



PRELUDE

WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP

—based on John 10:11 and Psalm 23

Jesus said, *I am the Good Shepherd.*
So, come, be nourished in green pastures.

We follow the Good Shepherd.

Come, lie down beside still waters.

We trust the Good Shepherd.

Come, dine at the table of abundance.

We are fed by the Good Shepherd.

Come, dwell in God's house.

We live in the Shepherd's care.

HYMN #401 *Gather Us In*

PRAYER OF PRAISE

Loving Shepherd,
you know our names;
you care for us.
When we face times of darkness,
walk beside us.
When we hunger for your love,
fill us with your presence.
When we are fearful,
feed us at your table.
May we dwell in the house
of goodness and mercy
all the days of our lives. Amen.

RESPONSE #501 *Feed Us, Lord*

Good Shepherd,
how often we take your care for granted.
In the midst of your many blessings,
we complain of not having enough.
In the presence of danger,
we fail to trust your abiding love.
When you set a table before us,
we turn aside in self-sufficiency.
Call us back into your care
and help us trust your loving presence,
that our actions may proclaim
the good news of your love.

(silent prayer and reflection)

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow us
all the days of our lives.
God forgives our failures
and restores our lives
and gently leads us into abundant life.

Thanks be to God!

PASSING THE PEACE

HYMN #803 *My Shepherd Will Supply My Need*

SCRIPTURE READINGS Matthew 11:28-30
Psalm 23

MESSAGE Rest, Restoration, and Renewal
(or, Provision, Protection, Presence)

HYMN #183 *Come to Me, O Weary Traveler*

CELEBRATION OF COMMUNION

RECOGNITION OF GRADUATES

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE
AND THE LORD'S PRAYER**

*Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread,
and forgive us our debts,
as we forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For yours is the kingdom,
and the power,
and the glory
now and forever. Amen.*

HYMN #187 *Savior Like a Shepherd Lead Us*

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

"As the Father has sent me, so I send you." John
20:21