



“I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly.”

- John 10:10

April 30, 2023

ROLLING HILLS UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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**SUNDAY WORSHIP HOURS
8:30 & 10:00 a.m. and 5:30 p.m.**

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OUR CHURCH AT WORSHIP

April 30, 2023

4th Sunday of Easter

8:30 and 10 a.m.

*As we gather we hope you will visit quietly with friends.
Please silence cell phones.*

*Standing - if comfortable

PRELUDE

"Deep River" – arr. S. Coleridge-Taylor

Althea Waites

*CALL TO WORSHIP

from Psalm 23

Leader: The Lord is my shepherd

People: I shall not want.

Leader: He makes me lie down in green pastures.

People: He leads me beside still waters.

Leader: He restores my soul.

People: He leads me in right pathways.

*HYMN

"Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us" vs 1, 2 & 3

#381

**Savior, like a shepherd lead us, much we need thy tender care;
In thy pleasant pastures feed us, for our use thy folds prepare.
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus! Thou has bought us, thine we are.
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus! Thou has bought us, thine we are.**

**We are thine, thou dost befriend us, be the guardian of our way;
Keep thy flock, from sin defend us, seek us when we go astray.
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus! Hear, O hear us when we pray.
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus! Hear, O hear us when we pray.**

**Thou hast promised to receive us, poor and sinful though we be;
Thou hast mercy to relieve us, grace to cleanse and power to free.
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus! We will early turn to thee.
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus! We will early turn to thee.**

PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND RENEWAL

Unison: Good Shepherd, you have called us and sometimes we have failed to respond. You have offered to lead us through hard places, yet we have been known to wander off and become afraid. You seek to guide and protect us, but we do not always cooperate with your efforts. We regret our foolishness, and give thanks for the promise of your persistent mercy. Open our ears that we may hear and respond to your voice. We are glad to be among your flock. Amen.

SILENT PRAYER

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

Claire McCurry

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

#185

**When morning gilds the skies my heart awaking cries:
May Jesus Christ be praised!
Alike at work and prayer, to Jesus I repair:
May Jesus Christ be praised!**

THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

Welcome pads are at the seats closest to the center aisle. Please share your name and other helpful information and pass down the row. Afterward please return to the aisle seat.

THE WORD FOR CHILDREN

The children are invited to gather in front of the steps for a brief sermon and prayer. Afterward they may leave for Sunday School or stay for the rest of the service.

ANTHEM *“The Lord Is My Shepherd”* from *Requiem* – J. Rutter Chancel Choir

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION Jonathan Chute

THE LORD’S 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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil,
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.**

OFFERING OUR GIFTS AND OURSELVES

OFFERTORY Althea Waites

*DOXOLOGY #95

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him all creatures, here below;
Praise him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

SCRIPTURE Claire McCurry

- John 10:1-10 Jesus speaks about his purpose Pg. 126, New Testament

SERMON *“How To Be A Happy Sheep”* April Herron

*HYMN *“Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee”* vs 1 & 3 #89

**Joyful, joyful, we adore thee, God of glory, Lord of love;
Hearts unfold like flowers before thee, opening to the sun above.
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness; drive the dark of doubt away.
Giver of immortal gladness, fill us with the light of day!

Thou art giving and forgiving, ever blessing, ever blest,
Wellspring of the joy of living, ocean depth of happy rest!
Thou our Father, Christ our brother, all who live in love are thine;
Teach us how to love each other, lift us to the joy divine.**

*BENEDICTION AND CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

**God be with you till we meet again, by his counsels guide, uphold you,
With his sheep securely fold you. God be with you till we meet again.**

POSTLUDE *“Concerto in F Major”* – Handel Althea Waites

New to the Church?

We are grateful that we can worship together. Please use our digital welcome pad by opening the QR code. Thank you!



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