





PRELUDE and CANDLE LIGHTING

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Jesus the Good Shepherd calls our names to come and follow him.

PEOPLE: His voice, speaking our names, draws us to him.

Leader: We follow without fear, for the shepherd cares for us.

PEOPLE: Our hearts rejoice and we can place our trust in the Good Shepherd.

Leader: Come, let us enter the gate with thanksgiving as we pray together.

ALL: Shepherding God, bring us into your fold. Lead us beside still waters and restore our souls. Help us see the way we should go, the way we should live. Help us hear your voice calling our name. Enliven this time of worship, that we may find true life as we join with others to praise your name, celebrate your goodness and share your love for all people. Amen

*HYMN: "Gentle Shepherd" – back cover

ANNOUNCEMENTS

JOYS, CONCERNS AND PASTORAL PRAYER

SUNG RESPONSE: "Cares Chorus" #2215

OFFERING

*DOXOLOGY- "Praise God from Whom All Blessings" #95 UMH

ANTHEM

*SCRIPTURE READING- John 10:1-10

*HYMN - "You Are Mine" #2218 TFWS

SERMON – "Choosing to Be a Part of the Flock"

*HYMN - "He Leadeth Me: O Blessed Thought" #128 UMH

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE - "Christ Beside Me" #2166 TFWS

PASSING THE PEACE

Hymns can be found in the *TFWS – The Faith We Sing* and UMH- *United Methodist Hymnal* *Please stand as you are able.

John 10:1-10

Very truly, I tell you, anyone who does not enter the sheepfold by the gate but climbs in by another way is a thief and a bandit. The one who enters by the gate is the shepherd of the sheep. The gatekeeper opens the gate for him, and the sheep hear his voice. He calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. When he has brought out all his own, he goes ahead of them, and the sheep follow him because they know his voice. They will not follow a stranger, but they will run from him because they do not know the voice of strangers."

Jesus used this figure of speech with them, but they did not understand what he was saying to them. So again Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, I am the gate for the sheep. All who came before me are thieves and bandits; but the sheep did not listen to them. I am the gate. Whoever enters by me will be saved, and will come in and go out and find pasture. The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly."