# **Broad Street United Methodist Church**

Fourth Sunday of Easter April 21, 2024

Welcome to the Broad Street United Methodist Church.
We are happy you are here today.
The order of worship is found in this bulletin.
\*Indicates congregation stands, if able.

Christ is our shepherd, who knows us and calls us. - from John 10

PRELUDE Judy Schetler

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Pastor James** 

\*CALL TO WORSHIP Pastor James

Christ is our shepherd.

\*HYMN

We are Christ's sheep.

The shepherd is calling us to join God's flock.

We will follow our shepherd.

Rejoice, little one, for no one can snatch us from the shepherd's hand.

In God's flock, we rest secure.

Come! Let us worship.

OPENING PRAYER (pray together)

by B.J. Beu in the Abingdon Worship Annual 2022

Michele Hogan

**TFWS 2032** 

Lord, you are our shepherd. We trust your words. We hear your voice. You know us, and we follow you. You give us eternal life and we will not perish. We rest secure in the knowledge that you, our shepherd, love us and lead us into life. Amen.

My Life Is in You, Lord

Adapted from a prayer by B.J. Beu in the Abingdon Worship Annual 2022

HYMN Savior, Like A Shepherd Lead Us UMH 381

CHILDREN'S SERMON Laura Sourwine

NOISY COIN COLLECTION Youth

ANTHEM Jesus! Name of Wondrous Love by Everett Titcomb Sanctuary Choir

## WE LISTEN FOR THE WORD OF GOD

## PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Michele Hogan

Lord, you are our Shepherd, and we are your sheep. As we listen to your Word, lead us into the green pastures and still waters of your sacred Word. Nourish and restore us, that we may persevere through dark valleys, and come at last to the table you are preparing. Amen.

~ adapted from a prayer by Drew Wilson and posted on www.wooingthesoul.wordpress.com

\*CREED Affirmation from Romans 8:35, 37-39 led by Helen Rainier UMH 887

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Psalm 23 Helen Rainier

THE MESSAGE My Shepherd Pastor James

\*HYMN The King of Love, My Shepherd Is UMH 138

## WE OFFER OUR PRAYERS TO GOD

PRAYERS of the PEOPLE (pray responsively)

Michele Hogan

The Lord is my shepherd

I shall want for nothing.

Good shepherd we pray for ourselves as your sheep. We pray for our local churches here in Burlington, and for your church around the world.

The Lord is my shepherd

I shall want for nothing.

Good shepherd of the sheep, we pray for the world we inhabit—the world which we have inherited and which we will pass on to successive generations. Teach us to look after it carefully and wisely.

The Lord is my shepherd

I shall want for nothing.

Good shepherd who cares for the sheep and surrounds them with love, we pray for our places of work, our colleagues, our friends and our neighbors.

The Lord is my shepherd

I shall want for nothing.

Good shepherd, who tends the vul	nerable and weak,	we pray for those	e in our church fam	ily
who need healing and wholeness.	We pray for		<del> </del>	

The Lord is my shepherd

I shall want for nothing.

Good shepherd of the sheep, we give you thanks that you came to set us free, to make us safe, to give us abundance of life. We ask that you hear our prayers, for we ask them in the name of Jesus, the Good Shepherd,

Amen.

—written by Rev Catherine Buchan and posted on the Church of Scotland's Starters for Sunday website



#### WE CELEBRATE HOLY COMMUNION

INVITATION UMH 12

CONFESSION AND PARDON

THE PEACE

**OFFERING** 

OFFERTORY HYMN Above All (led by Praise Team) Words on back of Bulletin

\*DOXOLOGY

UMH 95 UMH 15

\*TAKING THE BREAD AND CUP \*THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

\*THE LORD'S PRAYER UMH 895

\*BREAKING THE BREAD

\*GIVING THE BREAD AND CUP

## WE SCATTER TO SERVE CHRIST IN THE WORLD

\*HYMN Sent Forth by God's Blessing

**UMH 664** 

\*BENEDICTION (pray together)

**Pastor James** 

Go now with your trust in the good shepherd, and let us love, not just in words, but in truth and action. Believe in the name of Jesus Christ, and love one another, just as he has commanded us. We go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Amen.

Adapted from a prayer by Nathan Nettleton posted on laughingbird.net

POSTLUDE Judy Schetler

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Please remember our families and friends in prayer

John Robert Chitester, Evelyn Kraft, Mike Levesque, Sharon Durazolapaugh, Cindy Kenneally, Tom & Linda McElwain, Angie Gallagher, Midge Smith, Lina Jaskot, Donna Kipp and her family; Dorothy and Tim Hansen, Donna Adams, Patty Neff, Terry Ansel

Requests for inclusion on the prayer list, removal from the list, or to have a name remain on the list longer than two weeks can be emailed to:
 office@broadstumc.org or placed in the offering plate.

Please continue to pray for those on the prayer list in previous weeks.

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Our Noisy Coin Collection supports our Sunday School programs.

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## Lyrics for

# Above All

Words and music by Lenny LeBlanc and Paul Baloche

Above all powers, above all kings, Above all nature and all created things, Above all wisdom and all the ways of man, You were here before the world began.

Above all kingdoms, above all thrones, Above all wonders the world has ever known, Above all wealth and treasures of the earth, There's no way to measure what You're worth.

Crucified, laid behind the stone, You lived to die, rejected and alone. Like a rose, trampled on the ground, You took the fall and thought of me Above all.

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