

I lay down My life for the sheep

**Lord of Life Lutheran Church
Plano, Texas**

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Our Mission Statement

Bring people into a living relationship with Jesus Christ by

- † reaching up to God in worship and prayer,
- † reaching in to be empowered by God's Word as members of His family &
- † reaching out at every opportunity with the Gospel of Christ.

A Prayer before Worship

Blessed Lord, who has caused all Holy Scriptures to be written for our learning, grant that we may so carefully hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that by patience and comfort of Your holy Word we may embrace, and ever hold fast, the blessed hope of everlasting life, which you have given to us in our Savior Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, ever one God, world without end. Amen. (The Lutheran Hymnal, 1941)

Large Print Bulletin and Children's Bulletin

Copies of today's bulletin are available in LARGE PRINT. Children's Activity Bulletins are also available. Please ask an usher if you would like to use either of these options.

Nursery/Moms' Room

The nursery is available for families with young children ages 2 and under in Room 109. It will not be staffed until further notice. Or, if you prefer, Room 100 also is available as a cry room and/or a room for nursing mothers. Please ask an usher if you need assistance or directions.

Education

Sunday School, Youth and Adult Bible Classes are offered at 9:30 am. We encourage all worshipers to choose a class from the listing at the back of our bulletin and actively study God's Word.

The Fourth Sunday of Easter

April 25, 2021

8:00 AM and 10:45 AM

Divine Service III – *LSB 184*

Prelude

Stand

Entrance Hymn

“How Sweet the Name of Jesus Sounds”

LSB 524 sts. 1, 3–6



1 How sweet the name of Je - sus sounds In
3 Dear name! The rock on which I build, My
4 O Je - sus, shep - herd, guard - ian, friend, My
5 How weak the ef - fort of my heart, How
6 Till then I would Thy love pro - claim With



a be - liev - er's ear! It soothes our sor - rows,
shield and hid - ing place; My nev - er - fail - ing
Proph - et, Priest, and King, My Lord, my life, my
cold my warm - est thought! But when I see Thee
ev - 'ry fleet - ing breath; And may the mu - sic



heals our wounds, And drives a - way our fear.
treasure filled With bound - less stores of grace.
way, my end, Ac - cept the praise I bring.
as Thou art, I'll praise Thee as I ought.
of Thy name Re - fresh my soul in death!

Invocation, Confession, and Absolution

LSB 184

The sign of the cross ✠ may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

P In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

Matthew 28:19b, [18:20]

P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

[Hebrews 10:22]

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C who made heaven and earth.

Psalms 124:8

- P** I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,
C and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

Psalm 32:5

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

- P** O almighty God, merciful Father,
C I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

- P** Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit. *[John 20:19-23]*

- C** Amen.

+++Service of the Word+++

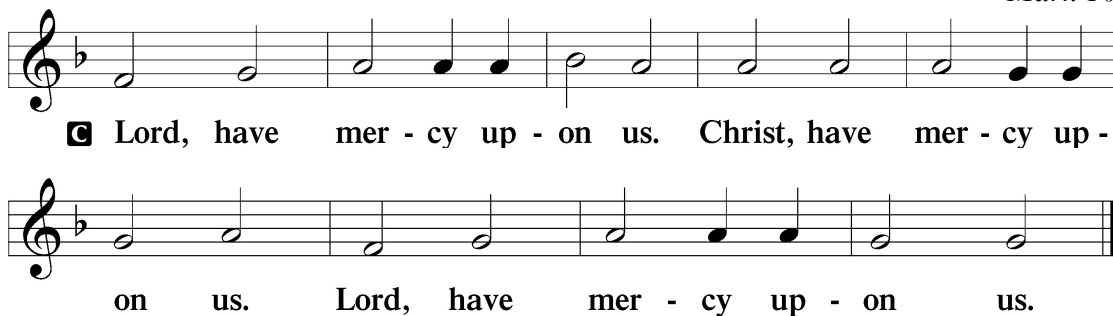


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 LORD, HAVE MERCY

Kyrie

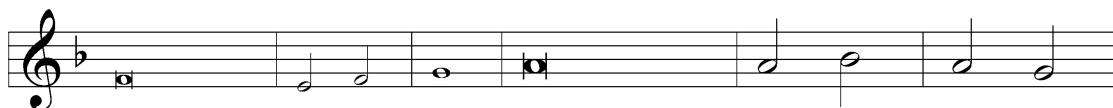
Mark 10:47; LSB 186



C Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -
 on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

Gloria in Excelsis

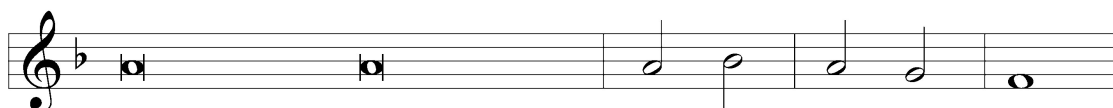
Luke 2:14, John 1:29; LSB 187



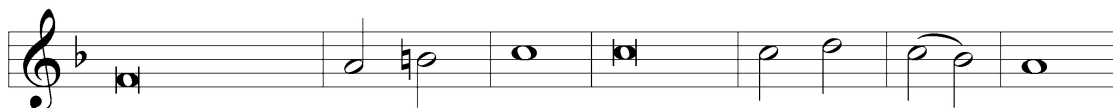
P Glory be to God on high: **C** and on earth peace, good - will toward



men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we wor - ship Thee,



we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.



O Lord God, heav'n-ly King, God the Fa-ther Al - mighty.



O Lord, the only begotten Son, Je - sus Christ;



O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,



that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy up-on us.



Thou that takest away the sin of the world, re-ceive our prayer.



Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy up-



on us. For Thou only art holy; Thou on - ly art the Lord.

Thou only, O Christ, with the Ho - ly Ghost,
 art most high in the glory of God the Father. A - men.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

2 Timothy 4:22; LSB 189

- P** The Lord be with you.
- C** **And with thy spirit.**

P Let us pray.

Almighty God, merciful Father, since You have wakened from death the Shepherd of Your sheep, grant us Your Holy Spirit that when we hear the voice of our Shepherd we may know Him who calls us each by name and follow where He leads; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

Sit

First Reading

Acts 4:1–12

¹As they were speaking to the people, the priests and the captain of the temple and the Sadducees came upon them, ²greatly annoyed because they were teaching the people and proclaiming in Jesus the resurrection from the dead. ³And they arrested them and put them in custody until the next day, for it was already evening. ⁴But many of those who had heard the word believed, and the number of the men came to about five thousand.

⁵On the next day their rulers and elders and scribes gathered together in Jerusalem, ⁶with Annas the high priest and Caiaphas and John and Alexander, and all who were of the high-priestly family. ⁷And when they had set them in the midst, they inquired, “By what power or by what name did you do this?” ⁸Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them, “Rulers of the people and elders, ⁹if we are being examined today concerning a good deed done to a crippled man, by what means this man has been healed, ¹⁰let it be known to all of you and to all the people of Israel that by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead—by him this man is standing before you well. ¹¹This Jesus is the stone that was rejected by you, the builders, which has become the cornerstone. ¹²And there is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved.”

- A** This is the Word of the Lord.
- C** **Thanks be to God.**

Epistle

1 John 3:16–24

¹⁶By this we know love, that he laid down his life for us, and we ought to lay down our lives for the brothers. ¹⁷But if anyone has the world's goods and sees his brother in need, yet closes his heart against him, how does God's love abide in him? ¹⁸Little children, let us not love in word or talk but in deed and in truth.

¹⁹By this we shall know that we are of the truth and reassure our heart before him; ²⁰for whenever our heart condemns us, God is greater than our heart, and he knows everything. ²¹Beloved, if our heart does not condemn us, we have confidence before God; ²²and whatever we ask we receive from him, because we keep his commandments and do what pleases him. ²³And this is his commandment, that we believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and love one another, just as he has commanded us. ²⁴Whoever keeps his commandments abides in him, and he in them. And by this we know that he abides in us, by the Spirit whom he has given us.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Stand

Alleluia

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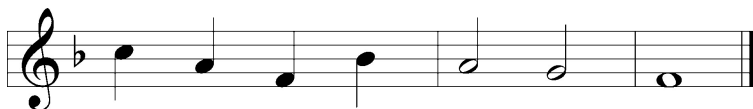


C Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia.

Holy Gospel

John 10:11–18

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the tenth chapter.



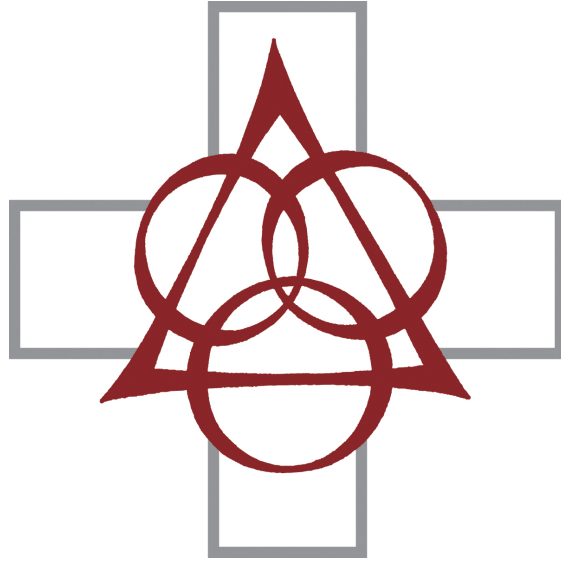
C Glo - ry be to Thee, O Lord.

¹¹[Jesus said:] “I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. ¹²He who is a hired hand and not a shepherd, who does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and flees, and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. ¹³He flees because he is a hired hand and cares nothing for the sheep. ¹⁴I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, ¹⁵just as the Father knows me and I know the Father; and I lay down my life for the sheep. ¹⁶And I have other sheep that are not of this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd. ¹⁷For this reason the Father loves me, because I lay down my life that I may take it up again. ¹⁸No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have authority to lay it down, and I have authority to take it up again. This charge I have received from my Father.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



C Praise be to Thee, O Christ.



Apostles' Creed

LSB 192

- ☐ I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.**

**And 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.
He descended into hell.
The third day He rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy Christian Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life T everlasting. Amen.**

Hymn of the Day

“The King of Love My Shepherd Is”

LSB 709 sts. 1-5



1 The King of love my shep - herd is, Whose good - ness
2 Where streams of liv - ing wa - ter flow, My ran - somed
3 Per - verse and fool - ish oft I strayed, But yet in
4 In death's dark vale I fear no ill With Thee, dear
5 Thou spreadst a ta - ble in my sight; Thine unc - tion
6 And so through all the length of days Thy good - ness



fail - eth nev - er; I noth - ing lack if
soul He lead - eth And, where the ver - dant
love He sought me And on His shoul - der
Lord, be - side me, Thy rod and staff my
grace be - stow - eth; And, oh, what trans - port
fail - eth nev - er; Good Shep - herd, may I



I am His And He is mine for - ev - er.
pas - tures grow, With food ce - les - tial feed - eth.
gent - ly laid And home re - joic - ing brought me.
com - fort still, Thy cross be - fore to guide me.
of de - light From Thy pure chal - ice flow - eth!
sing Thy praise With - in Thy house for - ev - er!

Sermon

Stand

Offertory

Psalm 51:10-12; LSB 192



☐ Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -



new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -



way from Thy pres-ence, and take not Thy Ho-ly Spir-it
 from me. Re-store un-to me the joy of Thy sal-va-
 tion, and up-hold me with Thy free spir-it. A-men.

Sit

Offering Omitted

(Ordinarily, this is the time to collect our offerings. As we are forgoing passing a plate, an offering plate has been placed at the rear of the sanctuary. You may also mail your offerings or contribute online from our website's "Giving" link.)

Stand

Prayer of the Church

Lord's Prayer

Matthew 6:9-13; LSB196

- C** 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 and ever. Amen..

Collect for Peace

- P** O God, from whom come all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works, give to us, Your servants, that peace which the world cannot give, that our hearts may be set to obey Your commandments and also that we, being defended from the fear of our enemies, may live in peace and quietness; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C** Amen.

Salutation and Benedicamus

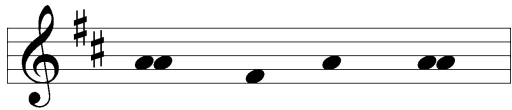
2 Timothy 4:22; Psalm 103:1; LSB 201



P The Lord be with you.



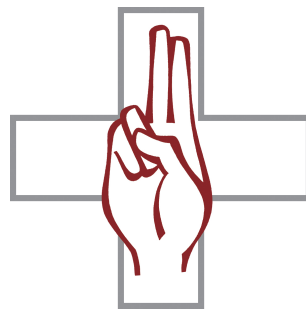
C And with thy spir - it.



A Bless we the Lord.

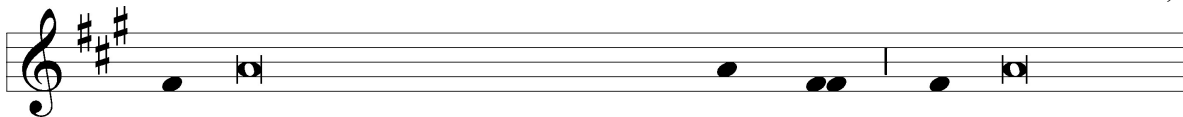


C Thanks be to God.

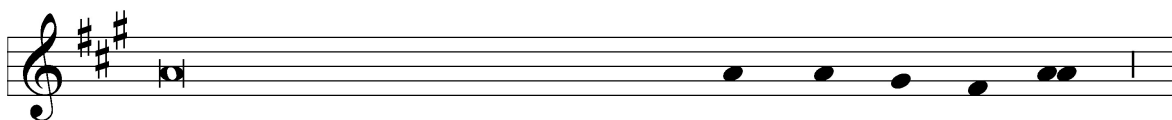


Benediction

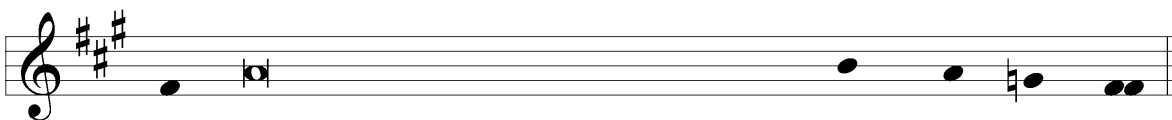
Numbers 6:24-26; LSB 202



P The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make



His face shine upon you and be gra - cious un - to you.



The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and ✠ give you peace.



C A-men, a-men, a - men.

Recessional Hymn

“Rejoice, My Heart, Be Glad and Sing”

LSB 737 sts. 1-4, 7



1 Re - joice, my heart, be glad and sing, A
2 He is your trea - sure, He your joy, Your
3 Why spend the day in blank de - spair, In
4 Did not His love and truth and pow'r Guard
7 Up - on your lips, then, lay your hand, And



cheer - ful trust main - tain; For God, the source of
life and light and Lord, Your coun - sel - or when
rest - less thought the night? On your Cre - a - tor
ev - 'ry child - hood day? And did He not in
trust His guid - ing love; Then like a rock your



ev - 'ry - thing, Your por - tion shall re - main.
doubts an - noy, Your shield and great re - ward.
cast your care; He makes your bur - dens light.
threat - 'ning hour Turn dread - ed ills a - way?
peace shall stand Here and in heav'n a - bove.

Sit

Announcements

Dismissal

- P** Go in peace. Serve the Lord.
- C** Thanks be to God.

Postlude

An offering may be placed in the offering plate as you exit.

A Prayer after Worship

Almighty and merciful God, we have again worshiped in Your presence and received both forgiveness for our many sins and the assurance of Your love in Jesus Christ. We thank You for this undeserved grace and ask You to keep us in faith until we inherit eternal salvation; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Sunday School - Children K - 5th Grade

Sunday school classes begin at 9:25 am in Room 116 for music. At 10:30 am parents may pick up K - 5th graders from Room 113.

Jr. & Sr. IMPACT Bible Class

Students meet at 9:30 am with Scott Peters in Room 122 and on zoom. They are doing a character study on *Your Unshakable Identity in Christ*.

Adult Bible Class

Adult Bible Class, led by Pastor Shaltanis, meets in the fellowship hall at 9:30ish. This study is over the book of Mark.

Adult Bible Class Small Group Alternative

Starting May 16th, Mike Kunschke will reboot the study on Ephesians. Anyone who is interested is invited to attend this class at 9:30 am in the library, just let Mike know.

Adult Instruction Class

New member adult instruction/confirmation class will be meeting on Sunday afternoons. If you would like a refresher or know someone who is interested in learning more about Lutheran beliefs, please join us this afternoon at 1:00 pm.

Midweek Bible Study

Now meeting Wednesdays at 10am, all are welcome to join as we study the book of Revelation.

Voters' Meeting Scheduled Next Sunday at Noon

Elections will be held for open positions on the Admin Council for 2021-2022. Please see the next page for the slate of candidates. We will also be voting to approve the final copy of our Bylaws and Constitution presented at the voters' meeting in December, 2020. Copies of these may be found on our webpage: <http://planolutheran.com/voters-meeting/>.

Harp Recital May 2 at 4:00 PM

Magdalena Shaltanis will have her senior recital at Lord of Life on May 2nd at 4:00 pm. All are encouraged to attend and join us for light refreshments afterwards.

Running to Lexington

The LWML convention, June 24-27, 2021, in Lexington, Kentucky, will host Ruth Reichert Martin, Executive Director of Mission Opportunities Short-Term (MOST) Ministries. She will share about their grant which supports the recruitment of whole families into mission work, which has a positive impact on the lives of those they serve, as well as on the families themselves. We will be "Running the Race ... Looking to Jesus."

Life Thoughts in the Church Year

Mark's Gospel makes known how the Lord loves all lives and every body. His appearing as embryo and baby (2 Timothy 4:8) has shown us His strong arm (Isaiah 52:10) and His gentle heart. And this good news makes humankind beautiful from head to heel (Isaiah 52:7)—no matter how small or how frail we may be!

This week on KFUO.org

Study 1 Peter 4 through 2 Peter 1 on Sharper Iron's "The Imperishable Inheritance" (weekdays at 8:00 a.m. CT), learn about 1 Kings 4-7 on Thy Strong Word (weekdays at 11:00 a.m. CT), and study our Lutheran Confessions on Concord Matters (Saturday at 10:00 a.m. CT). Find these programs on demand at kfu.org or wherever you get your podcasts!

May 2021 Slate of Candidates

The Nominating Committee presented and the Admin Council approved this slate of candidates for the May 2021 election.

We recommend that the congregation vote to approve the following slate of candidates for the Admin Council.

Officers Election

President	Ben Scarth	1 year term; a new candidate must be identified for next year
Vice President	Russ Wilkerson	1 year term; a new candidate must be identified for next year
Secretary	N/A	Kara Prescott's term continues
Treasurer	Rhonda Tabor	1 year term; a new candidate must be identified for next year

Board Chairs Election

Outreach	Haley Moore	2 year term
Stewardship	Travis Bennett	2 year term
Family	Gail Senter	2 year term
Children's	Alyson Wood	2 year term

At Large Member Election

1st	Shelby Lund	2 year term
2nd	Brian Wolf	2 year term
3rd	N/A	Carolyn Moudy's term continues

Our bylaws also require the list of members of each board be presented to the congregation for ratification.

We recommend that the congregation ratify the members of each board as follows.

Board Membership

Elders	Mike Kunschke, Doug Hite, Tom Read, Mark Ziegelbein, Greg Moudy and Tim Ozlowski
Youth	Scott Peters, Chris Oltmann, Greg Moudy and Dixie Hacker
Outreach	Haley Moore, Don Padgett, Mary Ravitz, Caitlyn Moudy, Joanna Smith and Joel Shaltanis
Stewardship	Travis Bennett, Pat Greer, Dave Peters and Karen Lund
Family	Gail Senter, Carol Ozlowski, Mary Ravitz, Joanna Smith, Laurie George, Terry Strecker, Charis Bennett, Melanie Scarth and Kathy Hite
Children's	Alyson Wood
Property	Scott Peters, Stephen Strecker, Karl Olsen, Ernie Gromatzky, Jerry Parish and Carl Carper

Serving Our Worship Today:

Pastor: Pastor Joel Shaltanis
Organist: Paul Grabow
Altar Guild: Lynda Abbott, Nancy Cawood, Laurie George, Nelda Schrank
Elder: Greg Moudy

This Week at Lord of Life-Today, April 25, 2021

8:00 am Early Worship Service
9:30 am Children's Sunday School
(K-5th Gr, Room 113)
Jr. & Sr. IMPACT Class (Room 122)
Adult Bible Class (Sanctuary)
10:45 am Late Worship Service
1:00 pm New Member Class

Wednesday, April 28

10:00 am Midweek Bible Study

Friday, April 30

9:00 am Comfort Makers

Saturday, May 1

7:30 am Men's Bible Breakfast

Next Sunday's Readings May 2, 2021

First Reading: Acts 8:26-40

Epistle: 1 John 4:1-11 (12-21)

Gospel: John 15:1-8

Altar Flowers

The flowers on the altar this morning are given to the Glory of God by Evelyn Buckmeier in memory of Buck Francis Buckmeier; and by the Elders.



Easter

About the Cover: With patient and loving care, Christ looks upon each and every sheep in His flock. Such care above all else is demonstrated in that He laid down His life for us and took it up again three days later. Since He was willing to die for us upon the cross and lives today, surely He daily cares and tends to our needs as our shepherd in order to guide us into life everlasting.