

OLDER ADULT SUNDAY QUICK SHEET

*Call to Worship

One: Jesus said: "I am the good shepherd. My sheep know my voice and follow me

All: We come together because we have heard your call and respond to your voice.

One: O come let us worship the Lord, and acknowledge the God of our salvation.

All: The Lord is our God. We are God's people and the flock that God shepherds. All who respond to this Good Shepherd are welcome here.

*Opening Hymn *G2G # 393 O Day of Rest and Gladness or G2G 401 Here in This Place*

Prayer of Confession **Creator God, you have given us new life, but in our busyness we often do not see those possibilities. You have given many of us years and wisdom but we ignore those gifts of life and age, seeking our own wisdom not yours. Forgive us for ignoring the gifts you offer, for thinking we know best and going our own ways without listening for your voice. Send your Holy Spirit upon us that we might be refreshed, restored and open to the paths you set for us. Thank you for this opportunity to be renewed and given another chance to be your faithful disciples.**

Time of Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon

Because of God's great love for us, all that keeps us away, all that blinds us to God has been removed. New life through Christ is offered to us if we choose to accept.

Scripture

John 10: 1 – 10; Psalm 23

Questions for Personal Reflection

1. Who have been your shepherds? Particularly who have shepherded you in your faith journey?
2. What did they teach you? How did they guide you?
3. Are there particular theologians or teachers who have been important to you? Say more.
4. Are there particular scriptures that have been important to you? Say more about that. Tell a story about when that passage helped you.
5. What would you pass on to others as a guide or aid in their spiritual journey.
6. How have you been able to hear the Shepherd's voice and distinguish it from that of a false shepherd?
7. In what ways might Psalm 23 be a help today, rather than just at funerals?

Prayer of the People for the World

Offer 5 prayers of thanksgiving, 5 for the world, 5 for other people and 5 for yourself

Benediction Experience the love of God for you this day in many ways