



I am the good shepherd. I know My own and My own know Me, just as the Father knows Me and I know the Father; and I lay down My life for the sheep.

*John 10:14-15*

## **THE THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER**

### **Good Shepherd Sunday**

**April 30, 2017**

**Calvary Lutheran Church  
Topeka, Kansas**

*\*Indicates to Stand*

ANNOUNCEMENTS, \*SHARING OF THE PEACE, \*OPENING PRAYER

OPENING HYMN: *“Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us”* # 711

\*OPENING VERSICLES: *(Common)* P. 260

\*OLD TESTAMENT CANTICLE P. 261–262

#### \*PSALM 23

P: The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want.

C: **He makes me lie down in green pastures. He leads me beside still waters.**

P: He restores my soul. He leads me in paths of righteousness for His name’s sake.

C: **Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for You are with me; Your rod and your staff, they comfort me.**

P: You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; You anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.

C: **Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD forever.**

ALL: **Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

OLD TESTAMENT READING: Ezekiel 34:11–16 P. 263

R: “For thus says the Lord God: Behold, I, I Myself will search for My sheep and will seek them out. As a shepherd seeks out his flock when he is among his sheep that have been scattered, so will I seek out My sheep, and I will rescue them from all places where they have been scattered on a day of clouds and thick darkness. And I will bring them out from the peoples and gather them from the countries, and will bring them into their own land. And I will feed them on the mountains of Israel, by the ravines, and in all the inhabited places of the country. I will feed them with good pasture, and on the mountain heights of Israel shall be their grazing land. There they shall lie down in good grazing land, and on rich pasture they

shall feed on the mountains of Israel. I Myself will be the shepherd of My sheep, and I Myself will make them lie down, declares the Lord God. I will seek the lost, and I will bring back the strayed, and I will bind up the injured, and I will strengthen the weak, and the fat and the strong I will destroy. I will feed them in justice.”

R: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

**EPISTLE READING:** 1 Peter 2:21–25 P. 263

R: For to this you have been called, because Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example, so that you might follow in His steps. He committed no sin, neither was deceit found in His mouth. When He was reviled, He did not revile in return; when He suffered, He did not threaten, but continued entrusting Himself to Him who judges justly. He Himself bore our sins in His body on the tree, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness. By His wounds you have been healed. For you were straying like sheep, but have now returned to the Shepherd and Overseer of your souls.

R: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

### CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

As the children return to their seats after the Children’s Message, the congregation will sing the following verse of #740, *I Am Jesus’ Little Lamb*.

I I am Je - sus' lit - tle lamb, Ev - er glad at  
heart I am; For my Shep - herd gent - ly guides me,  
Knows my need and well pro - vides me, Loves me ev - 'ry  
day the same, E - ven calls me by my name.

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**\*HOLY GOSPEL:** John 10:11–16 P. 263

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the tenth chapter.

C: **Glory to You, O Lord.**

P: I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. He who is a hired hand and not a shepherd, who does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and flees, and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. He flees because he is a hired hand and cares nothing for the sheep. I am the good shepherd. I know My own and My own know Me, just as the Father knows Me and I know the Father; and I lay down My life for the sheep. And I have other sheep that are not of this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to My voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd.

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: **Praise to You, O Christ.**

**\*RESPONSORY:** *(Common)* P. 263

**\*TEN COMMANDMENTS – \*LORD’S PRAYER:** *(spoken by all)* P. 264

**HYMN OF THE DAY:** *“The King of Love My Shepherd Is”* # 709

### SERMON

**HYMN OF RESPONSE:** *“Thine Forever, God of Love”* # 687

**OFFERING:** *(as the offerings are being gathered to glorify our Lord, please sign and pass the red attendance booklet found in the pew)*

**\*OFFERTORY:** *“Thanks to Thee, O Christ, Victorious”* # 548 v. 1

**\*PRAYER – \*COLLECT FOR THE WORD** P. 265

**\*MORNING PRAYER:** *(spoken by all)* P. 266

**\*NEW TESTAMENT CANTICLE – \*BLESSING** P. 266–267

**\*CLOSING HYMN:** *“The Lord’s My Shepherd, I’ll Not Want”* # 710