# GOOD SHEPHERD SUNDAY THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

MAY 3, 2020

The HYMNS and SUNG RESPONSES are in The Lutheran Hymnal (Red Book), unless indicated otherwise. Please stand at the appropriate times.

THE WELCOME

THE OPENING HYMN - "The King of Love My Shepherd Is" (See insert)
(Please stand to sing stanza 6)

### THE INVOCATION (page 15)

P: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost.

C: Amen.

### THE CONFESSION OF SINS

- P: Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God, our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.
- P: Our help is in the name of the Lord.
- C: Who made heaven and earth.
- P: I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord.
- C: And Thou forgavest the iniquity of my sin.
- C: O Almighty God, Merciful Father, I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto Thee all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended Thee and justly deserved Thy temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them, and sincerely repent of them, and I pray Thee of Thy boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Thy beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.
- P: Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost.
- C: Amen.

### THE INTROIT (Pastor and Congregation chant alternately)

- P: I am the Good / Shepherd.\*
  I know My own and My own know Me, and I lay down My life / for the sheep.
- C: Oh come, let us sing / to the LORD;\*
  let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our sal- / vation!
- P: Let us come into His presence with thanks-/giving;\* let us make a joyful noise to Him with / songs of praise!
- C: For the LORD is a / great God,\* and a great King a- / bove all gods.
- P: Oh come, let us worship and / bow down;\* let us kneel before the LORD, our / Maker!
- C: For He / is our God,\* and we are the people of His pasture, and the sheep / of His hand.

### THE GLORIA PATRI (pages 16-19)

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

### THE KYRIE

Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

### THE GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

- P: Glory be to God on high:
- C: And on earth peace, good will toward men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we worship Thee, we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee for Thy great glory. O Lord God, heav'nly King, God the Father Almighty. O Lord, the only begotten Son, Jesus Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, That takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sin of the world, receive our prayer. Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us. For Thou only art holy; Thou only art the Lord. Thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

### THE SALUTATION AND COLLECT (page 19)

- P: The Lord be with you. C: And with thy spirit.
- P: Let us pray. Almighty God, merciful Father, since Thou hast awakened from death the Shepherd of Thy sheep, grant us Thy Holy Spirit that when we hear the voice of our Shepherd we may know Him who calls us each by name and follow where He leads; through the same Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord, who livest and reignest with the Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end.
- C: Amen. (Be seated)

### THE FIRST READING: Acts 2:42-47

P: This is the Word of the Lord. C: Thanks be to God.

# THE GRADUAL (Pastor and Congregation chant alternately)

- P: Christ has risen / from the dead.\*
  God the Father has crowned Him with glory and / honor.
- C: He has given Him dominion over the works / of His hands;\*
  He has put all things un- / der His feet.

### THE EPISTLE LESSON: 1 Peter 2:19-25

P: This is the Word of the Lord. C: Thanks be to God.

### (Stand)

THE TRIPLE HALLELUJAH: Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah! THE GOSPEL ACCOUNT: John 10:1-10

- C: Glory be to Thee, O Lord.
- P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- C: Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

### THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord; Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, Born of the Virgin Mary; Suffered under Pontius Pilate, Was crucified, died and was buried; He descended into hell; The third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven And sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; From thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; The holy Christian Church, the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; The resurrection of the body; And the life everlasting. Amen. (Be seated after making confession of our faith)

# THE SERMON HYMN NO. 426 - "The Lord My Shepherd Is" (Please stand to sing stanza 6)

### THE SERMON

THE POST-SERMON HYMN NO. 648 - "I Am Jesus' Little Lamb"

### (Stand)

THE OFFERTORY (Stand)

Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from Thy presence; and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me. Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation; and uphold me with Thy free spirit. Amen.

### THE PRAYERS

After each petition the pastor will say "Lord, in Your mercy." Congregation to respond with "Hear our prayer."

### THE LORD'S PRAYER

### THE COLLECT FOR THE CHURCH

P: Grant, we beseech Thee, Almighty God, unto Thy Church Thy Holy Spirit and the wisdom which cometh down from above, that Thy Word, as becometh it, may not be bound, but have free course and be preached to the joy and edifying of Christ's holy people, that in steadfast faith we may serve Thee and in the confession of Thy name abide unto the end; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end.

C: Amen.

### THE BENEDICTION

P: The Lord bless thee and keep thee.

The Lord make His face shine upon thee and be gracious unto thee.

The Lord lift up His countenance upon thee and give thee peace.

C: Amen, Amen, Amen. (Be seated)

THE CLOSING HYMN NO. 436 -"The Lord's My Shepherd, I'll Not Want"

## First Reading: Acts 2:42-47

<sup>42</sup>They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers. <sup>43</sup>And awe came upon every soul, and many wonders and signs were being done through the apostles. 44And all who believed were together and had all things in common. 45And they were selling their possessions and belongings and distributing the proceeds to all, as any had need. 46And day by day, attending the temple together and breaking bread in their homes, they received their food with glad and generous hearts, 47 praising God and having favor with all the people. And the Lord added to their number day by day those who were being saved.

## Epistle: 1 Peter 2:19-25

<sup>19</sup>This is a gracious thing, when, mindful of God, one endures sorrows while suffering unjustly. 20For what credit is it if, when you sin and are beaten for it, you endure? But if when you do good and suffer for it you endure, this is a gracious thing in the sight of God. <sup>21</sup>For to this you have been called, because Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example, so that you might follow in his steps. <sup>22</sup>He committed no sin, neither was deceit found in his mouth. <sup>23</sup>When he was reviled. he did not revile in return; when he suffered, he did not threaten, but continued entrusting himself to him who judges justly. <sup>24</sup>He himself bore

our sins in his body on the tree, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness. By his wounds you have been healed. <sup>25</sup>For you were straying like sheep, but have now returned to the Shepherd and Overseer of your souls.

## Holy Gospel: John 10:1-10

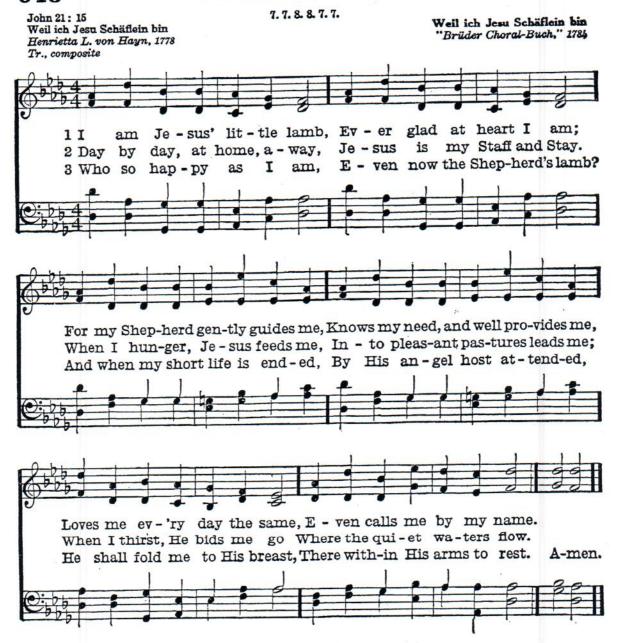
<sup>1</sup>[Jesus said:] "Truly, truly, I say to you, he who does not enter the sheepfold by the door but climbs in by another way, that man is a thief and a robber. <sup>2</sup>But he who enters by the door is the shepherd of the sheep. <sup>3</sup>To him the gatekeeper opens. The sheep hear his voice, and he calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. 4When he has brought out all his own, he goes before them, and the sheep follow him, for they know his voice. 5A stranger they will not follow, but they will flee from him, for they do not know the voice of strangers." 6This figure of speech Jesus used with them, but they did not understand what he was saying to them.

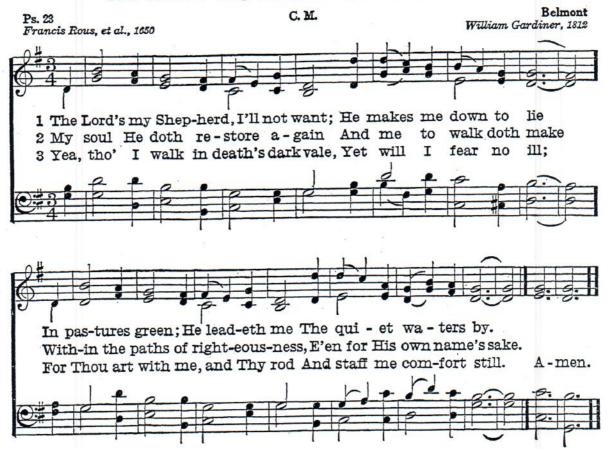
<sup>7</sup>So Jesus again said to them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, I am the door of the sheep. <sup>8</sup>All who came before me are thieves and robbers, but the sheep did not listen to them. <sup>9</sup>I am the door. If anyone enters by me, he will be saved and will go in and out and find pasture. <sup>10</sup>The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life and have it abundantly."



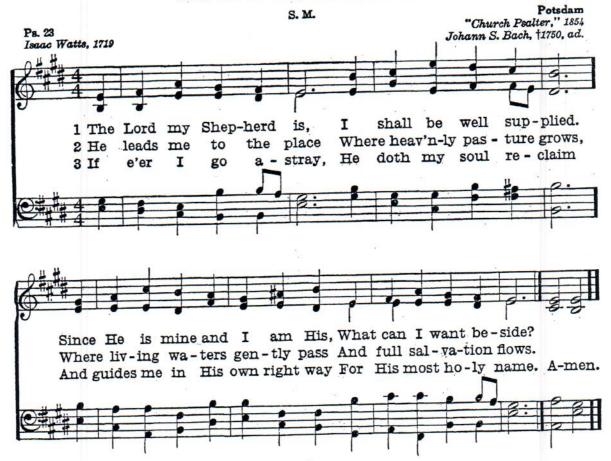
About the Cover: The Good Shepherd is known by His sheep. He enters to be among us through the door and speaks with the voice that we know. Jesus' voice speaks clearly and discernibly today

# I Am Jesus' Little Lamb



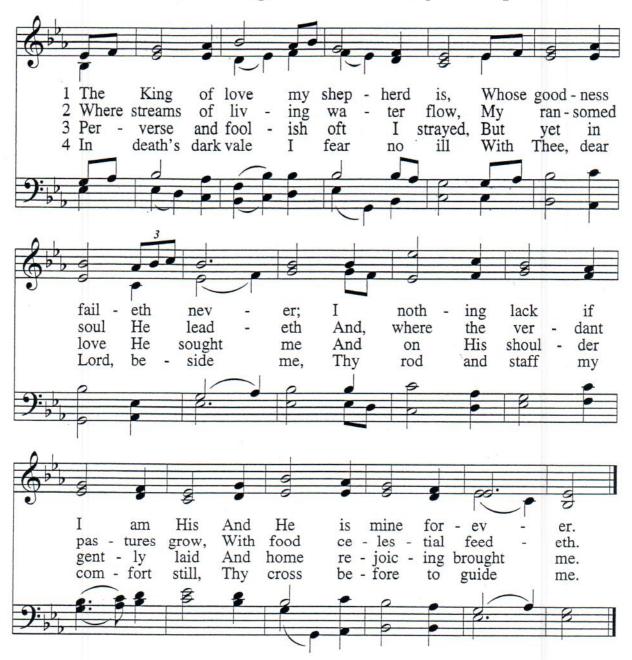


- 4 My table Thou hast furnished In presence of my foes; My head Thou dost with oil anoint, And my cup overflows.
- 5 Goodness and mercy, all my life, Shall surely follow me; And in God's house forevermore My dwelling-place shall be.



- 4 While He affords His aid,
  I cannot yield to fear;
  Though I should walk through death's dark shade,
  My Shepherd's with me there.
- 5 Amid surrounding foes
  Thou dost my table spread;
  My cup with blessing overflows,
  And joy exalts my head.
- 6 The bounties of Thy love
  Shall crown my following days,
  Nor from Thy house will I remove
  Nor cease to speak Thy praise.

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- 5 Thou spreadst a table in my sight; Thine unction grace bestoweth; And, oh, what transport of delight From Thy pure chalice floweth!
- 6 And so through all the length of days Thy goodness faileth never; Good Shepherd, may I sing Thy praise Within Thy house forever!