

1818 TRINITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH 2024

Rev. Ted Buehl, Pastor

April 21, 2024 11:00 a.m.

Words for Meditation

*In this way God fulfilled what He had foretold through all the prophets,
that his Messiah would suffer. Acts 3:18*

Prelude

Welcome

Announcements/Church in Action

***Call to Worship** Psalm 23 UMH pg. 137

Leader: The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.

**People: He maketh me to lie down in green pastures:
He leadeth me beside the still waters.**

Leader: He restoreth my soul: He leadeth me
in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake.

**People: Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of
death, I will fear no evil; for thou art with me;
thy rod and thy staff they comfort me.**

Leader: Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine
enemies; thou annointest my head with oil;
my cup runneth over.

**People: Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me
all the days of my life:
and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.**

***Hymn:** "Close to Thee" UMH #407

Invocation

**Lord, you are the Good Shepherd! Your son Jesus laid down his life for
all who belong to You. Thank you for looking after us and sustaining our faith.**

**Because of Your kindness, we want others to know your love. Open our ears
to listen to Your voice, open our eyes to see our brothers and sisters in need
and open our hearts to know that they are Your flock. In Jesus name we ask
it. Amen.**

Scripture Reading: 1 John 3:16-24 NRSV

We know love by this - that he laid down his life for us--and we ought to lay
down our lives for one another.

How does God's love abide in anyone who has the world's goods and sees a
brother or sister in need and yet refuses help? Little children, let us love, not in word
or speech, but in truth and action. And by this we will know that we are from the
truth and will reassure our hearts before him whenever our hearts condemn us; for
God is greater than our hearts, and he knows everything.

Beloved, if our hearts do not condemn us, we have boldness before God; and
we receive from him whatever we ask, because we obey his commandments and do
what pleases him.

And this is his commandment, that we should believe in the name of his Son
Jesus Christ and love one another, just as he has commanded us. All who obey his
commandments abide in him, and he abides in them. And by this we know that he
abides in us, by the Spirit that he has given us.

Liturgist: This is the Word of God for the People of God!

People: Thanks be to God.

Joys and Concerns

Call to Prayer: "Breathe on Me, Breath of God" UMH #420 v. 1

Silent Prayer, Pastoral Prayer, Lord's Prayer

Receiving Our Tithes and Offerings

***Doxology:** #95

***Prayer of Dedication**

**Lord Jesus, Good Shepherd, we ask that these offerings be acceptable
to You that they may be used to build up Your flock. We ask this in Your name
O Lord, Amen.**

Scripture Lesson: John 10:11-18

"I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. 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. He flees because he is a hired hand and cares nothing for the sheep.

"I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father; and I lay down my life for the sheep.

"And I have other sheep that are not of this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd.

"For this reason the Father loves me, because I lay down my life that I may take it up again. No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have authority to lay it down, and I have authority to take it up again.

"This charge I have received from my Father."

Liturgist: This is the Good News of the Gospel.

People: Thanks be to God.

Hymn of Praise: "Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us" UMH #381

Children's Message
Message: "Salvation from the Savior" Rev. Ted Buehl

***Closing Hymn:** "The King of Love My Shepherd Is" UMH #138, v. 1-3

***Benediction**

***Postlude**

Altar Flowers: *In Memory of Kathryn Wolf*
Given by Debbie & Tom McGuire



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