



Order of Service
Sunday Morning, 28 April 2024 – Rev. Andy Longwe

Call to Worship

Song of Adoration: The Lord's My Shepherd

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The Lord's my shepherd, I'll not want;
He makes me lie in pastures green.
He leads me by the still, still waters,
His goodness restores my soul.

He guides my ways in righteousness,
And He anoints my head with oil,
And my cup, it overflows with joy,
I feast on His pure delights.

Refrain

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*And I will trust in You alone,
And I will trust in You alone,
For Your endless mercy follows me,
Your goodness will lead me home.*

And though I walk the darkest path,
I will not fear the evil one,
For You are with me, and Your rod and staff
Are the comfort I need to know.

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Prayer of Adoration with the 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.

Bible reading

John 16:5-15 (p 902)

Song of Confession: Psalm 51:5-15 (Tune: Ottawa, 239)

5 From my birth I have been sinful—
such the nature I received—
Sinful from my first beginning
in my mother's womb conceived.
6 Truth you look for in my heart;
wisdom to me you impart.

13 Then I'll teach your ways to sinners;
rebels will turn back to you.
14 Free me from blood-guilt, my Saviour,
God most merciful and true.
Then I'll praise your righteousness;
15 teach my lips your name to bless.

7 Cleanse with hyssop, purify me;
I'll be whiter than the snow.
8 Let the bones you crushed be joyful;
may I joy and gladness know.
9 From my failure hide your face;
blot out all my wickedness.

10 Lord, create a pure heart in me,
and a steadfast mind renew.
11 Do not take your Spirit from me;
cast me not away from you.
12 Give me back the joy I had;
keep my willing spirit glad.

Confession of Faith: Apostles' Creed (communal reading)

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit
and born of the virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to hell.
The third day he rose again from the dead.
He ascended to heaven

and is seated at the right hand of God the
Father almighty.

From there he will come to judge the living and
the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen

Pastoral Prayer

Song of Thanksgiving: Psalm 117 x2 (Tune: Regent Square, 244)

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all you peoples, sing his praise.
2 For his love is great towards us;
his commitment lasts always.
He is faithful now and ever.
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Sermon: *What's Better than Jesus Beside You?*

Song of Response: O Breath of Life Come Sweeping Through Us

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O Breath of life, come, sweeping through us,
revive your church with life and power;
O Breath of Life, come, cleanse, renew us,
and fit your church to meet this hour.

O Breath of love, come, breathe within us,
renewing thought and will and heart:
come, love of Christ, afresh to win us,
revive your church in every part.

O Wind of God, come, bend us, break us,
till humbly we confess our need;
then in your tenderness remake us,
revive, restore; for this we plead.

Revive us, Lord! Is zeal abating
while harvest fields are vast and white?
Revive us, Lord, the world is waiting,
equip your church to spread the light.

Benediction

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