

THE ORDER OF MORNING WORSHIP

Sunday, April 21, 2024

The Third Sunday in Eastertide

11:00 a.m.

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

GATHERING AROUND GOD'S WORD

WELCOME

PRELUDE

My Shepherd Will Supply My Need

arr. G. Martin

INTROIT

Shepherd Me, O God

SHEPHERD ME

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Adapted from Psalm 23:1-6

Leader: The LORD is our Shepherd, we shall not want.

People: The LORD makes us lie down in green pastures and leads us beside still waters.

Leader: The LORD restores our souls, and leads us in right paths for His name's sake.

People: While walking through the darkest valley, we fear no evil; for the LORD is with us.

Leader: The LORD prepares a table for us in the presence of our enemies.

People: The LORD anoints our heads with oil and our cups overflow.

Leader: Surely goodness and mercy shall follow us all the days of our lives.

People: And, we shall dwell in the house of the LORD forever.

*HYMN #466

O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing

AZMON

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Almighty God: You love us abundantly, but we have not loved You fully. The voice of Christ our Shepherd calls us, but we do not always listen. We often walk away from neighbors in need, wrapped in our own concerns. We often condone evil, prejudice, hatred, and greed. God of grace, help us to admit our sin so that, as You move toward us in mercy, we may repent, turn to You, and receive forgiveness; through Jesus Christ our Redeemer. Amen.

SILENT CONFESSION

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

KYRIE #572

Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

WORDS WITH OUR YOUNG CHURCH

Children ages K-3rd grade are now invited downstairs for Children's Worship.

ANTHEM

The King of Love My Shepherd Is
Cameron Carpenter, tenor and Isaac Brooks, baritone

H.R. Shelley

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE

John 10:11-18

Pastor: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks Be to God.

SERMON

“The Good Sheep”

Rev. Curtis Christian

*HYMN #387

Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us

BRADBURY

RESPONDING TO GOD’S WORD

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

--from the Reformed Church of France

We believe in God, the Father Almighty,
our Creator.

We believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son,
our Redeemer.

We believe in the Holy Spirit,
our Comforter.

We believe in the Eternal God,
in His holiness which condemns us,
in His love which redeems us,
in His presence which renews us. Amen.

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE #579

MOMENT FOR MISSION

Madison Missions Offering

Gloria Patri
Jennifer Brubaker

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD’S PRAYER
OFFERINGS FOR THE MINISTRY OF THE CHURCH

OFFERTORY

The Shepherd's Flock

J. Bernards

*DOXOLOGY #592

Old Hundredth

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

BEARING GOD'S WORD INTO THE WORLD

*HYMN #361

How Firm a Foundation
verses 1 and 5

FOUNDATION

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

CHORAL BENEDICTION

Come to Me, O Weary Traveler

AUSTIN

*POSTLUDE

Postlude

W. Wedemann

*Those who are able, please stand

***Late Arrivals Seated

Tom Long is our Lay Reader today.