

*An Open & Affirming, A2A-Accessible to All
Congregation of the United Church of Christ*

11 May 2025 – 10:30 AM
FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Mother's Day

***indicates the congregation is invited to stand.
Please feel free to remain seated if you prefer.**

PRELUDE

Prelude for Mother's Day
Vlada Volkova-Moran, organist

Lucy Ann Warriner

WELCOME

The Rev. David Pattee, pastor

*GATHERING SONG

"Jubilate, servite"

Songs & Prayers from Taizé

**Raise a song of gladness, peoples of the earth.
Christ has come, bringing peace, joy to ev'ry heart.
Alleluia, alleluia, joy to ev'ry heart!
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*PREFACE

inspired by Psalm 23 ("The Message")

Noah Treece (she/he), liturgist

One: God, my shepherd, with you I don't need a thing.

All: You have bedded me down in lush meadows. You find me quiet pools to drink from. You let me catch my breath and send me in the right direction.

One: 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.

All: You serve me a feast right in front of my enemies. You put healing oil on my weary head. My cup brims with blessing.

One: Your beauty and love call to me every day;

All: And I find my way back home, in the house of God forever.

*HYMN #252 [hymn sheet]

Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us

BRADBURY

*PRAYER IN THE SPIRIT OF JESUS

**Earth-Maker, Life-Giver, Pain-Bearer, Source of all that is and all that shall be,
Father and Mother of us all, Loving God in whom is Heaven:
May the hallowing of your name echo through the universe.
May your Heavenly will be done by all creatures great and small.
And may your commonwealth of peace and freedom sustain our hope and come on earth.
With the bread we need this day, feed us. For the hurt we inflict on one another, forgive us.
Through times of temptation, strengthen us. From trials too great to endure, spare us.
From the grip of all that is evil, free us. For you reign in the glory of the power that is Love.**

BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS

*GREETING OF PEACE

ANTHEM

Der Herr Signe Euch, BWV 196
CHANCEL CHOIR (tenors & basses) • Cheryl Anderson, director

J.S. Bach

GOSPEL

John 10:22-27

Noah Treece

The time came for the Festival of the Dedication in Jerusalem. It was winter, and Jesus was in the temple, walking in the covered porch named for Solomon. The religious authorities circled around him and asked, "How long will you test our patience? If you are the Christ, tell us plainly."

Jesus answered, "I have told you, but you don't believe. The works I do in my Father's name testify about me, but you don't believe because you don't belong to my sheep. My sheep listen to my voice. They know me and they follow me."

SOLO

How Beautiful Are the Feet" from *Messiah*
Michelle Miracle, soprano

G.F. Handel

SERMON

Who You Gonna Trust?

Pastor Dave

RESPONSE [seated]

WORLD PEACE PRAYER

**Lead us from death to life, from falsehood to truth,
from despair to hope, from fear to trust.
Lead us from hate to love, from war to peace;
Let peace fill our hearts, let peace fill our world, let peace fill our universe.**

OFFERTORY

Invitation
Offertory Music

Psalm 23
CHANCEL CHOIR (sopranos & altos)

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*COVENANT

**We covenant with God and with each other:
to walk together in all God's ways as the Holy is revealed to us;
to give ourselves freely and without reserve to Jesus' ministry in this church;
to celebrate through worship God's amazing gifts of unity and diversity;
to take up Christ's mission around the world, striving for justice and peace;
to care for the earth and all her creatures, reconciling ourselves to them in love;
for God gives immeasurable grace into all life and every life.**

*HYMN #503 (hymn sheet)

O Savior, Let Me Walk with You

MARYTON

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Toccata on 'Salve Regina'

Everett Titcomb

PRIDE AT 50

Begun in 1975, the Santa Cruz Pride parade and festival is the second-oldest on the West Coast, this year marking 50 years of advocacy, support and progress for the LGBTQ+ community. Peace United Church of Christ is a leading sponsor of and participant in the celebrations on **June 1**, and we invite members and friends to join us...

- for an interfaith **worship** service at **9:30am** downtown on Plaza Lane;
- marching with our **parade** delegation (assembling at Cathcart and Laurel no later than **10:30am**;
- representing our *Open and Affirming* congregation for **one hour** at the Peace UCC **welcome/information table** downtown (Tom Postlewaite, coordinator) sign-up using the QR code to the right
- Proudly **wear one of our Peace UCC/Queerly Christian t-shirts**, available for purchase on Sundays after worship or from the church office, M-F, 9am-2pm, office@PeaceUnited.org, 831-426-2010.



Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us

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Attrib. to Dorothy A. Thrupp (1779–1847)

John 10:1–29

From Hymns for the Young, 1836; alt.

St. 1 transl. to Hawaiian by Laiana (1807–1886)

1 Sav-ior, like a shep-herd lead us, much we need your ten - der care;
 1 Ie - su no ke Ka - hu - hi - pa, Ka - hu - hi - pa ma'i-ka'i e.
 2 We are yours, in love be - friend us, be the guard-ian of our way;
 3 Let us al - ways seek your fa - vor; let us al - ways do your will;

in your pleas - ant pas-tures feed us, for our use your folds pre-pare.
 Ei - a ma - kou ka 'o - ha - na ke ho'o-lo - he a ha - hai:
 keep your flock, from sin de - fend us, seek us when we go a - stray.
 Je - sus Christ our on - ly Sav - ior, with your love our spir - its fill.

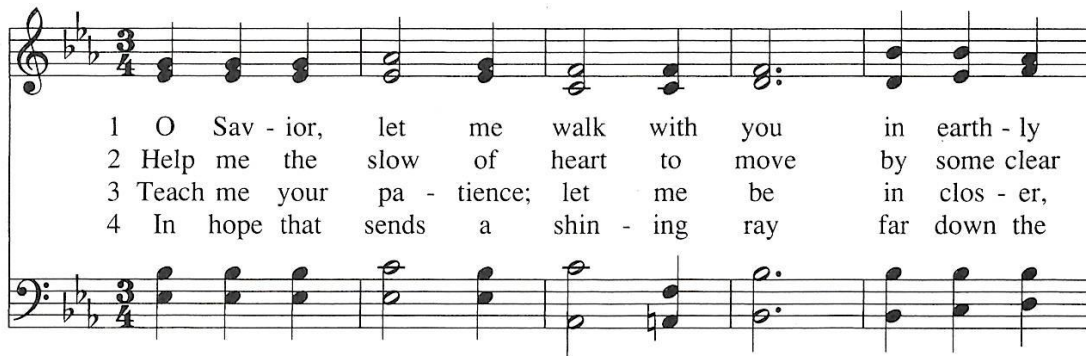
Bless-ed Je - sus, bless-ed Je - sus, you have bought us, yours we are;
 E a - lo - ha, e a - lo - ha, a - la - ka'i a ha - nai mai,
 Bless-ed Je - sus, bless-ed Je - sus, hear your chil - dren when we pray;
 Bless-ed Je - sus, bless-ed Je - sus, you have loved us, love us still;

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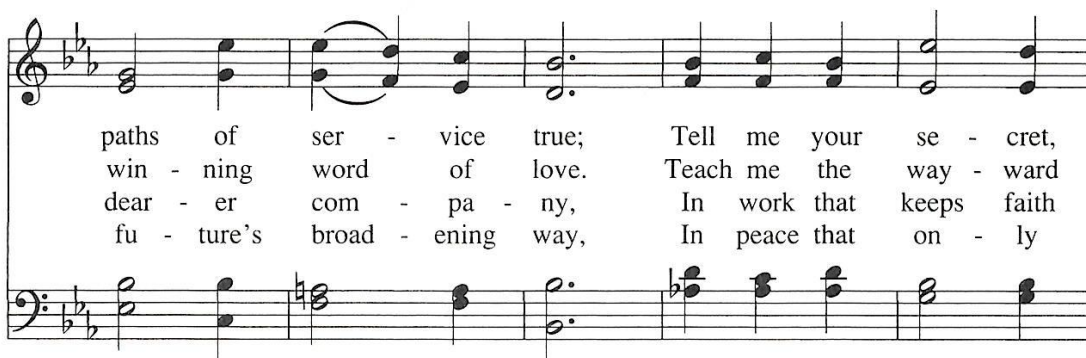
The theme of Christ as shepherd is familiar and beloved to Christians. Emma Lyons Doyle, granddaughter of Laiana (translator Lorenzo Lyons), once said, "If you want to know the full beauty of this hymn, hear it sung in Hawaiian."

Tune: BRADBURY 8.7.8.7.D.
 William B. Bradbury, 1859

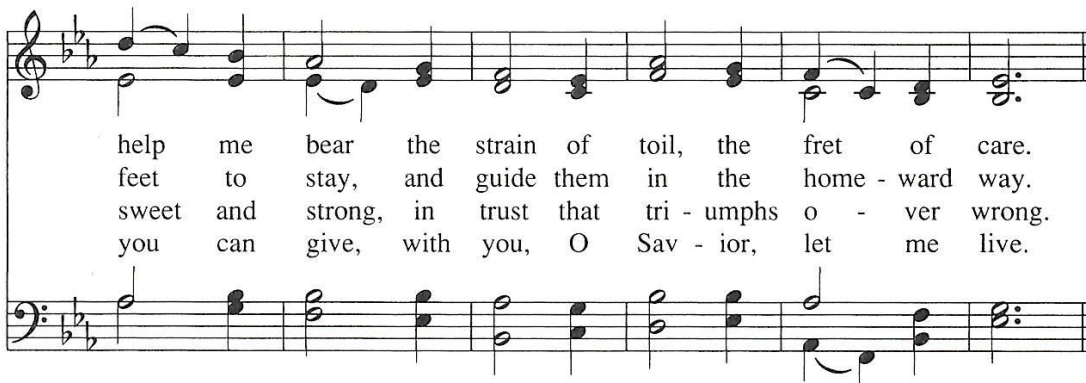
O Savior, Let Me Walk with You

Washington Gladden, 1879; alt.


1 O Sav - ior, let me walk with you in earth - ly
 2 Help me the slow of heart to move by some clear
 3 Teach me your pa - tience; let me be in clos - er,
 4 In hope that sends a shin - ing ray far down the



paths of ser - vice true; Tell me your se - cret,
 win - ning word of love. Teach me the way - ward
 dear - er com - pa - ny, In work that keeps faith
 fu - ture's broad - ening way, In peace that on - ly



help me bear the strain of toil, the fret of care.
 feet to stay, and guide them in the home - ward way.
 sweet and strong, in trust that tri - umphs o - ver wrong.
 you can give, with you, O Sav - ior, let me live.

Washington Gladden was a Congregational minister, distinguished preacher and lecturer, and author of over thirty works. Gladden wrote extensively on civic and social affairs of his day. This hymn was penned in 1879 and published in his periodical, The Sunday Afternoon.

Tune: MARYTON L.M.
 H. Percy Smith, 1874