

Trinitarian Congregational Church United Church of Christ

Order of Service for May 8, 2022

Prelude

"Christus, der ist mein Leben"

Johann Gottfried Walther

Welcome

Call to Worship

Come away and rest for a while. Leave behind your busyness to be fully present to God.

We have come for relief from life's turmoil.

God gathers us as a shepherd gathers their sheep.

God's steadfast love surrounds us here. We are reminded of God's enduring faithfulness.

We are God's children and God invites us to renew our love for God, ourselves, and our neighbors. God offers all people goodness and mercy every day.

Anthem

"The King of Love, My Shepherd Is"

Ancient Irish melody

Unison Reading

Psalm 23

The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want. He makes me lie down in green pastures; he leads me beside still waters; he restores my soul. He leads me in right paths for his name's sake. Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I fear no evil; for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me. You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord my whole life long.

Sermon

Hymn

"Come Away From Rush and Hurry"

Come away from rush and hurry to the stillness of God's peace; from our vain ambition's worry, come to Christ to find release. Come away from noise and clamor, life's demands and frenzied pace; come to join the people gathered here to seek and find God's face.

In the pastures of God's goodness we lie down to rest our soul. From the waters of God's mercy we drink deeply, are made whole. At the table of God's presence all the saints are richly fed. With the oil of God's anointing into service we are led.

Come, then, children, with your burdens—life's confusions, fears and pain. Leave them at the cross of Jesus; take instead his kingdom's reign. Bring your thirsts, for he will quench them—he alone will satisfy. All our longings find attainment when to self we gladly die.

The Prayer of Our Savior

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.

Hymn

"Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us"

Savior, like a shepherd lead us, much we need your tender care; in your pleasant pastures feed us, for our use your folds prepare. Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, you have bought us, yours we are; Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, you have bought us, yours we are.

We are yours, in love befriend us, be the guardian of our way; keep your flock, from sin defend us, seek us when we go astray. Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, hear your children when we pray; Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, hear your children when we pray.

Let us always seek your favor; let us always do your will; Jesus Christ our only Savior, with your love our spirits fill. Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, you have loved us, love us still; Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, you have loved us, love us still.

Blessing

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