



West End
presbyterian church

PASTOR'S NOTE

Dear Ones,

I wanted to conclude our series on the Parables with Jesus's identification of himself as the Good Shepherd.

Although this is less a parable and more of Jesus simply drawing a comparison of himself with a well-known figure for middle eastern kings. It was not uncommon for middle eastern kings to identify themselves as the shepherds of their people. They, however, never saw themselves as a sacrifice for their people. Jesus is distinctive.

Warmly,
Steve

Sunday Worship Services: 9 AM and 10:30 AM
Children's Sunday School: 9 AM

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PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP & Communion

THE GOOD SHEPHERD

“Being confident of the goodness of the Lord shouldn’t be confused with an assumption that because God is good, He will give me the things I have set my heart on. In His grace, God is freeing you from the small confines of your little definition of what is good so that you can experience the huge and satisfying good that He has planned for you...This is the bottom line. The good that God promises me isn’t a situation, possession, position, or relationship. The good that He promises me is Himself.”

– Paul Tripp

Ordinary Time

The Christian year, anchored in the main events of the New Testament, provides a pattern for understanding the Christian life. We are now in the season after Pentecost, known as “Ordinary Time.” Having celebrated the gift of the Holy Spirit to the Church at Pentecost, Ordinary Time signals the interim of the Church until Christ comes again in glory. Jesus is faithfully advancing His Kingdom in the power of His Spirit in this season. We anticipate the consummation of all things when Christ comes in glory as King of all.

CALL TO WORSHIP

Oh come, let us worship and bow down;
let us kneel before the Lord, our Maker!

**For He is our God,
and we are the people of His pasture,
and the sheep of His hand.**

Psalm 95:6-7

The First Word

Because we believe God initiates with sinners, we begin worship with His Word: His invitation to us to gather in His name.

INVOCATION

SONGS OF ADORATION

10,000 REASONS (BLESS THE LORD)

*“Bless the Lord, O my
soul, and all that is within
me, bless His holy name!”
– Psalm 103:1*

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*Bless the Lord, oh my soul,
Oh my soul, worship His holy name.
Sing like never before, oh my soul,
I worship Your holy name!*

1. The sun comes up, it's a new day dawning,
It's time to sing Your song again.
Whatever may pass and whatever lies before me,
Let me be singing when the evening comes:
2. You're rich in love and You're slow to anger,
Your name is great and Your heart is kind.
For all Your goodness I will keep on singing—
Ten thousand reasons for my heart to find.
3. And on that day when my strength is failing,
The end draws near and my time has come.
Soon my soul will sing Your praise unending—
Ten thousand years and then forever more!

Welcome

Visitors, we are glad you are here. Following the service, please join Steve Shelby for coffee in the Gallery.

OLD TESTAMENT READING AND MINISTRY OF PRAYER

**The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want.
He makes me lie down in green pastures.
He leads me beside still waters.
He restores my soul.
He leads me in paths of righteousness
for His name's sake.
Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,
I will fear no evil,
for You are with me;
Your rod and Your staff,
they comfort me.
You prepare a table before me
in the presence of my enemies;
You anoint my head with oil;
my cup overflows.
Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me
all the days of my life,
and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD forever.**

Psalm 23. A Psalm of David.

OFFERING

If you missed today's offering and wish to give, or if you would like to submit your tear-off, the elders at the front of the sanctuary who are available for prayer following the service will be glad to receive them.

The offering isn't just about money. Our response to the Gospel goes much deeper—God demands our whole selves. The act of giving in worship is a part of offering ourselves as “living sacrifices” to God (Rom. 12:1).

Song of Praise

MY SHEPHERD WILL SUPPLY MY NEED



1. My_ Shep - herd will sup - ply my_ need: Je - ho - vah is His Name;
2. When I walk_ through the shades of_ death Thy_ pres - sence is my stay;
3. The_ Sure pro - vi - sions of my_ God at - tend me all my days;



In_ pas - tures fresh He makes me_ feed, be - side the liv - ing stream.
A_ word of_ Thy sup - port - ing_ breath drives all my fears a - way.
O_ may Thy_ house be my a - bode and_ all my work be praise.



He brings my_ wan - d'ring spir - it_ back when I for - sake His ways,
Thy hand, in_ sight of all my_ foes, doth still my_ ta - ble spread;
There would I_ find a set - tled rest, while o - thers go and come;



And leads me, for His mer - cy's sake, in_ paths of truth and grace.
My_ cup with bles - sings o - ver - flows, Thine oil a - noints my head.
No_ more a_ stran - ger, nor a_ guest, but_ like a child at home.

"He leads me in paths of righteousness for His name's sake." –Psalm 23:3

Text: Isaac Watts (1719) Tune: Joseph Funk (1832) (from Southern Harmony)

CHILDREN'S WORSHIP (10:30 AM)

During the 10:30 AM service, children (pre-K to second grade) are dismissed for Children's Worship. See p. 14 for more information.

SCRIPTURE READING

¹¹ I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. ¹² He who is a hired hand and not a shepherd, who does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and flees, and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. ¹³ He flees because he is a hired hand and cares nothing for the sheep. ¹⁴ I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, ¹⁵ just as the Father knows me and I know the Father; and I lay down my life for the sheep.

John 10:11-15

Sermon

A Worship Guide with sermon notes and recordings is posted each Sunday at wepc.org/sermons.

PREPARATION FOR THE LORD'S SUPPER

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

*1 Timothy 3:9;
1 Corinthians 5:7-8,
10:16-17, 15:3-4*

*from the
Book of Common Prayer*

Therefore, we proclaim the mystery of the faith:

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

Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

Therefore let us keep the feast.

The gifts of God for the people of God.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

*from the
Book of Common Prayer*

Confession & Encouragement

Often we find that our hearts are worshipping something other than God. In confessing our sins, the Holy Spirit probes our hearts and minds and graciously shows us what we mistakenly believe will give us life. Jesus is good to lead us from sorrow over our sin to the sweetness of His grace.

**Almighty and most merciful Father,
we have erred and strayed from Your ways like lost sheep.
We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts.
We have offended against Your holy laws.
We have left undone what we ought to have done,
and we have done what we ought not to have done,
and there is no health in us.
Yet, good Lord, have mercy on us:
restore those who repent,
according to Your promises declared to us in Jesus Christ our Lord.
And grant, merciful Father, for His sake,
That we may live a godly, righteous, and obedient life,
to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.**

Silent Confession

WORDS OF ENCOURAGEMENT

1 Peter 2:24-25

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. For you were straying like sheep, but have now returned to the Shepherd and Overseer of your souls.

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

West End Presbyterian Church welcomes all baptized Christians who actively trust in Jesus Christ for salvation, who are willing to forsake their sin and heart-idols, and who are members of congregations that proclaim the Gospel to participate in the sacrament of the Lord's Supper with us.

Wine is in the outer ring of the communion tray, grape juice is in the inner rings. All bread is gluten-free.

Please come forward as you are ready to participate in the Lord's Supper individually, with a friend, or as a family.

If you need special assistance and are not able to come forward for Communion, raise your hand and we will come to you at the conclusion of the Lord's Supper.

Elders & Deacons are glad to pray for your children who have not yet become communing members. If your child is ready to make a public profession of faith in Jesus Christ, please mark today's tear-off or contact the WEPC office.

SONGS OF RESPONSE TO GOD'S GRACE

O COME TO THE ALTAR

*"I will turn their mourning
into joy; I will comfort
them, and give them
gladness for sorrow."
—Jeremiah 31:13*

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Steven Furtick, Wade Joye
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Are you hurting and broken within?
Overwhelmed by the weight of your sin?
Jesus is calling!
Have you come to the end of yourself?
Do you thirst for a drink from the well?
Jesus is calling!

*O come to the altar,
The Father's arms are open wide!
Forgiveness was bought with
The precious blood of Jesus Christ.*

Leave behind your regrets and mistakes—
Come today there's no reason to wait,
Jesus is calling!
Bring your sorrows and trade them for joy,
From the ashes a new life is born—
Jesus is calling!

*Oh what a Savior, isn't he wonderful?
Sing alleluia, Christ is risen!
Bow down before him for he is Lord of all!
Sing alleluia, Christ is risen!*

COME, THOU FOUNT OF EVERY BLESSING

1. Come, thou Fount of ev - ery bless - ing, tune my heart to sing Thy
 2. Here I raise my Eb - en - ez - er hith - er by Thy help I've
 3. Oh, to grace how great a debt - or dai - ly I'm con - strained to

grace; streams of mer - cy, nev - er ceas - ing, call for
 come; and I hope, by Thy good plea - sure, safe - ly
 be! Let Thy good - ness, like a fet - ter, bind my

songs of lou - dest praise. Teach me some me - lo - dious
 to ar - rive at home. Je - sus sought me when a
 wan - dering heart to Thee: prone to wan - der, Lord, I

son - net, sung by flam - ing tongues a - bove. Praise the
 strang - er, wan - dering from the fold of God; He, to
 feel it, prone to leave the God I love; here's my

mount— I'm fixed up - on it mount of God's re - deem - ing love.
 res - cue me from dan - ger, in - ter - posed His pre - cious blood.
 heart, O take and seal it; seal it for Thy courts a - bove.

"Then Samuel took a stone and set it up...He named it Ebenezer, saying, 'Thus far has the LORD helped us'" - 1 Samuel 7:12

Text: Robert Robinson (1758) Tune: NETTLETON

*“You are clothed with
splendor and majesty.”
– Psalm 104:1*

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Ed Cash, Jesse Reeves
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HOW GREAT IS OUR GOD

1. The splendor of the King
Clothed in majesty—
Let all the earth rejoice,
Let all the earth rejoice!

He wraps Himself in light
And darkness tries to hide,
And trembles at His voice,
And trembles at His voice:

*How great is our God!
Sing with me:
How great is our God!
All will see how great,
How great is our God!*

2. Age to age He stands
And time is in His hands
Beginning and the End,
Beginning and the End.

The Godhead three-in-one:
Father, Spirit, Son;
The Lion and the Lamb,
The Lion and the Lamb:

*Name above all names,
Worthy of all praise,
My heart will sing
How great is our God!*

DOXOLOGY

Praise God from whom all bles - sings flow; Praise Him, all crea - tures
here be - low Praise Him a - bove ye heavn - ly host; Praise
Fa - ther Son and Ho - ly Ghost. A - men.

*"Let everything that has breath praise the LORD."
– Psalm 150:6*

Text: Thomas Ken (1709)
Tune: OLD HUNDREDTH
(Bourgeois, 1551)

What does "doxology" mean? It's a word derived from two Greek words meaning "glory" and "word." A doxology, then, is a spoken word or song that ascribes glory to God. Today's doxology calls all of creation to praise God as the source of all blessing and acknowledges His Trinitarian (three-in-one) nature.

BENEDICTION

The Last Word

God always has the last word in our worship. For those who are in Christ Jesus, these are always words of blessing.

After the service, the Elders are available at the front of the sanctuary to pray with you or for you, and to answer questions about the sermon or West End Presbyterian Church.

Pastor Steve Shelby preached today's sermon.

Pastor Kevin Greene led worship.

Music was led by Worship Arts Directors Taylor Barnett and Tiffanie Chan, along with Robin Huff, Mark Schairbaum, and Luke Smith.