

Psalm 23 The Lord is My Shepherd



Bellflower UMC

April 21, 2024

Fourth Sunday Of Easter

ENTRANCE

GREETINGS¹

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

OPENING PRAYER

CANDLE LIGHTING 

177. He Is Lord

He is Lord, he is Lord!

He is risen from the dead and he is Lord!

**Every knee shall bow, every tongue confess
that Jesus Christ is Lord.**

PROCLAMATION & RESPONSE

OPENING PRAYER²

**Living Word,
whose love abides in us,
You call us to love
in truth and action.
Give courage to our hearts
so we may love your beloveds.
Open our ears to the wisdom
of those you send,
who might otherwise be dismissed.
Transform our charity into justice
over all the earth. Amen.**

↑³ HYMN 

308. Thine Be the Glory

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² Rev. Laurie Bayen and Rev. Laura Baumgartner.
<https://www.umcdiscipleship.org/worship-planning/how-shall-we-live/fourth-sunday-of-easter-year-b-lectionary-planning-notes/fourth-sunday-of-easter-year-b-liturgical-resources>

³ ↑ == “Please stand in body or in spirit.”

SCRIPTURE

Acts 4:5-12

The next day, their rulers, elders, and scribes assembled in Jerusalem with Annas the high priest, Caiaphas, John, Alexander, and all the members of the high-priestly family. After they had Peter and John stand before them, they began to question them: “By what power or in what name have you done this?”

Then Peter was filled with the Holy Spirit and said to them, “Rulers of the people and elders: If we are being examined today about a good deed done to a disabled man, by what means he was healed, let it be known to all of you and to all the people of Israel, that by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified and whom God raised from the dead—by him this man is standing here before you healthy. This Jesus is

*the stone rejected by you builders,
which has become the cornerstone.*

There is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given to people by which we must be saved.”

↑HYMN

545. The Church's One Foundation

138. The King of Love

INTERCESSORY PRAYERS

SERMON

Luke 6

THANKSGIVING & COMMUNION

OFFERING & PEACE

↑DOXOLOGY - #95

HOLY COMMUNION

SENDING FORTH

BLESSING⁴

The Lord bless you and keep you;
the Lord make his face to shine upon you
and be gracious to you;
the Lord lift up his countenance upon you
and give you peace.

POSTLUDE

Go Now In Peace

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⁴ Numbers 6:24-26 (ESV)