

An Order for the Worship of God

April 21, 2024

Ringling of the Bells

Welcome & Announcements - Candle Lighting and Prelude

*Please stand, if able

Call to Worship: based on Psalm 23 (Liturgist – **Congregation**)

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.

You spread a table before me in the presence of my enemies.

You anoint my head with oil, my cup is running over.

Surely your goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life. And we shall dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

*Opening Hymn: #74, O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing

Opening Prayer & The Lord's Prayer

All praise be unto you, O God, Great Shepherd of the sheep. You gather your people as lambs to your bosom; you enfold them with your all-embracing love. You refresh us like a stream flowing freely with living waters; you nourish us like a host whose table is heavy laden. We gather to hear your refreshing word of promise and direction, to honor your name as our guardian and hope. For we ask this in the name of our beloved Savior, Jesus Christ, who taught us to pray: "Our Father ...(debts/debtors)"

New Testament Reading: 1 John 3:16-24 863 (1901)

Liturgist: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

*Gloria Patri: #558 (PILGRIM)

Gospel Reading: John 10:11-18.....759 (1666)

Liturgist: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: May the reading and the hearing of Your word inform our minds, comfort our souls, and guide our feet.

Sermon: Jesus: The Good Shepherd

*Responsive Hymn: #434, Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us, v. 1, 3 & 4

Congregational Prayer

L: Lord, in your mercy

C: Hear our prayer

Call for the Offering

Let us share God's blessings, as we collect our tithes, gifts, and offerings.

*Doxology #562 (Pilgrim)

Offering Prayer:

This is the time where we make our love visible through the giving of our tithes, gifts, and offerings. We give these gifts, with gratitude and joy, thankful that you are God over all. Amen.

*Closing Hymn:

On our way rejoicing

Gladly let us go.

Christ our Lord has conquered;

Vanquished is the foe

Christ without, our safety;

Christ within, our joy;

Who, if we be faithful

Can our hope destroy?

On our way rejoicing;

As we forward move,

Hearken to our praises,

O blest God of love!

Unto God the Father
Joyful songs we sing.
unto God the Savior
thankful hearts we bring

Unto God the Spirit
bow we and adore,

on our way rejoicing

Now and evermore.

On our way rejoicing;

As we forward move,

Hearken to our praises,

O blest God of love!

Benediction

**We go in peace to love and serve the Lord in the name of
Christ. Amen.**

*Extinguishing the Candles
Postlude

Worship Leaders

Pastor

Liturgist

Director of Music

Sunday School Director

Jerry Eisner

Mary Kugel

Sue Laubenheimer

Julie Kluck

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worship this morning. You are welcome and encouraged to participate
in all functions of the church including communion
and fellowship. Please pick up a *Welcome!* Folder as you
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We are happy you are here!

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