

## MOTHER'S DAY 2014

**THEME:** As sheep are loved by their shepherd, so we are loved by Jesus.

### PRE-SERVICE MUSIC

### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### **OPENING PRAYER**

P: Great Shepherd of the sheep, You search us out when we are lost. You pick us up when we are hurt and you bring us to safe pasture. As we gather for Worship this day, help us to clearly see and hear of your love for us.....so that we can leave with confidence knowing that, with you as our Shepherd, we have nothing to fear. In Jesus' name.

**C: Amen.**

### OPENING HYMN "Green Book" 474 Children of the Heavenly Father

Children of the heav'nly Father  
Safely in his bosom gather,  
Nestling bird or star in heaven  
Such a refuge ne'er was given.

God his own doth tend and nourish,  
In his holy courts they flourish,  
From all evil things he spares them,  
In his mighty arms he bears them.

Neither life nor death shall ever  
From the Lord his children sever;  
From all evil things he spares them,  
In his mighty arms he bears them.

Though he giveth or he taketh,  
God his children ne'er forsaketh;  
His the loving purpose solely  
To preserve them pure and holy.

### WE CONFESS OUR SINS.....

P: We confess our sins to God and one another:

**C: Gracious Lord God, we confess our sins to you, the sins in our thoughts, words and actions. We confess that we do not always appreciate your Fatherly love, and the love you give to families through mothers and fathers. Help parents to show your love, and so bring up their children in a loving Christian atmosphere. Amen.**

*Silence for Reflection*

**.....AND RECEIVE GOD'S FORGIVENESS**

P: God is gracious and is more ready to forgive us than we are to receive it thankfully and humbly. As a fellow child of God I declare the forgiveness of all our sins, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen.**

**SONG OF PRAISE "Red Book" 234 (two times)                      This is the Day**

(Men) This is the day,  
(Women) This is the day  
(Men) That the Lord hath made,  
(Women) That the Lord hath made.  
(Men) We will rejoice,  
(Women) We will rejoice  
(Men) And be glad in it,  
(Women) And be glad in it,  
(All) This is the day that the Lord hath made,  
we will rejoice and be glad in it.  
(Men) This is the day,  
(Women) This is the day  
(All) That the Lord hath made.

**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

P: The Lord be with You!

**C: And also with you!**

P: We pray together:

**C: God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, as you have loved us with a divine fatherly love, help mothers among us, and also fathers, to experience your love and reflect that love to their children. Light in us the fire of your love, and strengthen us for your service; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and rules with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

**SCRIPTURE LESSONS**

**Old Testament: Acts 2:42-47**

*An early description of what the church did in its infancy*

And they devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers. And awe came upon every soul, and many wonders and signs were being done through the apostles. And all who believed were together and had all things in common. And they were selling their possessions and belongings and distributing the proceeds to all, as any had need. And day by day, attending the temple together and breaking bread in their homes, they received their food with glad and generous hearts, praising God and having favor with all the people. And the Lord added to their number day by day those who were being saved.

**Epistle: I Peter 2:19-25**

*Our Shepherd Jesus died in our place so that we may live to righteousness*

For this is a gracious thing, when, mindful of God, one endures sorrows while suffering unjustly. For what credit is it if, when you sin and are beaten for it, you endure? But if when you do good and suffer for it you endure, this is a gracious thing in the sight of God. For to this you have been called, because Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example, so that you might follow in his steps. He committed no sin, neither was deceit found in his mouth. When he was reviled, he did not revile in return; when he suffered, he did not threaten, but continued entrusting himself to him who judges justly. He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness. By his wounds you have been healed. For you were straying like sheep, but have now returned to the Shepherd and Overseer of your souls.

**SONG**

**He's Got The Whole World in His Hands**

**Led by the Sunday School Students**

**GOSPEL: John 10:1-10**

*Each sheep is special to Jesus—the Great Shepherd*

“Truly, truly, I say to you, he who does not enter the sheepfold by the door but climbs in by another way, that man is a thief and a robber. But he who enters by the door is the shepherd of the sheep. To him the gatekeeper opens. The sheep hear his voice, and he calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. When he has brought out all his own, he goes before them, and the sheep follow him, for they know his voice. A stranger they will not follow, but they will flee from him, for they do not know the voice of strangers.” This figure of speech Jesus used with them, but they did not understand what he was saying to them.

So Jesus again said to them, “Truly, truly, I say to you, I am the door of the sheep. All who came before me are thieves and robbers, but the sheep did not listen to them. I am the door. If anyone enters by me, he will be saved and will go in and out and find pasture. The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life and have it abundantly.

**CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

**Justin Johnson**

**SERMON HYMN “Green Book” 451 vs. 1-4**

**The Lord's My Shepherd**

The Lord's my shepherd; I'll not want.  
He makes me down to lie  
In pastures green: he leadeth me  
The quiet waters by.  
He leadeth me, he leadeth me  
The quiet waters by.

My soul he doth restore again,  
And me to walk doth make  
Within the paths of righteousness,  
E'en for his own name's sake;

Within the paths of righteousness,  
E'en for his own name's sake.

Ye, though I walk in death's dark vale,  
Yet will I fear no ill;  
For thou art with me, and thy rod  
And staff me comfort still;  
For thou art with me, and thy rod  
And staff me comfort still.

My table thou hast furnished  
In presence of my foes;  
My head thou dost with oil anoint,  
And my cup over flows,  
My head thou dost with oil anoint,  
And my cup over flows.

Goodness and mercy all my life  
Shall surely follow me,  
And in God's house forevermore  
My dwelling-place shall be.

**SERMON**

**"Dirty Jobs"**

**Pastor Lucke**

**APOSTLE'S CREED**

**C: I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
Creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.**

**He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit  
And was born of the virgin Mary.**

**He suffered under Pontius Pilate.  
Was crucified, died, and was buried.**

**He descended into hell.  
On the third day he rose again.  
He ascended into heaven,  
And is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again 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.**

**OFFERING** (We offer our thanksgiving for what God has first given us—our selves, our time, our possessions)

**OFFERTORY** [Create In Me A Clean Heart by Reeves](#) [Sung by Janice & Ingrid Hellesto](#)

**PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH** (After each portion of the prayers, these words are spoken: P: Lord, in your mercy, C: **hear our prayer**)

**LORD'S PRAYER**

**CLOSING BLESSING**

**CLOSING SONG** ["Red Book" 532](#) [How Great Thou Art](#)

O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder  
Consider all the worlds thy hand hath made,  
I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder,  
Thy pow'r throughout the universe displayed;  
Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to thee,  
How great thou art! How great thou art!  
Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to thee,  
How great thou art! How great thou art!

When through the woods and forest glades I wander,  
I hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees;  
When I look down from lofty mountain grandeur  
And hear the brook and feel the gentle breeze;  
Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to thee,  
How great thou art! How great thou art!  
Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to thee,  
How great thou art! How great thou art!

But when I think that God, his Son not sparing,  
Sent him to die, I scarce can take it in,  
That on the cross my burden gladly bearing  
He bled and died to take away my sin;  
Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to thee,  
How great thou art! How great thou art!  
Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to thee,  
How great thou art! How great thou art!

When Christ shall come, with shout of acclamation,  
And take me home, what joy shall fill my heart!  
Then I shall bow in humble adoration  
And there proclaim "My God how great thou art!"  
Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to thee,  
How great thou art! How great thou art!  
Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to thee,  
How great thou art! How great thou art!

**CHOIR ANTHEM**

**Go Out With Joy**

**By Perry**

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**DISMISSAL**

**P: Go in peace! Serve the Lord!**

**C: Thanks be to God!**

**POST-SERVICE MUSIC**