

# FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

## March 26, 2017

### WE GATHER IN THE PRESENCE OF GOD

#### Welcome, Announcements, and Greeting Time

#### The Prelude “Jesus Paid It All, with Lamb of God”

*Arr. By Carol Tornquist*

#### \*Unison Call to Worship:

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.  
He makes me to lie down in green pastures;  
He leads me beside the still waters.  
He restores my soul;  
He leads me in the paths of righteousness  
For His name’s sake.  
Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of  
death,  
I will fear no evil; For You are with me;  
Your rod and Your staff, they comfort me.  
You prepare a table before me in the presence of my  
enemies;  
You anoint my head with oil; My cup runs over.  
Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me  
All the days of my life;  
And I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

Psalm 23 New King James Version (NKJV)

#### \*Call to Confession

#### \*Declaration of Forgiveness –

\*Song “Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us” 440

#### \*Invocational Prayer

\*Song of Faith “There Is a Fountain Filled with Blood” 256

**Community and Congregational 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power and glory, forever.

### THE SERVICE OF THE WORD OF THE LORD

Old Testament Reading 1 Samuel 16:1-1

New Testament Epistle Reading Ephesians 5:8-14

\*Responsorial “He Leadeth Me” 499

#### Invitation to the Offering and Prayer of Dedication

Offertory “All the Way My Savior Leads Me” *arr. By Fred Bock*

Children’s Message Jan Mauck, Coordinator of Worship

\*Scripture and Prayer of Illumination Genesis 1:1-5, 26-27, 31

L: We believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

**ALL: We believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of the Father Almighty. From thence he shall come again to judge the quick and the dead. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic\*\* Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

\*\*means the one, universal church of Jesus Christ

**Message:**                   **“The Shock of Recognition”**  
                                  **The Reverend Dr. Bruce L. Emmert**

**RESPONDING IN FAITH & SERVICE**

**\*Altar Call of Invitation to Faith and Fellowship** – If the Spirit of God is moving you to receive God’s forgiving love in Jesus, calling you to follow Christ in the waters of baptism, or encouraging you to join this Christian Church, please come forward during this song.

**\*Song**                   **“Amazing Grace, My Chains Are Gone”**

**\*Closing Prayer & Spoken Benediction**

**\*Postlude**   **“To God Be the Glory”**                   *arr. By Fred Bock*

*\*Please stand if able*

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**PLEASE WELCOME** - Reverend Dr. Bruce L. Emmert is the Kansas City District Superintendent of the United Methodist Church; prior to that he was senior pastor at First United Methodist Church of Topeka. He has been a United Methodist pastor for 36 years. Bruce grew up in Topeka and graduated from Topeka West High School and Washburn University before receiving his MDiv at Emory University and his DMin at Asbury Theological Seminary. Far more important than any of that, he is the son-in-law of Doug and Jan Mauck, meaning that the smartest thing he ever did was marry their daughter, Melissa! Bruce and Melissa were married at Westside in 1981. Dr. Doug Beyer conducted the marriage service. Together they have four beautiful, grown daughters, two precious granddaughters plus a couple of exceptional sons-in-law with another young man scheduled to become an exceptional son-in-law in July.

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