



“The Lord Is My Shepherd”

1 Peter 5:1-4

SERMON NOTES



KNOWING GOD

a) Read **1 Peter 5:1-4**. Why do you think Peter calls Jesus the “Chief Shepherd” in verse 4?

b) Why must elders remind themselves that the people they lead are “God’s flock” (vs. 2)?

c) Read **Psalm 23**. Make a list of all the truths about God you learn from this beloved passage of Scripture.

d) What does it mean to you personally that Jesus is your Shepherd?



GROWING TOGETHER

a) Use a concordance to find other verses in the Bible that refer to God as our Shepherd or to God's people as sheep. Write down the references:

b) Why do you think the Bible so frequently compares God's people to sheep?

c) Read **Hebrews 13:17**. What can you as a sheep do to make your elders' work a joy rather than a burden?

d) Read **Acts 20:17-31**. What important work does the Apostle Paul remind the elders of Ephesus to do? How are Paul's words relevant to the elders of UPC?



SERVING OTHERS

a) If you are not an elder, in what ways can you apply Peter's instructions in **1 Peter 5:1-4**?

b) The ruling elders currently serving on the Session of UPC, along with their wives, are:

- Ken & Susan Enlow
- Hani & Lilian Faragalla
- Vic & Cathy Godlewski
- Brad & Lynn Jankowski
- Gary & Alice Fredricks
- Tim & Susan Maguire

How could you serve these men and women who give much of their time to shepherd you?

MEMORY VERSE OF THE WEEK

[Jesus said,] "I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep." - John 10:11