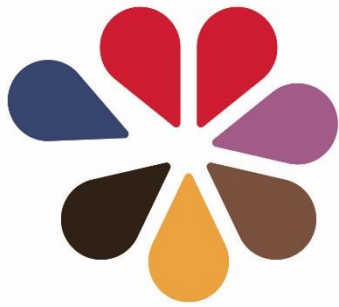




DOWNTOWN

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



Celebration of Worship

April 21, 2024, 11:00 AM

4th Sunday of Eastertide

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Prelude

Prayer in Ab

Alexandre Guilmant

Words of Welcome

Rev. Davis

Announcements

Chime

Introit

I Love You, Lord

Laurie Klein

"I Love you, Lord, and I lift my voice to worship you; O my soul, rejoice.

Take joy, my God, in what you hear; may it be a sweet, sweet sound in your ear."

*Call to Worship (*read responsively*)

Pat Tweet

When we are scattered, Jesus our Good Shepherd gathers us in.

When we are lost and lonely, we can depend on Christ's love.

When we are oppressed, Jesus our Good Shepherd cares for us.

When we are threatened because of who we are, we can depend on Christ's protection.

We know Christ, because Christ's tenderness has guided us for generations.

Christ knows us by name. Christ will lay down his very life for our sake. Let

us worship our Good Shepherd, who cares for all of us with fierce love.

Let us give thanks for Christ's presence with us.

Invocation

Holy God, you sent us Jesus as our comforter and guide. We give you thanks for the ways he cares for us. Help us be empowered to join him in protecting the oppressed and marginalized. We pray this in gratitude for your provision. **Amen.**

*Hymn

God of Grace and God of Glory
(Verses 1,2 and 4 - Music may be found on page 8.)

CWM RHONDA

Prayer for Transformation and New Life *(in unison)*

Shepherding Christ, even as you lay down your life for us, we confess our unwillingness to support the those in need. Too often, we may be more like the one who runs away in times of trouble. We aren't always bold enough to protect the powerless; following your example is rarely easy or comfortable. Forgive us. Help us lay down our apathy and follow your example. Remind us that we belong to one another, and to you. Amen.

Words of Grace

Beloved of God, receive this comfort. It is impossible to respond to every need in this complicated world. A full life of faith gives us the grace to lay down our work, take the rest we need, then refocus our energy toward the cause of the oppressed. Rest in the shelter of your Good Shepherd, knowing you can take up the cause again with restored souls.
We are forgiven. Thanks be to God!

Scripture

1 John 3:16-24
John 10:11-18

Pat Tweet

Time with Our Children and Youth

Music for Reflection

The Lord Is My Shepherd
Words: Psalm 23, Carolina Sullivan, soloist

Howard Goodall

Scripture

Psalm 23:1-6

Pat Tweet

Sermon

Rev. Davis

*Hymn

The King of Love My Shepherd Is

ST. COLUMBA

(Verses 1-3, and 6 - Music may be found on page 9.)

^Joys and Concerns

Prayers of the people

Prayer of Jesus

Our Creator, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy Spirit 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 Spirit, and the power, and
the glory, forever. Amen.

Invitation to the Offering ⁺

Offertory Music

Alleluia

Ralph Manuel

*Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Let songs rise up from earth below;
Let stars and galaxies enthrone;
Creator, Christ, and Spirit, One! Amen.

Prayer of Dedication

*Hymn

Blessed Assurance

ASSURANCE

1. Blessed Assurance, Jesus is mine! O what a foretaste of glory divine!
Heir of salvation, child of God, born of his spirit, wrapped in his love.
Ref: This is my story, this is my song, praising my Savior all the day long;
This is my story, this is my song, praising my Savior all the day long.
2. Perfect elation, perfect delight, visions of rapture now burst on my sight;
Angels descending, bring from above, echos of mercy, whispers of love.

Refrain

3. Blessed salvation, all is at rest, I in my Savior am happy and blest,
Watching and waiting, looking above, filled with his goodness, lost in his love."

Refrain

Text: Fanny Jane Crosby, 1873, adapt. 2005

*Charge and Benediction

Postlude

Improvisation on Assurance

*Passing of the Peace (*read responsively*)

The peace of Christ be always with you.

And also with you.

Thank you to.

Liturgist: Pat Tweet

Chancel Choir Members

Soprano: Nicole Knickerbocker, Carolina Sullivan, Joan Sussman, Nyla Thomas

Alto: Cecelia Allchin, Kathryn Borden, Elizabeth Jackson, Emmalouise St. Amand

Tenor: Olivia Anderson, Jason Cloen, Mark Darling, Ghalip Ekber

Bass: Rob Brown, John DeHority, Elijah Gebers, Alan Jones,

Jack and Tim Lambert, Stephen Lloyd

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DUPC Sunday Forum Series

April 2024

What Are Our Tenants Doing?

Sundays, 9:45AM—Shaw Room

April 28

The Problems with Plastics

Rochester Friends Meeting Earthcare Committee Members

Plastics are ubiquitous and problematic. The Quaker Earthcare Committee will share ways to reduce single use plastic, what plastics are recycled locally, and the health effects of plastics and microplastics. Efforts to regulate plastic use will also be discussed.

Forward from 50 - Lighting the Way!
Celebrating Our Golden Jubilee

presents

A John Williams Piano Concert



The Great American Songbook

Including narration & musical selections from the 1920's through the 1950's.

Sunday, May 5, 4PM ~ DUPC Sanctuary
Reception to Follow ~ Hallock Lounge

Free Admission - Donations will go to support the June 23rd Annual Jazz Worship.

Beckoning



Come! — Hear Music of Waking, Welcome, and Wooing
Repertoire spanning six centuries from J.P. Sweelinck and Raphaela Aleotta to
Rosephanye Powell and Adrian Peacock

First Inversion

First Inversion with
Henry Griffin, conducting scholar/piano,
Jonathan Madden, assistant conductor/piano,
Juli Elliot, piano, and Lee Wright, conductor

Sunday, April 21, 4:00PM

Downtown Presbyterian Church,
121 N. Fitzhugh St., 14614

Friday, April 26, 7:30PM

Lutheran Church of the Incarnate Word,
597 East Avenue, 14607

Tickets available online: firstinversion.org, at the door, or call 585.520.2003, \$20/adult, \$5/student suggested admission

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1 God of grace and God of glo - ry, on thy peo - ple
 2 Lo! the hosts of e - vil round us scorn thy Christ, as -
 3 Cure thy chil - dren's war - ring mad - ness; bend our pride to
 4 Save us from weak res - ig - na - tion to the e - vils

pour thy power; crown thine an - cient chur - ch's sto - ry; bring its
 sail his ways! From the fears that long have bound us free our
 thy con - trol; shame our wan - ton, self - ish glad - ness, rich in
 we de - plore. Let the gift of thy sal - va - tion be our

bud to glo - rious flower. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age,
 hearts to faith and praise. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age,
 things and poor in soul. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age,
 glo - ry ev - er - more. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age,

for the fac - ing of this hour, for the fac - ing of this hour.
 for the liv - ing of these days, for the liv - ing of these days.
 lest we miss thy king - dom's goal, lest we miss thy king - dom's goal.
 serv - ing thee whom we a - dore, serv - ing thee whom we a - dore.

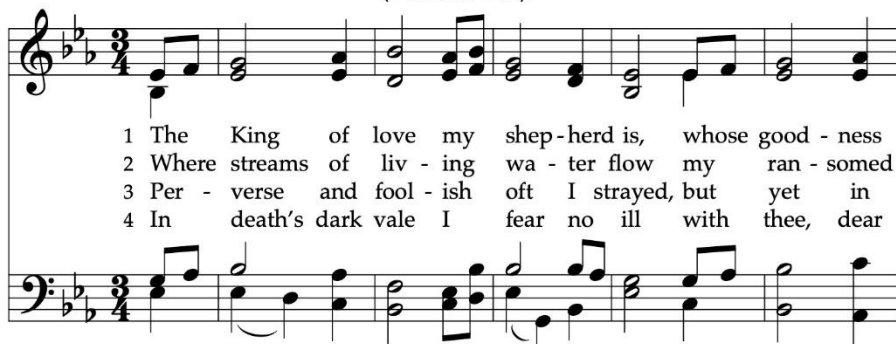
This stirring hymn used at the opening of Riverside Church in New York in 1930 was penned by its widely-known and influential pastor, and it has gained a firm place in English-language hymnals around the world. The Welsh tune name honors the Rhondda Valley in Glamorganshire.

TEXT: Harry Emerson Fosdick, 1930, alt.
 MUSIC: John Hughes, 1907

CWM RHONDDA
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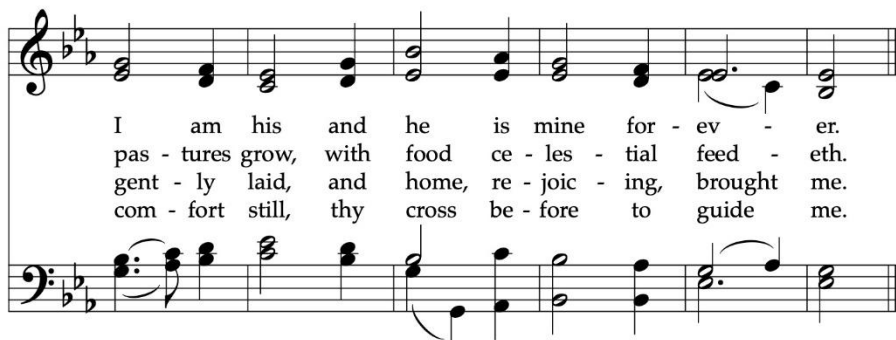
(Psalm 23)



1 The King of love my shep-herd is, whose good - ness
2 Where streams of liv - ing wa - ter flow my ran - somed
3 Per - verse and fool - ish oft I strayed, but yet in
4 In death's dark vale I fear no ill with thee, dear



fail - eth nev - er; I noth - ing lack if
soul he lead - eth, and where the ver - dant
love he sought me, and on his shoul - der
Lord, be - side me; thy rod and staff my



I am his and he is mine for - ev - er.
pas - tures grow, with food ce - les - tial feed - eth.
gent - ly laid, and home, re - joic - ing, brought me.
com - fort still, thy cross be - fore to guide me.

5 Thou spread'st a table in my sight;
thy unction grace bestoweth;
and O what transport of delight
from thy pure chalice floweth!

6 And so through all the length of days
thy goodness faileth never;
Good Shepherd, may I sing thy praise
within thy house forever.

Since its creation in the mid-19th century, this text has been one of the favorite paraphrases of Psalm 23 in the English-speaking world. That popularity increased in the early 20th century when *The English Hymnal*, 1906, first joined these words to this flowing Irish melody.

This Week at Downtown United Presbyterian

Sunday, April 21

9:45 Sunday Forum-Faith Groups
 10:00 Choir Warm-up
 10:45 **Nursery in Library**
 11:00 Worship-Rev. Phil Davis
 11:15 **Sunday School- CANCELLED**
 12:00 Coffee Hour in Sanctuary
 4:00 First Inversion: Beckoning

Tuesday, April 23

10:30 Bible Study via Zoom

Wednesday, April 24

7:00 Choir Practice

Sunday, April 28

9:45 Sunday Forum-The Problem
 with Plastics
 10:00 Choir Warm-up
 10:45 Nursery
 11:00 Worship - Rev. Phil Davis
 11:15 Sunday School
 12:00 Coffee Hour in Sanctuary

Sunday, May 5

9:45 Sunday Forum
 10:00 Choir Warm-up
 10:45 Nursery
 11:00 Worship- Rev. Phil Davis
 11:15 Sunday School
 12:00 Coffee Hour in Sanctuary

Wednesday, May 1

7:00 Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, May 2

7:15 Worship Team Mtg via Zoom

Welcome Visitors!

Nursery Care for children up to 2nd Grade is available in room C24.

Children not in nursery care will be invited forward during the “Time with Our Children and Youth” for a brief time with the pastor, and then will be taken up to their Sunday School room by their teacher. Parents are welcome to come up with their kids if they would like.

You may place your offering in the offering plates as they are passed. If you would like to donate online you can use the QR code to the right to make your contribution to the church.



+We seek to use diverse images and liberating language about divine presence in our services of worship. Please feel free to adapt the words in hymns and prayers as needed so that they express your faith.

This is a Hearing Loop equipped sanctuary – please switch your hearing aid to the “T” (telephone) position.

*** An asterisk indicates** “please rise in body or spirit.”

We hope you will join us after worship for conversations and refreshments! Cookies and drinks are available in the front of the sanctuary.

^Joys and Concerns – If you have a joy or concern that you would like to lift in prayer today, please complete a Prayer Request slip (available by the worship bulletins) naming the person(s), situation or event, and any other information that you would like to be shared. The prayer requests will be collected during the hymn following the sermon and provided to the pastor.

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