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## ORDER OF WORSHIP Fourth Sunday of Easter

Shelby Presbyterian Church
May 11, 2025
10:00 a.m.
\*Please rise as you are able.

PRELUDE: "I Know My Redeemer Lives" (arr. Hildebrand) Emily Monroe

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Drew Mangione** 

CALL TO WORSHIP (Psalm 23)

Marie Jackson

The Lord is our Shepherd, our provider, and King.

The Lord supplies our needs, restores us, and leads us on right paths.

Even though death is always lurking, we have nothing to fear.

Even among enemies, the Lord loves us, and it overflows from us.

The Lord pursues us with goodness and faithful love every day.

Let us choose the house of the Lord for our whole life.

\*HYMN OF PRAISE #802: "The King of Love My Shepherd Is"

CALL TO CONFESSION

Marie Jackson

PRAYER OF CONFESSION: Lord Jesus, you are the Good Shepherd, and as our King, you lead us with humility, service, and self-giving love. Help us to recognize your voice. Too often, we listen to voices that exploit our fear of sin and death, offering salvation through prosperity, power, and popularity. Forgive us, Lord. Renew our minds to trust in your grace and your love for us. Remake our hearts to overflow with your love. Transform us, so that we will reveal your presence by your goodness, mercy and faithful love flowing through us. Amen. (silent confession)

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS
Sisters and brothers, believe the good news!
In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

\*GLORIA PATRI (sung): Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, Amen.

THE PEACE OF CHRIST

Marie Jackson

The Peace of the Lord be with you! And also with you!

MOMENTS WITH CHILDREN

Carol Ann Hoard

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Marie Jackson

FIRST SCRIPTURE

Psalm 23

ANTHEM: "The Lord's My Shepherd" (Blackwell)

Chancel Choir

The Lord's my Shepherd, I'll not want; he makes me down to lie in pastures green; he leadeth me the quiet waters by.

My soul he doth restore again, and me to walk doth make within the paths of righteousness, e'en for his own name's sake.

Yea, though I walk through death's dark vale, yet will I fear none ill, for thou art with me; and thy rod and staff me comfort still.

My table thou hast furnished in presence of my foes; my head thou dost with oil anoint, and my cup overflows.

Goodness and mercy all my life shall surely follow me; and in God's house forevermore my dwelling place shall be.

SECOND SCRIPTURE

John 10:22-30

**Drew Mangione** 

SERMON

"Recognizing the Good Shepherd's Voice"

\*HYMN OF RESPONSE #182: "I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say"

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (Nicene Creed):

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 born 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 THE PEOPLE AND 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.

## CALL TO PRESENT TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offertory: "The Lord's My Shepherd" (arr. McDonald) **Emily Monroe** \*DOXOLOGY (sung): Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise Him, all creatures here below; praise Him above, ye heavenly hosts; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

\*Prayer of Dedication

\*CLOSING HYMN #187: "Savior Like a Shepherd Lead Us"

\*CHARGE & BENEDICTION

\*CHORAL BENEDICTION: "Eastertide Benediction" (Moore)

\*CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

\*POSTLUDE: "Lift High the Cross" (arr. Manz) **Emily Monroe** 

Music Licenses: 1575277 (CCLI)/ A-739540 (One License)

**Sound Board:** Chip Blackley & Mike Jackson

Scriptures read in service are original translations, unless otherwise noted. Feel free to read a familiar translation and listen for different word choices. CHILDCARE is available for infants through preschool in the Nursery (Rm 102) and is staffed by Lilly Hamilton and Maggie Hohne. Please be sure your child is accompanied to the nursery by a parent or responsible adult caregiver.



**CHIMER SIGN UP:** Calling all kids! Here's your chance to be part of our church service in a special way with the Chiming of the Trinity! You can sign up using the QR code. Come up during the final hymn and ring the chime after the benediction at the end of each service. Questions: Contact Emily Monroe.

WE WELCOME all who worship with us this morning. If you are interested in more information or in becoming a member of our family of faith, please call the church office, 704-487-8503. If you have questions about our hearing loop system, please call the church office Monday-Thursday, 9:00-4:00, Friday 9:00-12:00. After the service, all first-time visitors are invited to the back of the church where a church member will welcome you with a special gift.

## THIS WEEK (MAY 11 - 17, 2025):

Monday	9:30 am	Food Ministry in Ellis Hall
	7:00 pm	Boy Scout Troop 100 in Scout House
	8:00 pm	AA in Ellis Hall
Tuesday	10:30 am	Staff Meeting in Ellis Hall
	5:30 pm	Personnel in Back Parlor
	6:00 pm	Fellowship in Back Parlor
	6:30 pm	Joint Session & Diaconate in Ellis Hall
Wednesday	7:00 pm	Chancel Choir Rehearsal in Choir Room
Thursday	11:00 am	Circle of Friends at Pfeiffer's Cafe
	8:00 pm	AA & Al-Anon in Ellis Hall and Back Parlor
Friday	5:30 pm	Girl Scouts

MAY MISSION FOCUS: This month, the Mission and Ministry Committee is highlighting the Abuse Prevention Council - a local organization that assists women and children who are victims of abuse. APC needs supplies to provide care and comfort for its shelter guests. We are collecting items to help stock the shelter with necessary goods. Collection baskets are located in the narthex and outside of the office/Ellis Hall. Monetary donations are also appreciated and will be used to purchase items.

This is what is needed:

- Sports bras various sizes
- Women's underwear various sizes
- Women's deodorant
- Women's body wash
- Women's shampoo and conditioner

There are many ways that you can support the Abuse Prevention Council, and the women and children they serve. For more information, please check out their website: <a href="https://www.abusepreventioncouncil.org/">https://www.abusepreventioncouncil.org/</a>

**CIRCLE OF FRIENDS** will meet at Pfeiffer's Café for lunch at 11:00 on Thursday, May 15<sup>th</sup>. If you can attend, please call or text Nancy Blackley at 704-692-8095.

**TARTAN ORDERS:** Although Heritage Sunday is not until September, now is the perfect time to place orders for items such as ties, sashes, and scarves, to wear during the service. It's also a great opportunity to order fabric for a flag made from your family's tartan. If you need assistance in locating your family's tartan, please reach out to Mary Conner at 704-300-1109 or the church office. To ensure that all materials arrive in time for Heritage Sunday, please submit your order by **May 15**<sup>th</sup>.

**COLLEGE GRADUATES:** Please let the church office know if you have someone graduating from college this Spring. We would like to congratulate them in the June newsletter. Email Miranda (miranda@shelbypres.org) by **Monday, May 19**<sup>th</sup>.

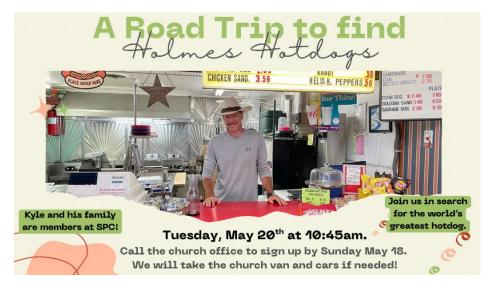
**SIGN UP FOR MONTREAT** before May 25<sup>th</sup> to receive the <u>Early Bird Discount</u>. Brochures are in the narthex and your registration may be dropped off at the Church Office, mailed, or put in the offering plate.

NEWS FROM CLEVELAND COUNTY HABITAT FOR HUMANITY: Our Affiliate has three houses in various stages of construction on East Warren Street. The first of those three was begun as our Annual Women's Build in December 2024. Five local congregations have formed a second Church Partnership, and framed the second of those houses in March. They began framing the third house last Saturday. If we complete this project by November, we will have built three homes within one calendar year - a first for our Affiliate. The third house at 601 E. Warren Street will be the 40th house built by our Affiliate since its beginning. We celebrate these accomplishments by our community and are especially grateful for the leadership and hard work of our Executive Director, Amy Allen, and our Construction Manager, Scott Mull. Take time to ride by and see the progress being made. Volunteers are welcome on Tuesdays and Thursdays every week and on the second and fourth Saturdays of each month. For more information about volunteering, please contact Richard Hart.



**SCAN THIS QR CODE** to sign up for a day in May to add things to the Community Refrigerator! Suggestions: fresh fruit and veggies, half gallons of milk, eggs (cut the cartons in half if possible), cheese sticks, packages of nuts, packaged luncheon meat, bread, etc.

Thank you, church family, for loving our neighbors who are food insecure. Questions? Contact Anna at <a href="mailto:annaschweppe29@gmail.com">annaschweppe29@gmail.com</a>. You can also sign up using <a href="mailto:bit.ly/fridgesteward">bit.ly/fridgesteward</a>



**REMEMBER IN PRAYER** (also see ongoing prayer list in newsletter) . . .

John Auten, Sid Bridges, JoAnn Callahan, Hannah Carpenter, Karen Carpenter, Myra Carpenter, Sandy Carpenter, Conway Carter, Randy Clark, Lou and Judy DuBois, Al Eatmon, Aaron & Megan Emory, Debbie Ferrell, Melton Gardner, Patrick Glenn, Ina Harrington, August Hohne, Kevin Jones, Chuck Laughlin, Frances Greer Malcolm, Yvonne Couey Miller, Pauline Persing, Graham Phifer, Clay Pruett, Lin and Blannie Robinson, Dot Roark, James Salvator, Larry Stern, Bill & Patty Thorne, Tiffany Timson, Amanda Warfield, Jackie Weathers, Jack Weller, Teresa Wingo, Michelle Woodruff, our homeless neighbors; victims of natural disaster and war, including in Ukraine and Gaza; all in military service and families; Food Ministry; Turning Point Academy, Rainbow Connection, our sister church, Monte los Olivos; Tenwek Hospital; John McCall in Taiwan; Christians worldwide persecuted for their faith.