

April 21

Welcome and Outreach Announcements

Prelude Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us

Call to Worship

The Good Shepherd has led us to this place.

**He leads us beside still waters; he restores our soul.**

Even when we walk through dark valleys, even though we are fearful and in need of comfort.

**Our cup overflows with God's goodness and mercy; we shall dwell in the house of the Lord our whole lives long.**

Gathering Song      Today We All are Called to Be Disciples (v1 and2)      757

1 Today we all are called to be disciples of the Lord,  
to help to set the captive free, make plowshare out of sword,  
to feed the hungry, quench their thirst, make love and peace our fast,  
to serve the poor and homeless first, our ease and comfort last.

2 God made the world and at its birth ordained our human race  
to live as stewards of the earth, responding to God's grace.  
But we are vain and sadly proud; we sow not peace but strife.  
Our discord spreads a deadly cloud that threatens all of life.

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

**Savior God, you guide us be we are slow to follow. You welcome us to your fold, but we make others feel as if they don't belong. Forgive our hurtful ways; our exclusion and judgment; the way we evaluate and compare, demean and degrade. As you have redeemed and restored us, help us be faithful members of your flock. Amen.**

Declaration of Forgiveness

Gloria Patri

Sharing the Peace of Christ

Scripture      I John 3:16-24

16 We know love by this, that he laid down his life for us—and we ought to lay down our lives for the brothers and sisters.

17 How does God's love abide in anyone who has the world's goods and sees a brother or sister in need and yet refuses help?

18 Little children, let us love not in word or speech but in deed and truth.

19 And by this we will know that we are from the truth and will reassure our hearts before him

20 whenever our hearts condemn us, for God is greater than our hearts, and he knows everything.

21 Beloved, if our hearts do not condemn us, we have boldness before God,

22 and we receive from him whatever we ask, because we obey his commandments and do what pleases him.

23 And this is his commandment, that we should believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and love one another, just as he has commanded us.

24 All who obey his commandments abide in him, and he abides in them. And by this we know that he abides in us, by the Spirit that he has given us.

Anthem: Precious Name - Chancel Choir

Scripture John 10:11-18

11 "I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep.

12 The hired hand, who is not the shepherd and does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and runs away, and the wolf snatches them and scatters them.

13 The hired hand runs away because a hired hand does not care for the sheep.

14 I am the good shepherd. I know my own, and my own know me,

15 just as the Father knows me, and I know the Father. And I lay down my life for the sheep.

16 I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd.

17 For this reason the Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again.

18 No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it up again. I have received this command from my Father."

Message "Others" Who Belong Rev Edward Dunn

Responding Song My Shepherd Will Supply My Need 803

1 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.

2 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.

3 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.

Prayers of the People

Lord's Prayer

Receiving our Offering: All Hail The Power - Woody Johnson

Doxology

Offertory

*All Hail The Power*

Prayer of Dedication

Sending Song            Today We All are Called to Be Disciples            (v. 3 and 4)            757

3 Pray justice may come rolling down as in a mighty stream,  
with righteousness in field and town to cleanse us and redeem.  
For God is longing to restore an earth where conflicts cease,  
a world that was created for a harmony of peace.

4 May we in service to our God act out the living word,  
and walk the road the saints have trod till all have seen and heard.  
As stewards of the earth may we give thanks in one accord  
to God who calls us all to be disciples of the Lord.

Blessing

Postlude: Christ Is Alive - Woody Johnson