



**Embodying Jesus'
All-Encompassing
Hospitality**

Florida's first Presbyterians, since 1824

**Please stand as you are able*

April 26, 2026

11:00 a.m.

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Children's bulletins are available at each door for children to take upon entering the sanctuary and use during worship. Activity bags will be available during the Children's Moment.

Please leave the bags in the pews after the service.

GATHERING

TOLLING OF THE HOUR

The prelude marks a time of preparation for worship. Please be considerate of those who seek to use this time for prayer and reflection through the gift of music.

PRELUDE

"Sheep May Safely Graze"

J. S. Bach

INTROIT

"We Shall Walk Through the Valley in Peace" traditional Spiritual arr. William Appling

We shall walk through the valley of the shadow of death.

We shall walk through the valley in peace.

And if Jesus himself shall be our leader,

We shall walk through the valley in peace.

There will be no sorrowing there.

There will be no sorrowing there.

And if Jesus himself shall be our leader,

We shall walk through the valley in peace.

GREETING (*responsive*)

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

The Lord is risen, indeed!

Let us take a moment of silence to center ourselves on God.

*CALL TO WORSHIP (*responsive*)

Psalm 23, adapted

The Lord is our Shepherd.

We shall not want.

The Lord leads us beside still water.

The Lord restores our lives.

The Lord leads us on the right paths.

Even though we have hard times,

We will fear nothing.

For the Lord will protect and comfort us.

*PRAYER OF THE DAY

*HYMN NO. 35

“Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty”

LOBE DEN HERREN

CHILDREN’S MOMENT

The children of the church gather at the baptismal font

CELEBRATION OF COMMUNITY

Please sign and pass the Friendship Registers

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING TO ELECT TWO NEW YOUTH ELDERS – Elli LeMaire and Julia McKenna (Session Elder - Sheila Brown)

THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

Acts 2:42-47

N.T. pg. 104

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL LESSON

John 10:1-10

N.T. pg. 90

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to You, O Christ.

SERMON

“A Tough Metaphor”

Dr. Camp

Silent meditation on sermon

PRESENTATION OF NEW MEMBERS

Session Elder: Paul Sapp

Joining by Profession of Faith: Dawn Clark, Judith Harmon, Patrick Swafford

Joining by Reaffirmation of Faith: Lynda Hathorn, John Nelson, Indy Newsom

PROFESSION OF FAITH

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (*unison*)

Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

WELCOME OF NEW MEMBERS (*responsive*)

We welcome all of you into the worship and work of this congregation. God has drawn us together by the power of the Holy Spirit and God, we trust, will draw us yet closer together in ties of mutual love and shared service. What are your words of welcome to these brothers and sisters?

With joy and thanksgiving we welcome you into the worship and ministry of this congregation, for we are all one in Christ.

*THE PEACE (*responsive*)

Since God has forgiven us in Christ, we also ought to forgive one another. The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

And also with you.

Please greet those around you with words and signs of God's reconciling peace.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER (*unison*)

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.

OFFERING OF OUR GIFTS

*Please use this time to reflect on how we might
offer ourselves, and our resources, to God*



Four ways to give: Please drop a check/cash in the offering plate as you exit the sanctuary, mail a check to the church office, text STAMPC to 73256, or use the QR code printed here to connect to the Church's secure online giving platform to make your gift.

OFFERTORY

*"Brother James' Air"
(Ian Denby, solo)*

Gordon Jacob

*The Lord's my Shepherd, I'll not want.
He makes me down to lie In pastures green;
He leadeth me The quiet waters by.
He leadeth me, He leadeth me, the quiet waters by.*

*My soul He doth restore again, And me to walk doth make
Within the paths of righteousness, Ee'n for His own Name's sake.
Within the paths of righteousness, Ee'n for His own Name's sake.*

*Yea, though I pass through shadows death, Yet will I fear no ill;
For Thou art with me and Thy rod And staff me comfort still.
Thy rod and staff they comfort still, They comfort still.*

*My table Thou hast furnished In presence of my foes;
My head with oil thou dost anoint, And my cup overflows.
My head thou dost with oil anoint, And my cup overflows.*

*Goodness and mercy all my days Will surely follow me;
And in my father's heart always My dwelling place shall be.*

*DOXOLOGY

OLD HUNDREDTH

*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.*

(some substitute "God" for "Him")

*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING (*responsive*)

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

God of love, we seek to serve You. Whether our gifts are given freely or whether we hold back, whether we offer abundantly or scrape off a portion, whether we give joyfully or resentfully please accept these gifts given in honor of You. Lead us in Your way, so that we may continue to grow in Your freedom, Your abundance, and Your joy, for the sake of Christ our Lord.

Amen.

SENDING

*HYMN NO. 761

"Called As Partners in Christ's Service"

BEECHER

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*CHORAL RESPONSE

*POSTLUDE

"Rigaudon"

Andre Campra

**Please stand as you are able*

*Children's Worship Activity Bags: Please leave bags in
the pews at the conclusion of the service*

MEMORIAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH MISSION STATEMENT

Called by Jesus Christ to love God, neighbor, and self by the power of the Holy Spirit

VISION STATEMENT

Embodying Jesus' all-encompassing hospitality

WORSHIP LEADERS

Rev. Dr. Hunter Camp, Pastor and Head of Staff: Greeting, Call to Worship, Prayer of the Day, Celebration of Community, Prayer for Illumination, Sermon, Presentation of New Members, Charge and Benediction

Rev. Rachael McNeal, Associate Pastor of Youth and Outreach: Gospel Lesson, Presentation of New Members, Affirmation of Faith, The Peace, Prayers of the People, The Lord's Prayer, Offering, Prayer of Thanksgiving

Matt Daniel, Director of Music and Organist

Children's Moment: Robin Pyles

Lector: Linda Yerrill

35 Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty

1 Praise ye the Lord, the Al - might - y, the King of cre -
 2 Praise ye the Lord, who o'er all things so won-drous - ly
 3 Praise ye the Lord! O let all that is in me a -

a - tion! O my soul, praise him, for he is thy
 reign - eth, shel - ters thee un - der his wings, yea, so
 dore him! All that hath life and breath, come now with

health and sal - va - tion! All ye who hear, now to his
 gen - tly sus - tain - eth! Hast thou not seen how thy de -
 prais - es be - fore him! Let the a - men sound from his

tem - ple draw near; join me in glad ad - o - ra - tion!
 sires e'er have been grant - ed in what he or - dain - eth?
 peo - ple a - gain; glad - ly for aye we a - dore him.

Called as Partners in Christ's Service 761



1 Called as part-ners in Christ's ser-vice, called to min-is-tries of grace,
2 Christ's ex-am-ple, Christ's in-spir-ing, Christ's clear call to work and worth,
3 Thus new pat-terns for Christ's mis-sion, in a small or glob-al sense,
4 So God grant us for to - mor-row ways to or - der hu - man life



we re-pond with deep com-mit-ment fresh new lines of faith to trace.
let us fol-low, nev-er fal-tering, rec-on-cil-ing folk on earth.
help us bear each oth-er's bur-dens, break-ing down each wall or fence.
that sur-round each per-son's sor-row with a calm that con-quests strife.



May we learn the art of shar-ing, side by side and friend with friend,
Men and wom-en, rich-er, poor-er, all God's peo-ple, young and old,
Words of com-fort, words of vi-sion, words of chal-lenge, said with care,
Make us part-ners in our liv-ing, our com-pas-sion to in-crease,



e - qual part-ners in our car-ing to ful-fill God's cho-sen end.
blend-ing hu-man skills to- geth-er gra-cious gifts from God un-fold.
bring new power and strength for ac-tion, make us col-leagues, free and fair.
mes-sen-gers of faith, thus giv-ing hope and con-fi-dence and peace.



MPC SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

April 26, 2026

9:30 – 10:30 a.m.

Children's Sunday School:

- Preschool: Room 204, "Lydia" with Lindsey Dailey
- K – 2nd: Room 224, "Saul to Paul" with Judy Robb
- 3rd - 4th: Room 209, "Saul to Paul" with Beth and Tracy Upchurch

Youth Sunday School:

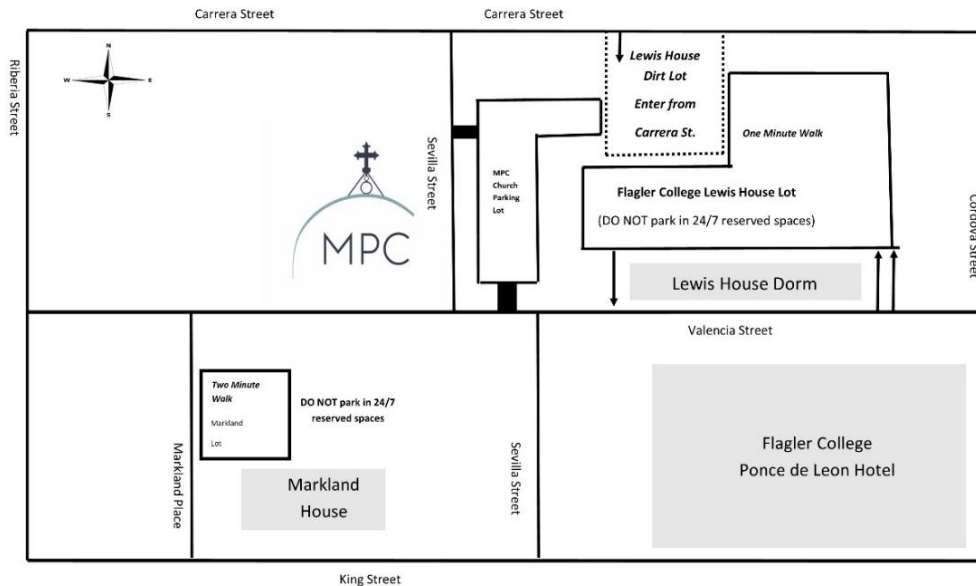
- 5th: Room 207, "Trouble at Sea" with Robin Pyles and Lisa Hill
- 6th – 12th: Youth Loft

Adult Sunday School:

- The Friendship Class (Dr. Proctor's Class): **Start time – 9:40 a.m.** A study of the 4th gospel written by the disciple "whom Jesus loved." One can't study John without taking a wonderful spiritual walk with Jesus. Welcome to the journey, Chapel History Room
- APEX Young(ish) Adults: "Soul-Care and Self-Care for the Tired Heart" with Kyla Salmond, Room 218
- Spiritual Formation: "Mark, the Good News of Jesus", come join us, enjoy, learn, grow, Lewis Hall Parlor
- New Perspectives: "Reaching Out by Henri Nouwen", Room 205
- Christian Meditation: **Start time – 9:40 a.m.** "Meditation and Contemplative Prayer", Church Office building parlor. This room is downstairs next to Dr. Camp's office and via Zoom (hybrid format). Contact Marc Craddock for any questions at marccraddock@mac.com. Join Zoom Meeting: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/371289063?pwd=NHdCdFU2THRUbVh4ZFpWTGsyRWV5UT09>; Meeting ID: 371 289 063; Passcode: 083593

MPC SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE PARKING:

In addition to the MPC lot and street parking, you may park in the Flagler College Lewis House dorm and Markland House parking lots. The Lewis lots are accessed via the Valencia Street and Carrera Street entrances. These lots are only available to Memorial on Sunday mornings, until 12:15 pm. At times, Flagler is charging for public parking. Please let the attendant know you are attending Sunday Services at Memorial and they will not charge you.



MISSION & MINISTRY ANNOUNCEMENTS THIS WEEK 4-26-26

As we take our vision statement seriously, practicing Jesus’ all-encompassing hospitality, let’s remember to be welcoming to parents with children, being grateful for young ones in our church.

Condolences: It is with a heavy heart and in the hope of God’s promises that we share that Cliff Wright joined the saints eternal on April 17, 2026. Thank you for your prayers for Cliff’s family and friends, especially his wife Adele and sons Alexander and Andrew. Condolences can be sent to: Wright Family, 573 Boxwood Pl, St Augustine, FL 32086-7296. Jesus said, “Peace I leave you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid.” – John 14:27

The flowers in the chancel this morning are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Bob Elliot by his family.

Congregational Meeting: During the 11:00 a.m. service today we will have a Congregational Meeting to elect two new youth elders.

Happy Birthday to our members and friends celebrating birthdays this week, April 26 – May 2: Cooper Bloom, Justin Breidenstein, Sam Brown, Chase Clark, Dr. Lew Gravely, Lynn Healey, Jill Holder, Quinn Meyer, Carol Nimitz, A.J. Parsons, Julianna Sallas, Willow Schulz, David Stauffer, Mary Ann Van Hartogh, Princess Mary Watkins, Elizabeth Wertz, Anne White, Stan Williams

Café: There is no Café today.

FEAST Wednesday Night Dinner and Program: FEAST has ended until fall. Be on the lookout for more news to come

Support Our Youth: You are invited to join us for Dinner and a Variety Show tonight. Tickets are \$20 and proceeds will go toward sending our high schoolers to Montreat Youth Conference this summer. Enjoy dinner made served by our youth, all while enjoying the talents of our youth. Tickets will be for sale Sunday mornings on April 19 and April 26, or you can get tickets at the door.

Food Bank Collection: Next week, the first Sunday of the month, from 8:00 a.m. – 12:15 p.m., there will be a donation box in Lewis Hall for your gifts of healthy non-perishable food, personal hygiene and home cleaning products for the Homeless Coalition. Be part of the solution! Direct questions or request a flyer with more guidance regarding desired and acceptable donation items via email to clerk@memorialpcusa.org.

Earth Care: In celebration of God's creation...Go experience, reflect, connect, and enjoy!

- "Whispers of the Earth" explores the beauty and interconnectedness of the natural world, featuring paintings by contemporary realist Koo Hon. The Rotunda Gallery at the St. Johns County Administration Building from Monday-Friday, 8 a.m.-5 p.m. 500 San Sebastian View www.historiccoastculture.com
- Kick up your kicks and kayak, paddle board, or sail through the peaceful eco system of Salt Run (anastasiastatepark.com)
- Picnic Paine's Prairie with wild-roaming bison, horses, deer; nearly 300 species of birds; and alligators (floridastateparks.org).

A Fundraiser That's Above Par! If golf is your game, here's an opportunity to play and benefit a Memorial Presbyterian Outreach program: Safe Families for Children. The Southeast Coil Classic, hosted by Vested Metals, also offers something fun for everyone: a cigar roller, games, giveaways and a silent auction. Proceeds benefit seven nonprofits. The event starts at 12:30 p.m. on April 27 at Marsh Creek Country Club. And, for more information about Safe Families for Children, go to <https://safe-families.org>. To sign up for the golf tournament go to: <https://www.vestedmetals.net/golf/>

Connect! Moms meets every last Thursday of the month (April 30) from 9:00 – 10:00 a.m. in room 214 of Lewis Hall. Whether you're raising littles, guiding teens, or supporting grown children, moms in every season are welcome. Come enjoy connection, conversation, and community.

GOT GRIEF? You are not alone. Please join us this Thursday, April 30th for our weekly grief share group from 10:30 – 12:00 p.m. in Lewis Hall Parlor.

Celebration of Life: A Celebration of Life for Barbara Strauss will be held at 10:00 a.m. on Saturday, May 2 in the Chapel of Westminster St. Augustine (235 Towerview Drive), with a reception following the service, in the lobby. Rev. Jean Hilton, Chaplain, will officiate.

Tour of the New Wildflower Clinic: Friday, May 1st at 1:00 pm. 14 spots available. Join us on the church bus to travel to the new Wildflower Medical Clinic in West Augustine to tour their new facilities. Make your reservation using the QR code or link while seats are still available. For more information, contact Becky Maguire at (850) 459-7385 or becky.maguire@gmail.com. Our Outreach Committee encourages everyone to come and learn more about this important organization that serves our community. <https://bit.ly/WildflowerClinicTour>



Dine with Nine: Dine with Nine is a rotational dinner program. Let's share a meal, meet new people and grow in God's love. Dine with Nine is a simple gathering with nine (or so) people--some couples, some singles, some new to the church, some life-long members, some older and some younger. Each group determines when, how, and where monthly dinners take place. Four dinners will be held, one each month, starting in May and ending in August. **Why not** step out of your comfort zone for an opportunity to make lasting friendships? We will grow deeper in our relationships with our brothers and sisters in Christ and with God. You can sign up with the QR code or here <https://bit.ly/MPCDineNineMaythroughAugust2026> or if you prefer, contact Judy A. Thomas, judyaathomas@gmail.com, (770) 906-7619 for more details. Groups are forming now. Registration ends on April 30, 2026. We hope you will join us! **Please note, even if you were previously in a group, you will need to register every time new groups form, i.e. three times a year.**



Soloist: Anastasia Forrest will be helping with Worship at the 8:30 service on the first and the third Sunday of the month. The upcoming schedule is May 3 & 17; June 7 & 21; July 5 & 19; August 2 & 16; September 6 & 20.

Matthew 25 Congregational Vitality: You are welcome to visit an Outreach Committee meeting and/or Peacemaking Committee meeting. Outreach - Monday, May 11th at 4:00 p.m. in Lewis Hall Parlor. Peacemaking - Sunday, May 31st at 9:30 a.m., location TBD. Stephen Ministry, if you would like to learn more about Stephen Ministry please email stephenministry@memorialpcusa.org.

Stephen Ministry: Are you experiencing difficult times and uncertainties? Could you benefit from caregiving companion at this time? Stephen Ministers are trained to aid their care receivers to more effectively deal with their own situations and to grow. For more information on receiving care please email: stephenministry@memorialpcusa.org.

Al-Anon at MPC: Tuesdays 10:00 a.m. and Saturdays 9:30 a.m. in Room 205. You will find love, understanding, and a lot of hope from the Al-Anon family groups, where we share our experience, strength and hope. This helps us focus on ourselves and our recovery from the effects of the disease of alcoholism. It's a safe place, the right place to be. Your anonymity is protected at all times.

We are a Matthew 25 Congregation: For more information about what that means for MPC, contact Barbara Alford, Chairperson of our Session's Peacemaking Committee, babs50@gmail.com or Tom Eyerly, Matthew 25 Point Person: tom@eyerly.org. Visit this website for more information: <https://www.presbyterianmission.org/ministries/matthew-25/>.

MPC Docent: Looking for a cool place with beautiful views to hang out this summer? Why not become an MPC docent? During the summer months some of our docents will be headed north so we need a few more volunteers. Stay cool, enjoy beautiful surroundings, meet interesting people, become an MPC docent.

- **What is a docent?** It is someone who enjoys meeting and greeting people and sharing their knowledge and love of our church.
- **What is my commitment as a docent?** You will be asked to "work" one or two shifts per month, a shift being 9:30-12:30 or 12:30-3:30. We have 2 shifts on Tuesday-Friday 9:30-12:30 and 12:30-3:30 and on 1 on Sundays 12:30-3:30
- **How do I become a docent?** Just contact Meri-Kathryn Peed at MKPeed@aol.com. You will be provided with a Docent Handbook, an orientation to the church, an opportunity to shadow a docent and educational materials about the church history, the Flagler-Kenan family and the architecture of the church.

Please Remember in Prayer or Correspondence: *Bayview:* Bill and Verna Bacon; *The Blake at St. Johns:* Betty Hinely; *Encompass Health Rehabilitation Hospital of St. Augustine:* Chris Wollny; *The Haven at Regency Point, Rainbow City, AL:* Eileen Coleman; *Health Center, Westminster:* Bill Baker; *Riverside Cottages:* Carolyn Smith; *Silver Creek Memory Care:* Sarah Moore; *Wellington Place of Brentwood, Brentwood, TN:* Sue Holder

Recovering at Home: Dorothy Dornblaser, Betsy Haynes, Gail Garriott, Beki Moyer, Michael Vanata

Seminarians and Candidates for Ministry: Emma Livingston, Brennan Gagnon

Our Military Personnel Serving Overseas and at Home: Commander Adam William Broos, serving at Naval Station Mayport, FL; Air National Guardsman Medic, John David Sessums, Medical Team with the National Guard; Matthew Giles, serving at Tyndall AFB, FL; Marsha Howell, serving in St. Augustine, FL



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CHURCH CALENDAR

Sun. 4-26-26	8:30 am 9:30 am 9:30 am 11:00 am 12:30 – 3:30 5:00 – 7:00 pm 5:30 pm 8:00 – 8:45 pm	Worship Service with Holy Communion (New Members) New Member Orientation 2 (must pre-register), Location TBD Sunday School (Friendship Class and Christian Ed start at 9:40) Worship Service (also Live-streamed) (New Members) Sanctuary Open for Tours Youth Dinner and Variety Show Fundraiser – Lewis Hall Seekers Group Study – Zoom College Ukirk Sunday Sanctuary Program - Sanctuary
Mon. 4-27-26	1:00 pm 3:30 – 8:00 pm 6:00 – 6:45 pm 6:45 – 8:15 pm	FREE Sketching Time – LH Upper Landing Sacred Music Academy – LH, Nursery, Choir Room, Sanctuary Session Supper – LH Upper Landing Session Meeting – LH Parlor
Tues. 4-28-26	8:30 – 11:00 am 9:30 – 3:30 10:00 am 5:30 – 9:00 pm	SAFE Families Staff Meeting – Room 218 Sanctuary Open for Tours Tuesday Al-Anon – Room 205 St. Augustine Community Chorus Rehearsal – Lewis Hall
Wed. 4-29-26	9:30 – 3:30 10:00 am 11:15 – 12:00 6:00 – 7:30 pm 6:00 pm 7:00 pm	Sanctuary Open for Tours Easy Outdoor Yoga – Church Green Yard by East Doors Chair Yoga – Room 205 Children & Youth Ministry Vol Appreciation Dinner – Lewis Hall College – Ukirk – LH Parlor Adult Choir Rehearsal – Sanctuary
Thur. 4-30-26	9:00 am 9:30 – 3:30 9:30 – 12:00 10:30 – 12:00 6:00 pm	Connect! Moms Group – Room 218 Sanctuary Open for Tours Sew & Sow - Offsite GriefShare – LH Parlor St. Johns Classical Guitier Ensemble – Lewis Hall
Fri. 5-1-26	9:30 – 3:30	Sanctuary Open for Tours
Sat. 5-2-26	8:30 am 9:30 am	Beginners Al-Anon - Room 205 Al-Anon – Room 205

We had 8 new members join our church family! Please welcome:



Dawn Clark



Lynda Hathorn



Emily Lunghino



**Indy Newsom and John
Nelson**



Jenny Jo Spivey



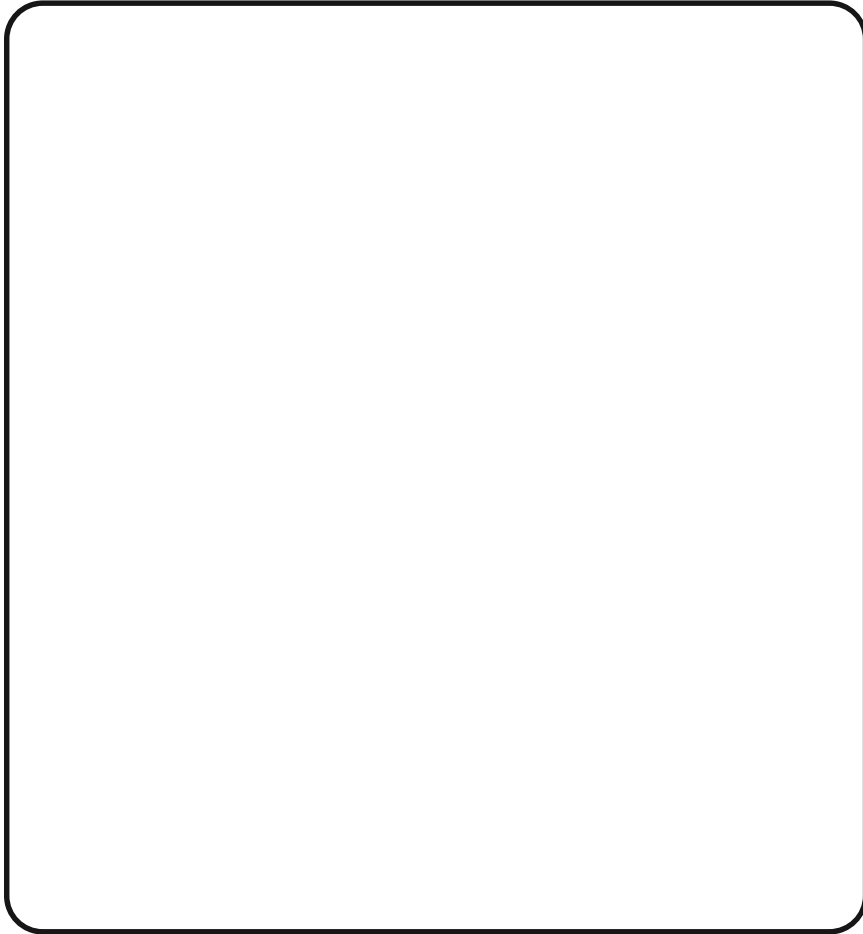
**Patrick Swafford and
Judith Harmon**

We are so happy you are here!



DRAW IT

Psalm 23 describes God as a loving shepherd who takes care of us, protects us, and blesses us. Draw a way you feel God's care and protection for you.



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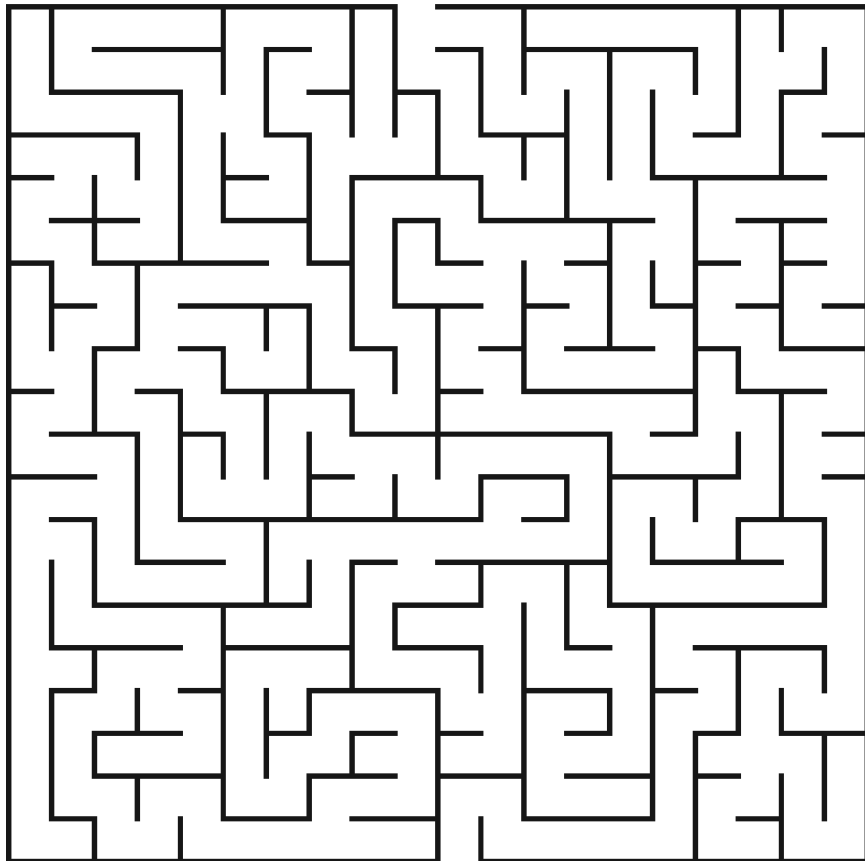
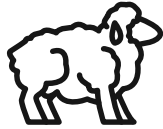
CHILDREN'S WORSHIP • BULLETIN

Activities based on Psalm 23, 1 Peter 2:19-25, John 10:1-10.



SOLVE (the) MAZE

1 Peter 2 talks about following God the way a sheep will follow her shepherd. Help the sheep reach her shepherd and catch up with the flock!



WORD SEARCH

Try to find the words from John 10 in the word search below. Words may go diagonal, up OR down and forward OR backward.

R E P E E K E T A G Q D T E K
J U T E U B D M A H E A D C I
K I I A H J P N E T A G O I F
W S L N H E W F I S H J F O X
G V R L E W A E V F S K L V O
K O S H R U B R Z T R L Y W X
P A S T U R E S R D O Y D D X
K Y K H B Y E A V W O V H O A
X V N R E T N E Q E W X P C P
M I O I N G M N S F A D A E L
D M W V E Z O A U I K V Y W F
G G C R O Y F M S L D D Y P P
S H E P H E R D E L P A L D C
B B K M G J A G J L I S T E N
B M I L C R R K I K G I H S L

SHEEP	STRANGER	LIFE
SHEPHERD	KNOW	HEAR
GATEKEEPER	JESUS	LEAD
GATE	LISTEN	FIND
VOICE	ENTER	AHEAD
FOLLOW	PASTURE	CLIMB