

The Lord's My Shepherd, I'll Not Want 801

(Psalm 23)

1 The Lord's my shep-herd, I'll not want; he makes me down to lie
 2 My soul he doth re-store a-gain, and me to walk doth make
 3 Yea, though I walk in death's dark vale, yet will I fear none ill,
 4 My ta-ble thou hast fur-nish-ed in pres-ence of my foes;
 5 Good-ness and mer-cy all my life shall sure-ly fol-low me,

in pas-tures green; he lead-eth me the qui-et wa-ters by.
 with-in the paths of righ-teous-ness, e'en for his own name's sake.
 for thou art with me; and thy rod and staff me com-fort still.
 my head thou dost with oil a-noint, and my cup o-ver-flows.
 and in God's house for-ev-er-more my dwell-ing place shall be.

This paraphrase of Psalm 23 comes from the so-called Scottish Psalter of 1650, actually produced by the Westminster Assembly and intended for use by all Presbyterians in the British Isles, in place of the Sternhold and Hopkins "Old Version" of the Church of England.

TEXT: Scottish Psalter, 1650; Korean trans. The United Methodist Korean Hymnal Committee, 2001;
 Spanish trans. Federico J. Pagura
 MUSIC: Jessie Seymour Irvine, 1872; harm. T. C. L. Pritchard, 1929
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*** Call to Confession**

*** Prayer of Confession**

Savior God, you guide us, but we are slow to follow and stubborn. You welcome us to your fold, but we make others feel as if they don't belong. Forgive our life-alienating ways, our exclusion and judgment; the way we evaluate and compare, demean and degrade. Redeem us. Restore us. Help us be faithful as your flock. Amen.

*** Assurance of Pardon**

Christ forgives. Christ transforms. Christ renews. Christ leads us down the path of new beginnings.

We are a new creation, ready to sing God's glory and testify to God's grace. In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven! Amen!

*** The Peace**

Leader: May the peace of the risen Christ be with you always.

People: **And also with you.**

(Please share the peace with a few neighbors.)

*** Welcome Song**

You're Welcome in the Name of the Lord

Traditional Cameroon

You're welcome in the name of the Lord. You're welcome in the name of the Lord,
for we see in you the glory of the Lord, you're welcome in the name of the Lord.

We love you in the name of the Lord. We love you in the name of the Lord,
for we see in you the glory of the Lord, we love you in the name of the Lord.

(Visitors, welcome, please fill out a visitor card and place it in the offering plate.

Prayer request cards will be collected later in the service, please prepare them ahead of time.)

THE WORD

Prayer for Illumination

Hebrew Bible Psalm 23

The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want.

He makes me lie down in green pastures;

he leads me beside still waters;

he restores my soul.

He leads me in right paths

for his name's sake.

Even though I walk through the darkest valley,

I fear no evil;

for you are with me;

your rod and your staff—

they comfort me.

You prepare a table before me
in the presence of my enemies;
you anoint my head with oil;
my cup overflows.
Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me
all the days of my life,
and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord
my whole life long.

This is the Word of the Lord!

Thanks be to God.



Message for Children

Rev. Ulmer

New Testament John 10:11-18

'I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. The hired hand, who is not the shepherd and does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and runs away—and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. The hired hand runs away because a hired hand does not care for the sheep. I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father. And I lay down my life for the sheep. I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd. For this reason the Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again. No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it up again. I have received this command from my Father.'

This is the Word of the Lord!

Thanks be to God.



Sermon

Jesus, Our Good Shepherd

The Rev. Holly Ulmer

* Hymn GG 803

My Shepherd Will Supply My Need

USA Folk Melody

(see next page for hymn)

My Shepherd Will Supply My Need 803

(Psalm 23)

1 My shep-herd will sup-ply my need; Je-ho-vah is his name.
2 When I walk through the shades of death your pres-ence is my stay;
3 The sure pro-vi-sions of my God at-tend me all my days;

In pas-tures fresh he makes me feed, be-side the liv-ing stream.
one word of your sup-port-ing breath drives all my fears a-way.
O may your house be my a-bode, and all my work be praise.

He brings my wan-dering spir-it back when I for-sake his ways,
Your hand, in sight of all my foes, does still my ta-ble spread;
There would I find a set-tled rest, while oth-ers go and come;

and leads me, for his mer-cy's sake, in paths of truth and grace.
my cup with bless-ings o-ver-flows; your oil a-noints my head.
no more a strang-er, or a guest, but like a child at home.

The effectiveness of this beloved paraphrase of Psalm 23 owes much to the flowing shape note melody that serves as a "living stream" to carry the text, which in turn has been given a remarkable clarity and lightness through the poet's masterful use of single-syllable words.

TEXT: Isaac Watts, 1719, alt.

MUSIC: U.S.A. folk melody; Lewis's *Beauties of Harmony*, 1828; harm. Dale Grotenhuis, 1986
Music Harm. © 1990 Dale Grotenhuis

RESIGNATION

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(alternate harmonization, 74)

Affirmation of Faith

(from a Brief Statement of Faith)

We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God. Jesus proclaimed the reign of God: preaching good news to the poor and release to the captives, teaching by word and deed and blessing the children, healing the sick and binding up the brokenhearted, eating with outcasts, forgiving sinners, and calling all to repent and believe the gospel. Unjustly condemned for blasphemy and sedition, Jesus was crucified, suffering the depths of human pain and giving his life for the sins of the world. God raised this Jesus from the dead, vindicating his sinless life, breaking the power of sin and evil, delivering us from death to life eternal.

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

Traditional

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

THE THANKSGIVING

Announcements

Call for the Offering

Humbled by God's generosity,
let us offer our gifts to God and Christ's church.

The musical score is written for a two-part setting in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of three systems of music. Each system has a vocal line on a treble clef staff and a bass line on a bass clef staff. The lyrics are: 'Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise Christ, all people here below; praise Holy Spirit ever more; praise Tri-une God, whom we adore. Amen.' The music is a simple, homophonic setting with a steady bass line and a vocal line that follows the text.

TEXT: Neil Weatherhogg, 1988
MUSIC: Genevan Psalter, 1551
Text © 1990 Neil Weatherhogg

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*** Prayer of Dedication**

THE SENDING

* Hymn GG 802

The King of Love My Shepherd Is

Irish melody

1 The King of love my shep-herd is, whose good - ness
 2 Where streams of liv - ing wa - ter flow my ran - somed
 3 Per - verse and fool - ish oft I strayed, but yet in
 4 In death's dark vale I fear no ill with thee, dear

fail - eth nev - er; I noth - ing lack if
 soul he lead - eth, and where the ver - dant
 love he sought me, and on his shoul - der
 Lord, be - side me; thy rod and staff my

I am his and he is mine for - ev - er.
 pas - tures grow, with food ce - les - tial feed - eth.
 gent - ly laid, and home, re - joic - ing, brought me.
 com - fort still, thy cross be - fore to guide me.

- 5 Thou spread'st a table in my sight;
 thy unction grace bestoweth;
 and O what transport of delight
 from thy pure chalice floweth!
- 6 And so through all the length of days
 thy goodness faileth never;
 Good Shepherd, may I sing thy praise
 within thy house forever.

Since its creation in the mid-19th century, this text has been one of the favorite paraphrases of Psalm 23 in the English-speaking world. That popularity increased in the early 20th century when *The English Hymnal*, 1906, first joined these words to this flowing Irish melody.

TEXT: Henry Williams Baker, 1868
 MUSIC: Irish melody; harm. *The English Hymnal*, 1906, alt.

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*** Charge and Benediction**

*** Congregational Response**

Amen

African American spiritual

*** Postlude**

Postlude in E minor

Johann Sebastian Bach

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Weekly News – April 21, 2024

Thank you for joining us online today. We are delighted for the opportunity to worship God with you. Please feel at home and join us again. Visitors are encouraged to drop us a line at our church website: <https://berwynpresbyterianchurch.net>, or to write to the church email address: berwyn.office@gmail.com. We would love to be in touch.

NOTE: Prelude will start at 10:20 a.m. The church bell will ring at 10:25 a.m. between two Preludes. Come a little early and relax with a few minutes of music before the start of the service.



LEADING WORSHIP TODAY:

The Rev. Holly Ulmer, *Minister*

Dr. Gabriel Ruiz-Bernal, *Music Director*

Elder Gwen Mufor, *Worship Associate*

SUPPORTING WORSHIP TODAY:

Camera, Facebook and sound system operation provided by the Berwyn Stream Team.

Members of the Choir (*recorded music or in person*)

Ola Isu and Offia Uche, *Deacons, Ushers*

THIS WORSHIP SERVICE IS BEING LIVESTREAMED TO THE INTERNET.

YOU MAY APPEAR ON OUR FACEBOOK PAGE CHANNEL.

PRAYER REQUESTS will be collected during the worship service. Please fill out a prayer request card found in the pew racks so you will be ready to pass it in at the appropriate time.

VISITATION TIMES AND FUNERAL SERVICE FOR PEGGY POWELL

Location: Berwyn Presbyterian Church, 6201 Greenbelt Rd., Berwyn Heights, MD

Date: Saturday, April 27

Time: 10:30 am - 10:55 am Visitation at Church in Sanctuary

11:00 am Funeral Service

12:00 pm Reception in Kidder Hall

There also are times for Visitation at the Funeral Home, the day before, on Friday.

Location: Borgwardt Funeral Home, 4400 Powder Mill Rd, Beltsville, MD 20705

Dates: Friday, April 26

Times: 2 pm - 4 pm, and 6 pm - 8 pm

Directions and additional information for visitation can be found at this link:

<https://www.borgwardtfuneralhome.com/obituary/Sharon-Powell>

Blessed are those who die in the Lord. They will rest from their labors, for their deeds follow them. (From Revelation 14:13.)

TIME FOR PRAYERS with the Board of Deacons

Sundays from 6:00 pm to 7:00 pm for all prayers. Members are encouraged to join by zoom or telephone by clicking on this link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83559134324?pwd=YkszemlaTDJMMzJpeWZqR3ZjcU9XQT09>

Meeting ID: 835 5913 4324

Passcode: 478708

For more details, contact Elder Victoria Uche, Worship Chair, or Alain Moudji

SPRING CLEANING AT BPC

Deacon Alain Moudji in collaboration with the property management is organizing a 3 day spring cleaning of the church, dates to be announced in worship. We are inviting all members of the congregation to participate in this clean up. For the last 3 years, we haven't taken care of our church building and environment. Students might earn service hours during this time. Please plan to participate in these 3 day sessions. For more details, please contact Deacon Alain Moudji or Elder Shadrack Fogwe.

NEW TOTAL FOR PER CAPITA!

We have received \$1,845 toward the \$4,953 we will pay Presbytery. That is 37%. Thank you!

MISS COLLEGE PARK DIAPER DRIVE

Please donate or share news of the Miss College Park Diaper Drive! A beautifully decorated box is located right outside the chapel. This community service project aims to help parents obtain basic health necessities for their children. Donations are accepted until April 30th. All donations will go to the Greater DC Diaper Bank and the Pregnancy Center on Route 1.

THANKS FOR PRINTER CARTRIDGES

Thank you for the stream of used printer cartridges that we take to Staples to earn reward certificates. In 2023, we earned \$308 in rewards that were used to get an array of items at no cost to our budget. Example items are copy paper (regular, legal, card stock) mailing labels, envelopes, office calendar, foam boards, sign holders, face masks, and hand sanitizer. An added benefit that it keeps the cartridges out of landfills.

WANT ENVELOPES? If you would like a box of offering envelopes, contact Dot Brown. Conversely, if you have a box of envelopes for 2024 but would rather not have them for 2025, let her know.

FEEL FREE TO USE OTHER DOORS

Door 2 (that goes up to Kidder Hall) was the main entry for worship services until the pandemic. Then after months of being directed to door 5 (front porch), you may have forgotten about using any other door. Door 2 leads up to Kidder Hall and is especially welcome if food is being brought to Kidder Hall for Birthday Sunday. Door 1 (by the office) or door 7 (lower end of the side drive) will also get you into the building and out of the weather more quickly than going to the front door.

JOIN THE BPC CHOIR!

We extend an invitation to newcomers who share our passion for music. If you're interested in joining our vibrant music family, please don't hesitate to reach out to our Music Director, Dr. Gabriel, at berwynmusic@gmail.com. We invite you to attend our choir practice on Wednesday evening at 6:00 pm, where you can create beautiful melodies with us. We can't wait to make music with you!

GIVING TO THE CHURCH

Thank you for your continued giving to support Berwyn Church! Here are the various ways we can continue to make our contributions and pledges. Choose the most convenient method!

- Pay by your cell phone using CashApp, and texting to **\$B2God** or dialing 301-768-2729 and then checking that the name Rex Powell, treasurer, appears confirming that it is going to the church account.
- U.S. Mail – send your check to Berwyn Presbyterian Church, 6301 Greenbelt Road, Berwyn Heights, MD 20740
- Use BillPay through your bank and they will mail us the check.
- Place your offering in the basket in the sanctuary if you are worshipping in-person.

HAVING A MEETING OR OTHER ACTIVITY?

Be sure to advise Property team members Shadrack Fogwe and Rex Powell well in advance to get it on the office planning calendar if it will be in the church building.

Also please email Lynne at berwyn.office@gmail.com on Mondays so that it can be included in the calendar part of the Weekly News, whether in-person or by Zoom.

CONTACT INFORMATION

Rev. Holly Ulmer, Stated Supply Pastor, please email her at revhollyulmer@gmail.com

Rev. Holly is happy to meet with you either in-person or via zoom by setting up an appointment.

Victoria Uche, Clerk of Session, send an email to clerkofsession.berwynpc@gmail.com

Dr. Ophilia Mbah, Moderator, Board of Deacons, send an email to deaconboard.bpc@gmail.com

Dr. Gabriel Ruiz-Bernal, Music Director, regarding music at Berwyn or the stream team that operates camera, sound, and Facebook, send an email to berwynmusic@gmail.com

THIS WEEK AND NEXT AT BERWYN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



Sunday, April 21, 2024

10:30 am, Worship Service (in Sanctuary and on Facebook)
1:00 pm, Session Meeting, virtual (Contact Victoria Uche if needed for link)
6:00 pm, Time for Prayer (Zoom, Contact: Elder Victoria Uche)

Tuesday, April 23, 2024

12:15 pm, Weekly News Deadline (berwyn.office@gmail.com)

Wednesday, April 24, 2024

No Choir Rehearsal

Friday, April 26, 2024 ~ Visitation for Peggy Powell

2:00 - 4:00 pm, and 6:00 - 8:00 pm
Borgwardt Funeral Home, 4400 Powder Mill Rd, Beltsville, MD 20705

Saturday, April 27, 2024 ~ Funeral Service for Peggy Powell

10:30 am - 10:55 am Visitation at Church in Sanctuary
11:00 am Funeral Service
12:00 pm Reception in Kidder Hall

Sunday, April 28, 2024

10:30 am, Worship Service (in Sanctuary and on Facebook)
6:00 pm, Time for Prayer (Zoom, Contact: Elder Victoria Uche)

Tuesday, April 30, 2024

12:15 pm, Weekly News Deadline (berwyn.office@gmail.com)

Wednesday, May 1, 2024

6:00 pm to 7:30 pm, Choir Rehearsal

Saturday, May 4, 2024

11:00 am, Church Life (Zoom, Contact: Elder Gwen Mufor)
4:00 pm, Property Management Committee (Blue Room, Contact: Shadrack Fogwe)

**For Church Calendar items, please send an email to berwyn.office@gmail.com
(Contact: Lynne Brady) For Weekly News items, deadline is Tuesday, 12:15 pm.
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