

Prayer Concerns

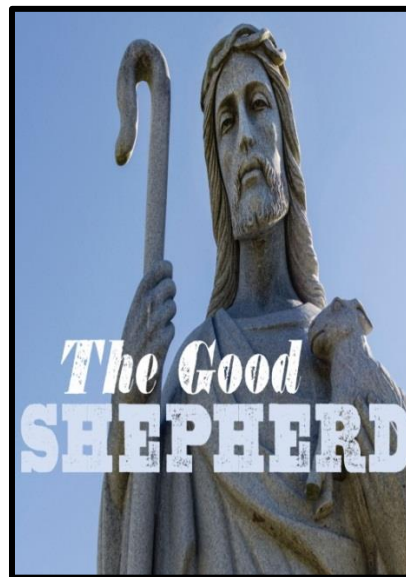
First Responders	Carole B.'s niece's family
Those affected by gun violence	Nancy D.
Those suffering from mental Illness, addiction & homelessness	Lois D.
Bunny, Liz L.'s cousin	Anita B.
Doug, friend of Joel & Deb C.	Ray S.
Janis J.	Judy, lifted by Brenda F.
Curtis, lifted by Reba Y.	Marianne, lifted by Janis J.
Bill & Marilyn R.	Jane P.
Tammy M.'s Dad	Keith A.
Vicki and her family, daughter of Rae and Walt S.	Judy L.
Dan G., lifted by Barb & Ron C.	Selene, lifted by Carole A.
Matt & Debby, lifted by Janis J.	Barbara B.
Joan H.	David N., JoAnne's husband
Jeff S., nephew of Jan & Bill C.	Joy and Rocky, lifted by Paul & Claudia T.
Cindy, Reba Y.'s sister-in-law	Ron W.
Betty, Paul T.'s aunt	Richard P., lifted by Liz L.
Pat, CJ C.'s mother	Jan, community meal guest
CJ Cornell, lifted by Chris B.	Barb L.
	Ken & Doris, friends of Sally C.

This Week's Birthdays and Anniversaries

4/22 Jim Yager	4/23 Becky Riddlebaugh
4/22 Carol Nupp	4/25 Daniel Brewster
4/23 Amy Fennell	4/26 Carole Bettinger

Today's Worship Leaders

Preacher: Rev. Hoyte L. Wilhelm
Organist: Javier Gonzalez
Choir Director: Gabriela Martinez
Liturgist: Barb Clough
Greeters: John and Char Vas, Greg Lavelle
Usher: Judi Wagner
Audio Video Elements: John and Michelle Wolter, Phil Wolter



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Rev. Hoyte L. Wilhelm, Pastor

4th Sunday of Easter/Penny Sunday

April 21, 2024 10:30 am

Welcome and Passing of the Peace

L: The grace and peace of our Lord and Savior be with you.

P: And also with you.

Celebration of Ministries and Missions

Prelude

Prière (Prayer)

Jean Langlais

****Call to Worship***

Barb Clough

L: How shall we live when we have more than enough?

**P: We have no greater praise to offer than caring for your
creatures and Creation.**

L: The earth is our teacher – nurturing and tender.

P: In this hour, O God, nourish us in the soil of your love.

L: Let us worship God, the Ground of all Being.

(Written by Rev. Paul Mitchell, Walla Walla, WA)

***Unison Prayer**

Living Word, whose love abides in us, You call us to love in truth and action. Give courage to our hearts so we may love your beloved. Open our ears to the wisdom of those you send, who might otherwise be dismissed. Transform our charity into justice over all the earth. Amen.

(Written by Rev. Laurie Bayen and Rev. Laura Baumgartner. Rev. Bayen, Cotati, CA)

***New Testament Reading** 1 John 3:16-24

***Hymn** *God of Love and God of Power* UMH 578

Prayers of the People

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Pastoral Prayer

Unison Prayer of Confession UMH 890

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your name. Amen.

Words of Pardon and Assurance

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.

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, the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

Choir Anthem

Penny Sunday

Prayer for the Offerings

Special Music *In The Garden* C. Austin Miles
Piano duet: Gabriela Martinez and Javier Gonzalez

Gospel Reading John 10:11-18

Hymn *Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us* UMH 381

Sermon "The Good Shepherd" Rev. Hoyte L. Wilhelm

***Hymn** *He Leadeth Me: O Blessed Thought* UMH 128

***Responsive Benediction**

L: The Good Shepherd leads us forward, from this place,
P: into the world to serve God's people, to witness to God's love in all that we do.
L: Go in peace and God's peace will go with you.
All: Amen.

Postlude *Allegro maestoso from Sonata II* Felix Mendelssohn

(You are invited to be seated for the Postlude before exiting the Sanctuary.)

**Please stand if you are able.*