



# **SHEPHERD OF THE PRAIRIE**

**LUTHERAN CHURCH**

Saturday Evening Worship

May 10, 2025

5:00 p.m.

**The Fourth Sunday of Easter**

## **Preservice Music**

## **Welcome**

(please rise in body or spirit)

## **Call to Worship**

(from Psalm 23)

God, you are our Shepherd;  
there is nothing more that we need.

**You give us lush, green pastures where we can lie down.  
You lead us to drink from springs of living water. You  
restore our soul.**

Lead us in the right direction.

**When we walk the dark valley of death, take away our  
fear.**

Be close to us and comfort us.

**You prepare a feasting table for us right in front of our  
enemies. You anoint our head with the oil of blessing.  
Your goodness and mercy pursue us through every day of  
life. We want to live in your presence forever in the name  
of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Amen!**

## **Hymn**

*Holy God, We Praise Your Name* ELW 414

# Confession and Forgiveness

God, you are the water of heaven, the wellspring of everlasting life. Because your love and mercy flows freely, we can bring our confession to you, trusting that you forgive our sin. Let us pray together:

**God, we admit we are broken people living in a broken creation. All things are in need of your redemption. Sin has shattered your intentions and separated us from you. Shower us with your forgiveness. Flood us with grace and mercy.**

**Hymn**      *The King of Love My Shepherd Is*      ELW 502

We praise you and bless you for giving us the Lamb of God who is our Shepherd who leads us to springs of living water. He is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world. His life, death, and resurrection changes everything forever. He is the Lamb of God: Jesus Christ.

**Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen!**

(you may be seated)

## Community Moment

**Message**      John 10:22-30      Pastor Mark Boster

**Hymn**      *Savior Like A Shepherd Lead Us*      ELW 789

(please rise in body or spirit)

## The Nicene Creed

**We believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and of all that is seen and unseen.**

We believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God; begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father, through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven, and was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary, and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; He suffered death and was buried. On the third day He rose again, in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory, to judge the living and the dead; and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life; who proceeds from the Father; who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified; who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins; We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come.

Amen.

## The Prayers

## Sharing of Peace

(you may be seated)

## The Offering

(please rise in body or spirit)

## Prayer of Blessing

Let us pray. You are the creator of all things and have blessed us with the gift of ourselves, our time, and our possessions. Turn our hearts toward those who hunger and thirst in any way. Use us and these gifts we bring as signs of your gracious love and mercy through Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord.

**Amen!**

## The Table

You are the Lamb who has become our Shepherd.

**You lead us to springs of living water.**

All who are hungry and thirsty: come!

**Never again will we be hungry. Never again will we be thirsty.**

## Words of Institution

As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes again.

**Christ has died! Christ is risen! Christ will come again!**

Holy Spirit, come and wipe away every tear from our eyes.

Holy Spirit, come and lead us to springs of life-giving water.

Holy Spirit, come and join us to every nation, tribe, people, and language in giving praise to Christ.

## The Lord's Prayer

(you may be seated)

## Communion Distribution

(please rise in body or spirit)

## Blessing

**Prayer**

**Benediction**

**Hymn**      *Love Divine, All Loves Excelling*      ELW 631

Go and love God and one another with your whole life. Go and share the love of Jesus Christ in word and deed. Go and live in the power and presence of the Holy Spirit. Go in peace and serve the Lord.

**Thanks be to God!**