

Please feel free to pause this video giving yourself time to reflect and pray.

Welcome

Call to Worship

Psalm 134

Come, bless the Lord, all you servants of the Lord,

who stand by night in the house of the Lord!

Lift up your hands to the holy place

and bless the Lord!

May the Lord bless you from Zion,

he who made heaven and earth!

Music

Confession and Assurance

Confession:

Leader

Father, You are the Good Shepherd. You know us and You lead us and You call us by name. You are the gate, shielding and protecting us from the wolves of this world.

Together

But all we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned—every one—to his own way (Isaiah 53:6). There is no one righteous, not even one (Romans 3:10).

Leader

You leave the ninety-nine to seek us. You sweep the house to find the one coin. You welcome us home when our rebellion carries us far from You.

Together

But like sheep, we do not understand the gentle discipline of our Master and we flee from you again. We know Your voice but we do not listen. Like Gomer, we turn from our holy marriage to the squalor of sin. In our pride and our lust, we take the forbidden fruit believing it will make us wise instead of walking in the footsteps of our Savior.

Assurance:

Leader

Know that the Lord, He is God! It is He who made us, and we are His; we are His people, and the sheep of His pasture (Psalm 100:3). The Shepherd has laid down His life for the sheep and on Him was laid the iniquity of us all.

Together

The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want. He makes me lie down in green pastures. He leads me beside still waters. He restores my soul. He leads me in paths of righteousness for his name's sake (Psalm 23:1-3).

Leader

For thus says the Lord God: Behold, I, I myself will search for my sheep and will seek them out. As a shepherd seeks out his flock when he is among his sheep that have been scattered, so will I seek out my sheep, and I will rescue them from all places where they have been scattered on a day of clouds and thick darkness. And I will bring them out from the peoples and gather them from the countries, and will bring them into their

own land. And I will feed them with good pasture. There they shall lie down in good grazing land. I myself will be the shepherd of my sheep, and I myself will make them lie down, declares the Lord God. I will seek the lost, and I will bring back the strayed, and I will bind up the injured, and I will strengthen the weak (Ezekiel 34:11-16).

Together

But we your people, the sheep of your pasture, will give thanks to you forever; from generation to generation we will recount your praise (Psalm 79:13).

Intercession

Message- “The Good Shepherd” John 10:1-21

Benediction

Questions for Discussion and Meditation:

1. What is a specific way you can see your sheep-ness and need for a Savior?
2. How does trusting Him to lead you and know you as your Shepherd change your perspective during hard times?
3. How does viewing others as loved and known sheep of the Good Shepherd change how you love them, have grace for them, etc.?

Ethos Kids!

Story

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ar732X9uO3I&t=22s>

Douglas Talks

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Pu7L0ZwAJ0o>

Ethos Kids! Discussion Questions:

1. What does a shepherd take care of? (*Sheep.*)
2. Does a good shepherd give his life for the sheep? (*Yes.*)
3. Why do you think He would do that? (*Because He loves them*)
4. What does a hired hand do when he or she sees the wolf coming? (*Runs the other way leaving the sheep behind.*)
5. What happens to a flock of sheep if there is no shepherd? (*They may be attacked by a wolf and get lost.*)
6. In our Bible story, does the good shepherd know his sheep? (*Yes.*)
7. Do the sheep know the good shepherd? (*Yes.*)
8. How are we like sheep? (*Allow for answers.*)
9. Do we have a good shepherd? (*Yes.*)
10. Who is our Good Shepherd? (*Jesus.*)