



Fisk Memorial United Methodist Church

August 2, 2020

9th Sunday after Pentecost ~ Communion Sunday

Welcome

Call to Worship

L: Come! Let us worship the Lord, who is our Shepherd.

P: We gather as one people of faith under a Good and Great shepherd.

L: Come! Let this shepherd lead us to green pastures.

P: Lord, take our hearts and hands and lead us on your path.

L: As we walk, guide our steps and keep us safe.

P: As we walk, we believe that your goodness and mercy are with us.

Hymn "Abide With Me" vs. 1 & 5 UMH 700

Scripture Reading Psalm 23

Children's Time with Mrs. Carney

Opening Prayer

Good and Great Shepherd, whose kind care has been known to us, hear us we worship. As we worship before you, bless us and all your people on earth. Help us to see ourselves that we may more readily revise and make corrections to how we live. As corrections are made, save us from vanity and seeking human approval. And may we harvest the good that you have placed in us as the greatest shepherd ever. With thanksgiving for being a part of your flock, Amen.

Gospel Reading Matthew 14:13-21

Sermon "Yea though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil for thou art with me. Thy rod and staff they comfort me."

Prayers & Concerns

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Good and Great Shepherd, whose kind care has been known to us. As we offer our gifts, let us never stop caring for all of your creation. Bless us to return more for your ministry and mission on earth until the final victory is won, Amen.

Communion

Hymn "I Know Whom I Have Believed" vs. 1 & 4 UMH 714

Benediction

HYMNS

Abide With Me

A-bide with me; fast falls the e-ven-tide;
the dark-ness deep-ens; Lord with me a-bide.
When oth-er help-ers fail and com-forts flee,
Help of the help-less, O a-bide with me.

Hold thou thy cross be-fore my clos-ing eyes;
shine through the gloom and point me to the skies;
Heaven's morn-ing breaks, and earth's vain shad-ows flee;
in life, in death, O Lord, a-bide with me.

I Know Whom I Have Believed

I know not why God's wondrous grace
to me he hath made known,
nor why, Christ in love
re-deemed me for his own.

R But I know whom I have be-live-ed,
and am per-suad-ed that he
is a-ble to keep that which I've com-mit-ted
un-to him a-gainst that day.

I know not when my Lord may come,
at night or noon-day fair,
nor if I walk the vale with him.
or meet him in the air. **R**

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Psalm 23 (KJV)

¹The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want.

²He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: he leadeth me beside the still waters.

³He restoreth my soul: he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake.

⁴Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me.

⁵Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies: thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over.

⁶Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the LORD forever.

Gospel (NIV)
Matthew 14:13-21

¹³ When Jesus heard what had happened, he withdrew by boat privately to a solitary place. Hearing of this, the crowds followed him on foot from the towns. ¹⁴ When Jesus landed and saw a large crowd, he had compassion on them and healed their sick. ¹⁵ As evening approached, the disciples came to him and said, “This is a remote place, and it’s already getting late. Send the crowds away, so they can go to the villages and buy themselves some food.” ¹⁶ Jesus replied, “They do not need to go away. You give them something to eat.” ¹⁷ “We have here only five loaves of bread and two fish,” they answered. ¹⁸ “Bring them here to me,” he said. ¹⁹ And he directed the people to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish and looking up to heaven, he gave thanks and broke the loaves. Then he gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the people. ²⁰ They all ate and were satisfied, and the disciples picked up twelve basketfuls of broken pieces that were left over. ²¹ The number of those who ate was about five thousand men, besides women and children.