



Feed My Sheep

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Jesus Appears at Lake Galilee

Jesus appeared once again to a group of his disciples by Lake Galilee. It happened one day while Peter, Thomas (the Twin), Nathanael (from Cana in Galilee), Jacob, John, and two other disciples were all together. Peter told them, "I'm going fishing."

And they all replied, "We'll go with you."

So they went out and fished through the night, but caught nothing. Then at dawn, Jesus was standing there on the shore, but the disciples didn't realize that it was him.

He called out to them, saying, "Hey guys! Did you catch any fish?" "Not a thing," they replied.

Jesus shouted to them, "Throw your net over the starboard side, and you'll catch some!" And so they did as he said, and they caught so many fish they couldn't even pull in the net!

Then the disciple whom Jesus loved said to Peter, "It's the Lord!" When Peter heard him say that, he quickly wrapped his outer garment around him, and because he was athletic, he dove right into the lake to go to Jesus! The other disciples then brought the boat to shore, dragging their catch of fish. They weren't far from land, only about a hundred meters. And when they got to shore, they noticed a charcoal fire with some roasted fish and bread.

"Come, let's have some breakfast," Jesus said to them. And not one of the disciples needed to ask who it was, because every one of them knew it was the Lord. Then Jesus came close to them and served them the bread and the fish. This was the third time Jesus appeared to his disciples after his resurrection.

After they had breakfast, Jesus said to Peter, "Simon, son of Jonah, do you burn with love for me more than these?"

Peter answered, "Yes, Lord! You know that I have great affection for you!"

"Then take care of my lambs," Jesus said.

Jesus repeated his question the second time, "Simon, son of Jonah, do you burn with love for me?"

Peter answered, "Yes, my Lord! You know that I have great affection for you!"

"Then take care of my sheep," Jesus said.

Then Jesus asked him again, "Peter, son of Jonah, do you have great affection for me?"

Peter was saddened by being asked the third time and said, "My Lord, you know everything. You know that I burn with love for you!"

"Listen, Peter - when you were younger, you made your own choices and you went where you pleased.

3rd Sunday of Easter
April 19th, 2026

8:00 am ~ Early Contemporary Service
9:15 am ~ Sunday School / Small Groups
10:30 am ~ Traditional Service of Worship

Charlotte Gingrich - accompanist

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Gathering Music

Announcements and Lighting of the Candles

\*\* Our Call To Worship

Leader: Come, all you who love the Lord, and let  
your voices be heard in the great throne room  
of Almighty God !

**People: For Great and Mighty is God's power  
and God's majesty – He calls forth praise  
from His peoples.**

*Leader: Come, let us lift our eyes to the Heavens !*

**People: For where else does our help come  
from, except from the Lord God?**

*Leader: Come, let us unite our voices in the worship  
and praise of our God!*

**People: We lift up the name of the Lord, who is  
strong and mighty in battle; who draws to  
Himself all who are faithful, and who loves  
and protects His children.**

\*\* Opening Song of Praise

UMH 110

*“ A Mighty Fortress Is Our God ”*

## **\*\* Our Opening Prayer**

**ALL: Our Gracious Heavenly Father, we give thanks for the opportunity to gather once more in Your presence, and to be encouraged by Your Spirit. Help us to celebrate the love You have for us, and to be open to the truth of the Gospel. Renew our love this day - both for You, and for each other - and guide us as we seek to show that same love to all who might be ready to hear. We ask in Jesus Name, Amen.**

**\*\* Extend a Hand of Fellowship  
and Share the Easter Peace !**

## **LET US PROCLAIM THE TRUTH OF GOD'S WORD**

A Reading from the Scriptures *Doug Rubendall*

*" Mark 1: 21 - 28 "*

Praising God through Music *Grace Choir*

*" He Comes to Us with Love "*

Sharing of Joys and Prayer Concerns

The Morning Prayer

The Lords Prayer

**ALL: 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.**

We Receive Our Morning Offering

UMH 657

*" This Is the Day "*

Our Prayer of Thanksgiving

**ALL: O most merciful and gracious God, who continually calls us to share the love that we have been so abundantly blessed by, we ask that You receive and bless these gifts this day. Guide and direct us in their use, that we might effectively draw people to You. We ask in Jesus name. Amen.**

A Reading of the Holy Scriptures

" John 21: 1 - 19 "

The Morning Message

*David Miller*

*" Feeding the Sheep "*

### **WE GO OUT TO SERVE**

\*\*Hymn of Celebration

UMH 580

*" Lead On, O King Eternal "*

\*\*Benediction and Sending Forth

\*\*Indicates the congregation standing, if you are able.

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Today's Notes and Notices.....

Annual Spring Clean-up - will continue **TOMORROW evening**, beginning at **6pm**. Please consider joining in as we work at cleaning up the winter debris and sprucing up our church property. Mulching, weeding, trimming of bushes - there is something for every skill level. Hope to see you there!_

The Grace Administrative Council will meet on **Tuesday, April 21st** at 6:30 pm to review and approve the documents surrounding our proposed merger with Hebron UMC.

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more Notes and Notices.....

An Egg Project Appreciation Dinner - is being held on **Friday, May 1st**, beginning at 5:45pm. The meal is for anyone who helped in any way with this year's egg project - plus a guest. Please see the sign-up sheet in the entryway. Deadline to sign-up is **TODAY**

Spring Soup and Sandwich - will be held following the late worship service on Sunday, April 26th. Please see the sign-up sheet in the entryway.

Grace UMC Clothing Closet - will be held **THIS COMING SATURDAY,, April 25th**, from 10 - 3. All clothing is free. Help us to Spread the word!

Millersburg Cherry Blossom Festival - will be held on **Saturday, May 2nd on the square in Millersburg**. As part of our community outreach, Grace UMC will be hosting an information table, along with Hebron UMC. Please see the sign-up sheet in the entryway, or talk to Tracy Wertz if you would be willing to help at the table.

Tuesday Morning Bible Study - is in the beginning weeks of a study of the **Book of Revelation** at 10am in the Library. Bring your Bibles, and get in on unravelling the mystery!

Tuesday afternoon Bible study is on Hiatus for the next few weeks.

Upcoming Bus Trips led by Pam Mauser

Noah's Ark Encounter and the Creation Museum - May 4 - 7th, 2026

"JOSHUA" at Sight and Sound Theatre, Lancaster Tuesday, July 14th, 2026

- For information, or to reserve your seat, please call Pam at (717) 903-3590.

Prayer REQUESTS

THOSE LIFTED UP THIS PAST WEEK

- For John Haines - recovering from surgery
- For Charlotte Gingrich - challenges with pesky gall stone
- For Bob Lahr - continued recuperation from stroke
- For Susan Turnbaugh - remains at Hershey Med
- For Bruce Wolf - began chemo treatments
- For Sue Kissinger - ongoing chemo treatment
- For Cindy Shaffer - upcoming surgery
- For Nancy Kirkwood - beginning chemo this week
- For the Moyer family - at Mrs. Moyer's passing
- For Dawn Powers - hospitalized this week with infections and blood pressure issues
- For Ross' Aunt Dottie - both husband and brother died
- For Janet Eiswerth- Breast biopsy this week
- For Donna Beer's brother, Gary - kidney failure, moved to rehab
- For Brandi Greene family - loss of mother
- For Craig Teter- recovering from GI surgery
- AND so many more with ongoing challenges!!!

PLEASE KEEP PRAYING!!!

Our Attendance on April 12th

Early Worship ~ 39	Sunday School / Fellowship ~ 44
Late Worship ~ 39	Online Worship ~ 14

Our Giving for April 12th

General Fund ~ \$ 3,715	Designated Causes ~ \$ 940
Missions ~ \$ 150	Building Fund ~ \$ 10