

GOD'S PEOPLE GATHER

Meditation:

The King of love my shepherd is, whose goodness faileth never;
I nothing lack if I am his and he is mine forever.
And so through all the length of days thy goodness faileth never:
Good Shepherd, may I sing thy praise within thy house forever!

Announcements

God's people gather together singing:

Come let us sing of a wonderful love
Tender and true, tender and true;
Out of the heart of the Father above,
Streaming to me and to you;
wonderful love, wonderful love,
dwells in the heart of the Father above.

Come to my heart o thou wonderful love,
come and abide come and abide;
lifting my life till it rises above
envy and falsehood and pride;
seeking to be, seeking to be
lowly and humble a learner of Thee. (SOG 2)

CALL TO WORSHIP

Good morning and Welcome to worship. Let us join together in reading the call to worship:

Come, let us bow down in worship, let us kneel before the Lord our Maker; for He is our God and we are the people of His pasture, the flock under His faithful care. Let us seek the Great Shepherd together putting our confidence and trust in Him alone.

Singing: *Great Shepherd of Your People* (VU398)

Prayer and Lord's Prayer: Dearest God, we come before you this day, longing for your presence in our lives. We invite you to be with us who have gathered in Your name this morning. Hear our voices sing in joyful praise of your holiness. Help us

to open our hearts to a world that seems to have strayed so far away from you. Lord, we offer you this prayer that has come to us through the faith of those gone before us...we pray in Jesus' name saying:

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory, forever and ever. Amen (YEAH GOD)

Children's Time:

God didn't call himself "The Good Cowboy"

Singing: *The Lord's My Shepherd* (tune Happy Wanderer)

The Lord's my Shepherd I'll not want,
He makes me down to lie,
in pastures green He leadeth me
the quiet waters by

Chorus:

**He lives, He lives, He lives,
I know that my redeemer lives,
He lives, He lives,
He lives within my heart**

Yey though I walk through death's dark veil,
yet will I feel no ill

for thou are with me and thy rod
and staff me comfort still. (chorus)

My table thou hast furnished in presence of my foes
my head thou doest with oil annoint
and my cup overflows (chorus)
Goodness and mercy all my life
will surely follow me
and in God's house forever more
my dwelling place shall be. (chorus)

Reflections on Psalm 23

Reflection:

God is my shepherd, I'll not want, I feed in pastures green.
God grants me rest and bids me drink
from waters calm and clean.

Through daily tasks, I'm blessed and led by one I have not seen.

Restored to life each morning new, I rise up from the dust
to follow God whose presence gives me confidence and trust.

I praise the name of God today, in God I put my trust.
(vu748).

Reflection:

No enemy can overcome no power on earth defeat
the ones anointed by God's grace and fed with manna
sweet.

My cup is filled and overflows, as I my Saviour's greet.

Goodness and mercy all my days will surely follow me;
and where God reigns to heaven and earth
my dwelling place will be.

My shepherd blesses, cares, and leads through all eternity.

**Singing: *God Will Take Care Of You* (SOG 96)
(ALL SING CHORUS)
(Choir vs 1 - Men vs 2 - Women vs 3 All VS 4)**

WE RESPOND IN FAITHFULNESS

Presentation of Ourselves and Gifts to God:

His name is wonderful, His name is wonderful,
His name is wonderful, Jesus my Lord
He is the mighty King, master of everything
His name is wonderful, Jesus my Lord
He's the great Shepherd, the rock of the ages,
Almighty God is He. Fall down before Him
Love and adore Him, His name is wonderful,
Jesus My Lord.

Doxology: Praise God from whom all blessings flow,
Praise God all creatures high and low
Give thanks to God in love made known
Creator, Word and Spirit, One.

Prayer: For the gift of creation, the gift of your love and the gift of the spirit by which we live, we thank you and give you the fruit of our hands. May your grace be proclaimed by the gifts that we give. Amen.

We come to prayer singing:

*Gentle Shepherd, come and lead us,
For we need You to help us find our way.
Gentle Shepherd, come and feed us,
For we need Your strength from day to day.*
There's no other we can turn to,
Who can help us face another day;
Gentle Shepherd, come and lead us,
For we need You to help us find our way.

We bring our prayers to God

Singing: *Great Is Thy Faithfulness* (VU288)

Benediction ~

Singing: Holy Holy Holy, how great Your name!
Yours the name of matchless worth,
Excellent in all the earth
How great Your Name!

We extend the hand of Christian Fellowship to our visitors & ask you to sign the visitors' book. We hope you'll return next Sunday.

Please Pray For: Arthur Allan, Antoine, Pat Ashworth, Shelley Baumann, Bernice, Greg Blersch, Robin Blersch, Bonnie, Esther Bohlein, Tea Kinsella-Borden, Brigida, Carol, Caroline, Caroly, Rick Cessford, Laura Cuthbertson, Dianah, Heather Downs, Mary-Alice Epps, Ron Epps, Larry Falcon, Kevin Fallon, Gail, Linda Gallant, Gladys, Myrna Hall, Jennifer, Fern Lafontaine, Lance & family, Roger Laplante, Jemma Mahabir, Carrie Marchand, Marcelle, Marisa, Laura McLean, Mile, Michael, Cheryl

Miller, Sharon Miller, Sandra Murphy, Ib Nielsen, Paige, Patrick, Julie Patterson, Anne & Ernie Presseau, Sarah Puskas, Margaret Reany & family, Cheryl Rogers, Bruce Ryan, Isabel Saccucci, Eileen & Donald Sim, Reynold Skeete, Dylan Stanamir, Frank Stark, Madeline Stevens, Jan Verschoote, Cameron Vincent, Margaret Whittal, Fred Wicks, Joanne Wilken, Clara Witowski, John Wiwcharyk, Shirley Yarnell, Sarah Zimmerman

Announcements:

- Rev. Alice is on vacation & study leave until August 7.
- We thank all the groups who took over during Rev. Alice's well-deserved vacation. She will be back with us next Sunday, August 13th.

Reminders:

- The **Benevolent Fund** needs help. Baskets are placed at the Sanctuary exits. Thank you for your generosity.
- Please remember our **Food Cupboard** -- thank you for your support.
- Please save your nickels & dimes to support the **Sunday school**. Thank you for your generosity.
- To receive St. A's memos, please submit your e-mail address to: office@saintandrewsunitedchurch.org

THE WEEK AHEAD

Friday 8:00 pm AA Meeting

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ST. ANDREW'S UNITED CHURCH

184th Anniversary Year ~ 1833-2017

August 6, 2017 ~ 10:30 am



Minister: Rev. K. Alice McAlpine

Service by the Choir

Director of Music: Doreen Gilbert Bangs

To greet you ~

Elder: Les Sorg

Stewards: Carol Kimmis & Joanne Goodfellow