



First United Methodist Church

Worship Guide for Sunday, April 26, 2020

The Third Sunday of Easter

GREETING

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: God is calling to us and gathering us into fields of grace.

People: We lay down our burdens and come to God for peace and rest.

Leader: We come to graze on God's pastures of compassion and care.

People: We come to come to drink from the water of God's love and life.

Leader: We come because the Lord is our shepherd,

People: and in God's embrace, we have everything that we need.

INVOCATION

HYMN OF PRAISE

"Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us"

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Ezekiel 34:11-15

MORNING PRAYER and LORD'S PRAYER

Rev. Gary Ihfe

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. AMEN

GOSPEL READING

John 4:7-14

HYMN OF REFLECTION

"Great Is Thy Faithfulness"

*Great is Thy faithfulness, O God my Father,
There is no shadow of turning with Thee;
Thou changest not, Thy compassions, they fail not
As Thou hast been Thou forever wilt be.*

Great is Thy faithfulness! Great is Thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see;
All I have needed Thy hand hath provided—
Great is Thy faithfulness," Lord, unto me!

*Summer and winter, and springtime and harvest,
Sun, moon and stars in their courses above,
Join with all nature in manifold witness
To Thy great faithfulness, mercy and love.*

*Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,
Thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide;
Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,
Blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside!*

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Psalm 23

SERMON

"Green Pastures and Still Waters"

Rev. Jodie Ihfe

HYMN OF COMMITMENT

"Enough"

BENEDICTION