till we meet a-gain! 'Neath His wings se - cure - ly hide you,

The first system of music consists of two staves. The top staff is in treble clef and the bottom staff is in bass clef. Both are in 4/4 time. The melody is written in a simple, hymn-like style with chords and single notes. The lyrics are placed between the two staves.

with His sheep se-cure-ly fold you; God be with you till we meet a-gain!
dai - ly man-na still pro - vide you; God be with you till we meet a-gain!

The second system of music also consists of two staves in treble and bass clefs, 4/4 time. It continues the melody from the first system. The lyrics are placed between the two staves.

Schedule

All In-Person activities have been suspended until further notice.
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Deacons on Call

Dennis Turnbull & Cathy Webb

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The Scripture this morning is John 8:31-38

³¹Then Jesus said to the Jews who had believed in him, "If you continue in my word, you are truly my disciples; ³²and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free." ³³They answered him, "We are descendants of Abraham and have never been slaves to anyone. What do you mean by saying, 'You will be made free'?" ³⁴Jesus answered them, "Very truly, I tell you, everyone who commits sin is a slave to sin. ³⁵The slave does not have a permanent place in the household; the son has a place there forever. ³⁶So if the Son makes you free, you will be free indeed.

³⁷I know that you are descendants of Abraham; yet you look for an opportunity to kill me, because there is no place in you for my word.

³⁸I declare what I have seen in the Father's presence; as for you, you should do what you have heard from the Father."

(NRSV)

Holy Wisdom, Holy Word... **Thanks be to God.**