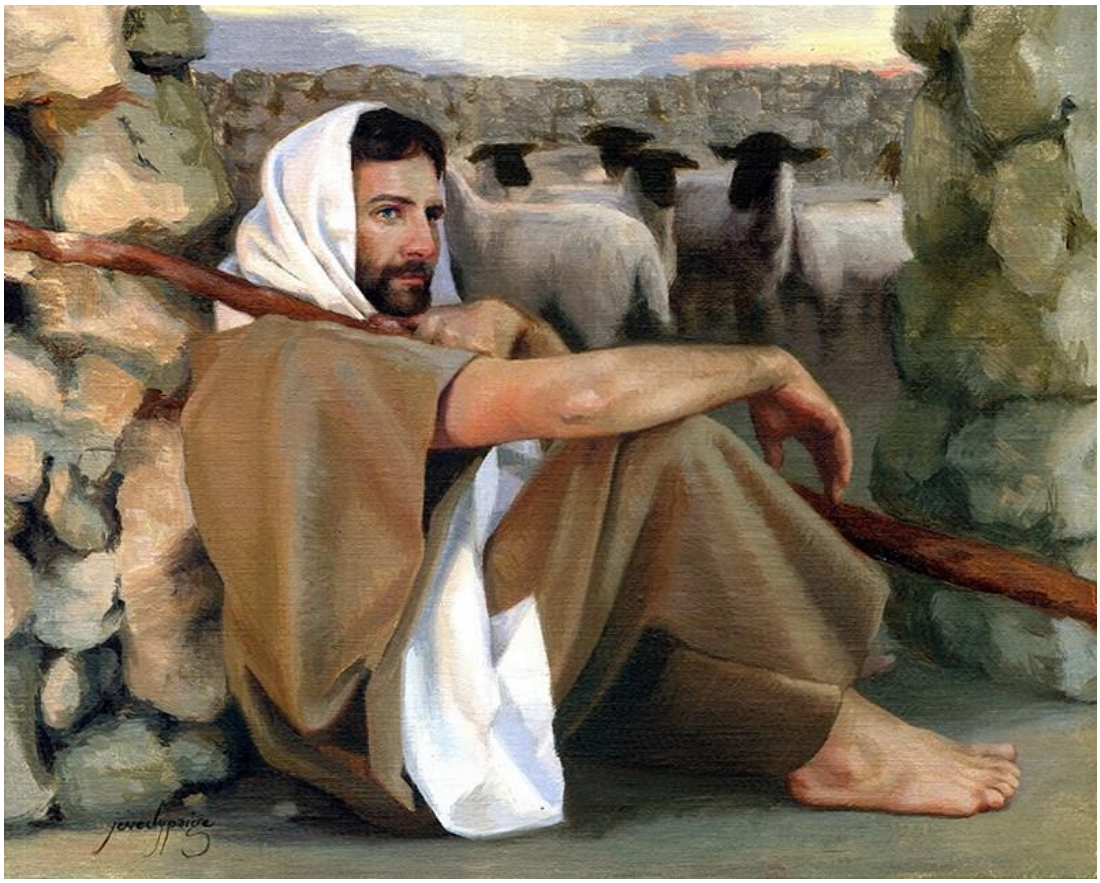


I AM THE GATE

EASTER SEASON LIVESTREAM WORSHIP May 3, 2020

Peace Lutheran Church ***West Seattle, Washington***

We're glad to have you join our dispersed community for worship this
GOOD SHEPHERD SUNDAY
as our celebration of the resurrection continues through this Easter Season.

We will celebrate a virtual Holy Communion today.
If you desire to participate in Holy Communion from your home,
please set aside bread and wine (or grape juice) now
so you will be prepared for the Meal later in the service.

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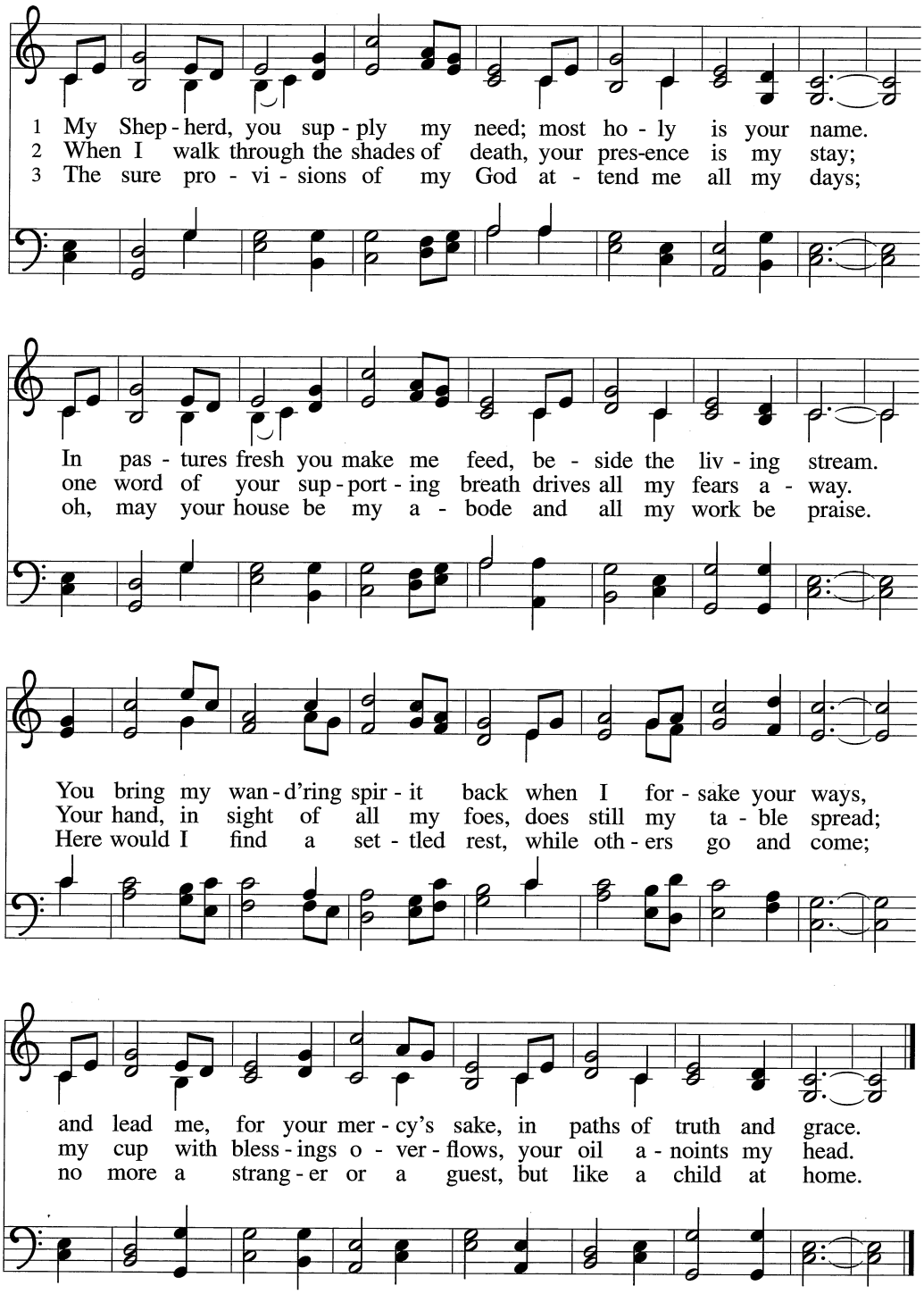
PRELUDE ***Savior, Like a Shepherd, Lead Us*** Jon Lackey

WELCOME

P Christ is risen!

C Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

GATHERING HYMN ***My Shepherd Will Supply My Need*** **ELW #782**



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

C And also with you.

P Let us pray. O God our shepherd, you know your sheep by name and lead us to safety through the valleys of death. Guide us by your voice. That we may walk in certainty and security to the joyous feast prepared in your house, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

✚ WORD ✚

PSALM 23 *In unison*

This psalm of David is one God's people have turned to again and again through the centuries. Whichever rendition is your "heart version," you're invited to use it as we join together in unison.

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

Listen now to a setting of Psalm 23, The Lord is My Shepherd, by British composer Howard Goodall, performed by The Smith Ensemble and used with permission.

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 10th Chapter.

C Glory to you, O Lord.

GOSPEL: John 10:1-10

Jesus uses a familiar image to make a point about spiritual leadership.
Good shepherds lead people to abundant life through Jesus.

Jesus said: "Very truly, I tell you, anyone who does not enter the sheepfold by the gate but climbs in by another way is a thief and a bandit. [2]The one who enters by the gate is the shepherd of the sheep. [3]The gatekeeper opens the gate for him, and the sheep hear his voice. He calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. [4]When he has brought out all his own, he goes ahead of them, and the sheep follow him because they know his voice. [5]They will not follow a stranger, but they will run from him because they do not know the voice of strangers." [6]Jesus used this figure of speech with them, but they did not understand what he was saying to them.

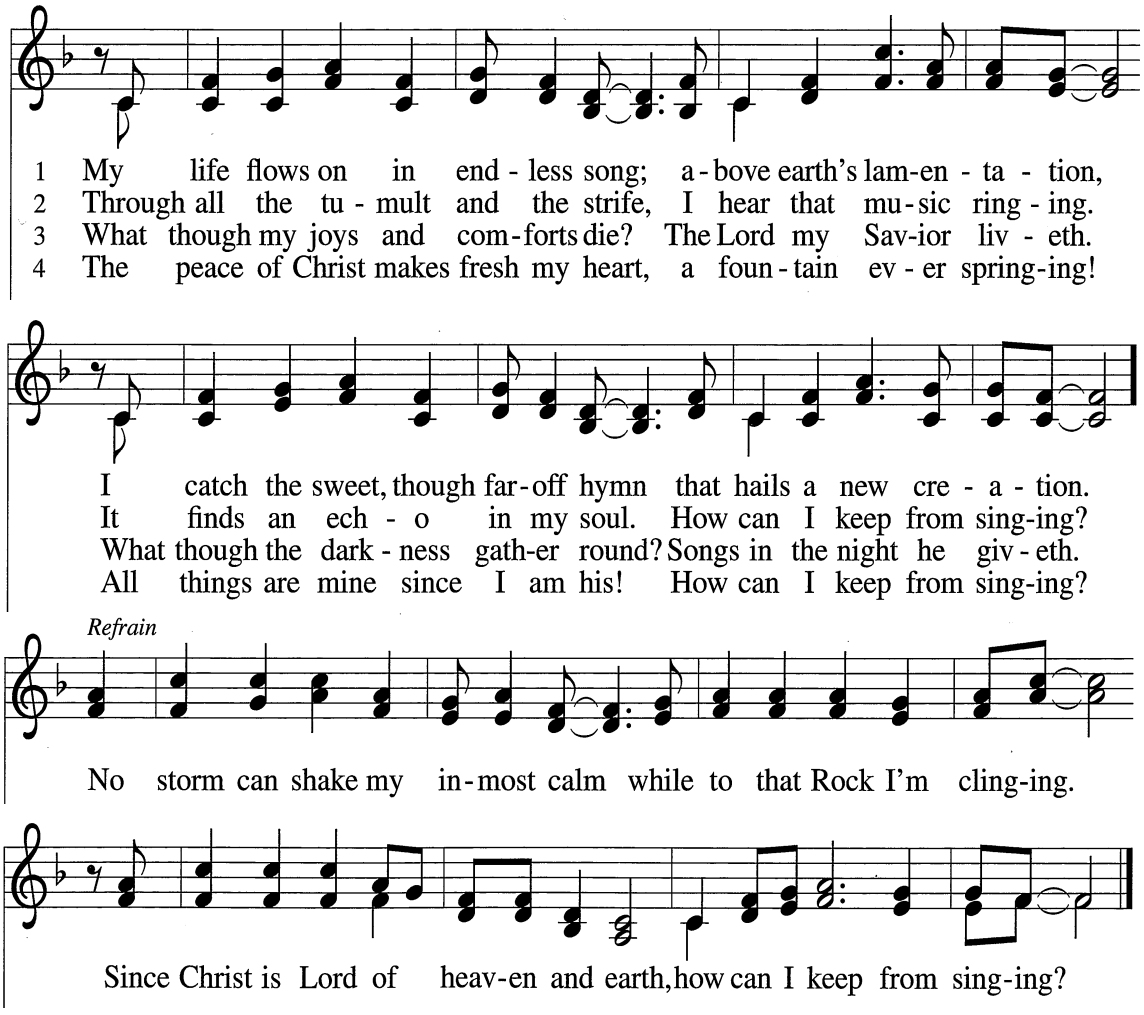
[7]So again Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, I am the gate for the sheep.
[8]All who came before me are thieves and bandits; but the sheep did not listen to them.
[9]I am the gate. Whoever enters by me will be saved, and will come in and go out and find pasture. [10]The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly."

P The Gospel of the Lord
C Praise to you, O Christ!

CHILDREN'S TIME Nicole Klinemeier

MESSAGE Pastor Erik Kindem

HYMN OF THE DAY ***My Life Flows On*** **ELW #763**



PRAYERS
Petitions are offered that end with:
A Lord, in your mercy.
C Hear our prayer.

THE PEACE

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C And also with you.

Share a greeting of peace with those who are with you physically, and a virtual greeting with those who are part of your circle of concern.

OFFERING

Your monetary gifts support the ongoing ministry of our congregation and ELCA ministries around the world. You can give an offering today by connecting to our secure Tithely Giving Page. Whatever size, your gift makes difference—thank you for your support!

Gather all who will be participating in the Holy Communion Meal, along with the bread and wine/grape juice you've set aside. Place them in front of you, and choose someone who will lift up the elements at the appropriate time, following Pastor Kindem's leadership.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

P Merciful God,

C Our ordinary gifts seem small for such a celebration, but you make of them an abundance, just as you do with our lives. Feed us again at this table for service in your name, in the strength of the risen Christ. Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Lift up your hearts!

C We lift them to the Lord!

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C It is right to give our thanks and praise.

P It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, compassionate and vulnerable God, for the glorious resurrection of our Savior Jesus Christ. He is the true Paschal Lamb, who gave himself to take away our sin, who in dying has destroyed death, and in rising has brought us to eternal life. And so with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the resurrection, with earth and sea and all their creatures, and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

C Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of pow'r and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest!
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest!

P Blessed is our brother Jesus, who walks with us the road of our grief,
and is known again in the breaking of the bread.
Who on the night he was handed over to death,
took bread, gave thanks, broke it, and said: *(lift your bread)*

C Take and eat, this is my body, given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

P Again, after supper, he took the cup, *(lift your cup)*
gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying:

C This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all for forgiveness and healing. Do this for the remembrance of me.

THE LORD'S PRAYER *(ecumenical)*

P In Jesus we are bold to pray:

C Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

P As we eat this bread and drink from this cup we remember others in our community and throughout the world with whom we share these gifts of God.

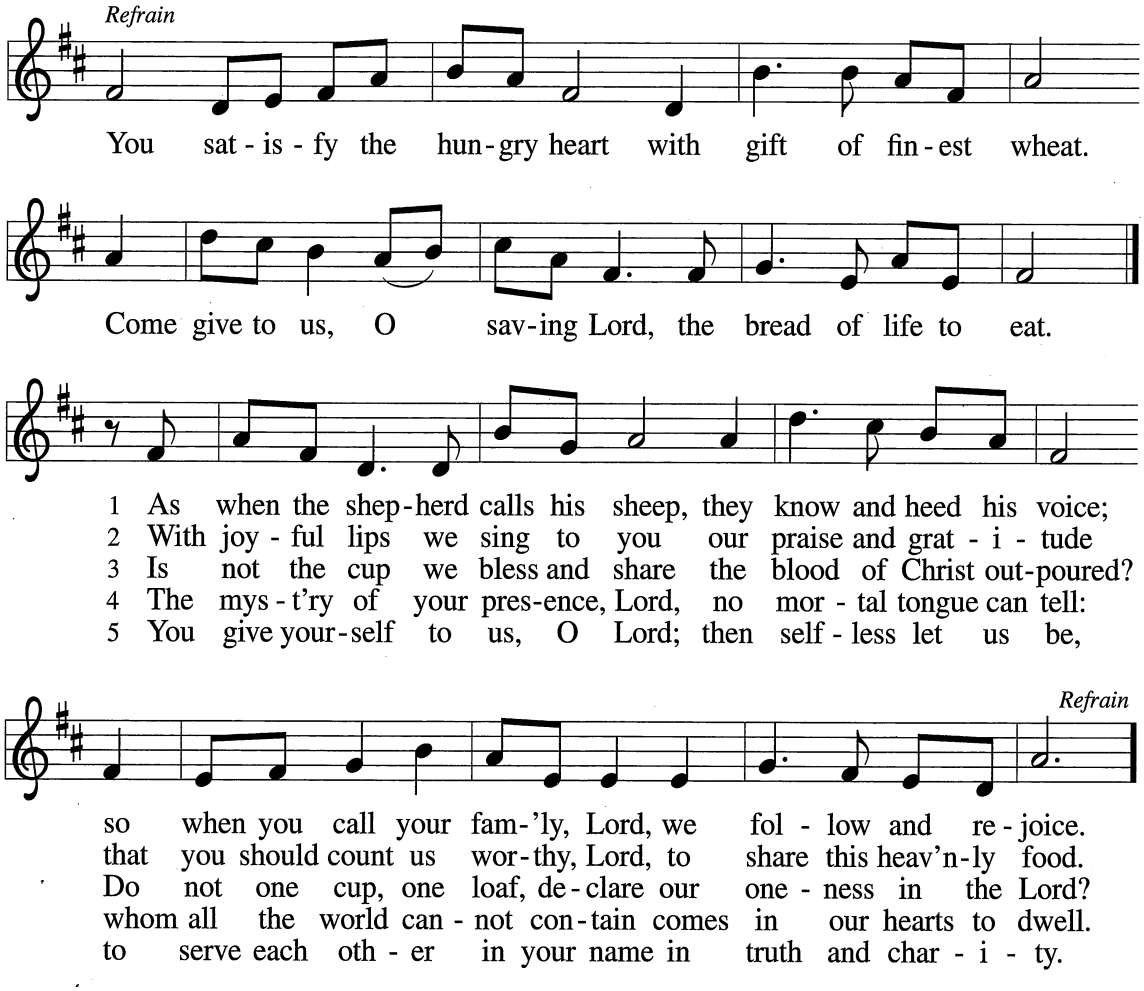
The body of Christ, given for you. The blood of Christ, shed for you.

C Thanks be to God!

Take the gifts of bread and wine/juice into your bodies now, whether you are alone or in the company of others, giving thanks for these gifts of grace!
Any elements remaining can become part of your midday meal.

Our Communion Hymn is: <u>You Satisfy the Hungry Heart</u> (next page)

COMMUNION HYMN ***You Satisfy the Hungry Heart, verses 1 & 3*** **ELW #484**



PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P Let us pray. Life-giving God, you have fed us with this meal and opened us to your presence. Now send us forth to share the gifts of Easter with all in need; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C Amen.

BLESSING

P May the One who brought forth Jesus from the dead raise you to new life and fill you with hope. Almighty God, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

C Amen.

SENDING HYMN

You Satisfy the Hungry Heart, verses 2 & 5 Jon Lackey, James Jelasic

P Go in peace. Serve the risen Christ.

C Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE ***Sheep May Safely Graze*** J.S. Bach

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Join us again next week as we gather around
God's Word and Sacrament with the Risen Christ as Host and Feast.