



Starkville Presbyterian Church PC (U.S.A.)

April 30, 2023
4th Sunday of Easter

Order of Worship

Prelude *Our Help Is In the Name of God* OLD 124TH

Welcome & Announcements

Introit *Praise God, All You Nations* DA N'ASE

+Call to Worship

One: We come to worship the risen Christ.

All: Praise to Christ, the good shepherd!

One: Alleluia, praise to Christ, the gate!

All: Alleluia, praise to Christ, the lamb!

One: Alleluia, praise to Christ, our savior!

All: Christ is risen still! Alleluia!

+Opening Hymn #321 *The Church's One Foundation* AURELIA

+Call to Confession

One: Christ is the good shepherd, who leads us to safety and peace no matter what we have done. Christ's voice calls us to repent and return; let us heed that voice and go to God in prayer.

+Prayer of Confession *Unison*

God of community, You call us to a world radically different from what we are used to. You ask us to lay aside our ideas of "mine" and "yours." You show us a life where goods are shared, where all are loved, and faithfulness is shown through generosity. But we cling to our possessions, trusting them more than we trust You. Forgive us, merciful God. Help us to truly believe in Your just and peaceful realm and to work to make it so. (Moment of Silence)

+Assurance of Pardon

One: Christ himself bore our sins in His body on the cross, so that, free from sins, we might live for righteousness; by His wounds we have been healed.

All: For we were going astray like sheep, but now we have returned to the shepherd and guardian of our souls. Thanks be to God!

Offering
Offertory *God Is Our Refuge and Our Strength* WINCHESTER OLD

+Doxology #606 *Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow* OLD HUNDREDTH

+Prayer of Thanksgiving

Special Music *Be Thou My Vision* Traditional Irish

Prayer of Illumination

+Scripture Reading John 10:1-10 (Pew Bible, p. 103)

+Affirmation of Faith (Printed sheet in hymnal rack) The Apostle's Creed

+Gloria Patri #581 *Glory Be to the Father* GLORIA PATRI

Sermon "Shepherd or Cowboy" Rev. Ron McDougald

Prayer of the People and Lord's Prayer (**debts, debtors**)

+Sending Hymn #187 *Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us* BRADBURY
Cents-Ability Offering and Food Drive collection
(Please bring your offering to the front of the sanctuary.)

+Charge and Benediction

+Choral Response *Amen* SM6

+Postlude *I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say* KINGSFOLD

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

+ Stand if you are able

WELCOME to Starkville Presbyterian Church. We are grateful for your presence in worship this morning.

