



## ***FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER***

May 11, 2025

10:00 am

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*\*please rise as you are able, in body or spirit.*

### **GATHERING MUSIC**

### **WELCOME AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH**

*This is the day that the Lord has made.*

**Let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

### **CALL TO WORSHIP\***

*Lift your hearts, raise your voices,  
and join the heavenly host who forever sing:*

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

HYMN\* *"From All That Dwell Below the Skies"* 327

PRAYER OF PRAISE\*

CONFESSION OF SIN (UNISON)

**Holy God, we know that we have strayed from your paths of right relationship and peace, and we have dishonored you, ourselves, and your creation; we have too often focused on self and ignored the needy. We repent of these hurtful ways. Forgive us, we pray, as we learn to care for and forgive others, and shepherd our feet into the way of peace.**

**[silence]**

**Lord have mercy. Christ have mercy.  
Lord have mercy. Kyrie Eleison. Amen.**

ASSURANCE OF PARDON / PASSING OF THE PEACE\*

RESPONSE TO PARDON

582

**Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me,  
and to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me,  
and to the Spirit, whose love has set me free.  
As it was in the beginning,  
is now and ever shall be. Amen.**

**World without end, without end. Amen.  
World without end, without end. Amen.  
World without end, without end. Amen.  
As it was in the beginning,  
is now and ever shall be. Amen.**

## A TIME WITH CHILDREN – Psalm 23

**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 right paths for his name's sake.  
Even though I walk through the darkest valley,  
I 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  
my whole life long.**

## GOSPEL – John 10:22-30

*“The works I do in my Father's name testify about me.”*

## OFFERING OF MUSIC

Adult Choir

*“My Vision, My Shepherd”*

## NEW TESTAMENT – Acts 9:36-43

*“Her life overflowed with good works and compassionate acts  
on behalf of those in need.”*

## SERMON

Dr. Linda Dickerson

*“Living a Gazelle Life”*

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE/LORD'S PRAYER

**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 debts as we forgive our debtors. And  
lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.  
For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory  
forever. Amen.**

HYMN\*            *"Now the Green Blade Rises"*            247

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION\*

CHORAL RESPONSE\*            748

**Go with us, Lord, and guide the way  
through this and every coming day,  
that in your Spirit strong and true  
our lives may be our gift to you.**

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FELLOWSHIP TIME – All are Welcome!

SUNDAY SCHOOL FOR ALL AGES