

Mountain View United Church
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Words of Welcome

God is good, **all the time...** all the time, **God is good.**

Announcements

Hymn: New Every Morning

VU 405

- 1 New every morning is the love our wakening
and uprising prove; through sleep and darkness
safely brought, restored to life, and power, and
thought.
- 2 New mercies each returning day hover around
us while we pray; new perils past, new sins
forgiven, new thoughts of God, new hopes of
heaven.
- 3 If on our daily course our mind be set to hallow
all we find, new treasures still of countless price
God will provide for sacrifice.

- 4 The trivial round, the common task, will furnish all we ought to ask, room to deny ourselves, a road to bring us daily nearer God.
- 5 Only, O God, in your dear love fit us for perfect rest above; and help us, this and every day, to live more nearly as we pray.

Lighting of the Christ Candle:

The angels proclaimed He is risen, the women proclaimed He is risen, the men proclaimed He is risen. All his disciple know Jesus Christ has risen. Let us make this our triumphant song.

Call to Worship:

Come, let us worship the Good Shepherd who calls us by name and lays down His life for the sheep.

We come to the Gate, for in Him we find safety and abundant life.

Though trials and suffering may come, He stands as the living door, guarding our souls.

By His wounds we are healed; we were straying sheep, now returned to the Shepherd and Overseer of our souls.

Let us enter His fold with thanksgiving and praise!

We worship the Lord, our Protector and Guide, who leads us through every valley.

Where Are We: Fourth Sunday of Easter

Opening Prayer:

Gracious God, our Good Shepherd, we gather in Your presence with hearts longing for the safety of Your fold. You are the Gate through which we enter and find life to the full. Thank You that no thief or robber can snatch us from Your care. As we come before You this day, open our ears to hear Your voice clearly. Strengthen us to follow You even when the path leads through suffering. Remind us that Your protection does not spare us from every hardship, but guards our souls and equips us to endure for what is right. Draw near to every heart here, comfort the weary, and fill us anew with the hope of Your resurrection power. In the name of Jesus Christ, our Shepherd and Savior, we pray. Amen.

Hymn: O Christian Love VU 594

- 1 O Christian, love your sister and your brother!
Where pity dwells, the peace of God is there; to
worship rightly is to love each other, each smile
a hymn, each kindly deed a prayer.
- 2 Follow with reverent steps the great example:
Jesus whose holy work was doing good; so shall

the wide earth seem a hallowed temple, each loving life a psalm of gratitude.

- 3 Then shall all shackles fall; the stormy clangour of wild war-music o'er the earth shall cease; love shall tread out the baleful fire of anger, and in its ashes plant the tree of peace.

Children's Song: VU 575 v 1 & 4
I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me

- 1 I'm gonna live so God can use me anywhere, Lord, anytime! I'm gonna live so God can use me anywhere, Lord, anytime!
- 4 I'm gonna sing so God can use me anywhere, Lord, anytime! I'm gonna sing so God can use me anywhere, Lord, anytime!

Children's Ministry

Ministry of Music

Prayer of Confession

By Your wounds, heal us. Lead us back into the fold of Your grace. Teach us to endure hardship for doing good, conscious of You, and to live for righteousness rather than for ourselves. We ask this through Jesus Christ, who bore our sins on the tree so that we might return to You. Amen.

Scripture

1 Peter 2:19-25 read by Mo' Ogunbambo

For it is commendable if someone bears up under the pain of unjust suffering because they are conscious of God. But how is it to your credit if you receive a beating for doing wrong and endure it? But if you suffer for doing good and you endure it, this is commendable before God. To this you were called, because Christ suffered for you, leaving you an example, that you should follow in his steps.

“He committed no sin, and no deceit was found in his mouth.”

When they hurled their insults at him, he did not retaliate; when he suffered, he made no threats. Instead, he entrusted himself to him who judges justly. “He himself bore our sins” in his body on the cross, so that we might die to sins and live for righteousness; “by his wounds you have been healed.” For “you were like sheep going astray,” but now you have returned to the Shepherd and Overseer of your souls.

John 10: 1-10 read by Rev. Jacob Shaw

“Very truly I tell you Pharisees, anyone who does not enter the sheep pen by the gate, but climbs in by some other way, is a thief and a robber. The one who enters

by the gate is the shepherd of the sheep. The gatekeeper opens the gate for him, and the sheep listen to his voice. He calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. When he has brought out all his own, he goes on ahead of them, and his sheep follow him because they know his voice. But they will never follow a stranger; in fact, they will run away from him because they do not recognize a stranger's voice.” Jesus used this figure of speech, but the Pharisees did not understand what he was telling them.

Therefore Jesus said again, “Very truly I tell you, I am the gate for the sheep. All who have come before me are thieves and robbers, but the sheep have not listened to them. I am the gate; whoever enters through me will be saved. They will come in and go out, and find pasture. The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full.

Reflection

Hymn: The Lord's My Shepherd – Psalm 23

VU 747

1 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.

- 2 My soul he doth restore again; and me to walk doth make within the paths of righteousness, even for his own name's sake.
- 3 Yea, 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.
- 4 My table thou has furnished in presence of my foes; my head thou dost with oil anoint, and my cup overflows.
- 5 Goodness and mercy all my life shall surely follow me, and in God's house for evermore my dwelling-place shall be.

Invitation to Share Offering

Musical Offering

Offertory Prayer:

Lord Jesus, our Good Shepherd, We bring these gifts as an offering of gratitude for Your protecting care. You who became the Gate for us, lying down to shield us from ultimate harm, have given us life abundant. Accept these tithes and offerings not merely as money, but as symbols of our lives laid down in service to You. May our giving reflect the generous love You

**poured out on the cross. In Your name we pray.
Amen.**

Offering of Personal Prayers to God

Lord's Prayer

Hymn: One More Step Along the World I Go VU 639

1 One more step along the world I go, one more
step along the world I go, from the old things to
the new, keep me travelling along with you:

R And it's from the old I travel to the new; keep me
travelling along with you.

2 Round the corner of the world I turn, more and
more about the world I learn; all the new things
that I see you'll be looking at along with me: R

3 As I travel through the bad and good, keep me
travelling the way I should; where I see no way to
go you'll be telling me the way, I know: R

4 Give me courage when the world is rough, keep
me loving though the world is tough, leap and
sing in all I do, keep me travelling along with you:
R

5 You are older than the world can be, you are

younger than the life in me, ever old and ever new, keep me travelling along with you: R

Spoken Benediction

May the peace of the Shepherd guard your hearts, the voice of the Shepherd guide your steps, and the abundant life of the Shepherd overflow in you, until we all come safely home to the eternal fold. And the blessing of God Almighty—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit—be with you and remain with you always. Amen.

Benediction: You Shall Go Out With Joy

VU 884

You shall go out with joy and be led forth with peace; the mountains and the hills will break forth before you; there'll be shouts of joy, and all the trees of the field will clap, will clap their hands!

And all the trees of the field will clap their hands, (clap, clap) the trees of the field will clap their hands, (clap, clap) the trees of the field will clap their hands (clap, clap) while you go out with joy.

Postlude † † † † † † † † † † † † †

Announcements

This Week at Mountain View

Today: Community Dinner Sunday

Doors open at 2:00 p.m. with dinner at 3:00

Volunteers always welcome and appreciated!

Mon: Book Club 1:30pm Parlour

Book: *Map of Salt and Stars* by Zein Joukhadar.

Tues: Bible Study 1:00pm Sanctuary

Weds: Choir Practice 7:00pm Sanctuary

Coming Up at Mountain View

Crafts & Baking Market: May 9 @ 8:30–2:00

Posters available in the Narthex

Ask the Minister – What do YOU want Rev. Jacob to preach on? Please submit a scripture passage or question to the wooden chest at the back of the sanctuary and Rev. Jacob will respond to as many items as possible throughout June.

Chœur Louisbourg Concert

Sunday, May 3 3:00pm St. John's United Church

Our very own Music Leader, Jason Noble, will be performing *and* conducting one of his own compositions as part of this concert.

Coming Up In Our Community:

ACW Card Party - Saturday, May 2 at 12:00

St. John the Baptist Church Hall - 28 Woolridge St.
We have a limited number of tables available. If you or someone you know would like to reserve a table, the cost is \$15.00 per person which includes a lunch of sandwiches & an assortment of desserts plus an enjoyable afternoon of cards. If interested, contact Betty Peddle on 506 386-6572.

M&S – Want to support Mission & Service? Consider a one-time offering! Not sure how much? Consider 10% of what you would normally give annually. Make sure to mark your envelope with “M&S” so we know where it’s going!

Layettes: UCW is collecting layettes for two young women associated with the congregation. If you have anything you would like to donate, please bring it to the basket in the Narthex by May 10th.

Youth Employment Opportunity: St. Paul’s United is looking to hire a Climate Motivator for a full time contract May 19 to July 10, 2026. Limited to ages 18 – 25. Please contact our church office if you would like more information.

Joyland - Due to growth in Joyland we are looking for a volunteer to lead either a K - Grade 5 or Grades 6 - 9 group. While it is possible to have all children and youth in the same class, spiritual needs will be better met if separated.

If you or you know someone that would like a home or hospital visit from Rev. Shaw please contact the church office. Please note that due to hospital policy, Rev. Shaw is unable to visit patients without an express request from the patient or their next-of-kin. Home visits and/or phone calls can also be arranged by advising the office or calling during Rev. Jacob's Wednesday office hours (9:00 – 12:00).

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Mon-Weds 9:00 – 1:00; Thurs 9:00 – 12:00