

Kingston Springs United Methodist Church
Open Hearts, Open Minds, Open Door
A Service of Word and Table
March 10, 2024
The Fourth Sunday in Lent



Prelude When the Poor One Band

Words of Welcome and Announcements Dr. Steven Angus

Introit *Let the Lower Lights Be Burning* Choir

***Opening Prayer** *[In Unison]* Bob Sanders
Holy God, we come to you today in gratitude for your love and care.
We can become so busy and consumed with stress and deadlines
that we need a reminder of who we are, whose we are, and why we
are here. Thank you for loving us through all of it. We need your
guidance and care to do the work you call us to do and to be the
people you call us to be. Help us, Lord, as we seek to do your will
as your beloved children. Amen.

***Hymn** *Savior, Like a Shepard Lead Us* UMH 381

1 Savior, like a shepherd lead us,
Much we need Thy tender care;
In Thy pleasant pastures feed us,
For our use Thy folds prepare:
Blessèd Jesus, blessèd Jesus,
Thou hast bought us, Thine we are;
Blessèd Jesus, blessèd Jesus,
Thou hast bought us, Thine we are.

2 We are Thine, do Thou befriend us,
Be the guardian of our way;
Keep Thy flock, from sin defend us,
Seek us when we go astray:
Blessèd Jesus, blessèd Jesus,
Hear, O hear us when we pray;
Blessèd Jesus, blessèd Jesus,
Hear, O hear us when we pray.

3 Thou hast promised to receive us,
Poor and sinful though we be;
Thou hast mercy to relieve us,
Grace to cleanse, and pow'r to free:
Blessèd Jesus, blessèd Jesus,
Early let us turn to Thee;
Blessèd Jesus, blessèd Jesus,
Early let us turn to Thee.

4 Early let us seek Thy favor,
Early let us do Thy will;
Blessed Lord and only Savior,
With Thy love our bosoms fill:
Blessèd Jesus, blessèd Jesus,
Thou hast loved us, love us still;
Blessèd Jesus, blessèd Jesus,
Thou hast loved us, love us still.

***Scripture Reading** Bob Sanders
John 10:14-18 [Pew Bible, 1667]

Missional Giving
All children are invited to assist in collecting money for the FUEL offering, which
provides snacks for children at Kingston Springs Elementary School.

Children's Message

Activity Bags are located on the pew to use during worship. When the service is concluded, please return it to the front pew.

**Indicates please stand if able.*

Greeters will provide a wheelchair for those who need one.

Restrooms are available behind the Sanctuary. Please exit through the left door by the piano and take a right. The restrooms are at the end of the hallway.

Our Joys and Concerns

Dr. Angus

Lord, in your mercy, **Hear our prayers.**

The Pastoral Prayer

Anthem

There is a Fountain

Choir

Unison Reading Psalm 23

UMH 137

Sermon

Dr. Angus

Series: The God We Can Know—The I Ams of Jesus

Sermon: I AM the Good Shepherd

*Responding to the Word

UMH

Offertory Prayer

Bob Sanders

Offertory

In the Garden

Jeff Jeffrey, David Wood, Bruce Baxter, GR Davis

*Doxology

UMH 95

The Invitation to the Lord's Supper

When we find ourselves wondering how we are expected to navigate this confusing, intimidating world, help us to remember that we are not alone because Jesus says,

"I am the Good Shepherd."

When we feel tempted to stray from our communities, to try to make it on our own without the help of those who care about us, remind us that we are never out of your care when Jesus tells us,

"I am the Good Shepherd."

When we take a risk and venture out alone anyway, remind us that there is no distance we can wander that God is not still guarding and holding us close when Jesus says,

"I am the Good Shepherd."

When we're too tired to do or to think anymore, help us to remember to rest and feel safe under the keep of Jesus, who says,

"I am the Good Shepherd."

The Prayer of Consecration

Dr. Angus

The Lord's Prayer

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

Commission and Blessing

Dr. Angus

Sending Forth

Threefold Amen

David Wood, All

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WEEKLY CALENDAR EVENTS

SUNDAY

Sunday School – 9:15 am
Worship – 10:30 am

WEDNESDAY

Church Council – 6:30 pm
Choir Practice – 6:30 pm

AA COMFORT ZONE Meets in the Oak House on Sundays at 4 p.m., Tuesdays at 7 p.m., Wednesdays at 12 p.m., Thursdays at 7 p.m., Fridays at 11:30 a.m. (Women's Group), and Saturdays at 10:30 a.m.

Al-Anon meets at the Oak Street house on Thursdays at 5:30 p.m.