

THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY
Fourth Sunday of Easter

11:00 a.m.

April 25, 2021

Prelude

Rhosymedre

Ralph Vaughan Williams

Welcome

ADORATION

Call to Worship

The Lord Jesus Christ is our shepherd.

He lays down his life for his sheep.

The Lord Jesus Christ is our shepherd.

He knows us, and we belong to him.

The Lord Jesus Christ is our shepherd.

He speaks and we listen for his voice.

Hymn 11

Source and Sovereign, Rock and Cloud

ABERYSTWYTH

CONFESSION

Call to Confession

If we are honest with ourselves, we know that we are sinners. But God, who knows everything, is greater than our hearts; and God's deep desire for us is mercy, love, and peace. Therefore, let us confess our sin.

Prayer of Confession

Lord, have mercy on us. We talk about love, but our actions betray us. We talk about love, but we neglect the poor. We talk about love, but we fail to love one another. Lord, have mercy on us.

Forgive us and abide in us by the power of your Spirit so that our lives may show our love for Jesus Christ, in whose body we live and in whose name we pray. Amen.

Declaration of Forgiveness

Beloved children of God, we seek God's grace with boldness because we trust in Jesus. This is the good news of the gospel:

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

Hymn 609

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

PROCLAMATION

Time with the Children

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading

John 10: 11-18

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon

"The Good Shepherd"

Chris McAuliffe, M. Div.

RESPONSE

Hymn 187

Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us

BRADBURY

Legacy Giving

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

Community Life and Offering

Prayer of Dedication

Gracious God, we give you thanks that you have shown us the meaning of love through Jesus Christ, who gave his life for us. Show us how to share Christ's love by giving our lives for one another; to the glory of your name. Amen.

Hymn 239

Good Christians All, Rejoice and Sing!

GELOBT SEI GOTT

Benediction

Postlude

Improvisation on BRADBURY

T. Andrew

Flowers today are given in loving memory of Rachel Dart from Jim Dart and family.

We extend the prayers of the congregation to Marnel Williams on the death of her sister, Thelma Hutchinson on March 25, 2021. Cards may be sent to Marnel at 2290 SE Master Ave Port St Lucie, FL 34952.

We celebrate the following birthdays:

- 4/25 - John Jordan, Pam Mazza
- 4/26 - Gabi Henderson
- 4/27 - Camille Kendall, Nelia Scioli
- 4/27 - Braden Woodside
- 4/28 - Robert Mitchell, Rob Wescott
- 4/29 - Dolly Shalaby
- 4/30 - Carolyn McGill

If we are missing your birthday, please contact Jeanne Grillo at admin@potomacpresbyterian.org.

We continue to keep in our prayers: *Members of the Armed Forces and their families; Ruth Andrew, mother of Tom Andrew; Louise Berman, aunt of Pastor Emily; Bob Conley; Bryan Conley, son of Bob and Miriam Conley; Gail Connor, aunt of Beth Sherfy; Josephine DiGioia, friend of Louise Plumb; Elliot Friedman, husband of Betsey Rudnic Friedman; Naomi & Bob Gerwin, sister and brother-in-law of Marcia Boogaard; Dave Gorman, son of Nancy Tietjen & brother of Beth Rudnic; Greg Grigorian; Atef Griess, brother of Magda Shalaby; Hartzog family; George Hornsby, friend of Pat McMillen; Velma Killion; George Lawrence; Gloria Leber; Tyler Painter, nephew of Jon and Heather Davies; Bob Plumb; Karen Ruan; Nettie Propps; Cam Sanders, nephew of Marcia Boogaard; Millie Rowan; Alex Shalaby; and Aleta Towle, cousin of Sally O'Neal.*

Marye Cotton has been hospitalized, please hold her in your prayers. Bill has requested no phone calls, only prayers and cards (11816 Winterset Terrace, Potomac, Maryland 20854; wmrcot@verizon.net; maryecotton@verizon.net).

We pray for health and wholeness for all suffering from COVID-19 and for all medical professionals and researchers seeking a cure, providing care, and helping to alleviate the strain.

We pray for individuals unemployed, those who have experienced with reductions in their work due hours, pay or responsibilities and those seeking new work due to Covid.

If you would like to be added to the prayer list, please contact Pastor Emily at emily.dandrea@potomacpresbyterian.org or call the church office at 301-299-6007.

Names will remain on the prayer list for six weeks, unless otherwise requested.