WORSHIP RESOURCE
April 26, 2026 | Good Shepherd Sunday

COME, CHRISTIANS JOIN TO SING
Words by Christian H. Bateman, 1843
Traditional Spanish Melody / Arranged by David Hampton, 1998

Come, Christians join to sing, Alleluia! Amen. Loud praise to Christ our King, Alleluia! Amen. Let all with heart and voice, before his throne rejoice. Praise is his gracious choice, Alleluia! Amen.

Come, lift your hearts on high, Alleluia! Amen. Let praises fill the sky, Alleluia! Amen. He is our Guide and Friend. To us, he'll condescend. His love shall never end, Alleluia! Amen.

Praise yet our Christ again, Alleluia! Amen. Life shall not end the strain, Alleluia! Amen. On heaven's blissful shore, his goodness we'll adore. Singing forevermore, Alleluia! Amen.

HOLY FOREVER
Words and Music by Chris Tomlin, Phil Wickham, Brian Johnson, Jenn Johnson, and Jason Ingram, 2022

A thousand generations falling down in worship to sing the song of ages to the Lamb, and all who've gone before us and all who will believe will sing the song of ages to the Lamb.

Your name is the highest, Your name is the greatest,
Your name stands above them all. All thrones and dominions,
all powers and positions, Your name stands above them all.

And the angels cry, "Holy." All creation cries, "Holy."
You are lifted high, Holy, Holy forever.

If you've been forgiven and if you've been redeemed,
sing the song of ages to the Lamb. If you walk in freedom and if you bear His name, sing the song forever to the Lamb.
We'll sing the song forever and amen.

And the angels cry, "Holy." All creation cries, "Holy." You are lifted high, Holy, Holy forever. Hear Your people sing, "Holy," to the King of kings, "Holy." You will always be Holy, Holy forever.

PSALM 23 (SURELY GOODNESS, SURELEY MERCY)
Words and Music by Shane Barnard, 2015

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want. In green pastures he makes me lie down. He restores my soul and leads me on for his name,
for His great name.

Surely goodness, surely mercy, right beside me all my days.
And I will dwell in your house forever and bless your holy name.

You prepare a table right before me in the presence of my enemies.
Though the arrow flies and the terror of night is at my door,
I'll trust you Lord.

And even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil. And even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, you are on my side. (repeat)

BEFORE THE THRONE OF GOD ABOVE
Words by Charitie Lees Smith, 1863; alt. Vikki Cook
Music by Vikki Cook, 1997

Before the throne of God above I have a strong and perfect plea, a great High Priest whose name is "Love," who ever lives to plead for me. My name is written on his hands; my name is written on his heart; I know that while in heav'n he stands, no tongue can bid me thence depart; no tongue can bid me thence depart.

When Satan tempts me to despair, and tells me of the guilt within, upward I look and see him there who made an end to all my sin. Because the sinless Savior died, my sinful soul is counted free; for God the just is satisfied to look on him and pardon me; to look on him and pardon me.

Behold him there, the risen Lamb! My perfect, spotless Righteousness; the great unchangeable I Am, the King of glory and of grace! One with himself I cannot die; my soul is purchased by his blood; my life is hid with Christ on high, with Christ my Savior and my God; with Christ my Savior and my God.

DAILY READINGS | BOOK OF COMMON WORSHIP

SUNDAY | Ps. 136; Exodus 28:1-38; 1 John 2:18-29; Mark 6:30-44
MONDAY | Ps. 115; Exodus 32:1-20; Col. 3:18-4:18; Matthew 5:1-10
TUESDAY | Ps. 116; Exodus 32:21-34; 1 Thess. 1:1-10; Matt. 5:11-16
WEDNESDAY | Ps. 9; Ex. 33:1-23; 1 Thess. 2:1-12; Matthew 5:17-20
THURSDAY | Ps. 47; Ex. 34:1-17; 1 Thess. 2:13-20; Matthew 5:21-26
FRIDAY | Ps. 96; Exodus 34:18-35; 1 Thess. 3:1-13; Matthew 5:27-37
SATURDAY | Ps. 23; Ex. 40:18-38; 1 Thess. 4:1-12; Matthew 5:38-48

PRAYER OF RENEWAL

Lord Jesus, we praise you for you are the Good Shepherd who leads us beside still waters, and who restores our souls. Even when we walk through the darkest valley, you are there with us to protect and comfort us. We confess that we are not always mindful of your love and care, striving to face our circumstances in our own strength. Help us to follow you as you go before us, and to know your voice as you call us by name. By your grace, may we have life, and have it abundantly. In the name of Jesus we pray. Amen.

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