

GATHERING FOR THE WORD

Let us take this time to quiet our hearts and minds and prepare for worship.

* Please stand if able

PRELUDE *Thine is The Glory* Arr. Robert J. Hughes

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS The Rev. Dr. Laura S. Sugg

* CALL TO WORSHIP (Please stand) Elder

Leader: The Lord Jesus Christ is our shepherd.

People: He lays his life down for his sheep.

Leader: Surely goodness and mercy are with us.

People: and we will live in God's house forever.

* HYMN *Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation* No. 417

CALL TO PRAYER (Please be seated) Elder

PRAYER OF RENEWAL (Unison) Elder

God of all hope and joy, we confess that we continue to live in fear.

We speak of your great love but our hearts condemn us.

We express concern for the poor but our own actions betray us.

Forgive us, God of Grace.

Good shepherd, restore our souls and lead us in right paths

for your name's sake; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

(Time for Silent Prayer)

ASSURANCE OF GOD'S GRACE Laura Sugg

Leader: If we are in Christ, we are a new people altogether;
the past is finished and gone, everything has become fresh and new.

**People: In your great mercy, O God,
raise us from the death of sin to newness of life
and make us your people, unburdened by the past,
unfearful of the future, and joyful in the eternal present,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

* GLORIA No. 113

"Christ the Lord is risen to-day!" Al-le-lu-ia!

All cre-a-tion join to say; Al-le-lu-ia!

Raise your joys and triumphs high; Al-le-lu-ia!

Sing, O heav'ns, and earth reply, Al-le-lu-ia!

HEARING THE WORD

PSALTER READING Psalm 23 Pg. 507

Leader: The word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM *In Christ Alone* Larry Shackley

GOSPEL READING John 10:11-18 Pg. 98

TIME FOR CHILDREN *(As the children come forward, please join in singing.)*

This, this is where children belong, part of our family, part of our song.

Be with us, pray with us, help us grow strong, this is where children belong.

SERMON *My God, My Shepherd* Laura Sugg

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (Please Stand) The Apostles' Creed (Traditional)
Front of Hymnal Pg. 14

* HYMN *Here I Am, Lord* No. 525

ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION OF CHURCH OFFICERS

Questions to Congregation: Elder

Leader: Do we, the members of the church, accept these people as ruling elders
or deacons, chosen by God, through the voice of this congregation to
lead us in the way of Jesus Christ? Do we?

Congregation: We do.

Leader: Do we agree to pray for them, encourage them, to respect their
decisions, and to follow as they guide us, serving Jesus Christ, who
alone is Head of the Church? Do We?

Congregation: We do.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND LORD'S PRAYER Front of Hymnal Pg. 16
(Pray, "Forgive us our sins...")

WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING

OFFERTORY *Blessed Assurance* Arr. Mark Hayes and Douglas E. Wagner

* PRESENTATION OF THE OFFERING

Tune: Hymnal No. 592

***Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Christ, all people here below;
Praise Holy Spirit evermore;
Praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.***

* PRAYER OF DEDICATION

* HYMN *The King of Love My Shepherd Is* No. 171

* CHARGE & BENEDICTION

* CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE No. 108

***Christ is alive, and comes to bring
Good news to this and every age,
Till earth and sky and ocean ring
With joy, with justice, love and praise.***

POSTLUDE *Prelude in Classical Style* Gordon Young

Please come through to Fellowship Hall for coffee and conversation.

Pulpit Elder: Don Tolin
Greeter: Jeff Stimson
Sound Engineer: Jim Niquette
Flowers: Betty Niquette

Deacon Reader: Janette Powers
Ushers: Anne Baker and Brenda Cavanaugh
Children's Time: Don Tolin
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WPC Mission Statement

*To worship God through faith and action,
to nurture the spirit of Jesus Christ in each of us,
to be an extended family to all,
and to serve the community
through programs, education and prayer.*

***Fourth Sunday of Easter
April 26, 2015***