



# Salisbury

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

## SERVICE *for the* WORSHIP of GOD

April 25, 2021

4th Sunday of Easter

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dr. King

PRELUDE

Cathy Armistead, MM

CALL TO WORSHIP:

Leader: The Lord is risen! Alleluia!

**People: Alleluia! The Lord is risen indeed!**

Leader: Jesus said: I am the Good Shepherd

**People: Christ lays down His life for the sheep**

Leader: Let us worship God!

Rev. Nate

PRAYER OF ADORATION & SILENT CONFESSION

**UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION: God of all hope and joy, we confess that we continue to live in fear. We speak of Your great love but our own hearts condemn us. We express concern for the poor but our own actions betray us. Forgive us, God of grace. Good Shepherd, restore our souls and lead us in right paths for Your name's sake; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

ASSURANCE OF PARDON:

Leader: Hear the good news of God's promise: I will pour out my Spirit on all flesh. Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.

**People: In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven! Thanks be to God.**

**AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: New life in Christ takes shape in a community in which people know that God loves and accepts them in spite of what they are. They therefore accept themselves and love others, knowing that no one has any ground on which to stand, except God's grace. *Adapted from the Confession of 1967, 9.22***

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE

PSALM 23

The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want. He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: he leadeth me beside the still waters. He restoreth my soul: he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake. 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. Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies: thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the LORD for ever.

INSTRUMENTAL HYMN OF REFLECTION #263 *All Hail the Power of Jesus Name*

“I am the Good Shepherd. The Good Shepherd lays down His life for the sheep. The hired hand, who is not the shepherd and does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and runs away—and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. The hired hand runs away because a hired hand does not care 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. I have other sheep that do not belong to 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 in order to take it up again. No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it up again. I have received this command from my Father.”

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

SERMON:

Shepherding

INSTRUMENTAL ANTHEM

Salisbury Ringers

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND 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, the power and the glory forever. Amen.**

CHARGE & BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Salisbury Ringers

*The flowers are given by Walt and Missy Coleman  
In memory of Walt's Mother, Carol Coleman*



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**Coming This Summer**

Registration opens May 1 for Vacation Bible School, **ROCKY RAILWAY** July 12-16. 9:30 –12:30 and Kids Cantata, **Press On** July 26-30. 9:30-12:30 with a special worship service Friday July 30 at 7:00pm.

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