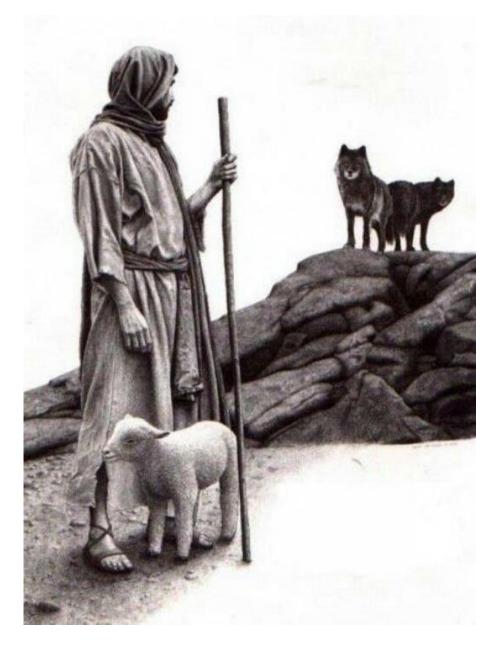


Reaching Out with Nurturing Love to All God's People



April 26, 2015 10:00 a.m. Worship Fourth Sunday of Easter **First time here?** We are happy to have you visit with us today and hope that your worship experience is blessed. Please pick up a free visitor bag in the narthex. All are invited for coffee and fellowship in Bowen Hall after the service. **Children with you?** Activity materials for young worshipers are in the entry way. Child care and Sunday School are provided during the service. **Assistance needed?** Feel free to ask. Large print bulletins and hearing devices are available from the ushers.

CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

*One asterisk signifies the congregation stands if able. Throughout the service the bold type is spoken by the congregation

PRELUDE "Lo He Comes with Clouds Descending" John Francis Wade

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE RINGING OF THE CHIMES

INTROIT

"Step by Step"

David Strasser, 1991

*CALL TO WORSHIP (responsively)
The Lord Jesus Christ is our shepherd.
He lays down his life for his sheep.
He knows us and we belong to him.
He searches for us when we have gone astray.
He speaks, and we listen to his voice.
Let us worship God!

*HYMN #802 "The King of Love My Shepherd Is" Irish melody

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

Good Shepherd, we thank you for walking beside us through the joy and troubles of each day. We are your people, O God, the sheep of your pasture, the flock you have gathered. Lead us beside still waters; teach us the way of truth, and sustain us all our lives. Lord, have mercy on us. We talk of love but our actions betray us. We talk of love, but we neglect the poor. We talk of love, but we fail to love one another as you would have us do. Forgive us and abide in us by the power of your Spirit so that our lives may show our love of you. Amen.

*WORDS OF AFFIRMATION (responsively)

We seek God's grace with boldness because we trust in Jesus Christ, the Risen Lord who love us and laid down his life for us.

This is the good news of the gospel, in Jesus Christ we are forgiven! Thanks be to God!

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE #581 Gloria Patri CALL FOR OFFERING OFFERTORY "Come Holy Ghost, God, & Lord" Andreas Armsdorf

*DOXOLOGY AND PRAYER OF DEDICATION

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (unison)

Living God, help us so to hear your holy Word that we may truly understand; that, understanding, we may believe and believing, we may follow in all faithfulness, seeking your honor and glory in all that we do; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING: Psalm 23 This is the word of the Lord! Thanks be to God!

ANTHEM "My Shepherd Will Supply My Need" USA folk arr. Mack Wilberg

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING: 1 John 3:16-24 This is the Word of the Lord! Thanks be to God!

SERMON: "Do We Really Want A Shepherd?" Rev. Dr Cindy Alloway

HYMN #187 "Savior Like a Shepherd Lead Us"

William B. Bradbury

PRAYER OF THE PEOPLE THE LORD'S PRAYER

CHORAL RESPONSE

*HYMN #836

"Abide with Me"

William Henry Monk, 1861

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

"Voluntary III"

Richard Peek

Did you know about today's Anthem?

The effectiveness of this beloved paraphrase of Psalm 23 owes much to the flowing shape note melody that serves as a "living stream" to carry the text, which in turn has been given a remarkable clarity and lightness through the poet's masterful use of single-syllable words

Liturgist: Ellen Marks



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Prayer Requests: *Please include in your prayers Those mourning the loss of a friend or family member*

- Please pray for the family of Amy Tompkins as they mourn her mother, Mary Deaver Slater, who passed away on April 18th.
- Please pray for the family of Ted Crouch as they mourn his passing on April 8th. His memorial will be Saturday, May 2nd at 2 pm.
- Please pray for the family of Jack Gaffney as they mourn his passing on Mar. 31^{st} .
- \clubsuit Please pray for Dave Nelson as he mourns the death of his brother in Oregon.
- ✤ Please pray for the family of Sally Henderson as they mourn her passing, Mar. 13th.
- Please pray for the family of Thomas Peugh as they mourn his recent passing.
- ✤ Please pray for the family of Art Borchers who passed away on February 8, 2015.
- Please pray for the family of Jeanne Nussmeier who are mourning the sudden death of Jeanne's daughter, Shannon Marie Williams, on January 20, 2015.

Please pray for those facing health issues

Robert McNutt	Joyce Beckner	Sharon Sorani
Pamela Sage	Lorraine Nichol	Helen McKenzie
Judy Bello	Brooke Smith	Julie Marquette
Albert Reil	Ed and Fay St. John	Barbara Saunders
Alan Reil	Bob and Marge Snater	Dan Christian's family
David Downard	Marie Patchin	Krissy Healy
John Baker	Mary Olson	Randy Pierce

Those serving in our military

Sgt. David A. Dickens, USAF Jason Morse, US Navy Jason Imbimbo, Coast Guard Lt. Ian Alloway Culver, Lt. Col. David Trowbridge, U.S. Army, Fort Lewis, WA. David continues to serve in the Army as Chief of Cardiology at Madigan Hospital.



The Boys and Girls Club NEED FUNDING !

They have a desperate need for funds. Four hundred dollars a month is needed to provide them with fresh fruit and snacks. Sixty percent of the Children attending are homeless. Your donations are deeply appreciated. Thank you!

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UPCOMING EVENTS

FRIDAYS NOON HOUR OF PRAYER, meditative music and readings. Join us!

APRIL 27 at 10 am on Mondays, Easy Senior Exercise in the Rose Room!

APRIL 27 at 7 pm on Mondays, *Bible Study*, Fascinating Video Course on the New **Testament** taught by Professor Bart Ehrman of the UNC (in the Rose Rm).

APRIL 29 Wednesday from 5 pm - 7 pm, Voyagers - Volunteering at Redwood Food Bank. Dinner to follow for those who wish to attend. Callers will be calling soon and have information on dinner plans. Hopefully, we will again have a good turnout!

MAY 2, Saturday 2 pm, Memorial for Ted Crouch

MAY 3 Sunday, 11:30 am NEW MEMBER CLASS: All who are interested in learning more about what it means to be a part of the church are invited!

MAY 3 Sunday, 11:15 am PHOTO DIRECTORY SIGN-UPS BEGIN!

MAY 17 Sunday, 2 PM, SONG OF SONOMA CONCERT!

MAY 19 Tuesday, 10:30 am PW WOMEN: *Getting to Know our Hispanic Neighbors* Lesson 9. Salad Potluck Luncheon 12:15 pm Birthday Offering Dedication

MAY 21 Thursday 3:30 pm BOOK CLUB: The Big Sleep by Raymond Chandler. A complex mystery novel. Copies available in the library.

MAY 23 Saturday, 2 pm VOYAGERS THEATRE EVENT "*Crazy For You***"** at 6th Street Playhouse. Order \$25 tickets from Vera Patten 838-4554 or Anita Pinney 573-0546. You'll go crazy for this musical filled with all your Gershwin favorites!

MAY 28 Thursday, 2 pm FAVORITE FILM SERIES "Nebraska" Winner of 6 Academy Awards including Best Film and Best Actor.

MAY 28 - JUNE 5 HAITI MISSION TRIP! Everyone 18 yrs and older welcome! Contact Kathyrn Culver for more information. <u>Kathryn.culver@duke.edu</u> (973) 216-7789

MAY 30 Saturday, 12 - 4 pm SPRING FLING! Open to the community! Join us for Food, Fun, Wine tasting, Fashion Show, Art Show, Silent Auction and Art Demonstration.



Photo Directory Sign-ups Begin in May!

It's time for a new photo directory! Lifetouch will be here on **Tuesday June 2, Wednesday June 3 and Saturday June 13.** Choose your time slot. Please sign up Sundays after church in May!

