#### Service for the Lord's Day Paw Creek Presbyterian Church • April 25, 2021

Fourth Sunday of Easter

Welcome to Sunday Worship at Paw Creek Presbyterian Church! We worship together each week both in our sanctuary and online (see <a href="mailto:pawcreekpc.org">pawcreekpc.org</a> for links to Facebook and YouTube). Whichever is best for you, we are glad you are with us. If you are a visitor, please let us know you were here. You can fill out a card in the pew rack, or the visitor information form on our website.

For safety, when we worship in the sanctuary we adhere to masking and distancing guidelines; the ushers are here to help you find a safely distanced seat. The congregation does not sing the hymns or speak the prayers. Hymnbooks are available in the pew racks so you can follow along with the words as they are sung.

**Preparatory Music** "He Is Lord/His Name Is Wonderful" arr. Harlan Rogers

**Welcome** Jesus says: "I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me . . . and I lay down my life for the sheep."

**Prelude** "We Have A Gospel To Proclaim" arr. Cindy Berry

Call to Worship Psalm 25

To you, O LORD do we lift up our souls; in you we put our trust.

Show us your ways and teach us your paths. Lead us in your truth for you are the God of salvation; Remember, O LORD, your compassion and love,

for they are from everlasting.

**Hymn 81** "Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken" verses 1 & 3

### Prayer of the Day

Almighty God, you sent Jesus, our good shepherd, to gather us together. May we not wander from his flock, but follow wherever he leads us, listening for his voice and staying near him, until we are safely in your fold, to live with you forever. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.** 

## **Scripture Readings**

Old Testament 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.

Gospel John 10: 11-18

Jesus said, "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."

**Hymn 187** "Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us" verses 1, 2 & 4

Sermon One Flock, One Shepherd

Offertory "Indescribable" Laura Story

Offerings for God's work through Paw Creek Church are gratefully received in the baskets by the entrance and exits to the sanctuary, or by mail to the church office.

### **Prayers of God's People**

Beginning with announcements and prayer concerns; and concluding with *The Lord's Prayer* 

**Hymn 300** "We Are One in the Spirit" verses 1 - 3

# **Charge and Benediction**

Postlude "The Lord's My Shepherd, I'll Not Want" arr. Lloyd Larson