



**May 7, 2017 11:15 a.m.**

**4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter**

*Gathering Songs*

# 396

“Brethen, We Have Met to Worship”

#626

“As the Deer”

## *Welcome and Living Our Faith*

### *Call to Worship*

The Shepherd calls us by name, and leads us to abundant life.

**We hear your voice and hasten to follow.**

The Shepherd prepares a table, and lavishly pours out grace.

**We hear your invitation and take our place at the feast.**

The Shepherd gathers us in, and welcomes us to the house of the Lord.

**We hear your call and respond with worship and praise.**

*Song #628*

“Praise, I Will Praise You, Lord”

### *Call to Confession*

#### *Prayer of Confession*

**Faithful Shepherd,  
you show us the direction we should go.  
Yet we confess there are times when we refuse to heed your call  
and to be guided by the values of your kingdom.  
We demonize people who are different  
and we hesitate to reject prejudice.  
Forgive us and continue to pursue us  
so that our feet may return to your sure path,  
that step by step, and day by day,  
we may truly bring honor and glory to you. Amen.**

### *Assurance of God's Forgiveness*

#### *Passing the Peace*

The peace of Christ be with you.

**And also with you.**

*Scripture*

John 10:1-10

Christine Schiltz, Lay Reader

*Response*

Holy Wisdom, Holy Word.

**Thanks be to God.**

*Response # 473*

“Shepherd Me, O God”

*Message*

“The Good Shepherd”

Greg Jones

*Song #523*

“You Satisfy the Hungry Heart”

*Offering*

*Please sign the blue friendship notebook and pass it to the person next to you.*

*Communion of the People*

*Invitation to the Lord’s Table*

As much as we are loved by God,

**so we are to love one another.**

Come to this table of grace with your hearts open wide.

**We seek to be nourished by the One who loves us.**

*The Great Prayer of Thanksgiving and the Lord’s Prayer*

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Eternal God...

*Words of Institution*

*Sharing the Bread and Cup*

*Prayer Following Communion*

Song #743

“O God, You Are My God”

Sending

Response #746

“Send Me, Jesus”

*Following worship, please join us in the Meeting Room  
for coffee, tea, and fellowship.*

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***We are thankful for your presence and participation this morning.*** Westminster has two worship options each Sunday. Our other Sunday morning worship service is held at 9:00 a.m., and includes a choir, organ music and a brief Children’s Message. Both services include prayers, singing, scripture and sermon.

***Following worship, feel free to make a bouquet to brighten someone’s day.*** Today’s flowers are given to the glory of God by Marsha and Dennie Mah in loving memory of their son, Matthew Hammond Mah.

***Please remember in your prayers*** Lucille Greth who was recently hospitalized.

***Children are welcome in worship.*** You will find yellow worship bags for all children at the chapel entrance.

***Image:*** “The Good Shepherd”, Catacombs of Rome, 3rd Century  
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