

Pastoral Concerns:

Bernice Hamrick, Lisa Thomas, Becky Justus, Bobby Justus, Sylvia Mahaney, Pat Medley, Vickie Hughes, Deborah Harkins, Wendy Blake, Helen Haberneck, Erin Haberneck, Carroll Marshal, David McKinney, Mike Duncan, Theo Weger and his parents Daniel and Christiana, Gus and Pat McKinney, Phillip and Caroline McKinney, Martha Pound, Lesha Justus, Eveline Horrell, Judy Weger, Conner Miller, Bobby Teague, the Wyatt family, Joe Davenport, Shirley Hise, the family of Lisa Jo McMahan, Sam Deyton, Heather English, Dr. Andrew Davis, Dennis Dale, Cathy Fullerton.

Announcements:

Funeral Service for Ronald Tomberlin will be today at 2:00 at Micaville Presbyterian Church.

Mayland Fellowship will meet this evening at 6:00 pm to discuss the future needs and direction for the group. All are welcome.

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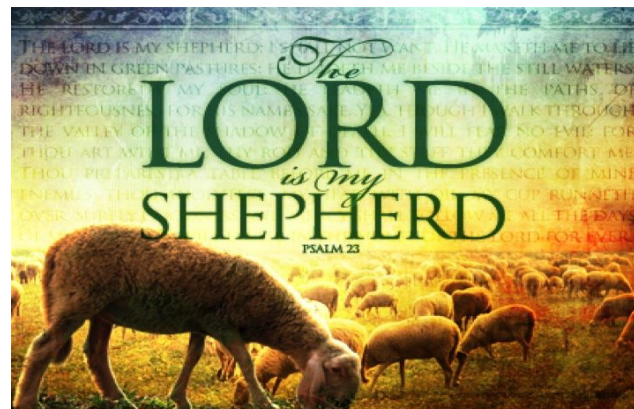
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May 7, 2017

We Worship, We Share, We Serve

Announcements and Welcome

Passing of the Peace

Leader: The peace of the Lord be with you all.

People: And also with you.

Prelude: *We've a Story to Tell*

Preparation for the Word

Call to Worship

Jesus the Good Shepherd calls our names to come and follow him.

His voice, speaking our names, draws us to him.

We follow without fear, for the shepherd cares for us.

Our hearts rejoice and we can place our trust in the Good Shepherd.

Come, let us enter the gate with thanksgiving!

Let us go forth confidently with songs of praise! Amen!

**Hymn of Praise—507 I Come With Joy*

Unison Prayer of Confession

Patient and loving God, we stand at the gate and peer through. We keep creating our own ways, believing that we know what is in our own best interest, and we ignore the voice of the one Shepherd who will guide us to peace and hope. We wander aimlessly and then wonder why we get so lost. Help us stop and listen to the Shepherd's voice. Let us place our trust in the Shepherd who has never failed us, who loves and guides our lives. Forgive us our stubbornness and stupidity. For we ask this in Christ's Name.

(a moment of silent confession) Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Even though we have wandered and have become lost, the shepherd calls to us. We can place our trust in his loving care. *For we are the sheep of his pasture, blessed and given hope. Amen.*

The Word Proclaimed

First Lesson

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Anthem: *Sing Our Your Song, Christians of the World*

Second Lesson

John 10: 1-21

Sermon:

The Open Gate of Love

Pastor, Jim Taylor

Response to the Word

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Tithes and Offerings

Offertory: God, Who Stretched the Spangled Heavens

***Doxology**

***Prayer of Dedication and Thanksgiving**

Holy God, as we give these tithes and offerings to you this morning, help us to be like the sheep that know the voice of their shepherd. Guide us where you would have us go. Steer us to the work you would have us do. Unstop our ears to the pleas for justice, mercy, compassion, and hope that are all around us. Open our eyes to your vision for your kingdom here on earth! In the holy name of Jesus, we pray. Amen.

Communion Hymn—508 For the Bread Which You Have Broken

Invitation to the Lord's Table

The Prayer of Thanksgiving

Sharing the Bread and Cup

***Closing Hymn—170 The Lord's My Shepherd, I'll Not Want**

***Charge and Benediction**

Postlude

**Please stand if able.*