

# Fourth Sunday of Easter

9:30AM, May 11<sup>th</sup>, 2025

Asterisk (\*) indicates standing, as able. Bold/colored type indicates text spoken in unison.

**PRELUDE** "10,000 Reasons" and "Humble Thyself in the Sight of the Lord"

## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

**CALL TO WORSHIP** Responsive

Come and worship!

**We are here, with God's Spirit among us.**

God reveals God's self to us today:

**As the Good Shepherd, giver of rest and comfort;**

As the Holy Lamb, worthy of our eternal praise;

**As the giver of new life, and new hope.**

We are here, with God's Spirit among us.

**We worship you, Holy Trinity.**

**\*HYMN** "Majesty, Worship His Majesty" **UMH # 176**

**\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** Apostles' Creed **UMH # 881**

**OPENING PRAYER** Unison

**Holy Lamb and Gentle Shepherd, we are here, the sheep of your pasture. Lead us in your ways. We come, from every nation and every language. We come, needing rest and wanting challenge. We come, kneeling in awe and standing in the promise of new life. We come with Peter, with Tabitha, with John, with the psalmist, and with the heavenly hosts, as we sing to you over and over: "Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor... be to our God forever!" Bless this time of worship, Beautiful Savior, and guide us to springs of your living water. Amen.**

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND PARDON** Unison

**Jesus our Lord, we ask for your forgiveness - for what we have done, but shouldn't have, for what we should have done, but didn't. We yearn to hear your voice, Gentle Shepherd, but listen to our own voices instead. We want to care for our sisters and brothers, to comfort them when they hurt, to give what we have to people who have less, but we choose to hoard our resources and time. Forgive us, Lord, and help us forgive ourselves too for everything we name before you now... In your holy name, we pray. Amen.**

## WORDS OF ASSURANCE

Children of God, hear these words of promise: Christ our Shepherd joyfully welcomes us back into the fold of love and freedom, teaching us to know his voice. In the name of Jesus the Christ, you are forgiven. **In the name of Jesus the Christ, you are forgiven. Praise and thanks to God! Amen.**

## JOYS, CONCERNS AND PASTORAL PRAYER

**SCRIPTURE READING** **John 10:22-28 (NRSV)**

**22** At that time the Festival of the Dedication took place in Jerusalem. It was winter,  
**23** and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the portico of Solomon.  
**24** So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, "How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah, tell us plainly."  
**25** Jesus answered, "I have told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father's name testify to me,  
**26** but you do not believe because you do not belong to my sheep.  
**27** My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me.  
**28** I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand.

MESSAGE                      “My Sheep Hear My Voice”                      Rev. Dongkue Jee

RESPOND TO THE WORD

\* HYMN                      Blessed Assurance, Jesus Is Mine”                      UMH # 369

THE LORD'S PRAYER                      UMH # 895

OFFERING

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

\*DOXOLOGY                      “Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”                      UMH # 95

\*PRAYER OF OFFERING                      Unison

**Holy One, we give our gifts to you now, knowing that you transform  
our earthly offerings into heavenly blessings. May we desire to hear  
and know your voice, that we may worship you night and day, and fall  
down before your throne. In your name, through the power of your  
Spirit, we pray together. Amen.**

SENDING FORTH

\*HYMN                      “Precious Lord, Take My Hand”                      UMH # 474

\*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE                      “O Spirit of the Living God”                      UMH # 539



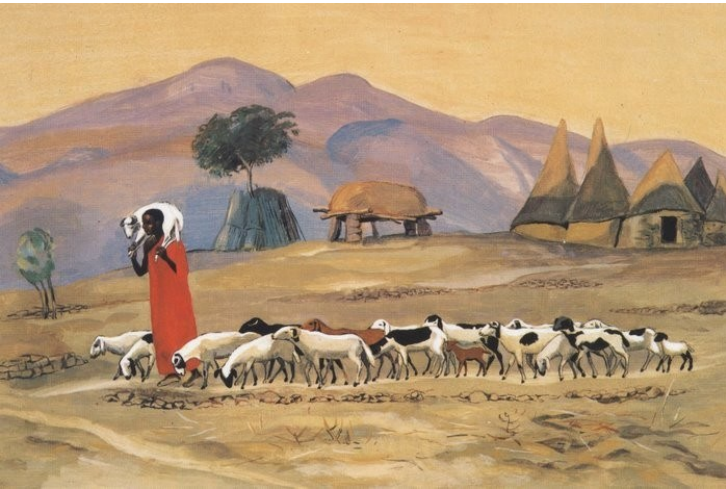
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\* The offering plate is located at the entrance of the sanctuary. Please feel free to participate.

\* Fellowship follows the worship service. Please join us for refreshments and fellowship in the Parlor.