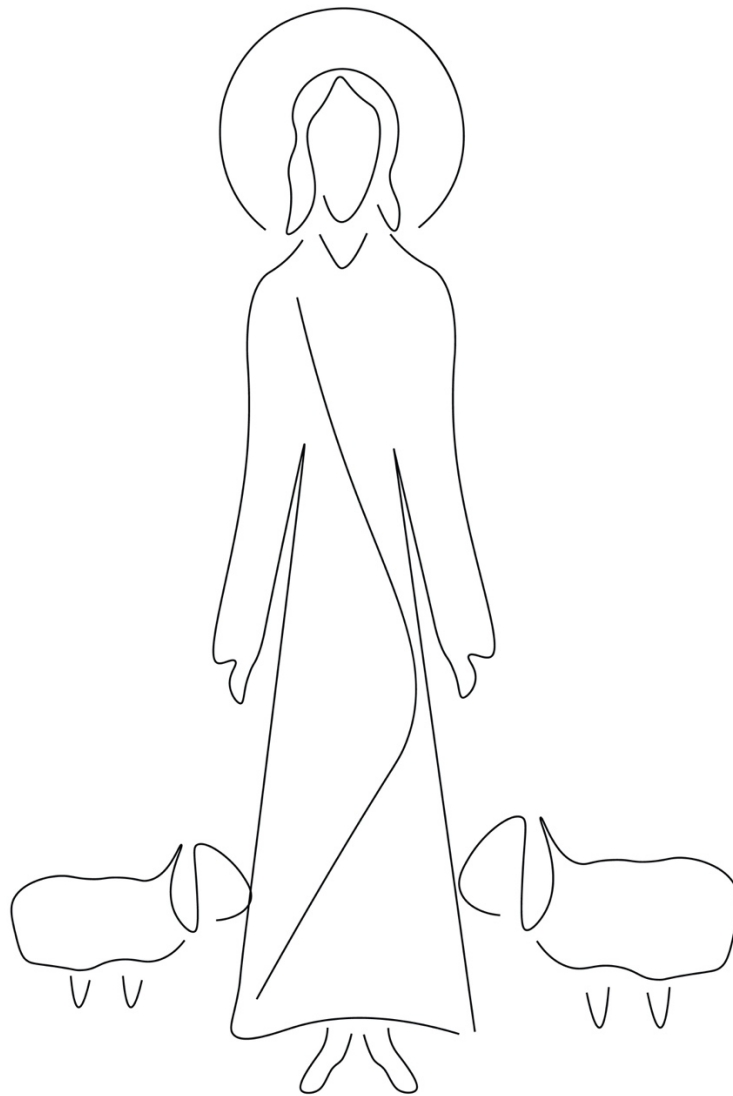




**Mountain**  
*Reformed Church*



***Your Church for Worship and the Arts!***

**WORD | CONNECTION | MUSIC**

## **Welcome to Mountain Reformed Church!**

We are so grateful that you have chosen to worship with us today! The vision of our church is to provide an open door to relationship with God for all through worship, teaching God's Word, and by celebrating with music and the arts. Our mission is simple: All Glory to God! Our church is independent and non-denominational, with a theology based in the reformed way of being Christian. Please see our website at [www.mountainreformed.org](http://www.mountainreformed.org) for more information about our church.

## **Prayer of Meditation**

Good shepherd, walk beside me through the joys and troubles of this life, and lead me in right paths for your name's sake. Show us Jesus, even now, through the mystery of your threefold presence, one God, abiding now and forever. Amen.

## **MRC To Present Spring Cantata "O How Glorious" on May 5<sup>th</sup>!**

The music ministry of MRC is excited to announce that our spring cantata "O How Glorious" will take place on Sunday May 5<sup>th</sup>, with services at 9am and 11am. This inspirational music and worship celebration will feature the works of Mack Wilberg, Barlow Bradford, John Rutter, Philip Stopford and Ola Gjeilo by our outstanding sanctuary choir and orchestra.

## **MRC to offer Mid-week Bible Study**

We would like to know how many folks would be interested in attending a mid-week Bible study. Please add your name and email address to the list located at the "welcome" table. More details will be available soon!

## **Fellowship Brigade: Coffee volunteers needed!**

The coffee process is now easier than ever with a coffee maker conveniently located in our Event Spot kitchen! If you are interested in serving, please reach out to Beth Wingate 970-456-8763 [bbs5829a@gmail.com](mailto:bbs5829a@gmail.com). The signup sheet is available in the binder where our coffee and snacks are located.

## **Volunteers Needed**

We need volunteers in several areas to help facilitate worship. If you would like to help, please let us know! We need Ushers, Liturgists, Coffee Fellowship Helpers, Setup Assistants, Sound Technicians, and Camera Operators.

## **Flowers**

Sheri Simpson coordinates our Flower Ministry. If you would like to commemorate a special occasion by providing flowers, please ask an usher to guide you to the flower sign-up chart.

ORDER OF WORSHIP  
April 21, 2024 – 10:30 AM  
*4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter*

**Gathering**

Words of Greeting and Life of the Church

L: May the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ,  
the love of God,  
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**C: And also with you!**

L: This is the day that the Lord has made;

**C: Let us rejoice and be glad in it!**

Prayer of the Day

Prelude

*The King of Love My Shepherd Is*

arr. Dan Forrest

**(Please stand as you are able)**

Call to Worship

L: The Lord Jesus Christ is our shepherd.

*Ps. 23:1; John 10:14–16*

**C: He lays down his life for his sheep.**

L: The Lord Jesus Christ is our shepherd.

**C: He knows us, and we belong to him.**

L: The Lord Jesus Christ is our shepherd.

**C: He speaks, and we listen for his voice.**

**(Please remain standing)**

Opening Hymn #136

*O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing*

AZMON

**(Please be seated)**

Call to Confession

## Unison Prayer of Confession

**Lord, have mercy on us.  
We talk about love,  
but our actions betray us.  
We talk about love,  
but we neglect the poor.  
We talk about love,  
but we fail to love one another.  
Lord, have mercy on us.  
Forgive us, and abide in us  
by the power of your Spirit  
so that our lives may show  
our love for Jesus Christ,  
in whose body we live  
and in whose name we pray,**

*1 John 3:16–24*

**(Silent Confession)**

L: Amen.

**(Please stand as you are able)**

Gloria Patri, Hymn #670

GLORIA PATRI (GRETOREX)

## Declaration of Pardon

L: We seek God's grace with boldness  
because we trust in Jesus Christ,  
the One who loves us  
and laid down his life for us.  
This is the good news of the gospel:  
in Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

*1 John 3:16, 21–22*

**C: Thanks be to God.**

## Passing of the Peace

**(Please be seated)**

Anthem

*My Shepherd Will Supply My Need*

arr. Virgil Thomson

## Invitation to the Offering

Offertory

*Resurrection*  
Ryan Gastonguay, Horn

Kevin Keil

**(Please stand as you are able)**

Doxology, Hymn #668

OLD HUNDREDTH

Prayer of Thanksgiving/Dedication

**The Word**

The Lesson

Psalm 23 (NKJV)

**The Lord is my shepherd;  
I shall not want.  
He makes me to lie down in green pastures;  
He leads me beside the still waters.  
He restores my soul;  
He leads me in the paths of righteousness  
For His name's sake.**

**Yea, 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.**

**You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies;  
You anoint my head with oil;  
My cup runs over.  
Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me  
All the days of my life;  
And I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.**

**L:** The Word of our Lord.

**C:** **Thanks be to God!**

Prayer for Illumination

11 I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. 12 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. 13 He flees because he is a hired hand and cares nothing for the sheep. 14 I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, 15 just as the Father knows me and I know the Father; and I lay down my life for the sheep. 16 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. 17 For this reason the Father loves me, because I lay down my life that I may take it up again. 18 No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have authority to lay it down, and I have authority to take it up again. This charge I have received from my Father.”

P: The Gospel of our Lord.

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

Response Hymn #276

*Alleluia*

ALLELUIA

Sermon

“We’re Hiring—A Shepherd And Sheep”  
[sermon outline follows order of worship]

Pastor Dan Storvick

**(Please stand as you are able)**

Hymn of the Day #161

*Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us*

BRADBURY

**(Please remain standing)**

Affirmation of Faith

The Apostles’ Creed

L: Christians, what do you believe?

**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 there he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

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

**(Please be seated)**

Prayers for the People, concluded with The Lord's Prayer in unison:

*(words of prayer, each petition followed by)*

**P: ... God of goodness and mercy,**

**C: hear our 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 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.**

**Sending**

Charge

Benediction

Response

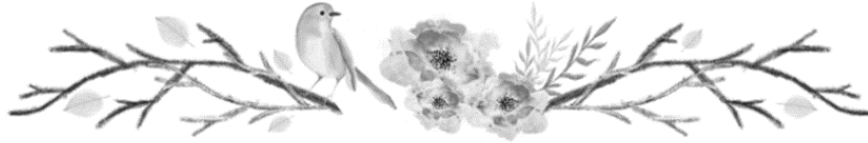
*Alleluia*

arr. Steven Strite

Postlude

*Rejoice, the Lord Is King*  
(Hymn #302)

arr. Dan Forrest



Flowers today celebrate the 64<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Joel and Nancy Smith!

**Assisting in Worship:**

Pianist: Craig Ralston

Liturgist: Sheri Simpson

Acolyte: Rahab Gastonguay

Ushers: Larry & Shirley Culver

Sound Technician: Fred Williams

Camera Operator: Charlie Simpson

Coffee Fellowship Coordinator: Beth Wingate

Greeter: Karen Thorstad

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**WE'RE HIRING—A SHEPHERD AND SHEEP**

John 10:11-18; Psalm 23

Pastor Daniel A. Stovick

**Shepherd's Job Requirements**

**He \_\_\_\_\_ Life and Limb for His Sheep**

*The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep* (John 10:11).

*I lay down my life for the sheep* (John 10:15b).

*There is no greater love than to lay down one's life for one's friends* (John 15:13).

*Ask yourself:* How much value would you put on your own life if your saw someone willingly give his life for you.

**He \_\_\_\_\_ His Sheep:**

*I am the good shepherd; I know my sheep and my sheep know me . . . just as the Father knows me and I know the Father* (John 10:14-15).

*Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, and before you were born I consecrated you* (Jeremiah 1:5).

*I have called you by name, you are mine* (Isaiah 43:1).

*Ask yourself:* What does it say about your self-image to learn that the Lord knows and cares about you personally?

**He \_\_\_\_\_ His Sheep**

*Then I will give you shepherds after my own heart, who will lead you with knowledge and understanding* (Jeremiah 3:15).

*He leads me in paths of righteousness for his name's sake* (Psalm 23:3).



Ask yourself: Can you sense where He is leading you today?

**He is \_\_\_\_\_ His Sheep**

*I am with you always* (Matthew 28:20).

*You are with me* (Psalm 23:4).

*He tends his flock like a shepherd: He gathers the lambs in his arms and carries them close to his heart; he gently leads those that have young* (Isaiah 40:11).

*When he saw the crowds, he had compassion on them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd* (Matthew 9:36).

Ask yourself: Where are you most secure? Does knowing that you are close to the heart of the Savior add to your security?

**The Good Shepherd \_\_\_\_\_ Them**

*Your rod and your staff, they comfort me* (Psalm 23:4).

NOTHING can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus. (Cf. Romans 8:38-39.)

*My Father, who has given them to me, is greater than all; no one can snatch them out of my Father's hand* (John 10:29).

**He \_\_\_\_\_ for His Sheep**

*I shall not be in want* (Psalm 23:1).

Ask yourself: What needs have you that you can bring before the Lord today?

### **SHEEPS' JOB REQUIREMENTS**

**Sheep Seek \_\_\_\_\_ From Shepherd.**

*I am the bread of life. He who comes to me will never go hungry, and he who believes in me will never be thirsty . . . I am the living bread that came down from heaven. If anyone eats of this bread, he will live forever. This bread is my flesh, which I will give for the life of the world* (John 6:35, 51).

*Why spend money on what is not bread, and your labor on what does not satisfy? Listen, listen to me, and eat what is good, and your soul will delight in the richest of fare* (Isaiah 55:2).

Ask Yourself: What's in my diet? . . . My heart diet? Am I heart-smart?

**Sheep \_\_\_\_\_ the Shepherd**

*My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me* (John 10:27)

*Do not conform any longer to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is - his good, pleasing and perfect will* (Romans 12:2).

Ask yourself: Can you recognize the Shepherd's voice? It comes from listening to His voice (the Word), spending time with Him (worship, prayer, devotional meditation), and active trusting.

**Sheep Obey and \_\_\_\_\_ the Shepherd**

*My sheep . . . follow me* (John 10:27).

Ask yourself: What makes it difficult . . . or attractive to follow the Good Shepherd?

**Sheep \_\_\_\_\_ the Shepherd.**

*To all who did receive him, who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God, who were born, not of blood nor of the will of the flesh nor of the will of man, but of God* (John 1:12-13).

*(Sacrifices, Knows, Leads, With, Protects, Provides, Food, Know, Follow, Trust)*

## **MRC Bulletin and Weekly Email**

Would you like to place an announcement in the Sunday bulletin or “This Week at Mountain Reformed Church” email? Please send your info to Ryan Gastonguay at [ryan@mountainreformed.org](mailto:ryan@mountainreformed.org). The deadline is Monday evening of each week for the coming weekend, but we always appreciate as much notice as possible.

## **Prayer Ministry and Prayer Chain**

If you would like to be a part of our prayer ministry and prayer chain, please indicate this on your welcome card. Lyndi Peacock coordinates this ministry, and she will send prayer requests to you by email: [lyndi@milehighlending.com](mailto:lyndi@milehighlending.com). You can also call or text Lyndi at 928-899-2085. If you are seeking prayer please email Lyndi your request directly or fill out a prayer request card (available at the usher’s table) and place in the offering plate.

## **Card Ministry**

Cards for encouragement, celebration, sympathy, get well, birthdays and more can be mailed out via our Card Ministry. Pam Rineholt, Amy Greenland, Beth Wingate, Carolyn Peterson, Sharon Tom, Linda Enoch, Julie Ruppert, Sheri Simpson, and Geraldine Keenan coordinate this ministry and can always use donations of cards and stamps. Please let us know if you have someone whose day would be brightened by receiving a card from Mountain Reformed Church! If requesting a card or prayer where a card would be desirable for anyone whose address is not in our current Directory, please include the full name and address of the appropriate recipient along with your request. Please email Pam Rineholt: [pueblodesign@gmail.com](mailto:pueblodesign@gmail.com).

## **Prayer Shawl Ministry**

Prayer shawls serve as a tangible reminder of God’s love for those who are walking through difficult times. A prayer shawl can bring great comfort! Shawls can also be given in celebration of milestones such as graduations, weddings, and new babies. Our shawls are lovingly created by Sharon Tom, Barbara Poland, Sheri Simpson, Debra Ochoa, and Amy Greenland. Please let us know if you have someone who needs a prayer shawl! Recipients do not have to be local. Anyone with a love for knitting or crochet is welcome to participate in this ministry as well. Please email Sharon: [sharonctom@yahoo.com](mailto:sharonctom@yahoo.com).

## **Pastor on Call**

The Rev. Dr. Gene Grimm is the Pastor on Call. If you would like to get in touch, feel free to email [eugenegrimm@me.com](mailto:eugenegrimm@me.com) or call 928-925-6057.

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# SERMON NOTES **for kids**

AS YOU ATTEND CHURCH SERVICE WITH YOUR FAMILY, USE THIS SHEET TO HELP YOU PAY ATTENTION AND LEARN. WE WANT YOU TO WORSHIP WITH US BY SINGING TO GOD AND LISTENING TO THE MESSAGE!

WHO IS SPEAKING? \_\_\_\_\_

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

MESSAGE TITLE: \_\_\_\_\_

WHAT IS THE MAIN PASSAGE WE ARE READING TODAY?

BOOK: \_\_\_\_\_

CHAPTER: \_\_\_\_\_

VERSE: \_\_\_\_\_



WHAT ARE YOU LEARNING ABOUT FROM THIS PASSAGE:

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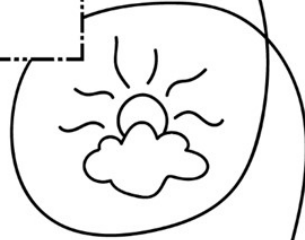
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DRAW SOMETHING YOU HEARD IN THE SERMON OR IN A SONG TODAY!



MY QUESTIONS & NOTES



THINGS I HAVE QUESTIONS ON TODAY:

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IMPORTANT POINTS / VERSES FROM TODAY:

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MY FAVORITE SONG FROM TODAY WAS...

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## Mountain Reformed Church Expense Forecast 2024

**Mountain Reformed Church Financial Activity Summary** (reflects our current operating expenses and general fund giving, not all designated giving & expenses)

	Weekly	Monthly	Annual
OFFERINGS (GENERAL FUND)	\$3,080.31	\$13,348.00	\$160,176.00
TOTAL FACILITY	\$793.00	\$3,436.00	\$41,236.00
TOTAL PERSONNEL	\$1,575.00	\$6,828.00	\$81,920.00
TOTAL MUSIC & WORSHIP	\$462.00	\$2,002.00	\$24,020.00
TOTAL OTHER EXPENSES	\$213.50	\$930.00	\$11,160.00
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$3,043.50</b>	<b>\$13,196.00</b>	<b>\$158,336.00</b>

**4/14/2024 Worship Attendance: 76**

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