

January 6<sup>th</sup>, 2019

*This is the day that the LORD has made,  
let us rejoice and be glad in it. Psalm 118:24*

Please greet those around you before the announcements begin.

## **Welcome and Announcements**

### **Time of Greeting (Sharing God's Welcome)**

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## **Moments of Meditation**

While the music is being played, quietly prepare your heart for worship.

“Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim,  
till all the world adores His sacred Name.”

T.H. 263

*Processional on “Lift High the Cross”*

arr. Busarow

## **Call to Worship**

Psalm 100

### **Congregation on bold print**

Shout for joy to the Lord, all the earth.

**Worship the Lord with gladness; come before Him with joyful songs.**

Know that the Lord is God.

**It is He who made us, and we are His; we are His people, the sheep of His pasture.**

Enter His gates with thanksgiving and His courts with praise.

**Give thanks to Him and praise His name.**

For the Lord is good and His love endures forever.

**His faithfulness continues through all generations.**

**\*Hymn of Praise**

*All People That on Earth Do Dwell*

No. 1

All people that on earth do dwell, sing to the Lord with cheerful voice;  
Him serve with fear, His praise forth-tell, come ye before Him and rejoice.

The Lord ye know is God indeed; without our aid He did us make;  
We are His folk, He doth us feed, and for His sheep He doth us take.

O enter then His gates with praise, approach with joy His courts unto;  
Praise, laud, and bless His name always, for it is seemly so to do.

For why? The Lord our God is good, His mercy is forever sure;  
His truth at all times firmly stood, and shall from age to age endure.

**\*Prayer of Invocation**

**Scripture Reading**

Micah 5:2-5a  
Pew Bible Page 1445

**Responsive Prayer of Confession based on Psalm 23**

Piano side of congregation on light print

**Organ side of congregation on bold print**

The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want.

**But, O Lord, we are consumed with wanting more.**

He makes me lie down in green pastures;

He leads me beside still waters; He restores my soul.

**But, O Lord, other pastures seem greener.**

**The waters aren't always still. Our souls still thirst.**

He guides me in paths of righteousness for His name's sake.

**O Lord, we long to be led by You,  
though we may complain along the path.**

Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil,  
for You are with me; Your rod and Your staff, they comfort me.

**And yet, O God, we do sometimes fear.**

**May we feel Your presence, Your comfort and Your forgiveness anew.**

You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies;

You anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.

**O God, sometimes we refuse to sit down at Your table.**

**Forgive us and help us to see Your overflowing mercy.**

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

**Forgive us, God, and lead us into Your house.**

**For Jesus' sake. Amen.**

### **Assurance of Pardoning Grace**

1 Peter 2:24-25

<sup>24</sup> He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, so that we might die to sins and live for righteousness; by his wounds you have been healed. <sup>25</sup> For you were like sheep going astray, but now you have returned to the Shepherd and Overseer of your souls.

Savior, like a shepherd lead us, much we need Thy tender care;  
in Thy pleasant pastures feed us, for our use Thy folds prepare:  
blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, Thou hast bought us, Thine we are:  
blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, Thou hast bought us, Thine we are.

We are Thine; do Thou befriend us, be the guardian of our way;  
keep Thy flock, from sin defend us, seek us when we go astray:  
blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, hear, O hear us when we pray;  
blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, hear, O hear us when we pray.

Thou hast promised to receive us, poor and sinful though we be;  
Thou hast mercy to relieve us, grace to cleanse, and pow'r to free:  
blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, let us early turn to Thee;  
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Early let us seek Thy favor; early let us do Thy will;  
blessed Lord and only Savior, with Thy love our bosoms fill:  
blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, Thou hast loved us, love us still;  
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**New City Catechism Question # 17****What is idolatry?**

Idolatry is trusting in created things rather than the Creator for our hope and happiness, significance and security.

**Prayer of Intercession**

\*Chorus of Preparation

*Behold the Lamb*



1. Be - hold the Lamb who bears our sins a - way, slain for us,  
2. The bod - y of our Sav - ior, Je - sus Christ, torn for you,  
3. The blood that cleans - es ev - 'ry stain of sin, shed for you,  
4. And so with thank - ful - ness and faith we rise to res - pond,



and we re - mem - ber the prom - ise made that all who  
eat and re - mem - ber; the wounds that heal, the death that  
drink and re - mem - ber; He drained death's cup that all may  
and to re - mem - ber our call to fol - low in the



come in faith find for - give - ness at the cross.  
brings us life paid the price to make us one.  
en - ter in to re - ceive the life of God.  
steps of Christ as His bod - y here on earth.



So we share in this bread of life, and we drink of His sac - ri - fice  
So we share in this bread of life, and we drink of His sac - ri - fice  
So we share in this bread of life, and we drink of His sac - ri - fice  
As we share in His suf - fer - ing, we pro - claim Christ will come a - gain!



as a sign of our bonds of peace a - round the ta - ble of the King.  
as a sign of our bonds of love a - round the ta - ble of the King.  
as a sign of our bonds of grace a - round the ta - ble of the King.  
And we'll join in the feast of heav'n a - round the ta - ble of the King.

Intro:

A challenge:

Listen to Jesus when He says He is the Shepherd.  
Ponder what it means that God is your Shepherd.

Main idea:

We need to incorporate the “shepherdness” of Jesus into our understanding of who He is to us, and who we are to Him.

This is the only way, but the sure way, to have the life Jesus came to win and give to you.

1. The shepherdness of Jesus.
2. My, and our, sheepness.

Some conclusions for life and eternity.

The Good Shepherd guide the sheep for all of life and protects the sheep.

He laid down His life for His sheep.

The sheep recognize their need for a Shepherd.

## **Celebration of the Lord's Supper**

Please hold the elements so that we may all partake together.

The bread set apart is gluten free.

We use wine in the Lord's Supper, however, for those who prefer, grape juice is provided in the outer ring of the tray.

### **\*Hymn of Response**

*The King of Love My Shepherd Is*

No. 184

The King of love my Shepherd is, whose goodness faileth never;  
I nothing lack if I am His and He is mine forever.

Where streams of living water flow my ransomed soul He leadeth,  
and where the verdant pastures grow, with food celestial feedeth.

Perverse and foolish oft I strayed, but yet in love He sought me,  
and on His shoulder gently laid, and home, rejoicing, brought me.

In death's dark vale I fear no ill with Thee, dear Lord, beside me;  
Thy rod and staff my comfort still, Thy cross before to guide me.

Thou spread'st a table in my sight; Thine unction grace bestoweth;  
and O what transport of delight from Thy pure chalice floweth.

And so through all the length of days Thy goodness faileth never:  
Good Shepherd, may I sing Thy praise within Thy house forever.

### **\*Benediction**

### **\*Gloria Patri**

No. 735

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,  
world without end. Amen, amen.

**\*Postlude**

*Arise, My Soul, Arise!*

arr. Burkhardt

**\* Congregation:** Please stand as able.

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**Organ  
Scripture Reading & Intercessory Prayer**

Sandy DeGroot  
Yon Lindborg, Elder

### **Weekly Calendar**

<b><u>DATE</u></b>	<b><u>TIME</u></b>	<b><u>EVENT</u></b>
<b>SUN 1/06</b>	9:00 AM	Opening Exercises
	9:15 AM	Sunday School
	10:30 AM	Worship Service & The Lord's Supper
<b>TUES 1/08</b>	TBD	No Afternoon Care Group Next meeting date TBD
<b>SUN 1/13</b>	9:00 AM	Opening Exercises
	9:15 AM	Sunday School
	10:30 AM	Worship Service
	6:00 PM	Prayer Meeting

### **Important Upcoming Events**

<b>WED 1/30</b>	6:30 PM	Annual Corporation Meeting
<b>THURS 2/07</b>	6:30 PM	Dave Ramsey's Financial Peace University Class
<b>SAT 2/09</b>	6:30 PM	Annual Variety Show
<b>SUN 2/24</b>	6:00 PM	Carry-in dinner with missionary Tracy Dager
<b>FRI-SUN 3/1-3</b>	TBD	Marriage Seminar with Dr. Alan Strange from Mid-America Reformed Seminary



## Serving the Lord

	<i>1/06</i>	<i>1/13</i>	<i>1/20</i>
S.S. Nursery	J. Marshall	B. Schoon	L. Martin
AM Nursery	J. Rogers, Grace V.	C. Tuitman, Alanna T.	S. DeGroot
Greeters	Lindborg	DeGroot	O'Neal
Bring Treats	Lash	O'Neal	J. Rogers
Server & Clean-Up	Lash	O'Neal	Lindborg
Audio	J. Martin	B. Armstrong	B. Schoon
Elder of the Week	Lindborg	Schoon	Stoltzfus

## Announcements

☞ **The Lord's Supper:** The Lord's Supper will be celebrated today. An offering for the Deacon's Fund will be received at the back of the sanctuary.

☞ **Pastor Walter Lorenz:** Walter Lorenz, Pastor at Large of the Great Lakes Presbytery, will be our interim pastor while we search for a new pastor. Bryan O'Neal will also be preaching during the months of January and February.

☞ **Transportation Needed:** Please communicate with Bruce or Melissa Stoltzfus if you are available to transport Jimmy and Lidia Trujillo to their cleaning jobs in January and February. Please consider helping them until Jimmy gets his driver's license sometime in February.

☞ **The Annual Corporation Meeting:** This annual meeting will be held Wednesday, January 30, at 6:30 pm. The 2019 budget will be presented and voted on. You will receive a budget booklet next week Sunday. All members should plan to attend this important meeting.