



# Confirmation



May 7, 2017

*Benjamin Thomas Burlage – Deuteronomy 31:6*

*Matthew Kenneth Burlage – 2 Samuel 22:31*

*Josephine Renée Duchow – Deuteronomy 31:6*

*Tyler Phillip Flood – Proverbs 3:5*

*Jakob Roger Gilleran – 1 Samuel 12:22*

*Maxwell Lee Johnson – Isaiah 41:10*

*Genevieve Kinsman – 1 Samuel 12:24*

*Colin Edward Leonhardt – Psalm 25:5*

*Makenna Elizabeth Paar – Philippians 4:13*

*Dylan N. Ratzow – Isaiah 40:29-31*

*Cameron A. Rozek – Mark 13:37*

*Hannah Showen – 1 Timothy 4:12*

*Noah Benjamin Thiel – Psalm 25:5*

*Warren Leo Thurow – Proverbs 11:21*

*Kathryn Rose Watterson – 1 John 4:19*

*Kody James Watterson – Psalm 31:14*

*Molly Rose Wilke – Ephesians 5:8*

*Leann Monika Wolf – 1 Corinthians 15:10*

# “You’re Sew Special!”

## Mother ~ Daughter ~ Friend Banquet



Tuesday, May 16, 2017

Oconomowoc Golf Club



Adults: \$20.00

Children: \$10 (3-11 yrs)

Menu: Pork Tenderloin

Menu: Chicken Tenders

Twice-Baked Potato

Mac ‘n Cheese

California Blend Veggies

Fruit

Salad, Rolls & Dessert

Ice Cream

Coffee & Milk

Milk

Fellowship

6:00 pm

Dinner

7:00 pm

Entertainment to follow dinner!

Get your Mother-Daughter-Friend Banquet tickets from the church office (262.567.5001) or one of our officers: Judy Braatz (262.567.7787), Mary Lou Pagenkopf (262.567.7905), Sue Lindemann (262.567.8985) or Sharon Peterson (262.490.8671) no later than *Tuesday, May 9<sup>th</sup>*.

Bring a bag of Hard Candy for



Preferred flavors:

Root Beer

Peppermint

Lemon

Ginger

# I Just Wanna Have a Shepherd

by Rev. Lance Armstrong O'Donnell, Senior Pastor  
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Oconomowoc, Wisconsin

The 4th Sunday of Easter  
7 May, A.D. 2017  
Ps 23; 1 Pt 2:19-25; Jn 10:1-10

## Introduction

I just wanna be a sheep  
Baa, baa, baa-baa  
I just wanna be a sheep  
Baa, baa, baa-baa  
I pray the Lord my soul to keep  
I just wanna be a sheep

CCT: The crucified and risen Lord, \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_, is our Good Shepherd.

## I. Real Sheep of Lake Country, Wisconsin

### A. Real Sheep

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|-----------------|---------------------|
| 1. Dependent    | 6. Follow the crowd |
| 2. Demanding    | 7. Absent-minded    |
| 3. Stubborn     | 8. Defenseless      |
| 4. Restless     | 9. Vulnerable       |
| 5. Scare easily |                     |

Sheep require, more than any other class of livestock, endless attention and meticulous care. (Keller, *A Shepherd Looks at Psalm 23*, p.21)

10. Require Meticulous \_\_\_\_\_.

[King David, the writer of Psalm 23] knew from firsthand experience that the lot in life of any particular sheep depended on the type of man who owned it. Some were gentle, kind, intelligent, brave, and selfless in their devotion to their stock. Under one man sheep would struggle, starve, and suffer endless hardship. In another's care they would flourish and thrive contentedly." (Keller, 17)

## **B. We All Like Sheep**

1 Peter 2:25 (ESV)

<sup>25</sup> For you were straying like sheep, but have now returned to the Shepherd and Overseer of your souls.

### **1. "You all (pl) were, like sheep, led astray."**

a. "You all"

b. "led astray" is \_\_\_\_\_. The devil, the world, and our sinful nature do not want us to hallow God's Name or let His kingdom come.

We are born:

Psalm 51:5 (ESV)

<sup>5</sup> Behold, I was brought forth in iniquity, and in sin did my mother conceive me.

Ephesians 2:1 (ESV)

<sup>1</sup> And you were dead in the trespasses and sins

### **2. "but now you are returned"**

It's passive. It's, "BUT NOW YOU ARE \_\_\_\_\_." Someone is doing this \_\_\_\_\_ you.

John 1:12–13 (NIV84)

<sup>12</sup> Yet to all who received him, to those who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God— <sup>13</sup> children born not of natural descent, nor of human decision or a husband's will, but born of God.

Ephesians 2:8–9 (ESV)

<sup>8</sup> For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, <sup>9</sup> not a result of works, so that no one may boast.

### **3. “Upon the Shepherd”**

“You all were, like sheep, led astray, but now are returned” ... “TO the Shepherd and Overseer of your souls.”

Greek preposition (*eis*) clearly means “\_\_\_\_/into.” That’s NOT the preposition used in 1 Pet 2.25. The preposition in 1 Pet 2.25 is *epi*, which means more literally “\_\_\_\_\_.”

“You all were, like sheep, led astray, but now are returned UPON the Shepherd and Overseer of your souls”

What does this image make clear?

## **II. The Door, the Life, The Word**

### **A. Jesus the Door**

John 10:7 (ESV)

\_\_\_\_\_ is the door by which we enter God’s Kingdom

## **B. Jesus the LIFE**

John 10:11 (ESV)

<sup>11</sup> I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep.

Jesus is \_\_\_\_\_ in Himself. He gives His eternal life for us that we may share in it.

## **C. Jesus the Word**

John 10:27 (ESV)

<sup>27</sup> My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me.

His is the voice--the only voice--that is truly \_\_\_\_\_ for salvation and life.

## **III. Real Life: The Importance of Listening to the Shepherd**

The importance of knowing Christ's voice, a very present story...

## **Conclusion**

John 10:27 (ESV)

And so we can sing "I just wanna be a sheep." But, perhaps better yet? "I just wanna have a \_\_\_\_\_."

The Good News? You do.

## Are you thinking Spring planting?

### St. Paul's & Ebert's Greenhouse can help!

Ebert's Greenhouse Village and St. Paul's PTL have partnered for this year's Spring Fundraiser. Shop Ebert's Greenhouse Village on **Wed/Thurs, May 10<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup>** and **Wed/Thurs, May 24<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup>, 2017**

Ebert's will donate **10%** of your purchase to St. Paul's Lutheran School.

**Thank you** families of St. Paul's School and to all church members who support the school ministry.

Your support is very important!

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If you have any questions, please contact Julie Orner at 262.965.5406

Restrictions: Voucher must be present at time of purchase in order for St. Paul's to receive donation.

Offer valid only 5/10-11/17 and 5/24-25/17. Offer cannot be combined with other offers.

Offer is not good on sale items. Offer does not include sales tax. Other restrictions may apply.

Office Use Only: Sale Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Purchase Amt: \_\_\_\_\_ Cashier's Initials: \_\_\_\_\_

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## Operating Statement Summary

as of April 2017

Detailed financials are available at the office

<u>Church</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>
Income	\$797,900	\$797,833
Expense	\$582,286	\$577,787
Net Income	\$215,614	\$220,046
<u>School</u>		
Income	\$697,909	\$716,583
Expense	\$934,513	\$935,103
Net Income	(\$236,604)	(\$218,520)
<u>Total</u>		
Income	\$1,495,809	\$1,514,416
Expense	\$1,516,799	\$1,512,890
Net Income	(\$20,990)	\$1,526

\*\*\*We currently anticipate a budget shortfall of \$40,000-70,000 by the end of the fiscal year (June 30, 2017) as a result of lower-than-anticipated offerings and higher-than-budgeted financial aid assistance for students. God has blessed us with some unanticipated income; some members increased their donation to the school's scholarship fund, and we received a sizable premium refund from our health care provider. Please know, your Church Leadership Team is vigilant to practice God's standards of good stewardship of His gifts.