

SUNDAY WORSHIP
April 26, 2026
FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER, YEAR A

Ringing of Outdoor Bell @ 10:00 AM

Liturgist: Heather Nielsen
Reader: Martha Gentry

Gathering Hymns “I Believe in Jesus” “Change My Heart Oh, God”

Call to Worship

L: Easter people, we gather to worship and to listen, to learn the sound, the feel, the cadence of the Shepherd’s voice.

P: We come seeking our Shepherd’s voice.

L: We gather to worship and to discern, to learn how to recognize our Shepherd’s voice amidst the chaos and noise of our lives.

P: We come seeking our Shepherd’s voice.

L: We gather to worship and to find shelter, to learn to trust our Shepherd’s voice, to guide us to safety and provide for us in all things.

P: We come seeking our Shepherd’s voice.

L: Come, let us worship as we listen for the voice of Jesus who guides us, protects us, provides for us, and draws us together in community.

All: We come to worship as the family of Christ, a flock seeking and following our Shepherd’s voice. Amen.

All: Prayer of Confession

God of wisdom, we confess the foolishness of our ways, and our failure to follow you in your paths of right relationships –with you and with others. We have gone astray; we feel lost. We have upheld our own interests first, to the detriment of others. We have failed to be generous with the poor and abandoned our efforts to bring about justice. We feel the stains of our sins, God; have mercy on us according to your steadfast love. Wash the sinfulness out of us and help us to live more faithfully as your servants. We seek your unfailing Lordship and ask for your guiding hand on our lives. You are the immortal, invisible One; to you be honor and glory forever; amen.

Liturgist: Passing the Peace: May the peace of Christ be with you

People: **And, with you!** (Please be brief as you pass the peace of Christ and greet one another.)

Children's Message

Susan Johnson

Liturgist: Prayer before the Offering

Faithful Shepherd, who calls us by name, you invite us into a life that is rich in meaning, deep in joy, and bold in compassion. You speak, and we long to follow—although the world is noisy and the

path unclear. In this moment of offering, we quiet our hearts to listen again. Receive these gifts as signs of our trust in you. May they be used to bring abundance to others, to feed the hungry, to strengthen the lost, and to proclaim your voice of love. In coming and going, in worship and service, make us more like Christ, in whose name we give and pray. Amen.

(John 10:1-10)

Offertory

Song / Music

Joy Asenas

Doxology:

UMH # 94

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below; Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts! Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Prayers, Concerns and Celebrations of the week

Pastor: The Lord’s Prayer

UMH # 895

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.

Preparation Hymn “The Summons” TFWS # 2130

Scripture Readings

Old Testament Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-34

New Testament John 10:1-10

Message “Knowing that Voice”

Rev. Jaime Torres

Hymn of Commitment “All People That on Earth Do Dwell ” UMH # 75

Prayer for Going Forth Liturgist and People: Let me be full, let me be empty. Let me have all things, let me have nothing. I freely and heartily yield all things to thy pleasure and disposal. In Jesus' name. Amen. (J. Wesley, England, 18th Century).

Announcements: Senior Center Wednesday 11:00 a.m.; Coffee house Fridays 11:30 a.m.; Pastoral Evangelism Thursday’s & visitation as needed.; Food Share May 2nd.

Blessings for the people (Pastor)

Beloved, may God bless you with open hearts and minds so that together we may pay attention, discern, and follow your Shepherd’s voice, for that is the way that leads to abundant life on earth as it is in heaven. Amen.

Closing song May the God of Peace be with you, holding you in strong fingered hands, and may you be an instrument of God's peace, to those whose hands you hold, and may the blessings of peace, be with you, be with you, be with you. *Please stand as you are able in body or spirit

Rev.
Liturgist
Reader
Greeters
Pianist
Children's Sermon
Adult Education Director
Lay Leader
Videographer
Office Admin

OUR APPRECIATION TO:

Jaime Torres
Heather Nielsen
Martha Gentry
You
Joy Asenas
Marcia Heerema
Laura Shaw
Susan Johnson
Eric Nelson
Cristina Mendez

Upcoming Events

Bible and Book Studies

"Disciple Book Study"
Will resume in the Fall
Monday's 10:00 – 12:00 Noon
Laura Shaw Facilitating through ZOOM

"The Case for Miracles"
Beginning April 21st
Tuesday's 1:00 – 3:00pm
Laura Shaw Facilitating through ZOOM

Our Mission

Bardsdale United Methodist Church is a loving, caring,
Christ centered church,
growing in relationship with God, ourselves, and all others.

Our Vision

With God's help we will
Foster personal growth,
Promote participation by all ages,
Embrace new ideas, and
Be more visible and engaged in our community.

April Birthdays

6th Bob Morris
12th Roberta Palmer

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Like sheep, we learn to recognize the Sheperd's voice together. Worship this week focuses on discernment as a communal practice and listening for Christ's call to abundant life.

Bishop – Rev. Dr. *Dottie Escobedo-Frank*

North District DS – Rev. *Garth Gilliam*