

Washington Street United Methodist Church

Fourth Sunday of Easter
(Pre- Videoed)

May 3, 2020

Liturgical Colors: Gold & White

WELCOME (*Instructions for Interactive Worship*)

You may create your sanctuary in any space, for all things belong to God. Wherever you are, you may want to light a candle and have the scripture lesson Psalm 23 ready to read and/or a printed copy of this worship guide to follow. You are invited to sing along with the hymns and to join in with the prayers as printed in the worship guide.

DUET

O Death, Where Is Thy Sting?

George Frideric Handel
from *Messiah*

Yasmin Bradshaw, soprano; Amos Warren, tenor
Louis Shirer, organ

OPENING PRAYER

Lord, you are the good shepherd. We ask you to make our hearts places of peace and our minds harbors of tranquility. You bring us to green pastures and lead us to still waters. We ask that you would sow in our souls true love for you and for one another; and root deeply within us friendship and unity, and concord with reverence. So may we, who are followed by your goodness and mercy, give peace to each other sincerely and receive it beautifully. Amen.
(based on A Native American Prayer)

MUSICAL INTERLUDE

The King of Love My Shepherd Is

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1. The King of love my shepherd is, whose goodness faileth never.
I nothing lack if I am his, and he is mine forever.

2. Where streams of living water flow, my ransomed soul he leadeth;
and where the verdant pastures grow, with food celestial feedeth.

6. And so through all the length of days, thy goodness faileth never;
Good Shepherd, may I sing thy praise within thy house forever.

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Psalm 23

Read by Grant Jackson

PROCLAMATION

“God Shows Up”

MUSICAL INTERLUDE

Through It All

THROUGH IT ALL

Through it al, through it all,
I've learned to trust in Jesus, I've learned to trust in God;
through it all, through it all,
I've learned to depend upon God's word.

PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

Holy God, the Good Shepherd of all creation, accept our thanks and praise for the many ways in which you have come to us: in garments sewn by holy hands, in the rainbow and in the faith of our elders; in a burning bush, in cloud and fire and in the song and dance of The Exodus. We most humbly thank you for coming to us in Jesus. As we seek to follow him, hear our humble prayers for...

The people of this congregation and all who worship with us....
Those who suffer and those in trouble, especially those who suffer with this horrible disease.....
The concerns of this community....
The world, its peoples and its leaders....
The church universal – its leaders, its members, and its mission.....

May our hearts be united as we pray with the communion of the saints the prayer that our Lord taught...

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, which 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, for ever and ever. Amen.

THE DOXOLOGY Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow Louis Shirer, Organ
(Video of our church family giving thanks for the heroes of this time)

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia, alleluia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts! Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

MUSICAL INTERLUDE O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee MARYTON

1. O Master, let me walk with thee in lowly paths of service free;
tell me thy secret; help me bear the strain of toil, the fret of care.
2. Help me the slow of heart to move by some clear, winning word of love;
teach me the wayward feet to stay, and guide them in the homeward way.

BENEDICTION

FLOWERS

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