

The Fourth Sunday of Easter
Good Shepherd Sunday
May 8, 2022 ~ 10:30 am



My sheep hear my voice...

Welcome newcomer or long time friend!
We're glad you are with us today.
We invite you to share in the ministry & celebration
of our life together in Christ
through worship, study, & service.

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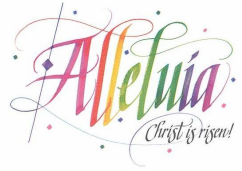
**All are invited to rise in body or spirit,
and to stand as they are able.*

Please mute all electronic devices.

Congregational responses are in bold.

*Please sign the welcome cards so we can acknowledge your
presence with us in worship.*

WELCOME & GATHERING



WELCOME & LAND ACKNOWLEDGMENT-FIRST FRUITS

PRELUDE *Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us—W. Bradbury*
*Please join in lighting the candles here or at home
as we gather in the light of Christ.*

GATHERING PRAYER & HYMN

God of new life and new beginnings, you are forever inviting us into a deeper life—a life full to the brim with meaningful work, meaningful relationships, joy, beauty, awe, and wonder. Your resurrection is a reminder that new life is possible. As we move forward in this Easter season, give us the courage to build new life here. **Amen.**

#803 PSALM 23

RESIGNATION

My Shepherd Will Supply My Need

A PRAYER FOR WHOLENESS

This is the Good News—the grave is empty, Christ is risen.

Alleluia!

This is the Good News—the light shines in the darkness,
the tomb is flooded with the light that cannot be quenched.

Alleluia!

This is the Good News—once we were no people, now we
are God's people.

Alleluia!

And yet, and yet there are things that weigh heavy on
our hearts. For ourselves, our community and our world,
Holy One. Hear us as we pray...

We continue in a time of silence.

ASSURANCE & PEACE Christ is our peace, the indestructible peace we now share with each other. The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you!

Let us greet one another with signs of God's peace.

We invite you to greet one another in the grace and love we have received—that which turns strangers and neighbors into a beloved community of God's children.

CELEBRATING GOD'S GRACE #390 LOUEZLE SEIGNEUR

Praise, Praise, Praise the Lord!

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Praise God's holy name, Alleluia! Repeat

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WORD & WONDER

WONDER & BLESSING THE CHILDREN WITH SONG

#155 *Raise a Song of Gladness* JUBILATE DEO

Raise a song of gladness peoples of the Earth!

Christ has come bringing peace, joy to every heart.

Alleluia! Alleluia! joy to every heart;

Alleluia! Alleluia! joy to every heart!

PRAYER FOR HEARING GOD'S WORD

GOD'S WORD TO THE CHURCH

READING FROM THE EARLY CHURCH Acts 9:36-43

EPISTLE READING Revelation 7:9-17

GOSPEL READING John 10:22-30

EASTERTIDE MEDITATION

The Shepherd's Voice-Inspired Imagination

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE ~

Holy One, who came as a child,
we pray for your children everywhere.

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| For those who are hungry, | we pray for nourishment. |
| For those who are fleeing, | we pray for safety. |
| For those who are ill, | we pray for your healing. |
| For those who are grieving, | we pray for your peace. |
| For those who are suffering, | we pray for your presence. . . |

We continue in silence

Help us to walk in your Way.

Help us to remember the Way is made by walking.

Holy Three, who patterns community,
we pray for communities everywhere.

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| For those who are divided, | we pray for unity. |
| For those who are isolated, | we pray for connection. |
| For those who are afraid, | we pray for your courage. |
| For those who are frustrated, | we pray for new hope. |

We pray especially for those in our own community
who suffer this day . . .

We continue in silence

Help us to walk in your Way.

Help us to remember the Way is made by walking.

*After a brief time of silence, we have the opportunity to pray our other
thanks and concerns*

...Help us to walk in your Way.

Help us to remember the Way is made by walking.

Holy Three-in-One and One-in-Three, bless us in the work of faith, that we might be truly faithful. Nourish us in the labor of love, that we might show your love. Keep our hope steadfast, that we might know your grace and your peace as we wait for your coming reign, justice and overwhelming love.

Amen

SERVICE OF THE TABLE

OFFERING & INVITATION #505

THE FEAST IS READY

The Trumpets Sound, the Angels Sing

Please include your offering at the font during our hymn.

See Eastertide Communion Insert

THANKS & PRAISE #592

Sanctus

VASILE

REMEMBERING & WORDS OF INSTITUTION

Together we proclaim the mystery of our faith:

CALLING UPON THE HOLY SPIRIT

SHARING IN THE PRAYER THAT JESUS TAUGHT

CONTEMPORARY ECUMENICAL VERSION

Please use these words or the ones of your tradition.

SHARING THE BREAD & CUP

BLESSING & SENDING

HYMN OF PEACE & PARTING #539

WE WILL GO OUT WITH JOY

We Will Go Out with Joy

BLESSING

Go out into the world in peace.

Love the Lord your God

with all your heart,

with all your soul,

with all your mind;

and love your neighbor as yourself.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE *We're Marching to Zion*—R. Lowrey

*All thanks for the music of Ivona Schacker,
our liturgists, and our online host Kate Belt who ensures the
technology is a blessing, not a burden for our congregation.*

CURRENT BUILDING USE

Today **9:00-10:00 am** **Musician Rehearsals Chapel & Sanctuary**
 10:00 am MCC of Portland Worship in-person in the Sanctuary
 and on Facebook/YouTube

10:15 am **Welcome & Greeting for Common Ground in the Chapel**
10:30 am **Common Ground Worship in-person in the Chapel and on**
Zoom *you can request the link through the church office*

Hawthorne Family Playschool M-F

8:30 am-12:30 pm outdoor classrooms, restrooms

Monday **10:00 am-2:00 pm** **Office Hours**
 11:00 am-6:30 pm Meg Dixon, MIR- Voice & Piano Lessons-Chapel
 12:00-5:00 pm Megan Cronin, MIR-Violin lessons-Friendship Rm
 6:45-9:00 pm PDX Vox- Chapel

Tuesday **10:00 am-2:00 pm** **Office Hours**
 6:00-8:00 pm Clarinet & Woodwind Ensemble- Social Hall
6:45 pm **3rd Tuesdays Monthly Reading & Reflection Book**
Group-Zoom & at the home of Kate Belt next
meetings May 17 & June 21
 6:45-9:00 pm PDX Vox- Chapel

Wednesday **11:00 am-1:00 pm** **Office Hours**
11:00 am-1:00 pm **Quiet Space in the Sanctuary or Chapel**
12:00 pm **Mid-day, Midweek Prayer—will return in June**
 6:00-8:00 pm Megan Cronin Classes in the Friendship Rm
 6:30-8:30 pm HFP Board Meetings (first Wednesdays): 5/4
 6:30-8:30 pm Community Meetings (typically 3rd Wed.)
 7:00-9:00 pm 2nd Wed. MCC Board Meeting-Social Hall
 7:00-10:00 pm Logan Thane Brown, MIR- Brass groups- Sanctuary

Thursday **9:30 am-1:30 pm** **Office Hours**
10:00-11:00 am **Weekly Tai Chi Joan Smith-Front Porch**

Friday Office Closed
 7:00 pm MA meets in Friendship Room or Social Hall

Saturday Office Closed
 10:00 -11:30 am Overeaters Anon in-person mtg. beginning May 7-Social Hall
 9:00 am-12:00 pm Logan Thane Brown, MIR- Brass groups- Sanctuary
 1:30-6:30 pm Gregor McGee, MIR—Sanctuary

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

May is Mental Health Awareness Month! **Two Upcoming Mental Health & Wellness Workshops**

Our Mental Health & Wellness workshop series continues with 2 upcoming workshops on 2 very important topics:

- **Sunday, May 22 @ 1pm**
Depression
- **Sunday, Jun 12 @ 1pm**
Healthy Boundaries



Stay tuned for additional information coming soon!

NOTE: Both workshops are currently planned to be held in-person only, on-site at 2828 SE Stephens Street.

We are proud to partner with PUN (Presbyterian Urban Network) and MCC Portland to co-sponsor this series of workshops on mental health and wellness.

These workshops are coordinated by

Naomi Caster (MS, LMFT, CADC II) and are all FREE of charge and open to anyone.

All are welcome!

May Newsletters are available—pick one up or look in your email for an e-news.

Happy Mothers' Day!



Alleluia! Alleluia!

Jesus said, "Abide in me....Love one another."

We Give Thanks for . . . Our gifted musicians (Barbara, Meg, Nathan, Gregor, Megan, Linnea, & Ivona) and all who shared in last week's concert, Ivona's continued music with us in retirement, days of warmth and sunshine, our neighbors adopting gardening boxes in the *First Fruit Gardens* (and for Brenda & Bette's foresight in their creation) . . .

We Seek God's protection and guidance . . . All transgender and non-binary young people who are struggling to see if they have a place of safety and care, those facing crisis pregnancies, those seeking public office. . .

We Call Upon God's Strength & Healing Presence for . . . Father Phil Ayers recently hospitalized with chronic lung condition, those enduring wave after wave of storm damage in the South and Midwest . . .

We Ask for Hope & Assurance for Those Who Face Uncertainty . . . Marianite Sister Suellen Tennyson (childhood friend of a book group member) who has been abducted in Burkina Faso where she had been working in maternal & child health, the people of Ukraine, all who will work for a less violent world, our armed forces and their families in Europe at this time, our communities without adequate housing, those living in our neighborhoods where gun violence is a routine occurrence . . .

Through Us May God Comfort Those Who Grieve . . . Peggy (Patti's friend) still in the depths of grief for the loss of her friend, the high schools and families of the students killed in the car crash this past week, the sense of loss of community safety and cohesiveness in many of our neighborhoods. . .

We pray for the Church & the World . . . Tim and the delegation from UP as they set up international study opportunities for nurses, the new president for University of Portland (Robert Kelly first African-American President and first lay leader of the school) Bishop Mary Ann Swenson and the World Council Churches Central Committee as they discern how to relate with the Russian Orthodox churches supporting war in Ukraine . . .

