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+ GREETING from Psalm 24 Creation Care
Congregation reads **bold**

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the world, and all who live in it;
for God founded it on the seas,
established it on the waters.

Lift up your heads, you gates;
be lifted up, you ancient doors,
that the King of glory may come in.
Who is this King of glory?

The Lord strong and mighty, mighty in battle.
Who this King of glory?
The Lord Almighty – God is the King of glory.

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May we be your kindness and truth!
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God is alive! Alleluia!

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION Creation Care

**Creator of All that is, open to us your Word, just as the
flowers are opening, the trees are budding and the
grass is greening. AMEN.**

+ SCRIPTURE LESSON John 10:11-18

SUNG RESPONSE

"Alleluia, Alleluia" UMH #162
Alleluia, alleluia! Give thanks to the risen Lord. Alleluia, alleluia!
Give praise to his name. Jesus is Lord of all the earth. He is the
King of creation. Alleluia, alleluia! Give thanks to the risen Lord.
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PSALTER Psalm 23

UMH# 754

MESSAGE Rev. Veranita Alvord
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"All Creation Sings" by K. Getty

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PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, which 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.

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GREETERS Don & Camille Zeigler
LITURIGIST Creation Care
USHER Dick Purselle
AUDIO Tom Shetler

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to forgive those who are burdened by guilt, to heal
those who are broken and sick, to share with those who
have little or nothing.**

*To take the time to really know one another and
love as you have loved us.*

Good Shepherd, Teach us to follow you,
**to spread compassion to those who are far away, to
speak for those who are voiceless, to defend those who
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who are exploited, to make peace for those
who suffer violence, to take the time to recognize
our connectedness, and to love as you have loved us.**

Good Shepherd, teach us to follow you,
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ANTHEM Chancel Choir
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Greeters	Larry & Jill Chapman
Crucifer	Parker Laughridge
Acolytes	Avery Winchester (Bible), Jane Futrelle (Candle)
Liturgist	Creation Care
Ushers	Rick McGaha, Dianne Krause
Audio Visual	Don Myracle & Steve Kiser
Ark Room	Julie Barnette & Nancy Watts

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