

Fourth Sunday of Easter

April 30, 2023

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AS WE GATHER

The closing prayer of the funeral service begins with these words: "Lord God, our shepherd, You gather the lambs of Your flock into the arms of Your mercy and bring them home."

Describing Jesus as a Shepherd is a special image used in prayers, hymns, and Christian artwork. The believer receives a sense of assurance in knowing that the One being followed throughout life is Jesus, the Good Shepherd. The fact that our Lord chooses to repeat the words "I am the Good Shepherd" more than once indicates its importance to Him and to us. As we follow Jesus, we can be confident that He will lead us into that place where goodness and righteousness are eternal.

He will tend His flock like a shepherd; He will gather the lambs in His arms; He will carry them in His bosom, and gently lead those that are with young. *Isaiah 40:11*

Opening Hymn: LSB #704 "Renew Me, O Eternal Light"

+Confession and Absolution+

+Service of the Word+

Introit

Kyrie

This Is the Feast

Salutation and Collect of the Day

Psalm 23; antiphon: v. 1

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First Reading

Epistle

Alleluia and Verse

Holy Gospel

Acts 2:42–47

1 Peter 2:19–25

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John 10:1–10

Hymn of the Day: LSB #711 "Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us"

Sermon: Rev Lowell Dennis

Text: John 10:1–10

Nicene Creed

Prayer of the Church

Offering (*Offerings previously gathered are brought forward*)

Offertory

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+Service of the Sacrament+

Preface

Sanctus

Lord's Prayer

The Words of Our Lord

Pax Domini

Agnus Dei

Distribution Hymns: LSB #'s 563 & 637

Thank the Lord

Post-Communion Collect

Benediction

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LSB 163

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LSB 166

Closing Hymn: LSB #738 "Lord of All Hopefulness"

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