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**No Matter Who You Are Or Where You Are
On Life's Journey, You Are Welcome Here!**

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

May 11, 2014

*Means those who are able please stand

Songs: SP & P - Sing, Prayer & Praise; NCH - New Century Hymnal

Bold face indicates where the congregation is invited to join in saying the words

Ringling the Bell

Greeting and Announcements

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion
of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

Centering Music

***Call to Worship**

Like a shepherd with his thirsty flock,

God calls us to drink from living streams.

Like a mother with her nursing child,

God gathers us close to nourish our souls.

Called and gathered, let us worship God.

***Gathering Song** NCH #28 "For the Beauty of the Earth"

***Silent Prayer of Confession**

***Sung Response** “Be Not Afraid” (2x) (Choir sings once, congregation sings twice)

***Assurance of Forgiveness**

***Sharing Christ’s Peace**

The peace of our Savior Jesus Christ be with you all.
And also with you.

Children’s Message

“Motherly Love”

Hannah Hannover

Sung Prayer for Illumination SPP #37 “Open Our Hearts” (2x)

Scripture Readings

1 Peter 2:19-25

Psalm 23

The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want. He makes me lie down in green pastures; he leads me beside still waters; he restores my soul. He leads me in right paths for his name’s sake. 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. You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows. 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.

John 10:1-10

Sermon

“Voice Recognition”

Rev. Terry Hamilton-Poore

*Song NCH #247 "My Shepherd Is the Living God"

Prayers of the People beginning with "O Lord, Hear My Prayer" (2x)

The Lord's Prayer *Please pray the following, or a version most meaningful to you.*
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.

Offering of Gifts "The King of Love My Shepherd Is" arr. M. Wilberg
Liz Morse, flute

***Sung Response** "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow"

***Prayer of Dedication**

God our Mother, our Father, our Shepherd, we have heard your call. Here are our gifts: speak grace through them. Here are our hearts: speak love through them. Here are our lives: speak hope through them. Through all we do, may your hurting world hear your voice. Amen.

***Song**

“Will You Come and Follow Me?”

***Blessing**
***Sending Music**