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Fourth Sunday of Easter Good Shepherd Sunday April 26, 2015

Please remember to turn off your cell phones during the Worship Service. Thank you.

Preparation Music

(Please be seated and prepare yourself for worship)

The Entrance of the Light

Welcome

Moments of Concerns and Announcements

*Ringing of the Bell

***Gathering Music-Please stand and join the choir in singing:**

Christ rose, Christ rose, Christ rose up from the dead.

Christ rose, Christ rose, Christ rose from the dead.

Christ rose, Christ rose, Christ rose up from the dead,

And God's grace will bear my spirit home. (sing twice)

*Opening Prayer-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 my enemies.

Thou annointest 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 forever.

***Hymn: # 252 "Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us"**

Reading of Scripture: John 10:11-18

Call to Reconciliation

Reconciliation Prayer

All: God, our guiding shepherd, we have wandered through strange paths of our world. We, like sheep, have gone astray. We have trusted other voices and turned away from your truth. In fear, we have taken your rod and your staff and beaten down others. We have selfishly laid claim to green pastures that really belong to you. We have taken over your role as gatekeeper and not welcomed our neighbors. Forgive us we pray and restore us all to your fold. Amen

Silent Confession

Kyrie # 750

All: Lord have mercy upon us.

Christ have mercy upon us.

Lord have mercy upon us.

Words of Assurance

Duet: "He Shall Feed His Flock" from "The Messiah"

*Act of Praise..... #760

(Please stand)

All: Amen we praise your name, O God! (Sing Amen)

Amen we praise your name, O God! (Sing Amen)

Amen, Amen! Amen, Amen!

Amen we praise your name, O God!

*The Passing of the Peace

Pastor: The peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

Please share a greeting of Christian love with those sitting around you.

Children's Time: "God's Sheep House"

(Children in Kindergarten and younger may go to the nursery)

Sermon: "A Shepherd's Shepherd"

Anthem: "Song of the Shepherd"

Our Morning Prayers

The Candle of Remembrance is lit in honor of U.S. Army Sgt. Brian Evangeliste, and as a prayer for all military personnel and first responders, especially those in harm's way.

Call to Prayer "Pray"

Pray ____, pray ____, pray ____ for peace within our world ____.
Pray ____, pray ____, pray ____ for peace within our souls ____.
Pray ____, pray ____, pray ____ for love and unity ____;
Quiet our busy hearts, Pray ____, pray ____, pray ____ .
Pray ____, pray ____, pray ____

Silent Prayer, Pastoral Prayer,
Prayer of Our Savior (spoken)

**All: 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**

Our Time of Sharing

Invitation to the Offering, The Sharing of Gifts

Offering Music

*Offertory Response "We Are Giving in the Light of God" (526)

**All: We are giving in the light of God,
We are giving in the light of God (Repeat previous 2 lines)
We are giving, giving, we are giving, Oo,
We are giving in the light of God (Repeat previous 2 lines)**

Prayer of Dedication

***Hymn #479 "God Is My Shepherd"**

*The Benediction

***Benediction Response**

**Christ rose, Christ rose, Christ rose up from the dead.
Christ rose, Christ rose, Christ rose from the dead.
Christ rose, Christ rose, Christ rose up from the dead,
And God's grace will bear my spirit home. (sing twice)**

*Postlude

Joyfa Kelly and Sylvia Duncan are today's readers.

The Congregation.....Disciples of Christ
Rev. Meredith Ann Hutchison.....Pastor
Irina Thomas.....Organist and Keyboard
Kelly MillarChoir Director
Rheba Salac.....Administrative Assistant
Wade Anderson.....Sexton

Did you know that thanks to your generous gifts to the general fund we are able to worship, minister to members of our congregation and reach out into the community. This is not a ministry of one or two people. It is the ministry of the entire congregation. If you miss a Sunday you can always mail your offerings to Denmark Manor United Church of Christ, 2003 Denmark Manor Rd., Export PA. You can also bring your offering from previous weeks and put it in the week that you are here. You don't need to put it in multiple envelopes. It can all go in one envelope. **We are behind in our giving this year due to the bad weather that we had this winter. Please help us to catch up.**



Thanks to all who made our Beef Dinner a success! A special thanks to Dan Walk who headed up the whole operation along with Doris who does a myriad of things and also heads up the take-out orders. We also thank Robin Brautigam for her leadership in organizing servers and calling for pies, Rheba Salac, our administrative assistant for handling the tickets and Wade Anderson who also helped with tickets. And to all the setter uppers and cleaner uppers, potato peelers, pie makers, bakers for Women's Fellowship, kitchen crew, servers and to anyone who had a part to play in the dinner, WE SO APPRECIATE YOU.

This week:

Today-Hoss's Day All Day at the Murrysville Hoss's

The church receives 20% of whatever you spend on your meal.

Thursday-Choir 7:00PM

Saturday-Bible Study at Murrysville Panera 9:00AM

Attendance for April 19: 62

Offering for April 19: \$2,267.00

Camp Fund: \$20.00 Food for Kids: \$493.00

Excerpt from the Stillspeaking Devotional of the UCC: Deep Water - "Jesus said to Simon, 'Put out into the deep water and let down your nets for a catch.'" - Luke 5:4

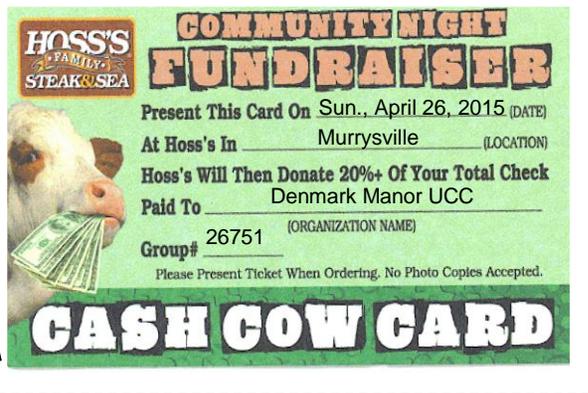
Imagine what Peter, a professional fisherman, thought when carpenter Jesus decided to dispense some free, unsolicited advice on fishing: "The first rule of fishing, Peter, is you've got to go to the fish. They generally don't swim to you. To find the big fish you have to go out into deep water." Well, yeah. Maybe what we are most afraid of is not scarcity but abundance. The scarcity of the shallows isn't deeply fulfilling but it's familiar. At least there, we can see the bottom.

Prayer . . . God, the good and scary news is You want to give me more blessing than I think I deserve or can handle. Please, please, ignore my reluctance and push me out into deeper waters. Amen.

Matthew Laney is the Senior Minister of Asylum Hill Congregational Church, UCC, in Hartford, Connecticut.

TODAY IS HOSS'S DAY, ALL DAY! Bring your friends and family in to Hoss's in Murrysville anytime on Sunday, April 26, for a great lunch or dinner - don't forget to clip and use your

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