



GRACE UNITED CHURCH
Fourth Sunday of Easter
April 26th, 2026, at 10:30 a.m.
Worship Leader: Keith Mayers
Music Director: Don Salfarlie
Presider: Maria Stevens

GATHERING TO WORSHIP GOD

Band Prelude: Sheep May Safley Graze J. S. Bach

**Welcome, Announcements
& Traditional Land Acknowledgment** Maria Stevens

Gathering song: Savior Like a Shepherd Lead Us (V1 and chorus)
Led by Keith Mayers

Lighting the Christ Candle Keith Mayers

One: Jesus the Shepherd walks before us

All: A Shepherd of the flock

One: Leaving the ninety and nine for the lost one astray

All: Making wide the door, but narrow the gate

One: Where His sheep enter at the sound of His voice

All: Embarking on green pastures and fresh waters

One: Light of Christ fill us now

All: As we assemble in the meadow

One: Sheltered in the arms of the Shepherd

All: Under the warmth of Christ' divine love

Passing of the Peace Keith Mayers

One: Blessed light of Christ deep within us, shared among us,
may we ever know. This light of Christ is eternal peace.

The peace of Christ be with You all!

All: And also with You.

Opening Prayer (All) Keith Mayers

Blessed Jesus, the Great Shepherd, a Mighty Fortress,
A strong Tower, abide with us now. Beckon us come with
Your voice saying, follow me. Lead us to a place that gives
us rest. Hide us in the cleft of the rock, shadow us from a
dry, thirsty land. Cover us from all evil with Your rod.
Comfort us with Your staff. Accept our prayer and praise.
Feed us in Your way, granting us life in abundance. Amen.

Praise and Worship 1: Led by Grace Choir
The Lord's My Shepherd

VU #747

TO DISCOVER THE WORD OF GOD FOR TODAY

Scripture Reading: John 10:1-10 NIV Nancy Wilson

One: Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church.

All: Thanks be to God!

Choir Anthem: Be Still My Soul

Children's Moment: I Am the Gate Keith Mayers

Song: Come All You People MV #2 Led by Kay Bingham

Children leave for Sunday School

Sermon: The I Am of I Ams Keith Mayers

TO RESPOND IN FAITH AND HOPE

Offering Invitation

Band Offertory/Special Music: Arioso J. S. Bach

Offering Response: Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow
VU #541

Offertory Prayer

Prayer Prelude: O God, Hear my Prayer VU #948

Prayers of the People

Prayer response: O God, Hear our Prayer

The Lord's Prayer (said)

Praise and Worship 2: Led by Grace Choir
He Leadeth Me

VU #657

THE CHURCH SCATTERS TO LIVE ITS FAITH IN THE WORLD

Commissioning Keith Mayers

Benediction (Numbers 6: 24-27)

The LORD bless you and keep you;

The LORD make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you;

The LORD lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace.

Band Postlude: On Eagles Wings Michael Joncas