

Hymn: *In the Garden*

I come to the garden alone,
while the dew is still on the roses,
and the voice I hear falling on my ear
the Son of God discloses.

[Chorus]

And He walks with me,
and He talks with me,
and He tells me I am his own.
And the joy we share as we tarry there
none other has ever known.

He speaks and the sound of His voice
is so sweet the birds hush their singing,
and the melody that He gave to me
within my heart is ringing.

[Chorus]

I'd stay in the garden with Him,
though the night around me be falling,
but He bids me go through the voice of woe,
His voice to me is calling.

[Chorus]

Sunday Worship Service Preview May 9, 2021

Rev. William S. Trump
Rhonda Kwiecien, Keyboard Musician
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Founded as an extension of the mission of the First Congregational Church of Wauwatosa, the
Congregational Home, creates and maintains a caring community for the elderly offering housing,
health care and quality of life services.

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Hymn: *The Gift of Love*

Though I may speak with bravest fire,
and have the gift to all inspire,
and have not love, my words are vain,
as sounding brass, and hopeless gain.

Though I may give all I possess,
and striving so my love profess,
but not be given by love within,
the profit soon turns strangely thin.

Come, Spirit, come, our hearts control,
our spirits long to be made whole.
let inward love guide every deed;
by this we worship, and are freed.



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Our Covenant

As followers of Jesus Christ,
we commit ourselves to share in the worship and service of God,
to grow in the knowledge and expression of our faith,
to reach out with compassion to those in need,
to treat each other with love and understanding,
and to return to God a portion of God's gifts.

SUNDAY WORSHIP ONLINE & IN-PERSON

May 2, 2021 ~ 10:00 am/ 5th Sunday of Easter

To access the service online
go to firstchurchtosa.org - home page.
Under **Worship** heading, click on **May 2nd Service**.

WELCOME

Rev. William S. Trump

THE PRELUDE

Coronation: Dance
Rhonda Kwiecien, Keyboard Musician

by David Schelat

THE CALL TO WORSHIP (Read responsively)

Leader: The essence of God's law is to love Him with heart, mind and soul,
People: And to love our neighbors as ourselves.
Leader: Let us express that love as we gather together in worship;
People: And go forth to spread the good news of Jesus Christ.

HYMN SOLO (See p. 4)

In the Garden
Jill Bruss, Mezzo-Soprano

GARDEN

PRAYER OF INVOCATION (To be read aloud together)

Eternal God, Heavenly Father, we gather this morning seeking to worship You. We come as we are, distracted by the concerns of our daily lives. Help us to be open to Your Word to us. Let it touch our souls and challenge our minds. Let there be simplicity in all that we think, say and do. We ask Your blessings on this time of praise and prayer and reflection, so that we may go forth filled with Your love. Hear us as we pray in Jesus' name . . .

THE LORD’S PRAYER (To be read aloud together)

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

INSTRUMENTAL RESPONSE

BAPTISM OF ANISTON KATE SHESKEY Parents: Kaitlin Lemke & Nathan Sheskey

CHILDREN'S STORY Tonia Wallner

Children age 3 through those entering 6th grade are invited to One Room Sunday School in the Library.

THE LESSON (See insert) 1 John 3:16-24

SPECIAL MUSIC Shepherd Me, O God by Marty Haugen
Jillian Bruss, Soloist

THE MESSAGE "Sermons in Shoes" Rev. Trump

SPECIAL MUSIC (See insert) O Thou, in Whose Presence by Freeman Lewis

PASTORAL PRAYER AND RESPONSE

DEDICATION OF GIFTS AND OFFERINGS

HYMN SOLO (See p. 4) The Gift of Love GIFT OF LOVE

INSTRUMENTAL BENEDICTION

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POSTLUDE Festival Alleluia by Dan Miller

This morning's Chancel Flowers are given by Helen Milne in loving memory of Bob Milne.

CARING CORNER

As of April 29, 2021

Born to Eternal Life

Thomas Winkel passed away at the Congregational Home on April 8, 2021. Services were held Saturday, April 17, at First Church.

Randy Goelzer recently passed away at home. Services were held Saturday, April 24, at First Church.

In Our Prayers

Gene Halvorson, who is now convalescing at home with son Joel and daughter-in-law Lorene.

Rev. Sa Do and all those at the Congregational Church of Myanmar. Their mission has been impacted by the continuing military violence against civilians in Myanmar.

Special Music: *Shepherd Me, O God*
Text: Marty Haugen, based on Psalm 23

Shepherd me, O God, beyond my wants,
beyond my fears, from death into life.

God is my shepherd, so nothing shall I want,
I rest in the meadows of faithfulness and love.
I walk by the quiet waters of peace.
Shepherd me, O God.

Gently you raise me and heal my weary soul.
You lead me by pathways of righteousness and
truth.
My spirit shall sing the music of your name.
Shepherd me, O God.

Though I should wander the valley of death, I
fear no evil, for you are at my side.
Your rod and your staff, my comfort and my
hope.
Shepherd me, O God.
You have set me a banquet of love in the face
of hatred,
crowning me with love beyond my pow'r to
hold.
Shepherd me, O God.

Surely your kindness and mercy follow me all
the days of my life.
I will dwell in the house of my God
forevermore.
Shepherd me, O God.

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Special Music: *O Thou, in Whose Presence*
Text: Joseph Swain

O Thou, in Whose presence my soul takes
delight,
On Whom in affliction I call,
My comfort by day, and my song in the night
My hope, my salvation, my all.

He looks, and ten thousands of angels rejoice
And myriads wait for His word;
He speaks and eternity, filled with His voice
Re-echoes the praise of the Lord.

Dear Shepherd, I hear and will follow
Thy call,
I know the sweet sound of Thy voice.
Restore and defend me, for Thou art my all
And in Thee I will ever rejoice.

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Lesson: 1 John 3:16-24

This is how we know what love is: Jesus
Christ laid down his life for us. And we
ought to lay down our lives for our broth-
ers and sisters. If anyone has material pos-
sessions and sees a brother or sister in need
but has no pity on them, how can the love
of God be in that person? Dear children, let
us not love with words or speech but with
actions and in truth.

This is how we know that we belong to the
truth and how we set our hearts at rest in
his presence: If our hearts condemn us, we
know that God is greater than our hearts,
and he knows everything. Dear friends, if
our hearts do not condemn us, we have con-
fidence before God and receive from him
anything we ask, because we keep his com-
mands and do what pleases him. And this is
his command: to believe in the name of his
Son, Jesus Christ, and to love one another as
he commanded us. The one who keeps God's
commands lives in him, and he in them. And
this is how we know that he lives in us: We
know it by the Spirit he gave us.

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