

# *I am the good shepherd*

JOHN 10:11





**Hope Lutheran Church**

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**Fourth Sunday of Easter**

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**Prelude, Welcome, Announcements**

<b>Opening Hymn “My Faith Looks Up to Thee”</b>	<b>LBW # 479</b>
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**Prayer of the Day (in unison)**

**O Lord Christ, good shepherd of the sheep, you seek the lost and guide us into your fold. Feed us, and we shall be satisfied; heal us, and we shall be whole. Make us one with you, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

<b>The Lessons</b>	<b>Acts 4:5-12</b>	
	<b>Psalms 23</b>	<b>pg. 225</b>
	<b>1 John 3:16-24</b>	

**Hymn of Praise “Holy God, We Praise Your Name” 1 vrs. LBW # 535**

<b>Gospel</b>	<b>John 10:11-18</b>
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**Sermon**

<b>Hymn of the Day “Gentle Shepherd” Repeat</b>	<b>FOG # 596</b>
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<b>The Nicene Creed</b>	<b>pg. 64</b>
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**Prayers of the Church**

The Peace	
Offering/Offertory "I Love to Tell the Story" 1,2,3 vrs.	FOG # 619
Offertory Prayer	pg. 67
The Great Thanksgiving	pg. 68
The Lord's Prayer	
"Lamb of God"	pg. 72
Holy Communion	
Post Communion Canticle	pg. 73
The Prayer	pg. 74
Benediction and Dismissal	
Closing Hymn "Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us"	FOG # 601
We invite all communing Christians to join us in Holy Communion.	

In Our Prayers we remember Carol Speth.

Monday, April 22nd: Earth Day, Passover begins.

Wednesday, April 24th: 2:00 p.m. Worship @ Linden View, 4:00 p.m. Kids for Christ, 6:00 p.m. Confirmation, 7:30 p.m. Adult Ed. at Grace.

Sunday, April 28th: Sunday Worship 10:00 a.m.

**APRIL IS GO AND ... TELL THE STORY! (EASTER)**

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**FIRST READING: Acts 4:5-12**

The next day [the] rulers, elders, and scribes assembled in Jerusalem, <sup>6</sup>with Annas the high priest, Caiaphas, John, and Alexander, and all who were of the high-priestly family. <sup>7</sup>When they had made the prisoners stand in their midst, they inquired, "By what power or by what name did you do this?" <sup>8</sup>Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them, "Rulers of the people and elders, <sup>9</sup>if we are questioned today because of a good deed done to someone who was sick and are asked how this man has been healed, <sup>10</sup>let it be known to all of you, and to all the people of Israel, that this man is standing before you in good health by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead. <sup>11</sup>This Jesus is

‘the stone that was rejected by you,  
the builders;  
it has become the cornerstone.’

<sup>12</sup>There is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among mortals by which we must be saved."

**Psalms 23****SECOND READING: 1 John 3:16-24**

We know love by this, that [Jesus Christ] laid down his life for us—and we ought to lay down our lives for one another. <sup>17</sup>How does God's love abide in anyone who has the world's goods and sees a brother or sister in need and yet refuses help?

<sup>18</sup>Little children, let us love, not in word or speech, but in truth and action. <sup>19</sup>And by this we will know that we are from the truth and will reassure

our hearts before him <sup>20</sup>whenever our hearts condemn us; for God is greater than our hearts, and he knows everything. <sup>21</sup>Beloved, if our hearts do not condemn us, we have boldness before God; <sup>22</sup>and we receive from him whatever we ask, because we obey his commandments and do what pleases him.

<sup>23</sup>And this is his commandment, that we should believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and love one another, just as he has commanded us. <sup>24</sup>All who obey his commandments abide in him, and he abides in them. And by this we know that he abides in us, by the Spirit that he has given us.

**GOSPEL: John 10:11-18**

[Jesus said:] "I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. <sup>12</sup>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. <sup>13</sup>The hired hand runs away because a hired hand does not care for the sheep. <sup>14</sup>I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, <sup>15</sup>just as the Father knows me and I know the Father. And I lay down my life for the sheep. <sup>16</sup>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. <sup>17</sup>For this reason the Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again. <sup>18</sup>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."