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4. SUNDAY OF EASTER

April 30, 2023 – MUSIC/GOOD SHEPHERD SUNDAY

GATHERING

Everyone to gather at the front around the font.

Welcome:

Thanksgiving for Baptism:

Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism, we are clothed with God's grace.
Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

We give you thanks O God, for in the beginning you created us and placed us in a well-watered garden. When we did not know the way, you sent the good shepherd to lead us to still waters. On this day, you shower us again with the water of life.

Baptismal Hymn: ELW 453 Baptized and Set Free

*** As we sing, people may take turns either dipping fingers in the font or helping to add small amounts from the two pouring receptacles. ***

*1 We are people created,
chosen by God.
Then we're washed, ever gently,
in mercy and love.
Sin has power no more,
Jesus opened the door
to a fountain bringing healing,
and wholeness and more.*

*2 We are fed and we're nourished,
filled and refreshed.
Then our hunger returns and
again we are blessed.
For whatever the need,
God is greater indeed:
endless ocean, always deeper
than all of our need.*

*3 We are nourished by water,
all living things,
and by life that the Spirit
abundantly brings.
As we journey toward home,
may your presence be known:
precious river, ever-flowing,
now carry us home.*

*4 Now with praise and thanksgiving,
we join the song.
All are welcome! We gather
to sing loud and strong.
Not enslaved, but set free!
From now on all will be
one in Jesus one in water,
baptized and set free!*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Call to Worship: *Come, Let us Worship God – Call and Response*

Prayer of the Day:

Loving Shepherd,
you know our names; you care for us.
When we face darkness and death, walk beside us.
When we hunger for your love,
fill us with your presence.
When we are fearful, feed us at your table.
May we dwell in the house of goodness and mercy
all the days of our lives. Amen.

WORD

Reading: Colossians 3:13-16

Response to Reading: Word of God, Word of life,
Thanks be to God.

Psalm 23 – Shepherd Me O God ELW 780

Gospel Reading: John 10:1-10 Response: Glory to You, O Lord

Response to Reading: The Gospel of the Lord, **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Sermon:

Hymn of The Day: *You are Holy, ELW 525 (Sung as a round)*

Choir: *As the Deer*

Prayers of Intercession:

Sung Prayer Response to "O God We Call"

1075

PRAYER

O God, We Call [H]

O God, we call, O God, we call, from

The first system of musical notation for the song 'O God, We Call'. It consists of a treble clef staff and a bass clef staff, both in 4/4 time. The melody is written in the treble clef, and the accompaniment is in the bass clef. The lyrics are: 'O God, we call, O God, we call, from'.

deep in - side we yearn, from deep in - side we yearn, from

The second system of musical notation. The melody continues with the lyrics: 'deep in - side we yearn, from deep in - side we yearn, from'.

deep in - side we yearn for you.

The third system of musical notation, concluding the phrase with the lyrics: 'deep in - side we yearn for you.'.

Lord's Prayer:

Sharing of the Peace:

Offertory: *ELW 801. Change my Heart, O God.*

Thanksgiving for Music: *When in Our Music, God is Glorified. ELW 851*

SENDING

Sending Blessing:

Sending Hymn: *Shine Jesus Shine ELW 671*

Dismissal:

Go in Peace, Sing Praises!

Thanks be to God, Alleluia.

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TODAY'S DUTY ELDER is Daphne Clarke

TODAY WE ARE PRAYING FOR:

Luke Splettstoesser	Grace Mueller	Otto Philipp
Patty Davis	Jennifer Cherewka	Scott Hagglund
Stephen Kovacs	Gladys Souliere	Florence Smith
Eberhard Poelzl	Adam Brown	Marlene Sams and Ruby

The Ibrahim Family who are currently visiting in Sudan

Wednesday May 3 – Worship committee at 1 pm

Sunday May 7 – Holy Communion with Pastor Mertz