

# St. Luke Lutheran Church

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### **The Lord is my Shepherd, 1926**

*Thomas Hart Benton*

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## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Prelude

*Shelter Me*  
*Michael Joncas*

## GATHERING

### Invocation

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

### Call to Worship

From the rising of the Sun till its setting in the west.

**God's Holy Name Be Praised.**

On the lips of children, by babies at the breast.

**God's Holy Name Be Praised.**

In the visions of the old and the dreaming of the young,

**God's Holy Name Be Praised.**

In the banquet hall of heaven and the forgotten corners of our hearts,

**God's Holy Name Be Praised.**

Let all that has life and breath praise the Lord.

**Amen! We praise the Lord.**

### Greeting

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

### Prayer of the Day

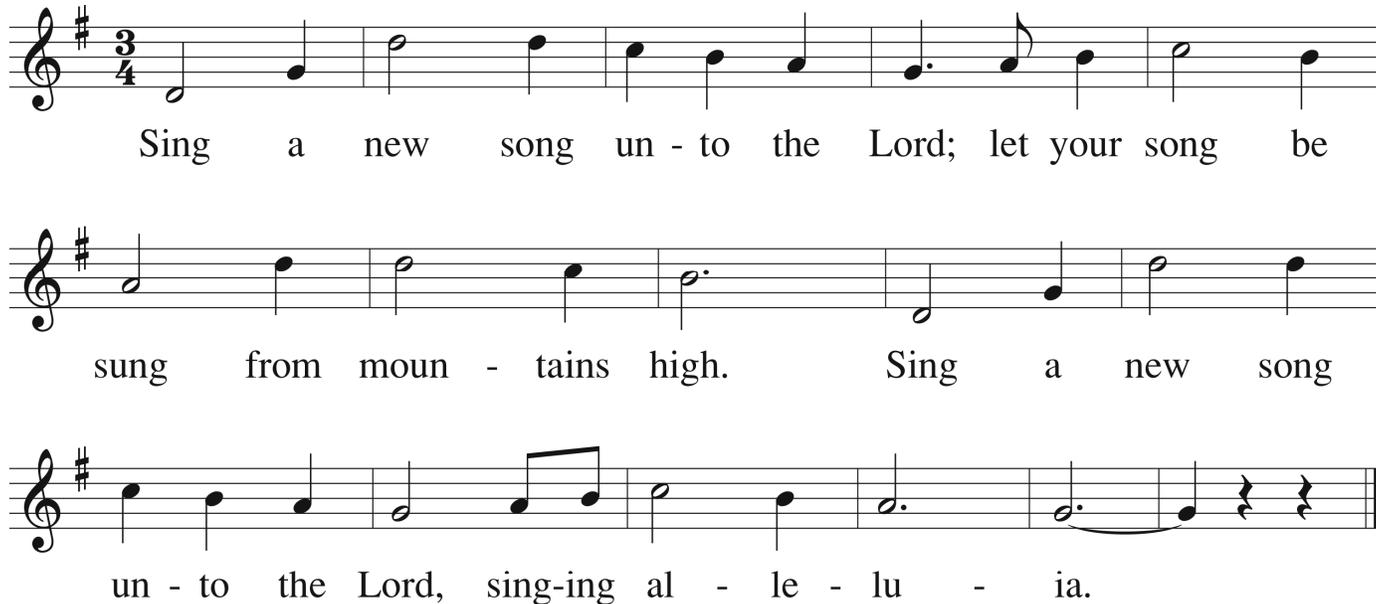
Let us pray.

O God our shepherd, you know your sheep by name and lead us to safety through the valleys of death. Guide us by your voice, that we may walk in certainty and security to the joyous feast prepared in your house, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

# Hymn W&P 125

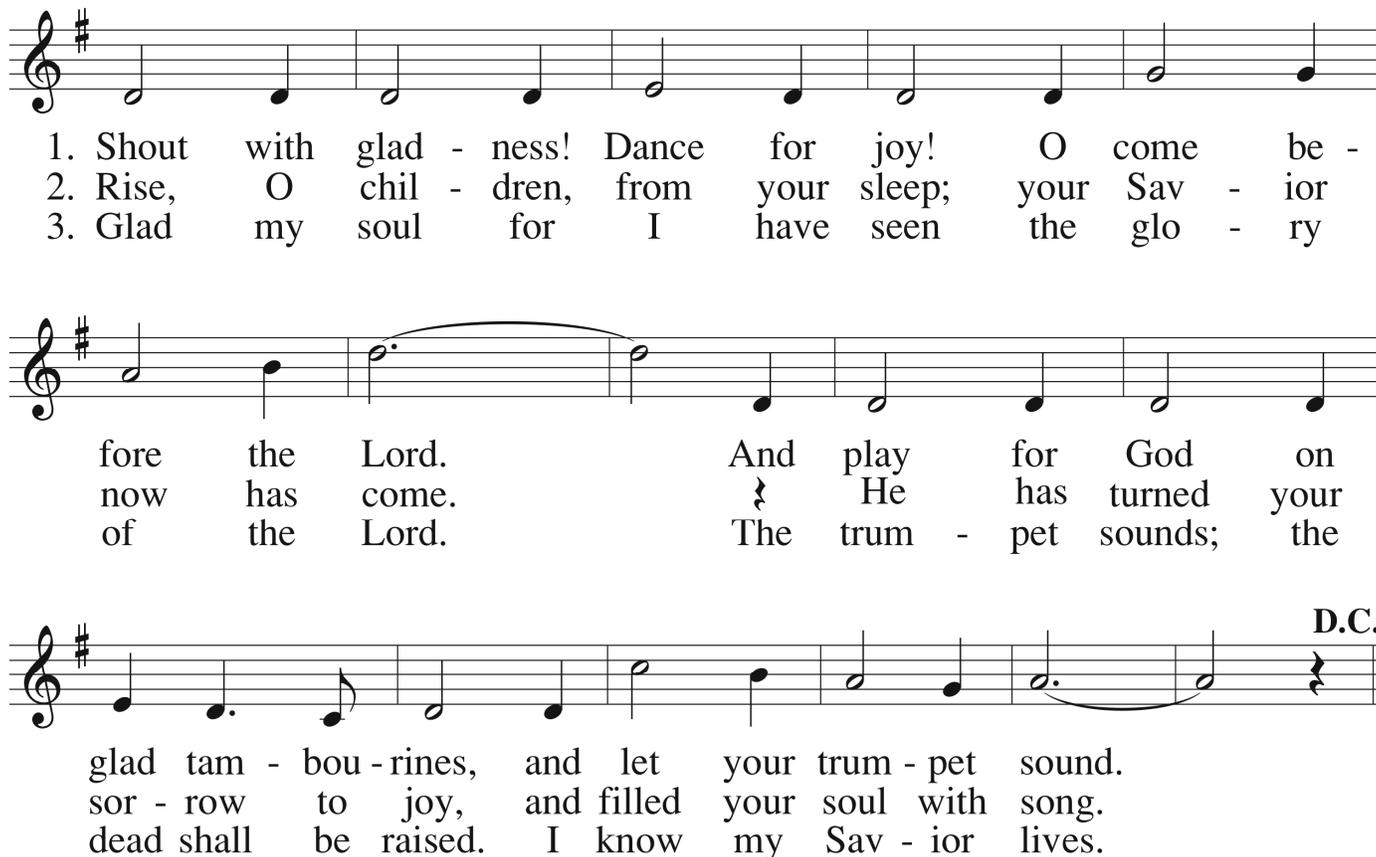
# Sing a New Song

## Refrain



Sing a new song un - to the Lord; let your song be  
sung from moun - tains high. Sing a new song  
un - to the Lord, sing-ing al - le - lu - ia.

## Verses



1. Shout with glad - ness! Dance for joy! O come be -  
2. Rise, O chil - dren, from your sleep; your Sav - ior  
3. Glad my soul for I have seen the glo - ry  
fore the Lord. And play for God on  
now has come. He has turned your  
of the Lord. The trum - pet sounds; the  
glad tam - bou - rines, and let your trum - pet sound.  
sor - row to joy, and filled your soul with song.  
dead shall be raised. I know my Sav - ior lives.

Text: Psalm 98; Dan Schutte, b.1947  
Tune: Dan Schutte, b.1947  
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# WORD

## First Reading

**Acts 2:42-47**

<sup>42</sup>[The baptized] devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers.

<sup>43</sup>Awe came upon everyone, because many wonders and signs were being done by the apostles. <sup>44</sup>All who believed were together and had all things in common; <sup>45</sup>they would sell their possessions and goods and distribute the proceeds to all, as any had need. <sup>46</sup>Day by day, as they spent much time together in the temple, they broke bread at home and ate their food with glad and generous hearts, <sup>47</sup>praising God and having the goodwill of all the people. And day by day the Lord added to their number those who were being saved.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

## Psalm (Read Responsively)

**Psalm 23**

*A paraphrase of Psalm 23*

*Dallas Willard from his book "A Life Without Lack"*

The Lord is my shepherd,  
**I have life without lack.**

In his green pastures,  
**I've eaten my fill so I lie down.**

At his still waters, **my thirst is satisfied.**

He heals and reintegrates my broken depths in his eternal life  
**so I can walk in paths of righteousness on his behalf.**

Even though I go through loss, hunger, disease, aging, and death I will fear no evil because you Jesus are with me.

**Your strong rod and protective staff put me in liberty.**

Your abundant provision is a feast for me,  
**so I am happy to share with my enemies.**

You give me hot showers and warm fluffy towels,  
**joyful experiences and relationships to make me feel clean, special, and powerful.**

My cup runs over,  
**so I can be generous without ever running out.**

Surely this world is a perfectly safe place for me to be  
**because I dwell and abide with God in the fullness of his life in the Kingdom of Heavens forever.**

**That is life without lack!**

## Second Reading

**1 Peter 2:19-25**

<sup>19</sup>It is a credit to you if, being aware of God, you endure pain while suffering unjustly. <sup>20</sup>If you endure when you are beaten for doing wrong, what credit is that? But if you endure when you do right and suffer for it, you have God's approval. <sup>21</sup>For to this you have been called, because

Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example, so that you should follow in his steps.

<sup>22</sup>“He committed no sin,  
and no deceit was found in his mouth.”

<sup>23</sup>When he was abused, he did not return abuse; when he suffered, he did not threaten; but he entrusted himself to the one who judges justly. <sup>24</sup>He himself bore our sins in his body on the cross, so that, free from sins, we might live for righteousness; by his wounds you have been healed. <sup>25</sup>For you were going astray like sheep, but now you have returned to the shepherd and guardian of your souls.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

**Children’s Sermon** - Lori Ervin & the Good Shepherd

**Gospel Acclamation**

*Let Us Rejoice, excerpt*  
**Marty Haugen**

Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!\_\_\_\_\_

Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!\_\_\_\_\_

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**Holy Gospel**

**John 10:1-10**

The Holy Gospel according to John, the tenth chapter.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

[Jesus said:] <sup>1</sup>“Very truly, I tell you, anyone who does not enter the sheepfold by the gate but climbs in by another way is a thief and a bandit. <sup>2</sup>The one who enters by the gate is the shepherd of the sheep. <sup>3</sup>The gatekeeper opens the gate for him, and the sheep hear his voice. He calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. <sup>4</sup>When he has brought out all his own, he goes ahead of them, and the sheep follow him because they know his voice. <sup>5</sup>They will not follow a stranger, but they will run from him because they do not know the voice of strangers.” <sup>6</sup>Jesus used this figure of speech with them, but they did not understand what he was saying to them.

<sup>7</sup>So again Jesus said to them, “Very truly, I tell you, I am the gate for the sheep. <sup>8</sup>All who came before me are thieves and bandits; but the sheep did not listen to them. <sup>9</sup>I am the gate. Whoever enters by me will be saved, and will come in and go out and find pasture. <sup>10</sup>The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly.”

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

**Homily** - “I Lack Nothing....”

**Pastor Wayne**



1 Sav - ior like a shep - herd lead us; much we need your ten - der care.  
 2 We are yours; in love be - friend us, be the guard - ian of our way;  
 3 You have prom - ised to re - ceive us, poor and sin - ful though we be;  
 4 Ear - ly let us seek your fa - vor, ear - ly let us do your will;



In your pleas - ant pas - tures feed us, for our use your fold pre - pare.  
 keep your flock, from sin de - fend us, seek us when we go a - stray.  
 you have mer - cy to re - lieve us, grace to cleanse, and pow'r to free.  
 bless - ed Lord and on - ly Sav - ior, with your love our spir - its fill.



Bless - ed Je - sus, bless - ed Je - sus, you have bought us; we are yours.  
 Bless - ed Je - sus, bless - ed Je - sus, hear us chil - dren when we pray.  
 Bless - ed Je - sus, bless - ed Je - sus, ear - ly let us turn to you.  
 Bless - ed Je - sus, bless - ed Je - sus, you have loved us, love us still.



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Text: attr. Dorothy A. Thrupp, 1779–1847  
 Music: BRADBURY, William B. Bradbury, 1816–1868

## The Nicene Creed

*The Nicene Creed is appropriate during Advent,  
Christmas, Easter, and on festival days.*

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

## Prayers of Intercession

Turning our hearts to God who is gracious and merciful, we pray for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

## Prayer Hymn W&P 27

## Cares Chorus

I cast all my cares up - on You. \_\_\_\_\_ I lay all of my  
bur - dens down at Your feet. And an - y - time \_ that I don't know  
what \_ to do, I will cast all my cares up - on You. \_\_\_\_\_

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—response after each petition: Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

—response after the final petition: **Amen.**

## Peace

The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.**

*Within a household, the people greet one another with a sign of God's peace and offer a prayer for our siblings in the virtual household.*

## THANKSGIVING

### Offering

We are invited to joyfully give our tithes and offerings to join in God's unceasing mission through the Church. We may send gifts directly to St. Luke via mail or contribute via our online giving resources on our church website <http://stlukeabq.org/>.

*Our St. Luke "bucket of change" offerings for May will go to Albuquerque Health Care for the Homeless that provides critical services to over 7,000 men, women & children experiencing homelessness.*

### Offertory Hymn ELW 206

### *Thankful Hearts and Voices Raise*



Thank-ful hearts and voic - es raise; tell ev - 'ry - one what God has



done. Let all who seek the Lord re - joice and bear Christ's ho - ly name.



Send us with your prom - is - es, O God, and lead us forth in



joy with shouts of thanks - giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia.

Text: John W. Arthur, 1922-1980

Music: *Bread of Life*, Jeremy Young, b. 1948

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### Offering Prayer

Let us pray.

Merciful God, our ordinary gifts seem small for such a celebration, but you make of them an abundance, just as you do with our lives. Feed us again at this table for service in your name, in the strength of the risen Christ. **Amen.**

## The Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,  
now and forever. Amen.

## SENDING

### Blessing (Benediction)

-response after the prayer: Amen.

### Sending Hymn ELW 764

### *Have No Fear, Little Flock*

Have no fear, lit - tle flock; have no fear, lit - tle flock,  
Have good cheer, lit - tle flock; have good cheer lit - tle flock,  
Praise the Lord high a - bove; praise the Lord, high a - bove,  
Thank - ful hearts raise to God; thank - ful hearts raise to God,  
for the Fa - ther has cho - sen to  
for the Fa - ther will keep you in  
for he stoops down to heal you, up -  
4 for he stays close be - side you, in  
give you the king - dom; have no fear, lit - tle flock!  
his love for - ev - er; have good cheer lit - tle flock!  
lift and re - store you; praise the Lord high a - bove!  
all things works with you; thank - ful hearts raise to God!

st 1: LUKE 12:32  
sts 2-4: Marjorie Jillson, b. 1931

Heinz Werner Zimmermann, b. 1930  
LITTLE FLOCK

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## Dismissal

Go in peace. Share the good news.

Thanks be to God.

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