



SHALLOTTE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (USA)

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

4th Sunday of Easter | April 30, 2023

"HE HIMSELF BORE OUR SINS IN HIS BODY ON THE CROSS, SO THAT . . . WE MIGHT LIVE FOR RIGHTEOUSNESS; BY HIS WOUNDS YOU HAVE BEEN HEALED. FOR YOU WERE GOING ASTRAY LIKE SHEEP, BUT NOW YOU HAVE RETURNED TO THE SHEPHERD AND GUARDIAN OF YOUR SOULS."

1 Peter 2:24-25

*(*Indicates where it is appropriate, but not necessary, to stand.
All speak words in **boldface**.)*

CALLED BY GOD WE GATHER

GATHERING MUSIC

Christ Has Risen While Earth Slumbers
(see hymn #231, verse 1)

arr. David Cherwien

WELCOME, AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

May the peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

And also with you.

CALLED TO WORSHIP BY MUSIC

(When the chimes toll, let us silently open our spirit to God's presence.)

Ringling of the Trinity

Christ Has Risen While Earth Slumbers (v. 2)

arr. David Cherwien

OPENING SENTENCES & PRAYER *(Psalm 23)*

Marvin Stackhouse, liturgist (11:00 AM)

The LORD is my shepherd, I shall not want. He makes me lie down in green pastures; he leads me beside still waters;

He restores my soul.

He leads me in right paths for his name's sake. Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I fear no evil; for you are with me; your rod and your staff—they comfort me. You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life,

And I shall dwell in the house of the LORD my whole life long.

*HYMN

Good Shepherd, Now (1)

MARYTON

(Sung to, "O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee")

Good Shepherd, now, you welcome all.

Good Shepherd, now, our names you call.

***Good Shepherd, now, your voice we hear
and joyfully, we all draw near.***

We see God's love shine from your face.

We hear you warmly speak of grace.

You give us drink and feed us well.

Within your flock you walk and dwell.

Good Shepherd, now, you hold us all.

Good Shepherd, now, you see our flaws.

***Good Shepherd, now, you hear our prayer,
you kneel and wash our hearts with care.***

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CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Shepherd and Guardian of our souls, we confess the ways that we have strayed. To avoid human suffering, we numb ourselves to the pain of the world. We harden our hearts and are too slow to show mercy. Forgive us, Lord. Open our ears to hear the cries of a world in distress. May we respond with the same grace that you have shown us, so that others may know the greatness of your love. *(Silent prayer)*

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

The God and Father of Our Lord

AZMON

***The God and Father of our Lord and Savior Christ be praised;
a living hope is given us in Jesus, whom God raised.***

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TO HEAR GOD'S WORD OF GRACE

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING: John 10:1-10

CHILDREN'S MOMENT (11:00 AM)

MUSIC

Take Now My Voice

Douglas Nolan

Molly Frederick, 8:30AM; Chancel Choir, 11:00 AM

Take now my voice. Let me sing for Thee.

Fill me with Your music, Lord. Sing Your song through me.

Take now my hands. Let me touch for Thee.

Fill me with Your kindness, Lord. Heal the world through me.

*Fill me with Your living Word, let it set my way.
Make in me Your temple, Lord. Shine through me each day.
Take now my heart, O Lord. Let me love for Thee.
Fill me with Your spirit, Lord. Love the world through me.
Take now my life. Let me live for Thee.
Fill me with Your power, Lord. Change the world through me.*

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PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING: I Peter 2:19-25

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**

SERMON

"Show and Tell"

Rev. George W. Chapman III

TO RESPOND IN FAITH WITH GRATITUDE

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: from, *The Confession of Belhar*, 1986

**We believe that God wishes to bring about justice
and true peace among people.**

**We believe that God wishes to teach the church
to do what is good
and to seek the right.**

**We believe that the church
must therefore stand by people
in any form of suffering and need,
which implies, among other things,
that the church must witness against
and strive against**

**any form of injustice,
so that justice may roll down like waters,
and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream.**

**We believe that the church
as the possession of God
must stand where the Lord stands,
namely against injustice
and with the wronged. Amen.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & LORD'S PRAYER

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OFFERING

*Sung Response: *How Can Any Praise We Offer*

HOLY MANNA

How can an - y praise we of - fer meas-ure all the
thanks we owe? Take our hearts and hands and voic - es -
gifts of love we can be - stow. As you gave your -
self to others, may we, Lord, to oth - ers give. Al - le - lu - ia!
Al - le - lu - ia! Tri - une God, to you we sing!

The musical score is written on five staves in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It features a melody with various note values including quarter, eighth, and sixteenth notes, along with rests and slurs. The lyrics are placed below the notes, with hyphens indicating syllables that span across multiple notes.

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*Prayer of Dedication

THEN DEPART BLESSED TO SERVE

*HYMN *Good Shepherd, Now (2)* MARYTON
(Sung to, "O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee")

***Good Shepherd, now, your grace we know.
Good Shepherd, now, you charge us, "Go!"
Good Shepherd, now, we rise, rejoice,
and follow, gratefully, your voice.***

***Your voice is truth when shared in love.
Your voice is peace—come, Heavenly Dove.
Your voice is just, forgives, sets free.
Your voice, your Way, forever be!***

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*CHARGE & BENEDICTION

*CHORAL SENDING *The Wondrous News* Daniel L. Schutte

SENDING MUSIC



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