

# WESTBY UMC

April 21, 2024

*\* please stand in body or spirit*

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

\* GATHERING SONGS                      *Psalm 95 – Come, Worship the Lord*

**\* CALL TO WORSHIP**

L. Our Lord is the Good Shepherd. In his goodness he supplies our every need.

**P. The Lord is our Shepherd, and he takes perfect care of us.**

L. Our Lord is the Good Shepherd. He leads us into safety and gives us strength for the journey.

**P. The Lord is our Shepherd, who grants us rest and restores our souls.**

L. Our Lord is the Good Shepherd. He sought us out when we were lost, calling us by our names.

**P. The Lord is our Shepherd, and he has carried us home. Amen.**

**\* OPENING PRAYER**

**O Good Shepherd, You desire to guide all into safety, refreshment and peace. Meet us here today and fill us with your love, that we may look into your world with your loving knowledge, welcome our sisters and brothers with your joy and offer our lives with your generosity as members of your beloved community: in your name we pray, Amen.**

JOYS AND CONCERNS

COMMUNITY PRAYER

LORD'S PRAYER

**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**

HYMN OF INSPIRATION

*Gentle Shepherd*

SCRIPTURE READING

John 10:11-18

MESSAGE

*"Recognizing His Voice"*

OFFERING OUR GIFTS, LIVES AND SERVICE

*\*\* Please place your offering in the plate as you leave, or send your offering by mail, or drop it off in the church mailbox by the south doors. \*\**

\* DOXOLOGY

#95 UMH

*Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow*

\* OFFERING PRAYER

\* CLOSING HYMN

*God Be with You Till We Meet Again*

#672 UMH (v. 1, 2 & 4)

\* SENDING FORTH

**May God bless the world in which you move,  
and bless your home and bless your friends.  
May God bless the eyes with which you see,  
and bless the ears with which you listen.  
May God bless the way you use your hands,  
bless the way you employ your tongues.**

**As a bonus from the living God in Christ Jesus, grace mercy and peace will be yours, today and always. Amen!**

\* BENEDICTION RESPONSE

*He Lives*

#310 UMH (refrain)

\* POSTLUDE

Music: Jane Gaskell  
Pastor: Erika Martinez-Flores

## WELCOME TO ALL WORSHIPPING WITH US TODAY!

### Coming Events:

April 21 10:00 AM – Fellowship & Sunday School  
April 22 Newsletter Articles Due  
April 25 9:00 AM – Thursday Bible Study Group

### PRAYERS

*Pastor Erika and others participating in ICD, Sunday School children & parents, Norseland residents, our church family, Pastor Erika, unnamed concerns, our church in ministry.*

### Pastor Erika – Westby Office Hours

If you have something you'd like to discuss with Pastor Erika in person, she is available during these times: Sunday mornings before worship (8:30-8:50) and Thursday (10:00-1:00).

### Mission of the Month – Random Acts of Kindness

This month we are collecting donations for the Westby School District Random Acts of Kindness project. This project distributes the funds anonymously to families who have various emergency situations. Please make checks out to the church and put Westby School RAOK on the memo line or indicate Westby School RAOK on the envelope for cash donations. Thank you for helping to support this local project.

### Hygiene Bags for Bethel Butikk

Please continue to donate items for the Hygiene Bags for Bethel Butikk. Items needed are toothbrushes, toothpaste, shampoo & conditioner, hand soap, hand lotion, deodorant, razors, shaving cream, brushes & combs. They also need packages of feminine hygiene products.

### Senior Strength Training

This class is open to everyone, of all ages. This class meets on Tuesday and Thursday from 12:30-1:15 PM.

### Westby Senior Meal Site

The Westby Senior Meal Site is held at our church. Meals will be served Monday-Thursday, at 11:30 AM. Please call 608-637-5201 by 8:00 AM to reserve and order a meal for that day.

### Prayer Request Box

Please write your prayer request on the note card and put it in the box. Our Thursday Morning Prayer Group will then pray for these requests when they meet on the 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of the month.



## WESTBY United Methodist Church April 21, 2024



**9:00 AM Worship**  
**10:00 AM Sunday School & Fellowship after Worship**

**Westby United Methodist Church**  
**202 East State St., Westby, WI 54667**

*Our calling is to reach all people  
with the life-changing power of God's Love and Grace  
available to all through Jesus Christ, our Lord.*