

Stoke Poges Church

St Giles' and St Andrew's

All age Service ~ 3rd May 2020
Life to the full in Jesus Christ, our Good Shepherd,
the way, the truth and the life



Notice

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Welcome

Simon Edwards

Song: Who You Say I Am

Who am I that the highest King
Would welcome me?
I was lost but He brought me in
Oh His love for me. Oh His love for me

Who the Son sets free
Oh is free indeed
I'm a child of God. Yes I am

Free at last, He has ransomed me
His grace runs deep
While I was a slave to sin
Jesus died for me. Yes He died for me

Who the Son sets free
Oh is free indeed
I'm a child of God. Yes I am

In my Father's house
There's a place for me
I'm a child of God. Yes I am

I am chosen. Not forsaken
I am who You say I am
You are for me. Not against me
I am who You say I am

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(x2)

Songwriters: Ben Fielding / Reuben Morgan
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Song: The Way (New Horizon)

Through every battle Through every heartbreak
Through every circumstance
I believe that You are my fortress
You are my portion You are my hiding place
I believe you are
the way the truth, the life
I believe You are, the way, the truth, the life

I believe
Through every blessing. Through every promise
Through every breath I take. I believe that You are provider
You are protector. You are the one I love

I believe You are the way the truth, the life
I believe You are the way, the truth, the life
I believe You are You are You are

It's a new horizon and I'm set on You
And you meet me here today. With mercies that are new
All my fears and doubts. They can all come too
Because they can't stay long when I'm believe You are

the way, the truth, the life
I believe You are the way, the truth, the life

I believe You are
It's a new horizon and I'm set on You
And you meet me here today. With mercies that are new
All my fears and doubts. They can all come too
Because they can't stay long when I believe
You are the way, the truth, the life.
I believe You are the way, the truth, the life
I believe You are

Writer(s): Ben Smith, Daniel Bashta, Pat Barret

We are sorry for the times we have got angry with other people.

We are sorry for the times we have blamed others and seen things wrong in others without recognising how much is also wrong in us.

We are sorry for the times we have kept things selfishly to ourselves and not been prepared to give to those who need our help.

We are sorry for the foolish words we have spoken which have hurt other people.

We are sorry that we have deliberately chosen not to see the good things we could have done to help other people.

We are sorry for the times we have not listened to the cry of those who are poor or who suffer injustice.

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Amen

Today's Reading: John Chapter 10: verses 1 -10

Read by 7Up team

The good shepherd and his sheep

10 'Very truly I tell you Pharisees, anyone who does not enter the sheepfold by the gate, but climbs in by some other way, is a thief and a robber. ²The one who enters by the gate is the shepherd of the sheep. ³The gatekeeper opens the gate for him, and the sheep listen to his voice. He calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. ⁴ When he has brought out all his own, he goes on ahead of them, and his sheep follow him because they know his voice. ⁵But they will never follow a stranger; in fact, they will run away from him because they do not recognise a stranger's voice.' ⁶Jesus used this figure of speech, but the Pharisees did not understand what he was telling them.

⁷Therefore Jesus said again, 'Very truly I tell you, I am the gate for the sheep. ⁸All who have come before me are thieves and robbers, but the sheep have not listened to them. ⁹I am the gate; whoever enters through me will be saved. They will come in and go out, and find pasture. ¹⁰The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full.

This is the word of the Lord,
Thanks be to God

Song: The Lord's My Shepherd

(Traditionally ladies sing the echo during the chorus; this is in brackets)

The Lord's my shepherd, I'll not want;
He makes me lie in pastures green.
He leads me by the still, still waters,
His goodness restores my soul.

Chorus

And I will trust in You alone,

(I will trust I will trust in you)

And I will trust in You alone,

(I will trust I will trust in you)

For Your endless mercy follows me,

(endless mercy follows me)

Your goodness will lead me home.

He guides my ways in righteousness,
And He anoints my head with oil,
And my cup, it overflows with joy,
I feast on His pure delights.

Chorus

And though I walk the darkest path,
I will not fear the evil one,
For You are with me, and Your rod and staff
Are the comfort I need to know.

Chorus

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Prayers

Led by the Nickson family

Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and for ever. Amen.

Final prayer

**Jesus, I journey with you this week, as you journey with me
I will go, where you go. Amen**

Final Song : Every Move I Make

Here we go...

na na na na na na na na
na na na na na na na na

Every move I make, I make in You
You make me move Jesus
Every breath I take, I breathe in You

Every step I take, I take in You
You are my way Jesus
Every breath I take I breathe in You

singing

na na na na na na na na
na na na na na na na na

Every move I make I make in You
You make me move Jesus
Every breath I take I breathe in You

Every step I take, I take in You
You are my way Jesus
Every breath I take I breathe in You

Waves of mercy. Waves of grace
Everywhere I look I see your face
Your love has captured me
Oh, my God this love
How can it be?

na na na na na na na na
na na na na na na na na
na na na na na na na na
na na na na na na na na

Repeat this section twice

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Songwriters: David Ruis Every Move I Make lyrics © Music Services, Inc

Going Deeper

Bible Notes

- Penning the sheep in for the night back in Jesus' time was very different from farming today. Although the sheep would be securely hemmed in by stone walls or similar, there would be a space where, instead of a gate, the shepherd would lie down: to watch his sheep, and to be alert should an enemy seek to attack.
- Once again, the disciples don't seem to understand Jesus' message about being a shepherd, and ask him what he means. Jesus says that not everyone will understand, but we need ears to hear. Listening to Jesus' voice is key to this analogy, as he says that the sheep will not follow the voice of a stranger, but they recognise the voice of the shepherd and will follow him to abundance.
- What does abundance look like to you? In the Early Church, it meant having enough to share, being generous, and ensuring that no one goes without. It meant being with and worshipping alongside each other - and through this, adding to their daily. Abundance is this picture of having enough, with enough to share. How often do we live in that kind of abundance?

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Questions for Reflection

- What feelings does this image evoke in you?
- When have you experienced 'enough with enough to share'?
- Does your church offer opportunities for sharing abundance?

Name

Activity time

ROOTS children's Sheet

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John 10.1-10

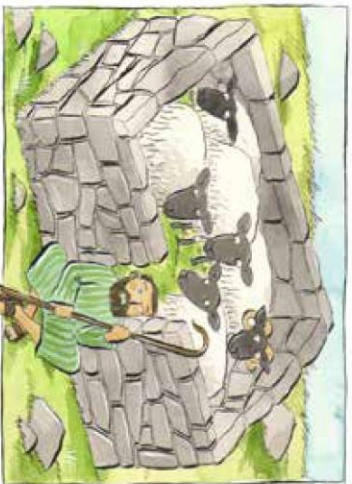
Jesus tells us he is like a shepherd: he loves and protects his people, so we can live a full and happy life.

Draw!

Sheep need good pasture to live a full and happy life. Can you draw some of the things that make your life full and happy in the field?

Write

Write a short letter as a prayer to God, saying thank you for the many good things that you have, and asking for his help to share them with others.

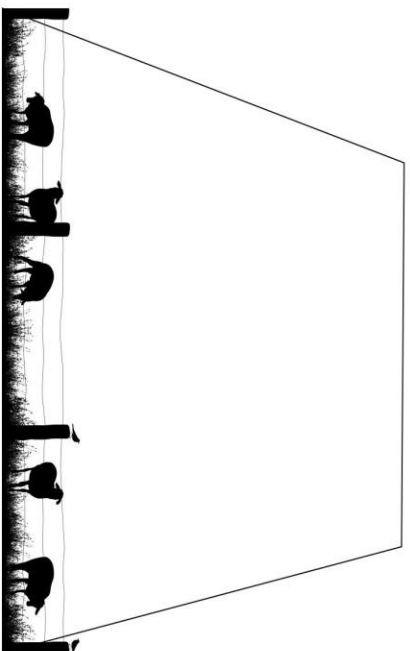


Family time

Talk In what ways do we see God at work in our lives?

Do Give away something this week to someone else who may need it more than you as a sign of our abundant life.

Pray Father God, thank you for all the amazing things you give to us. We thank you for our family, our friends, our homes, and for the food that we eat. If we have enough, help us know that we have enough to share and to help others who do not have what we have. **Amen.**



Puzzle

Sometimes sheep can wander off. Can you help this one find its way back to its field, to safety and abundance?

