

CONFESSION AND PARDON
PASSING OF THE PEACE
THE GREAT THANKSGIVING
THE SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION

HYMN Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus UMH 349
JOYS AND CONCERNS Billie Branham
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*SENDING FORTH



The flowers gracing the altar today are given by Pat Davis in memory of Rita Stanley and Norma Senter



BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK OF APRIL: 21 Sonja Ratliff, 22 Jennifer Kendrick, 22 Sally McCoy, 25 Warren Leap, 26 Peggy Mullins, 27 Tyler Senter

If you or a loved one are not on the birthday list please drop a note in the offering basket or email: clintwoodumc_1@msn.com. We would like to give everyone special birthday blessings.



To put someone on, or take someone off the prayer list write the name(s) on a prayer request slip and place it in the offering plate or email the church office: clintwoodumc_1@msn.com. ****Let the office know when someone can be taken off the prayer list so we can keep an updated list!**

Janice Puckett. Holly Mullins. Mike Baker. Nathan Yates. Lutishia Skeen. Gene Baker. Bennett Cantrell. Sarah Kay Mullins. Ron Phillips. Tammy Huffine. Johnny Vance, Jr. Wade Kennedy Rebecca Woliver. Pun Yon & Kerry Phipps. Cheryl Cummins, cancer. Shana Lea Lucas Sharon Duncan Karen Stone Bobby Stanley Sandy Gravel Pam Mullins Pat Davis Ray May Teresa Blansett Betty Perrigan Larry Mahood David McPeron Nurse Anna JR Robinson McKenzie Edwards Richard Baker Linda Killen Shanghai Nickles Teresa Deel Tonya Moon Donita Kennedy Killen sisters Kelly Sutherland Tammy Huffine's uncle, Jay, and mother, Loretta David Salyer Louella Stanley Baby Theo Tammy Huffine Brenda Fleming Mamaw Helen

Pray for all our unmentioned loved ones who are ill or suffering or alone.

Pray for peace and justice for the people and countries of Ukraine and Israel and Palestine

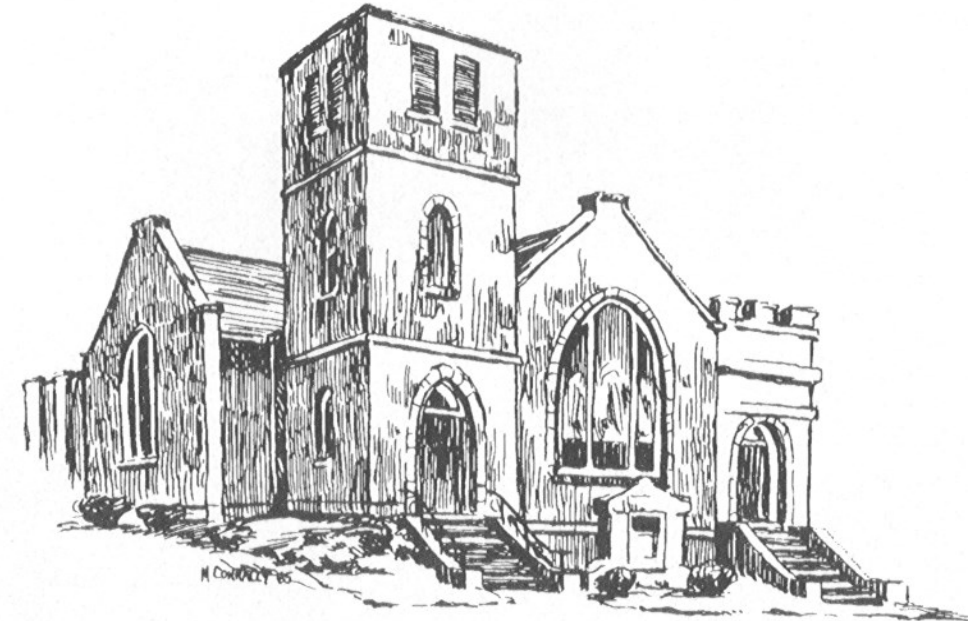
Pray for our country. **Pray for** ourselves.

ANNOUNCEMENTS on insert.

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Fourth Sunday of Easter

Good Shepherd, in you I have everything I need. Thank you for guiding me along the path of life God sets a table before us and anoints us with the oil of gladness; our cup overflows (see Psalm 23:5; 45:7). Welcome to worship!

EVERY MEMBER... IN MINISTRY... EVERY DAY

PRELUDE

BRINGING IN THE LIGHT

This Is the Day

WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP

Come, walk with the Lord this day.

We seek places of peace and rest from the stresses of our lives.

The Shepherd will lead you to places where your soul may be restored.

We come, sometimes fearful of the hostilities of the world.

In the midst of all the turmoil, The Shepherd will provide for your needs abundantly.

Surely these wonders will heal and restore our spirits. AMEN.

OPENING PRAYER

Thank you, loving God, for bringing us to this time of worship. Refresh us and heal us again. Remind us of the many ways in which you have blessed our lives with your abundant love and your presence. Guide our hearts and our spirits that we may hear your words and our souls may be stirred into active service to your people. In the name of the Good Shepherd, who leads us to life, we pray. **AMEN.**

SPECIAL MUSIC TODAY BY JOSH WYSOR

TODAY'S FIRST READING

Acts 4:5-12

Cathy Stanley

⁵ The next day the rulers, the elders and the teachers of the law met in Jerusalem. ⁶ Annas the high priest was there, and so were Caiaphas, John, Alexander and others of the high priest's family. ⁷ They had Peter and John brought before them and began to question them: "By what power or what name did you do this?"

⁸ Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them: "Rulers and elders of the people! ⁹ If we are being called to account today for an act of kindness shown to a man who was lame and are being asked how he was healed, ¹⁰ then know this, you and all the people of Israel: It is by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified but whom God raised from the dead, that this man stands before you healed. ¹¹ Jesus is "the stone you builders rejected, which has become the cornerstone." ¹² Salvation is found in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given to mankind by which we must be saved."

TODAY'S SECOND READING

Psalm 23

Harry Childress

²³ The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want.

² He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: he leadeth me beside the still waters. ³ He restoreth my soul: he

leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake.

⁴ 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.

⁵ Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies: thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over.

⁶ Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the LORD forever.

TODAY'S THIRD READING

1 John 3:16-24

Billie Branham

¹⁶ This is how we know what love is: Jesus Christ laid down his life for us. And we ought to lay down our lives for our brothers and sisters. ¹⁷ If anyone has material possessions and sees a brother or sister in need but has no pity on them, how can the love of God be in that person? ¹⁸ Dear children, let us not love with words or speech but with actions and in truth.

¹⁹ This is how we know that we belong to the truth and how we set our hearts at rest in his presence: ²⁰ If our hearts condemn us, we know that God is greater than our hearts, and he knows everything. ²¹ Dear friends, if our hearts do not condemn us, we have confidence before God ²² and receive from him anything we ask, because we keep his commands and do what pleases him. ²³ And this is his command: to believe in the name of his Son, Jesus Christ, and to love one another as he commanded us. ²⁴ The one who keeps God's commands lives in him, and he in them. And this is how we know that he lives in us: We know it by the Spirit he gave us.

GOSPEL READING

John 10:11-18

Pastor Mark

¹¹ "I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. ¹² The hired hand is not the shepherd and does not own the sheep. So when he sees the wolf coming, he abandons the sheep and runs away. Then the wolf attacks the flock and scatters it. ¹³ The man runs away because he is a hired hand and cares nothing for the sheep.

¹⁴ "I am the good shepherd; I know my sheep and my sheep know me— ¹⁵ just as the Father knows me and I know the Father—and I lay down my life for the sheep. ¹⁶ I have other sheep that are not of this sheep pen. I must bring them also. They too will listen to my voice, and there shall be one flock and one shepherd. ¹⁷ The reason my Father loves me is that I lay down my life—only to take it up again. ¹⁸ No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have authority to lay it down and authority to take it up again. This command I received from my Father."

SERMON

Pastor Mark

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Together, let us pray For the people of this congregation... **Lord, Hear our prayers**

For those who suffer and those in trouble... **Lord, Hear our prayers**

For the concerns of this local community... **Lord, Hear our prayers**

For the world, its peoples, and its leaders... **Lord, Hear our prayers**

For the earth you have given to our care... **Lord, Hear our prayers**

For the Church universal—its leaders, its members, and its mission... **Lord, Hear our prayers**

In communion with the saints, In the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

