

# Durham Mennonite Church

## May 3, 2020 Order of Worship

1. **Gathering** - 10:15 to 10:30
2. **Welcome and Call to Worship** - Marcia
3. **Music video** - All the way my savior leads me  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ekUELQCnQIM>
4. **Music video** - Where He Leads me I will follow  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=e9FqFC0WA-o>
5. **Prayer of Confession and Words of Assurance** - Marcia
6. **Scripture - Acts 2:42-47** Kevin
7. **Message** - Ryan Ahlgrim  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DViCwVFImI4>
8. **Response to sermon** - Kevin
9. **Sharing praise and prayer requests** - Marcia  
**The Lord's Prayer**
10. **Music video** - Wonderful words of life  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UopkSmx7hUo>
11. **Benediction** - Kevin

**Call to Worship (Psalm 23, John 10)**

Can you hear the voice of God?

**We can hear God calling us by name.**

Are you troubled or distressed?

**We come here to find a place to rest for a while.**

Come and find a guide who knows these lands.

**We come to praise our Shepherding God,  
whose pathways and doors lead to life.**

**Prayer of Confession (Psalm 23, John 10)**

Shepherding God,

be with us in our need.

Like sheep who have gone astray

we have not heeded your voice,

calling us to follow the right paths,

beckoning us to lie down and be restored;

we have acted as if our salvation lies

in busyness and control.

We do not want to be sheep

dependent on a shepherd for everything.

We want to do it alone

to maintain our independence.

Forgive us for rejecting your shepherding care  
and your love and guidance.

Forgive us for our need to do it by ourselves,  
to be separate from the flock.

Forgive us for doubting your presence  
in times of trouble.

Forgive us our despair  
in the face of seemingly unrelenting evil  
and death.

Lead us back to the path of life. Amen.

### **Words of Assurance (1 Peter 2, John 10)**

Jesus said, I have come that you may have life  
and have it abundantly.

In so confessing, we have returned to the shepherd,  
the guardian of our souls who welcomes us  
with open arms and a glad heart.

Know that the shepherd of our lives  
never abandons us, is always calling our name  
and unfailingly loves and forgives us.

Acts 2:42-47 (NIV)

## **The Fellowship of the Believers**

They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking  
of bread and to prayer. Everyone was filled with awe at the many wonders and signs

performed by the apostles. All the believers were together and had everything in common. They sold property and possessions to give to anyone who had need. Every day they continued to meet together in the temple courts. They broke bread in their homes and ate together with glad and sincere hearts, praising God and enjoying the favor of all the people. And the Lord added to their number daily those who were being saved.