

## The Lord is my Shepherd

Psalm 23

### I. My Shepherd and my Host.

A. The Shepherd

B. The Host

### II. My Savior and my Hope.

A. Gave His life for the Sheep

B. Protects His Sheep in this Life

C. Carries His Sheep into Eternity

## Welcome To Fifth Street Presbyterian Church

*Our purpose for meeting together today is to meet with our Lord as a body of believers. We meet that we might hear Him speak in the reading and preaching of His Word. And, we meet to respond to His voice in our songs, prayers, and affirmations. In the ordinary worship of God we find extraordinary grace, encouragement and reason to hope. This corporate worship of God is the most important thing that happens upon the earth and we are delighted to have you with us as we approach the Father in Christ's name by the power of the Holy Spirit.*

### **This week at a glance:**

Today	9:30 A.M.	Sunday School
	11:00 A.M.	Morning Worship
	12:30 P.M.	Choir Practice
	5:00 P.M.	Evening Service
Tuesday	10:30 A.M.	Ladies Bible Study
Wednesday	7:00 A.M.	Men Discussing Calvin
Thursday	7:00 P.M.	Ladies Bible Study

***Visitors:** We would appreciate a record of your visit, which you can provide by filling out one of the visitor's cards that you will find in the pew. Please place the card in the offering plate. Thank you!*

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

**The Evening Service:** We will meet in the fellowship hall at 5:00 p.m. this evening. We sing, pray, hear God's Word, and enjoy fellowship together. We meet every Sunday and have a meal together on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays.

Ladies, bring a friend and a pound of coffee for The Hospice of East Texas to the Women's Ministry "Pounding" from 10-11:00 a.m. April 18<sup>th</sup> in the Fellowship Hall. Coffee and light refreshments will be provided. Our guest speaker, Nikki Miller, manager of Grounds for Justice, will share ways that we can pray for the ministry. Afterwards we will collect a love offering to help with the cost of a monthly Bible study that grounds for Justice hosts for the residents of Refuge of Light. If you cannot join us on the 18<sup>th</sup>, and would like to donate coffee a collection bin is available at the Women's Ministry table.

Thanks to our March Ushers Joe Kanewske, Robert Lewis, Matt Marshall and Reese Morrison. The April Ushers are: Milford Brinton, Harold Durham, Maxwell Kwaku and Lynn Moore. The offering counters this week are: Matt Marshall and Milford Brinton.

A Work Day has been scheduled for Saturday, April 11. We will begin at 9 a.m. and have plenty of work planned for everyone. The deacons are currently working on a list of things that need to be taken care of but if you are aware of something around the church that needs to be done please let one of the deacons know.

Thank You! Last week's joint service with Tyler OPC was wonderful, we had good attendance from both churches, the preaching was good, and the fellowship time was great. It is good to fellowship with others who are of the same mind and faith. And so, thank you for all that was done to make this happen. The food, the set up, and the warm hospitality were all appreciated.

Exploring "Christianity Explored"

We are very glad to be able to make the Christianity Explored materials available to our membership during the Sunday School hour beginning April 12. Christianity Explored is a study of the Gospel of Mark designed to introduce Christ to the unconverted. We are offering it during our Sunday School hour as a way of introducing those interested to this program, as well as, as a means of encouraging and training ourselves for the work of reaching others for Christ. The Class goes for 7 weeks and includes a brief video, a study of Mark, and discussion. If you are interested please speak with James Hescock.

The Powledge Bible Study began over six years ago as a ministry to a group of men at this prison near Palestine. Currently the teachers are Tom Duke, Phil Hodson, John Johnson, and Steve Simmons. The Bible study meets on Monday nights for two hours and is a verse by verse study of various books of the Bible, currently we are working our way through Hebrews. As you pray for this ministry, please pray for the teaching and the hearing of God's Word. Pray that the converted would be built up and that the unconverted would be saved. This is a ministry of our church that you will likely see little fruit from in this life but one that I believe the next life will prove to be very fruitful. Please pray that that will indeed be the case.

Next Sunday we come to the Lord's Table together. As you pray toward our worship next Sunday, ask our Lord to work through Word and sacrament to build up our congregation in the Faith. Also, as you pray about next Sunday consider who you might invite to join us for worship. While Presbyterians have not historically made a big deal of what some would call holy days, we do realize that many in our community are open to attending church on Easter even though they are not very interested in church for much of the year. That being said, it may be an opportunity to encourage some to sit under the preaching of God's Word and that is always a good thing.