

**Order of Worship**  
**Fourth Sunday of Easter**  
**April 22, 2018 10:45 AM**

*Bethel United Methodist Church seeks to be a church that fulfills the spiritual needs of the community shows God's love to all and serves God in all it does.*

**Fanfare**

**The Chiming Hour** While the chimes play, pray.

**Lighting of the Candles** Welcome God into our midst.

**Prayer of Meditation** Deliver us from fear and anxiety.

**Prelude**

**Announcements**

**\*Opening Hymn** UMH #545 "The Church's One Foundation" (verses 1, 2)

**\*Greeting**

L. We were lost and going astray.

C. **The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want. He makes me lie down in green pastures. He leads me beside the still waters.**

L. But now we return to our shepherd.

C. **He restores my soul. He leads me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake.**

L. We have heard the call of the guardian of our souls.

C. **Yea though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I shall fear no evil, for thou art with me.**

L. This is the gate of our shepherd, the door to eternal life.

C. **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.**

Hymn UMH #128 "He Leadeth Me" (verses 1, 3)

**Opening Prayer (unison)**

Shepherding God, guardian of our souls, you offer us rest in the safety of green pastures, shower us with your love, and offer us fullness of life in your name. When our spirits are parched, you lead us beside still waters and quench our thirst for righteousness; you restore our souls. Touch our hearts and minds, that your goodness and mercy may follow us each and every day of our lives, and that we may abide in your love and your grace forever. Amen.

Choir Anthem "In Love Christ Came Among Us" - Bill Leach, Joseph Martin

**Prayer of Illumination**

Guide us, O God, by your Word, and Holy Spirit, that in your light we may see light, in your truth find freedom, and in your will discover peace; through Christ our Lord, Amen.

**Old Testament Lesson - Psalm 23 - sung by Bethel Choir**

**Children's Message**

Joyce Shutt  
Hymn FWS #2233 "Where Children Belong"

**New Testament Lesson** Acts 4.5-12 (page 113) Holly Perna, 2018 Confirmand

**Sermon**

"Sheepish Sheep and Their Shepherd"  
Pastor Jim McIntire, Royersford United Methodist Church  
Invitation to Christian Discipleship  
UMH #381 "Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us" (verse 1)

**Sharing, Joys and Concerns**

**The Lord's Prayer**

**\*Passing of the Peace**" (ushers please come forward as people are seated)

**Offering**

**Offertory** "Give and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together and running over, will be poured out into your lap. For with the measure you use, it will be measured to you." (Luke 6:38, NIV).

**\*Doxology**

**To God be the glory, to God be the glory, to God be the glory for the things he has done, With his blood he has saved me; with his power he has raised me; to God be the glory for the things he has done.**

**\*Prayer of Dedication**

**\*Closing Hymn** FWS #2223 "They'll Know We Are Christians by Our Love" (verses 1, 2)

**\*Benediction**

**\*Postlude**

**\*indicates stand if able** \_\_\_\_\_

**SERVING THIS WEEK IN WORSHIP**

**Greeter:** Beverly Brittingham

**Liturgist:** Lori Corbett

**Nursery** (Birth-2 yr.): Bachrach/Wynn/Vanderwerf **Pre-School** (3-4 yr.): Open  
**Computer Operators:** Haring/Desimone/Raab/Spiece/Murray/Bates/Hanlon  
**Tellers:** Terry Allen/Joyce Shutt  
**Ushers:** Hal Shutt, Joyce Shutt, Jeff Wynn, Tina Abel  
**Flowers:** The Keller Family - In Memory of Phillip Bachman  
**Coffee Hour:** Congregation. Gluten-free items are available.

**SERVING NEXT WEEK IN WORSHIP**

**Greeter:** Kaleigh Barron **Liturgist:** Tyler Collins  
**Nursery** (Birth-2 yr.): Bachrach/Wynn/Vanderwerf **Pre-School** (3-4 yr.): Open  
**Computer Operators:** Haring/Desimone/Raab/Spiece/Murray/Bates/Hanlon  
**Teller:** Trish Richards/Michelle Vondercrone  
**Ushers:** The Bernardo Family  
**Flowers:** Barbara & Pete Gill - In Honor of 60<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary  
**Coffee Hour:** Congregation. Gluten-free items are available.

**LOOKING AHEAD...**

Monday, April 23	6:00 - 8:00 p.m. - Troop 4912 - Room 201 7:15 p.m. - Bible Study - B1 (Green Room) - Studying 1 Peter 6:30 - 8:00 p.m. - Troop 4 Meeting - Pavilion (Fellowship Hall, if inclement weather)
Tuesday, April 24	7:00 p.m. - Webelos - Room 203
Wed., April 25	7:00 p.m. - Coventry Community Chorus - B8 (Fellowship Hall)
Thursday, April 26	9:00 a.m. - Minister's Meeting - B1 (Green Room) 6:45 p.m. - Praise and Worship Rehearsal - Sanctuary 7:15 p.m. - Choir Rehearsal - Sanctuary
Sunday, April 29	2:00 - 2:45 p.m. - Confirmands meet in Sanctuary
Monday, April 30	7:15 p.m. - Bible Study - B1 (Green Room) 6:30 - 8:00 p.m. - Troop 4 Meeting - Pavilion (Fellowship Hall, if inclement weather)
Tuesday, May 1	11:00 a.m. - U.M.W. Bible Study - B1 (Green Room) 7:00 - 8:00 p.m. - Tiger Den - Room 203 7:00 p.m. - BCP Advisory Board Meeting - Room 201
Wednesday, May 2	6:45 - 8:00 p.m. - Wolves Den - Room 203 7:00 - 8:30 p.m. - GS Service Unit - B5 (Café) 7:00 p.m. - Coventry Community Choir - B8 (Fellowship Hall)

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ACTS 4:12, NIV