

MAYFLOWER CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH  
**A SERVICE OF MORNING WORSHIP**

Sunday, May 8, 2022, 10:30 a.m.

Fourth Sunday of Easter  
Mother's Day

***Welcome and Greeting***

***Prelude:*** "Music in My Mother's House" (Stuart Stotts, arr. J. David Moore)

***Opening Sentences***

***Hymn 55:*** "The Lord's My Shepherd"

***Opening Prayer***

***Special Music:*** "Amazing Grace" (Early American melody, arr. John Coates, Jr.)

***Giving and Receiving of Our Gifts***

*Doxology (Hymn 563)*

***Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer*** (using debts and debtors)

***Old Testament Reading:*** Psalm 23

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 right paths for his name's sake. Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I 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 overflows. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD my whole life long.

***Gospel Reading:*** John 10:22-30

At that time the festival of the Dedication took place in Jerusalem. It was winter, and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the portico of Solomon. So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, 'How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah, tell us plainly.' Jesus answered, 'I have told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father's name testify to me; but you do not believe, because you do not belong to my sheep. My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand. What my Father has given me is greater than all else, and no one can snatch it out of the Father's hand. The Father and I are one.'

***Sermon: "ARE SHEEP STUPID?"***

***Hymn 431:*** "Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us"

***Benediction***

***Benediction Response 580:*** "God Be With You Till We Meet Again"

God be with you till we meet again; by His counsels guide, uphold you, with His sheep securely fold you: God be with you till we meet again.

***Greet One Another***

Participants: Pastor Mark and DeeAnn McCormick, Barb and Jerry Fuller, Lorraine Finison, Marsha Hacker, Sally Potter

# The Lord's My Shepherd

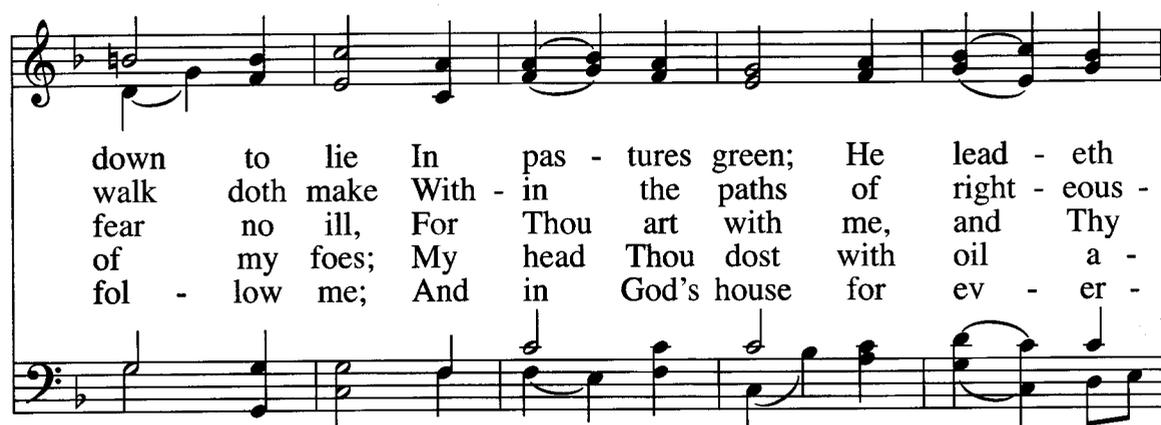
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Based on Psalm 23  
Scottish Psalter, 1650, alt.

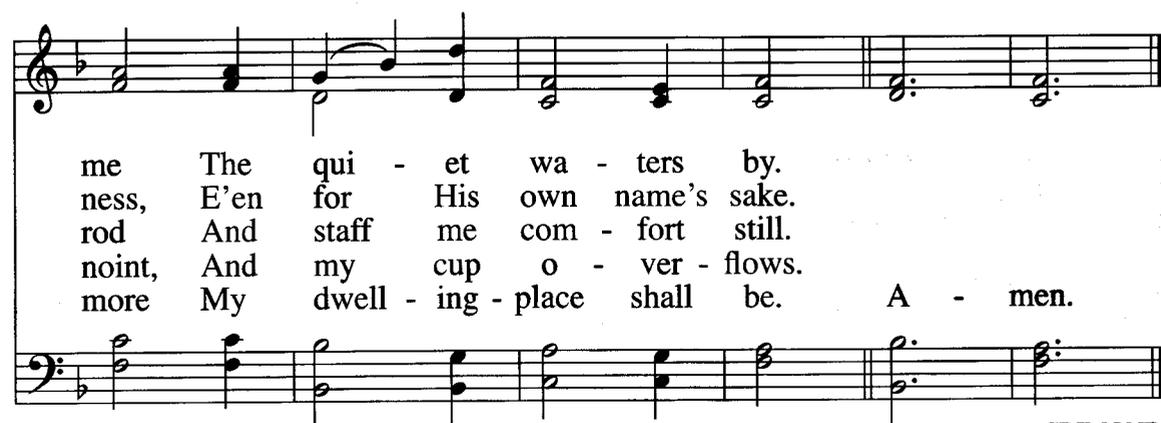
Jessie S. Irvine, 1836-1887



1. The Lord's my shep - herd, I'll not want; He makes me  
2. My soul He doth re - store a - gain; And me to  
3. Yea, though I walk in death's dark vale, Yet will I  
4. My ta - ble Thou hast fur - nish - ed In pres - ence  
5. Good - ness and mer - cy all my life Shall sure - ly



down to lie In pas - tures green; He lead - eth  
walk doth make With - in the paths of right - eous -  
fear no ill, For Thou art with me, and Thy  
of my foes; My head Thou dost with oil a -  
fol - low me; And in God's house for ev - er -



me The qui - et wa - ters by.  
ness, E'en for His own name's sake.  
rod And staff me com - fort still.  
noint, And my cup o - ver - flows.  
more My dwell - ing - place shall be. A - men.

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*Providence*

**THE FATHER**

1. Sav - ior, like a shep-herd lead us, Much we  
 2. We are Thine; do Thou be - friend us; Be the  
 3. Ear - ly let us seek Thy fa - vor; Ear - ly  
 4. Thou hast prom - ised to re - ceive us, Poor and

need Thy ten - der care; In Thy pleas - ant pas - tures  
 guard - ian of our way; Keep Thy flock, from sin de -  
 let us do Thy will; Bless - ed Lord and on - ly  
 sin - ful though we be; Thou hast mer - cy to re -

feed us, For our use Thy folds pre - pare.  
 fend us, Seek us when we go a - stray.  
 Sav - ior, With Thy love our bos - oms fill.  
 lieve us, Grace to cleanse, and pow'r to free.

Bless - ed Je - sus, Bless - ed Je - sus, Thou hast  
 Bless - ed Je - sus, Bless - ed Je - sus, Hear Thy  
 Bless - ed Je - sus, Bless - ed Je - sus, Thou hast  
 Bless - ed Je - sus, Bless - ed Je - sus, Ear - ly

## GOD'S COVENANT PEOPLE

bought us, Thine we are; Bless-ed Je - sus, Bless-ed  
 chil - dren when they pray; Bless-ed Je - sus, Bless-ed  
 loved us, love us still; Bless-ed Je - sus, Bless-ed  
 let us turn to Thee; Bless-ed Je - sus, Bless-ed

Je - sus, Thou hast bought us, Thine we are.  
 Je - sus, Hear Thy chil - dren when they pray.  
 Je - sus, Thou hast loved us, love us still.  
 Je - sus, Ear - ly let us turn to Thee. A - men.

Jesus, we come to You in praise.

Jesus, rabbi, teacher,  
 You came to Your people and sat among us,  
 teaching, and feeding, and expressing Your care.  
 We are fed—Hallelujah.

Jesus, fisher of men,  
 You come to the ordinary places of our lives  
 and ask us to follow You.  
 We follow in faith—Praise be to God.

Jesus, our friend,  
 You challenged us with the parables of the Good Samaritan and the prodigal son,  
 and with Your healing of the leper.  
 You taught and acted.  
 You healed and rested.

In wonder we show our praise through daily acts of love.

Your compassion provided acceptance to the woman at the well.  
 Your tender caring cherished the faith of the children held in Your lap.  
 Your anger turned over tables when we worshipped the world instead of Your Father.  
 Your question stopped our arguing on the road, when we were feeling self-important.  
 Your impatience challenged our pious exercises of faith.

Precious Lord, You bring us forgiveness and love.  
 Son of God, Messiah of the world, we praise Your name.  
 Your grace enfolds us and frees us to follow You.