

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
4th Sunday of Easter. 10:00 am April 25, 2021

WE GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

PRELUDE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

INTROIT

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want.

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

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

People: 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.

Leader: You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.

People: 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.

OPENING PRAYER

*HYMN OF PRAISE “Our God” (see insert)

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O God who labors without ceasing, to bring all people into wholeness and into oneness with you, we confess our reluctance to live in unity with all your people. Help us to overcome the scandal of our pride – the pride of race, creed, class, and color – that your church might be a worthy witness to your good news of love and forgiveness, through Jesus Christ, our risen Head. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*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.

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD PROCLAIMED

SPECIAL MUSIC

“Lamb of God”

SCRIPTURE READING

1 John 3:16-24

SERMON

The Rev. Natasha Sudderth-Davis

RESPONSIVE HYMN

(see insert)

“The Shepherd Will Supply My Need”

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

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; 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.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father who 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 and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

OFFERING

DOXOLOGY AND PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*HYMN "The Summons" (see insert)

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE

***Those who are able, please stand.**

Leading Worship: The Rev. Natasha Sudderth-Davis, Pastor; Zack Wiggins, liturgist; Leah Metzger, Accompanist; Heather Speas, Elder of the Month.

We warmly greet all who have come to worship God. Your presence will enhance our worship experience and our fellowship together. Sincere thanks to each of you for your participation in the service. Glory be to God!

Announcements

Monday Morning Yoga

Worship Meeting April 26th at 5 pm.

Bible Study Tuesdays at 10 am

Wednesday Night Fellowship- 6:00 (bring your own food)

Christian Education Meeting April 28th at 5 pm.

Prayer Meeting Thursdays 9:30 am in the church office



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"Landscape with Shepherd and Sheep" Anton Mauve

“Our God”

Water, You turned into wine. Opened the eyes of the blind.
There's no one like You. None like You.

Into the darkness, You shine Out of the ashes we rise There's no
one like You None like You.

Our God is greater. Our God is stronger. God, You are higher
than any other. Our God is healer. Awesome in power Our God,
our God.

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And if our God is for us. Then who could ever stop us? And if
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What could stand against? What could stand against? (What
could stand)

“The Shepherd Will Supply My Need”

My Shepherd will supply my need; Jehovah is his name. In
pastures fresh he makes me feed, beside the living stream. He
brings my wandering spirit back when I forsake his ways, and
leads me, for his mercy's sake, in paths of truth and grace.

When I walk through the shades of death your presence is my
stay; One word of your supporting breath drives all my fears
away. Your hand, in sight of all my foes, does still my table
spread; My cup with blessings overflows; your oil anoints my
head.

The sure provisions of my God attend me all my days; O may
your house be my abode, and all my work be praise. There
would I find a settled rest, while others go and come; no more a
stranger, or a guest, but like a child at home.

“The Summons”

Will you come and follow me if I but call your name? Will you go
where you don't know and never be the same? Will you let my
love be shown, will you let my name be known. Will you let my
life be grown in you and you in me?

Will you leave yourself behind if I but call your name?
Will you care for cruel and kind and never be the same?
Will you risk the hostile stare, should your life attract or scare?
Will you let me answer prayer in you and you in me?

Will you let the blinded see, if I but call your name?
Will you set the prisoners free and never be the same?
Will you kiss the leper clean, and do such as this unseen, and
admit to what I mean in you and you in me?

Will you love the 'you' you hide if I but call your name?
Will you quell the fear inside and never be the same?
Will you use the faith you've found to reshape the world around,
Through my sight and touch and sound in you and you in me?

Lord, your summons echoes true when you but call my name.
Let me turn and follow you and never be the same. In your
company I'll go where your love and footsteps show. Thus I'll
move and live and grow in you and you in me.