

REDEEMER

LUTHERAN CHURCH



SHEEP NEED
A SHEPHERD

JOHN 10: 1-10

SECOND SERVICE

Sunday, April 30, 2023, 11:15am
Jubilate...Good Shepherd Sunday

We remember that we are living in a difficult world, and sometimes we feel lost and helpless.

We can remember that Jesus is our Good Shepherd. He leads us through the difficulties of the world. He even entered into those difficulties Himself...suffering, dying, and rising for us and our salvation.

So, while we live in a difficult world, it is no match for Jesus, the Good Shepherd.

Opening Praise Song

P: In the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

P: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

C: He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

P: The Lord is our Good Shepherd;

C: He leads us and restores our souls.

P: He walks beside us through the darkness

C: and never abandons us, even in death.

P: He goes before us and prepares a table for us,

C: and we will dwell in His house forever.

P: Though our Lord goes before us, beside us, and behind us, we still find a way to run away from His good pasture. We devote ourselves to all sorts of destruction. Still, our Good Shepherd seeks us out and brings us back to safety. He invites us to confess our sins before His heavenly Father.

...Silence for reflection...

P: Heavenly Father,

C: I have strayed from You. I have wounded You with my sin. I have wounded others with my sin. I have wounded myself with my sin. Forgive me, renew me, and lead me back to Your good pasture, on account of Jesus, my Good Shepherd, Amen.

P: Though you have strayed, Jesus always keeps searching for you. Though you have been lost in your priorities, Jesus is always and ever devoted to you. We see this most clearly as Almighty God, in His mercy, has given His Son to die and rise for you, and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Jesus, and by His authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen. I am forgiven. My soul is restored in Christ.

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Together, we pray,

C: Almighty God, merciful Father, since You have wakened from death the Shepherd of Your sheep, grant us Your Holy Spirit that when we hear the voice of our Shepherd we may know Him who calls us each by name and follow where He leads; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever, Amen.

Children's Time

Psalm 23

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

1 Peter 2:19–25

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 10th Chapter.

C: Glory to You, O Lord.

(John 10:1-10)

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to You, O Christ.

Sermon Praise Song

The Sermon *Sheep Need A Shepherd*

P: Please rise and join me as we profess our faith,

C: NICENE CREED

The Gathering of our Gifts and Tithes

The Prayers of His Children

P: Good Shepherd, may we sing Thy praise C: **within Thy house forever.**

P: ...who taught us to pray,

C: LORDS PRAYER.

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

P: It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, Holy Lord, Almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus, our Lord, for He is the Good Shepherd who leads us to the green pastures and still waters of Your Word and Sacraments. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying,

C: Holy, holy, to the Lord, who by His cross unchains us. His blood has purchased our reward. Eternal life He gains us. So sing hosanna, seek and knock, for Jesus has renamed us: God's newborn, chosen, priestly flock. Our Shepherd has reclaimed us.

The Words of our Lord

P: As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.

C: Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

The Distribution of Holy Communion

God's Benediction

Sending Praise Song

Announcements