



May 22, 2022—9:00 am
Sanctuary

*And so through all the length of days, Thy goodness faileth never;
Good Shepherd, may I sing Thy praise within Thy house forever!
-Henry Baker ("The King of Love My Shepherd Is," 1868)*

Prelude (8:50)

We Come, O Christ, to You

arr. Charles Callahan

Community Life Update (8:55)

*Call to Worship

Psalm 95:6-7

Leader: Oh come, let us worship and bow down;

All: let us kneel before the Lord, our Maker!

Leader: For he is our God,

All: and we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep of his hand.

*Hymns of Praise

Hymnal, 181

¹ We come O Christ to you, true Son of God and man,
By whom all things consist, in whom all life began:
In you alone we live and move, and have our being in your love.

² You are the Way to God, your blood our ransom paid;
In you we face our Judge and Maker unafraid.
Before the throne absolved we stand, your love has met your law's demand.

³ You are the living Truth! All wisdom dwells in you,
The source of every skill, the one eternal TRUE!
O great I AM! In you we rest, sure answer to our every quest.

⁴ You only are true Life, to know you is to live
The more abundant life that earth can never give:
O risen Lord! We live in you: in us each day your life renew!

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* Please stand if you are able.

There is a higher throne than all this world has known,
Where faithful ones from ev'ry tongue will one day come.
Before the Son we'll stand, made faultless through the Lamb,
Believing hearts find promised grace—salvation comes.

*Hear heaven's voices sing—their thund'rous anthem rings
Through em'rald courts and sapphire skies—their praises rise:
"All glory, wisdom, pow'r, strength, thanks, and honor are
To God our King who reigns on high forever more."*

Men: And there we'll find our home, our life before the throne;
We'll honor Him in perfect song where we belong.

Women: He'll wipe each tear-stained eye as thirst and hunger die;
The Lamb becomes our Shepherd King—we'll reign with Him.

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*Prayer of Adoration

*Affirmation of Faith

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From there He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Confession of Sin

Psalm 23:1-4

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 paths of righteousness for his name's sake.
Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil,
for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.

Moment of Silent Confession

Hymn of Reflection

From the love of my own comfort, from the fear of having nothing,
From a life of worldly passions, deliver me, O God.

From the need to be understood, from the need to be accepted,
From the fear of being lonely, deliver me, O God. Deliver me, O God.

*And I shall not want, no, I shall not want.
When I taste your goodness, I shall not want.*

From the fear of serving others, from the fear of death or trial,
From the fear of humility, deliver me, O God. Deliver me, O God.

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Words of Grace and Peace

John 10:14-16, 27-28

"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. And I have other sheep that are not of this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd... My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they will never perish, and no one will snatch them out of my hand."

Prayer of Trust

from The Valley of Vision

Leader: Lord, You are my Good Shepherd;

**All: Lead me into the green pastures of Your Word,
and cause me to lie down beside the rivers of its comforts.**

Leader: Keep me from deception by causing me to abide in the truth,

All: Let me live near Your voice, that I may know its tones and follow its calls.

Leader: Let me never be ashamed of the truth of the gospel,

**All: that I may bear its reproach, vindicate it,
see You as its essence, know in it the power of the Spirit.**

Leader: Grant me to know that I truly live only when I abide in You, that all else is trifling.

All: Your presence alone can make me holy, devout, strong and happy. Good Shepherd, abide with me.

Choral Meditation

K4-K5 may leave for Kids Church. One parent will need to escort the child to the Commons Area.

The Lord is my shepherd, therefore can I lack nothing.
He shall feed me in a green pasture
and lead me forth beside the waters of comfort.

He shall convert my soul,
and bring me forth 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 comfort me.
Thou shalt prepare a table for me against them that trouble me:
Thou hast anointed my head with oil and my cup shall be full.

But Thy loving-kindness and mercy
Shall follow me all the days of my life:
And I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

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Prayers of the People

Scripture Reading

Psalm 42

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God!

Sermon

Series: Journey Through Scripture

Andy Lewis

*Hymn of Response

Hymnal, 691

¹ When peace, like a river, attendeth my way, when sorrows like sea billows roll;
Whatever my lot, thou hast taught me to say, it is well, it is well with my soul.

It is well with my soul; It is well, it is well with my soul.

³ My sin—O the bliss of this glorious thought!—my sin, not in part, but the whole,
Is nailed to the cross and I bear it no more; praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul

⁴ O Lord, haste the day when the faith shall be sight, the clouds be rolled back as a scroll,
The trump shall resound and the Lord shall descend; "even so"—it is well with my soul.

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*Benediction

*Postlude

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Assisting in Worship Today:

Andy Lewis, Lead Teaching Pastor

Harry Goudas, International Pastoral Intern

Final "Ask the Pastors" - Journey Through Scripture Panel is Today
10:10-10:45 am in the Sanctuary

New! Our Summer Elective - Local Outreach Partners
10:10-10:45 am in the Sanctuary May 29 - July 31

Did you know that Mitchell Road partners with many other local ministries in our community? We call these ministries our Local Outreach Partners. Beginning next Sunday, we will feature one of these partners each week through the end of July. Join us and find out ways that you, your family and your friends can work together to help extend our loving community and the good news of the Gospel outside the walls of this church! See all of our Local Outreach Partners at mitchellroad.org/engagetheworld.

May 29	Miracle Hill	miraclehill.org
June 5	iFACE	iface.org/greenville
June	Homes with a Mission	bcaldwell@mitchellroad.org
June 19	Bel-Aire Community Partners	belairegvl.com
June 26	SWITCH	switchsc.org

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