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In Preparation for Worship

"Maybe none of us are found until all of us are found. Whose voices have you not yet noticed? Which ones are missing, unread, unpreached, unheard?"

- Dr. Mindy McGarrah Sharp

Prelude

BEACH SPRING arr. Joshua Evanovich

Welcome and Announcements

Owen Hamlin

Call to Worship*

Asher Phillips

Leader: Our God is a shepherding God.

People: Our God knows us by name. Our God will never stop searching for us.

Leader: So if you feel lost, then know that God is seeking you. People: If you feel found, then know that God will never leave.

Leader: This is the promise of scripture.

People: This is the promise of God's love. Let us worship our with-us God.

Opening Hymn* 23

God, You Spin the Whirling Planets

lan Ballow, trumpet

Call to Confession*

Nolan McGoldrick

Prayer of Confession*

Molly Cantwell

If God is a painter, let us be the brush.

If God is a musician, let us be the song.

If God is an architect, let us be the tools.

Let us be the hands. Let us be the builders.

But if God is a shepherd, who never stops seeking,

let us be willing to be found, no matter how lost we feel.

Our God is never far away.

Holy God,

Forgive us for forgetting this good news.

With hope we pray, also with the quiet prayers of our hearts...

(a moment of silence is kept for personal prayers)

Leader: Lord, in your mercy, **People: Hear our prayer. Amen.**

Assurance of Forgiveness*

Sarah Jane Shipley

Song of Praise* 582

Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me

Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me, and to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me, and to the Spirit, whose love has set me free. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.

Prayer for Illumination

Nathan Shipley

Scripture Reading

Luke 15:1-7

Ian Ballow

Leader: The Word of the Lord. **People:** Thanks be to God.

Tell Us Our Story

Izzy Grant

All children are invited to come forward for Tell Us Our Story. Afterwards, parents will walk their children to Room 119 for "ABC's of the Bible" (ages 3's, PreK and K) or Room 117 for childcare (birth through 2's.) 1st through 5th graders will gather in the narthex and walk with leaders to 252Kid and 252Preteen. Parents will pick up from The Dock and The Lighthouse. Of course, all children are always welcome to remain in worship with their families.

Anthem

Farther Along arr. Josh Garrels

Anna Jean Lower, Cooper Waller, Wells Waller

Sermon

Katie Miller, Walker Wellford, Aiden Keohane, Reed Harvey

Affirmation of Faith*

from A Sanctified Art

Eli Netherton

We believe in a seeking God, a with-us and before-us God, a chasing-after-us God.
We believe that no matter where we wander or what mountains we climb, this God—the God who walked the streets of Jerusalem, shook hands with lepers, patted children on the head, and told stories of love—is always close at hand.
So on the good days and the hard days, on the mountains and in the valleys, we believe that we are always being found. Thanks be to God for a love like that. Amen.

*please stand 3

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Lilly Hamlin

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.

Moment for Saint Luke's Little Saints

Stephanie McGoldrick

The Offering

Sydney McGoldrick

Good, Good Father
Pat Barrett & Anthony Brown

Anna Jean Lower, Cooper Waller, Wells Waller

Closing Hymn*

Lost and Found

In the flock I am surrounded By my siblings and my friends Safe at home and feeling grounded With my shepherd to defend But an aching, longing feeling As the stars shine late at night Draws me in, my dreams revealing And I know I'm not quite right

The horizon starts to brighten As I quietly slip away I can feel my spirit lighten With each cautious step I take Unfamiliar paths unfolding As excitement blends with fear All creation now enfolds me Like the flock I hold so dear As I wander down the quarry
A familiar voice cries out
It's my shepherd searching for me
Reckless love has tracked me down
Though I left my place of refuge
He has followed all along
But I had to lose myself to
Find myself where I belong

Benediction*

Katie Miller, Walker Wellford, Aiden Keohane, Reed Harvey

Postlude*

Eagle Rays Teresa Richert **Brady Anderson**

Please join us in the church lobby for fellowship and conversation!

For the latest Saint Luke's news and information, go to slipes.org.

If you would like to share prayer concerns, or know someone who would (with their permission), you may submit prayer requests for inclusion in the Prayer Guide by sending them to prayerrequest@slipes.org.

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