

WORSHIP HANDOUT
April 25, 2021



OPENING OF WORSHIP AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

from Psalm 118

Leader: O give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; his steadfast love endures forever!

People: **This is the day that the LORD has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

Leader: The LORD is my strength and my song; he has become my salvation.

People: **O give thanks to the LORD for he is good; his steadfast love endures forever.**

Leader: We shall not die, but live and tell the deeds of the LORD.

People: **The LORD is God, and he has given us light.**

Leader: You are my God, and I will give thanks to you; you are my God, I will praise you.

People: **O give thanks to the LORD for he is good; his steadfast love endures forever.**

Leader: This is the day that the LORD has made;

People: **Let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

***HYMN**

Easter People, Raise Your Voices

UMH #304

TIME OF PRAYER

UNISON PRAYER

Great God of Heaven, you brought to earth your holy light to shine with your glory. Grant that we, who have stood before the mystery of your light here on earth, may receive him fully into our hearts, may walk with him always in this life, and may enjoy him completely in heaven, where he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever. Amen.

SILENT AND PASTORAL PRAYER (MUSIC)

LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory now and forever. Amen.

HYMN

The King of Love My Shepherd Is

UMH #138

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

LESSON I

RSV

Psalm 23

¹ The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want; ² he makes me lie down in green pastures. He leads me beside still waters; ³ he restores my soul. He leads me in paths of righteousness for his name's sake.

⁴ Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I fear no evil; for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff, they comfort me.

⁵ Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of my enemies;
thou anointest my head with oil, my cup overflows.

⁶ Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life; and I
shall dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

*LESSON 2

John 10:1-5, 11-18

“Truly, truly, I say to you, the one who does not enter the sheepfold by the door but climbs in by another way, that one is a thief and a robber; but he who enters by the door is the shepherd of the sheep. To him the keeper opens; the sheep hear his voice as he calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. When he has brought out all his own, he goes before them, and the sheep follow him, for they know his voice. A stranger they will not follow, but they will run from him because they do not know the voice of strangers.

“I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. 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. The hired hand runs away because a hired hand does not care for the sheep. I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father. And I lay down my life for the sheep. 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. For this reason the Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to receive it again. No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I am free to lay it down, and I am free to receive it again. This command I have received from my Father.”

MESSAGE

“Hearing Mom; Hearing God.”

Rev. Bob Kuntz

*HYMN

Open My Eyes

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OFFERTORY

*DOXOLOGY

UMH #95

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;**

**Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

UNISON PRAYER

**Almighty God, giver of every good and perfect gift, teach
us to give to you all that we have and all that we are, that
we may praise you not with our words only, but with our
whole lives.**

*BENEDICTION AND RESPONSE

Because He Lives (refrain only)

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(Please be seated for the postlude).

POSTLUDE