

MAY 8, 2022

**4<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY OF EASTER  
WORSHIP SERVICE**

WELCOME ANNOUNCEMENT

CALL TO WORSHIP Psalm 23 (MSG)

<sup>1-3</sup> GOD, my shepherd! I don't need a thing.

**You have bedded me down in lush meadows,  
you find me quiet pools to drink from.**

True to your word, you let me catch my breath  
and send me in the right direction.

**<sup>4</sup> Even when the way goes through Death Valley, I'm not  
afraid when you walk at my side. Your trusty shepherd's crook  
makes me feel secure.**

**<sup>5</sup> You serve me a six-course dinner right in front of my enemies.  
You revive my drooping head; my cup brims with blessing.**

**<sup>6</sup> Your beauty and love chase after me every day of my life.  
I'm back home in the house of GOD for the rest of my life.**

HYMN "He Leadeth Me: O Blessed Thought: UMH 128

JOYS AND CONCERNS

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER

CHRISTIAN MESSAGE

**Mothers' Day Liturgy**

Lord, on this day set aside to honor and remember mothers, we give You thanks for our mothers. We are grateful that You chose to give us life through them, and that they received the

gift of life from Your hands, and gave it to us. Thank You for the sacrifices they made in carrying us and giving us birth.

We thank you for the women who raised us, who were our mothers in childhood. Whether birth mom, adopted mom, older sister, aunt, grandmother, stepmother or someone else, we thank You for those women who held us and fed us, who cared for us and kissed away our pain. We pray that our lives may reflect the love they showed us, and that they would be pleased to be called our moms.

We pray for older moms whose children are grown.

**Grant them joy and satisfaction for a job well done.**

We pray for new moms experiencing changes they could not predict.

**Grant them rest and peace as they trust You for the future.**

We pray for pregnant women who will soon be moms.

**Grant them patience and good counsel in the coming months.**

We pray for moms who face the demands of single parenthood.

**Grant them strength and wisdom.**

We pray for moms who enjoy financial abundance.

**Grant them time to share with their families.**

We pray for moms who are raising their children in poverty.

**Grant them relief and justice.**

We pray for step-moms.

**Grant them patience and understanding and love.**

We pray for moms who are separated from their children.

**Grant them faith and hope.**

We pray for moms in marriages that are in crisis.

**Grant them support and insight.**

We pray for moms who have lost children.

**Grant them comfort in the resurrection of Jesus Christ.**

We pray for mothers who aborted their children.

**Grant them healing and peace.**

We pray for moms who gave up their children for adoption.

**Grant them peace and confidence as they trust in Your providence.**

We pray for adoptive mothers.

**Grant them joy and gratitude for the gift You have provided.**

We pray for girls and women who think about being moms.

**Grant them wisdom and discernment.**

We pray for all women who have assumed the mother's role in a child's life.

**Grant them joy and the appreciation of others.**

We pray for those people present who are grieving the loss of their mother in the past year.

**Grant them comfort and hope in Christ's resurrection.**

#### OFFERING AND DOXOLOGY

#### SCRIPTURE

Acts 9: 36-43

HYMN "Wonderful Words of Life" UMH 600

GOSPEL READING John 10: 22-30

SERMON "The Lord is MY Shepherd"

HYMN "Hymn of Promise" UMH 707

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