

THE LORD'S PRAYER

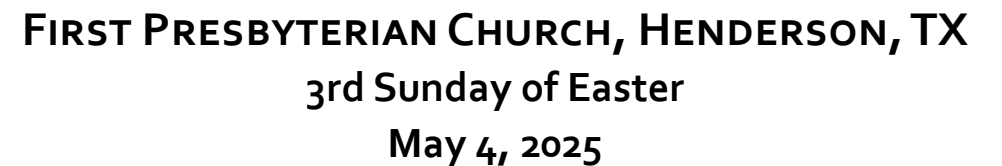
INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

Jack Brooks

—Sending—

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(*) Please rise in body or in spirit
Bold Italic Letters indicate congregational response

— *Gathering* —

PRELUDE

A Hymn of Glory Let Us Sing!

Jack Brooks

WELCOME

Liturgist: Liz Cross

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

O Lord our God, we praise you.

***We cried to you for help
and you answered us.***

You have restored our lives;

you have rescued us from the grave.

***HYMN #246**

Christ is Alive

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Lord God, in the light of your glory we see the evil we have done, the suffering we have caused, the good we have refused, and the truth we have denied.

Heal us of our sin, wash us in your mercy, and feed us with your grace.

So that we may follow your way and tell the good news of the gospel. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

God's favor is for a lifetime. Weeping may linger for the night, but joy comes with the morning. Friends, believe the good news of the gospel. In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

***GLORIA PATRI #581**

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;

as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, amen.

—Word—

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING

Psalm 23

Bible p. 475, LG p. 617

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL

John 10:1-10

Bible p. 97, Lg p. 126

The word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Enter the Sheepfold

Rev. Dr. Evan Dolive

—Response—

***HYMN # 187**

Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** (from The Confession of 1967)

The reconciling work of Jesus was the supreme crisis in the life of humankind. His cross and resurrection become personal crisis and present hope for people when the gospel is proclaimed and believed.

In this experience the Spirit brings God's forgiveness to people, moves them to respond in faith, repentance, and obedience, and initiates the new life in Christ.