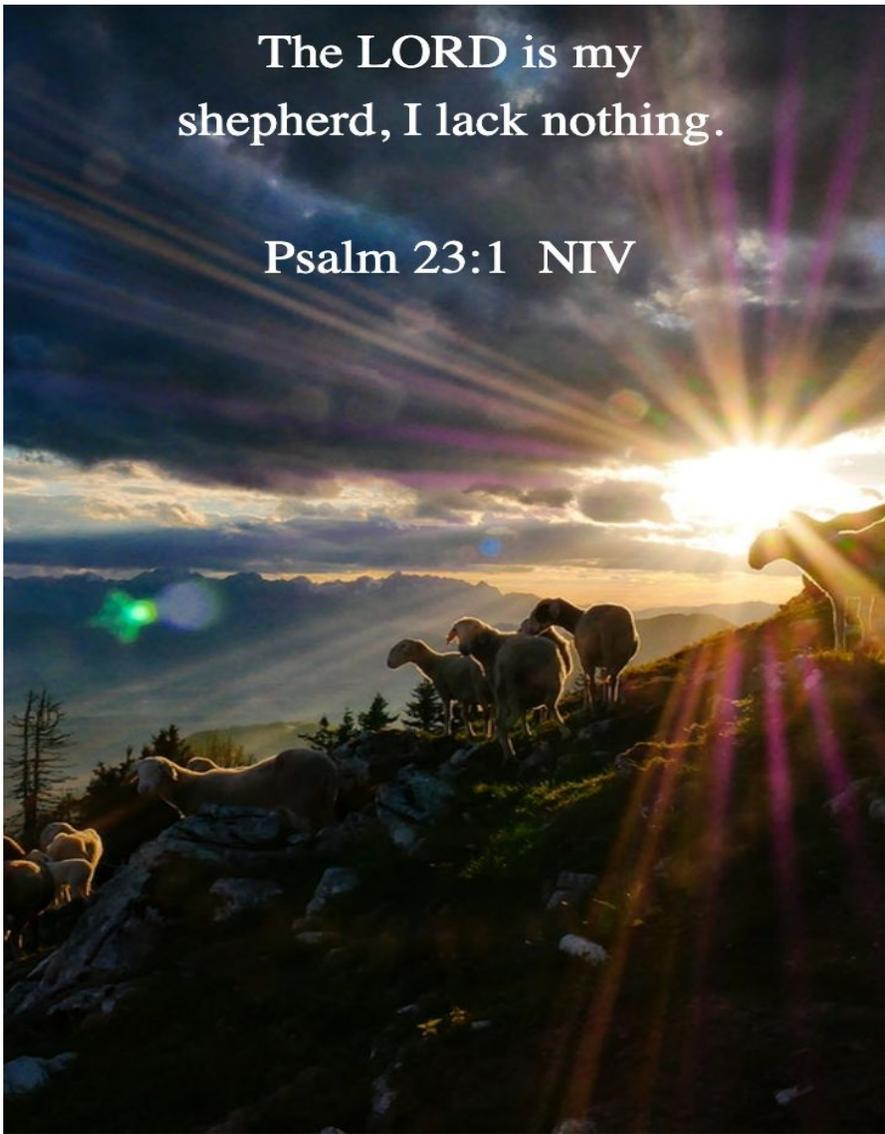


The LORD is my
shepherd, I lack nothing.

Psalm 23:1 NIV



**Fourth
Easter,**

**Sunday of
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AS WE GATHER

Many people in the world are deaf to God's presence and certainly to His Word. Some people refused to believe when they physically met Jesus, as in today's Gospel. Paul had to warn church leaders that opposition might even come from within, from wolves in sheep's clothing. But by the grace of God in Scripture, we hear our Good Shepherd speaking to us about His grace and mercy. John's vision of the Lamb's eternal victory lets us hear the eternal praises of saints and angels in heaven. Today is an opportunity to tell one another in word and song about our faith, asking our brothers and sisters if they also are hearing all the good news about our Shepherd. We leave to ask our friends and neighbors the same question. What joy when they may say with us, "The Lord is my shepherd too!"

WELCOME AND WORSHIP ANNOUNCEMENTS

¹⁷Now from Miletus [Paul] sent to Ephesus and called the elders of the church to come to him. ¹⁸And when they came to him, he said to them:

“You yourselves know how I lived among you the whole time from the first day that I set foot in Asia, ¹⁹servicing the Lord with all humility and with tears and with trials that happened to me through the plots of the Jews; ²⁰how I did not shrink from declaring to you anything that was profitable, and teaching you in public and from house to house, ²¹testifying both to Jews and to Greeks of repentance toward God and of faith in our Lord Jesus Christ. ²²And now, behold, I am going to Jerusalem, constrained by the Spirit, not knowing what will happen to me there, ²³except that the Holy Spirit testifies to me in every city that imprisonment and afflictions await me. ²⁴But I do not account my life of any value nor as precious to myself, if only I may finish my course and the ministry that I received from the Lord Jesus, to testify to the gospel of the grace of God. ²⁵And now, behold, I know that none of you among whom I have gone about proclaiming the kingdom will see my face again. ²⁶Therefore I testify to you this day that I am innocent of the blood of all of you, ²⁷for I did not shrink from declaring to you the whole counsel of God. ²⁸Pay careful attention to yourselves and to all the flock, in which the Holy Spirit has made you overseers, to care for the church of God, which he obtained with his own blood. ²⁹I know that after my departure fierce wolves will come in among you, not sparing the flock; ³⁰and from among your own selves will arise men speaking twisted things, to draw away the disciples after them. ³¹Therefore be alert, remembering that for three years I did not cease night or day to admonish everyone with tears. ³²And now I commend you to God and to the word of his grace, which is able to build you up and to give you the inheritance among all those who are sanctified. ³³I coveted no one’s silver or gold or apparel. ³⁴You yourselves know that these hands ministered to my necessities and to those who were with me. ³⁵In all things I have shown you that by working hard in this way we must help the weak and remember the words of the Lord Jesus, how he himself said, ‘It is more blessed to give than to receive.’”

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE

Revelation 7:9–17

⁹After this I looked, and behold, a great multitude that no one could number, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed in white robes, with palm branches in their hands, ¹⁰and crying out with a loud voice, “Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!” ¹¹And all the angels were standing around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, ¹²saying, “Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen.”

¹³Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, “Who are these, clothed in white robes, and from where have they come?” ¹⁴I said to him, “Sir, you know.” And he said to me, “These are the ones coming out of the great tribulation. They have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

¹⁵“Therefore they are before the throne of God, and serve him day and night in his temple; and he who sits on the throne will shelter them with his presence.

¹⁶They shall hunger no more, neither thirst anymore;

the sun shall not strike them, nor any scorching heat.

¹⁷For the Lamb in the midst of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of living water, and

God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.”

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

HOLY GOSPEL

John 10:22–30

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

C Glory to You, O Lord.

²²At that time the Feast of Dedication took place at Jerusalem. It was winter, ²³and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the colonnade of Solomon. ²⁴So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, “How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Christ, tell us plainly.” ²⁵Jesus answered them, “I told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father’s name bear witness about me, ²⁶but you do not believe because you are not part of my flock. ²⁷My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me. ²⁸I give them eternal life, and they will never perish, and no one will snatch them out of my hand. ²⁹My Father, who has given them to me, is greater than all, and no one is able to snatch them out of the Father’s hand. ³⁰I and the Father are one.”

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to You, O Christ.

THE APOSTLES’ CREED

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life † everlasting. Amen.

SERMON HYMN

“I Am Jesus Little Lamb”

LSB No. 740



1 I am Je - sus’ lit - tle lamb, Ev - er glad at
2 Day by day, at home, a - way, Je - sus is my
3 Who so hap - py as I am, E - ven now the



heart I am; For my Shep - herd gent - ly guides me,
staff and stay. When I hun - ger, Je - sus feeds me,
Shep - herd’s lamb? And when my short life is end - ed,



Knows my need and well pro - vides me, Loves me ev - ’ry
In - to pleas - ant pas - tures leads me; When I thirst, He
By His an - gel host at - tend - ed, He shall fold me



day the same, E - ven calls me by my name.
bids me go Where the qui - et wa - ters flow.
to His breast, There with - in His arms to rest.

Text: Henrietta L. von Hayn, 1724–82; tr. The Lutheran Hymnal, 1941
Tune: Choral-Buch . . . Brüder-Gemeinen, 1784, Leipzig
Text and tune: Public domain

SERMON
John 10:22-30



“Are You a Sheep?”

HYMN

“Behold a host, Arrayed in White”

LSB No. 676 verses 1,3

1 Be - hold a host, ar - rayed in white, Like thou - sand
3 O - bless - ed saints in bright ar - ray Now safe - ly
snow - clad moun - tains bright! With palms they stand; Who
home in end - less day, Ex - tol the Lord, Who
is this band Be - fore the throne of light? These are the
with His Word Sus - tained you on the way. The steep and
saints of glo - rious fame, Who from the great af -
nar - row path you trod; You toiled and sowed the
flic - tion came And in the flood Of Je - sus' blood
Word a - broad; Re - joice and bring Your fruits and sing
Are cleansed from guilt and shame. They now serve God both
Be - fore the throne of God. The myr - iad an - gels
day and night; They sing their songs in end - less light. Their
raise their song; O saints, sing with that hap - py throng! Lift
an - thems ring As they all sing With an - gels shin - ing bright.
up one voice; Let heav'n re - joice In our Re - deem - er's song!

Text: Hans Adolf Brorson, 1694–1764; tr. The Lutheran Hymnal, 1941, alt.
Tune: Norwegian, 17th cent.
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PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Pastor: Let us pray for ourselves, the Church around the world, and all people in their various conditions.

We pray for those who do not listen to the voice of the Good Shepherd, asking the Holy Spirit to give them opportunity to come to faith and join us in saying:

People: The LORD is my shepherd.

Pastor: We pray for all who lack the food, clothing, and shelter that they need for a fully human life, asking our Father in heaven to meet their needs using His caring people, including ourselves, for we are confident:

People: I shall not want.

Pastor: We pray for those falsely imprisoned or denied true justice, asking our Lord to free them and open doors of opportunity for them, as He so graciously has done for us:

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

Pastor: We pray for all who are depressed in spirit or unsure of God's will for them, asking the Holy Spirit to lift them up and guide them, that with us they may rejoice to say:

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

Pastor: We pray for those who are facing sudden crises or long-term ills, and all who are grieving the loss of loved ones, [including . . .], asking our risen Lord to lift their eyes to His eternal home so that they may each declare:

People: 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.

Pastor: We pray for first responders and police at home and for armed forces deployed, asking our Father in heaven to guide and protect them, and for all who grow crops and tend herds that He would bless them with bountiful harvests so that they may thank Him, praying:

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

SPECIAL PETITIONS

Pastor: Finally, we pray for ourselves and all who gather around the Word. that the Holy Spirit would keep us firm in the faith so that we may joyfully profess:

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

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 trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

BLESSING

Pastor: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

People: Amen.

CLOSING SONG

♪ The Blessing ♪

We Are...

Canoga Caring
Park People
Lutheran Loving
Church Christ!



LA County has lifted the Mask Requirement. We all need to

Remember: Everyone has a different comfort level and tolerance, so we need to be compassionate towards others. If you still feel more comfortable and safe wearing a mask into and during church – please go ahead and do so. We offer in-person Worship Sundays at 9:30 am in the Sanctuary.

(Holy Communion is offered the first and third Sunday of each month; and also by appointment with Pastor Tim during the week.)

This Worship is a combined Worship and is recorded and uploaded to our website so other members and folks all around the world are able to Worship with us! (Note - we get anywhere from 1,000-2,000 watches per month! All praise to God for this marvelous outreach of His Good News!) If you can't be with us in-person Sunday mornings, please Worship along with us online. Feel free to contact me with any questions you may have.

In HIS service & love - Pastor Tim

TITHES AND OFFERINGS We offer two ways to give to CPLC, through our Facebook page or on the church website. Also, you may continue to mail your tithes and offerings to the church: Canoga Park Lutheran Church, 7357 Jordan Ave. Canoga Park, CA 91303.

READER for today's worship: Val Shiller: _

READER for next Sunday, May 15 worship: Andi Lua

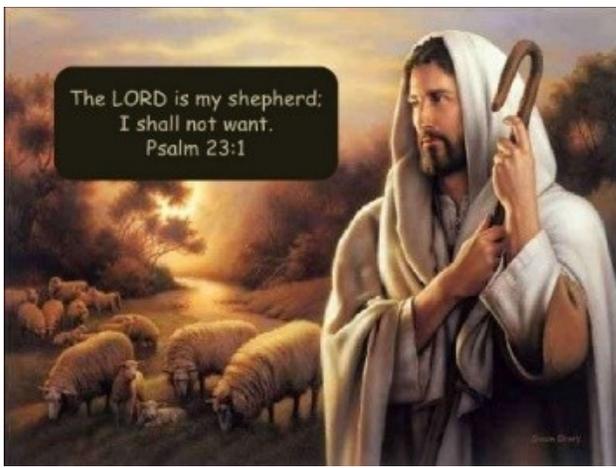


Birthdays this week: Birthdays: Robert Eisman 5/11; Kathleen Wright 5/13



THERE WILL BE A CONGREGATIONAL ASSEMBLY NEXT SUNDAY, MAY 15 IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE WORSHIP SERVICE. LWML WILL HAVE A BAKE SALE AS WELL!

THE LUTHERAN HOUR for Sunday, May 15 - "What the Bible Is About" To make sense of a 1000 – piece jigsaw puzzle, one needs to know “the big picture.” The Bible is like that, too. (1 Corinthians 15:3-5) Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler... For broadcast information go to lhm.org



PRAY FOR: (please let the office know if we need to update any of the names on this list. Thank you)

Suffering from an Illness: Ron Monson, (Michelle Jenks' Dad being put on hospice - heart is only at 20%); Susan Shiller, was Hospitalized with Kidney Stones & Covid illness; Gail Sims (friend of Dave

Harmon); Wayne Stuber, pulmonary fibrosis (Jan Just's brother); Carol Paola; Jim & Kathleen, friends of Richard & Renate Rangel); Trudy Poppe; Autumn Bennett, Parkinson's disease; Craig Buchanan; Katie Hollis; Kat Krasomil (friend of Denise Lowry); Merle Ann Riggers; Mike Moran; Pam Canfield; Bob Boyle; Julie Dickerson; Jolene Thompson; Lindy Dickerson (one of our contractors)

Recovery: Walt Calhoon, Knee replacement surgery

New Home: Karen Thomas needs to find a new home, as soon as possible.

Cancer Treatments: Jamie, (Friend of Molly Kelly, young mother with stage 3 HPV cancer), Danny, (Longtime friend of Molly Kelly, bone cancer has returned), Susan Klein, (Rica Harding's mother, suffering from lung cancer), Richard DeProspero (uncle of Kristen Christensen fighting multiple myeloma); Pastor Jon Imme (Peace Lutheran Church, Lakeview Terrace); Robyn Patterson, (friend of James Decker, fighting ovarian cancer and ascites, caused by the ovarian tumor); Mark Felmann (Carol Johnson's son, diagnosed with a cancerous growth near his brain. and undergoing special treatment); Loren Felten; Pam Buchanan; Steve Lohr; Rosalinda Perez; Kenney; Kristy Adams; Joyce Harmon (breast cancer, friend of Brian Buchanan); Brady Castro (15-year-old friend of Carol Paola's with high risk leukemia); Pastor Ray Kibler; Emily Warren

All who are affected by the Ukraine/Russia war, especially the refugees and their families.

Those In the Military:
(Great-Grandson of Mary Robert Haupt

Zachary Thompson
Helen Kellim);



LCMS Ukraine Response Continues



As the pain and suffering continue in eastern Europe, your Synod has been and is responding - by God's immeasurable grace.

- More than \$45,000 has been dispatched to a congregation in Odesa, Ukraine that is affiliated with our German Lutheran partner church body (SELK). That funding has been used to aid refugees. The assistance has been used primarily for food, medicine, travels, documents and clothes.
- As Lutheran pastors in Ukraine have pivoted from the "everyday functions" of the ministry, to providing spiritual care to a war-torn people, your Synod is using charitable donations to compensate these under-shepherds for meeting critical spiritual needs of their communities.
- Nearly \$68,000 has been dispatched to Lutheran churches outside of Ukraine, in Latvia, Lithuania and Romania. These fund has been used for food, housing, transportation, medicine and items for personal hygiene and care for displaced persons. These funds are also being used to help transport fleeing Ukrainians across the border. We are also about to send funds to Slovakia for use at a primary Lutheran school taking in refugees.
- Your Synod is collaborating with SELK to support and increase the church's capacity to serve displaced peoples by providing spiritual care and physical aid to those seeking safety and shelter in Germany.

