



## **Central Presbyterian Church**

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**April 21, 2024**  
**4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter**

## Welcome

### Announcements

*Please take a quiet moment to prepare your heart for worship.*

**Prelude**     *“Presto from the Fifth Organ Concerto”*Handel/Norris

### **Prayer of Preparation** (for your personal use, during Prelude)

*O God, whose Son, Jesus, is the good shepherd of Your people; grant that when we hear His voice we may know Him who calls us each by name, and follow where He leads; who, with You and the Holy Spirit, lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.*

## GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

### **\*Call to Worship – From Psalm 23:1-6**

L: The Lord is my Shepherd, I shall not want.

**P: He makes me lie down in green pastures; He leads me beside still waters.**

L: He restores my soul. He leads me in right paths for His name's sake.

**P: 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.**

L: You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; You anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.

**P: 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.**

**\*Hymn**     *“I Know That My Redeemer Lives”*     **RED #166**

### **Call to Confession**

## Prayer of Confession

Gracious God, our sins are too heavy to carry, too real to hide, and too deep to undo. Forgive what our lips tremble to name; what our hearts can no longer bear; and what has become for us, a consuming fire of judgement. Set us free from a past that we cannot change; open to us a future in which we can be changed; and grant us grace to grow more and more in Your likeness and image; through Jesus Christ, the light of the world. Amen. *(Time of silence for personal reflection)*

## Assurance of Pardon

### The Peace

L: Peace be with you.

P: And also with you.

\*Gloria Patri *“Glory Be to the Father”* PH #579

Chancel Choir *“O Master, Let Me Walk With Thee”*

## PROCLAIMING THE WORD

### Prayer for Illumination

### Time with Young Disciples

New Testament Reading I. Acts 4:5-12

New Testament Reading II 1 John 3:18-24

Gospel Reading/Sermon Reading John 10:11-18

Sermon *“The Good Shepherd”* Pastor Ryan

## RESPONDING TO THE WORD

### \*Affirmation of Faith – From Romans 8

“We believe there is no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus; for we know that all things work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to God’s purpose. We are convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.” Amen.

**\*Hymn**    *“My Shepherd Will Supply My Need”*    **RED #325**

**Prayers of the People/Pastoral Prayer**

L:    God of Mercy,

P:    hear our prayer.

**The Lord’s Prayer**

**Offering**

Offertory

*“Idyll”*

Paxton

**\*Doxology**

**PH #591**

Prayer of Thanksgiving

**BEARING AND FOLLOWING THE WORD  
INTO THE WORLD**

**\*Hymn**    *“Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us”*    **RED #321**

**\*Charge and Blessing**

**Postlude**

*“Postlude”*

Lackey

*Please be seated for the Postlude.*

Worship Leader:

Pastor Ryan Edgecombe

Greeter/Usher:

Janene & Jerry Tice

Liturgist:

Alice Studzinski

Choir Director:

Rich Ford

Pianist/Organist:

Emma Lou Denton

***\*Please stand, if able***

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