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# Fourth Sunday in Lent Everything [in] Between: Lost & Found

March 30, 2025 10:30am MT

#### **Order of Worship**

Welcome Rev. Dr. Dawn Rosignol

Prelude Jesus, Priceless Treasure Paulette McClellan

by Flor Peeters

\*Call to Worship (Left = lectern/east side; Right = pulpit/west side) Charlotte Hoppe

One: Our God is a shepherding God.

Left: Our God knows us by name.

Right: Our God will never stop searching for us.

One: So, if you feel lost,

Left: may we trust that God is seeking us.

One: If you feel found,

Right: may we trust that God will never leave.

One: This is the promise we read in scripture. This is the promise of God's love.

All: Let us worship our ever-present God.

\*Opening Hymn We Gather Together 276 (vv 1, 2)

\*Opening Prayer Charlotte Shepherding God. You look for us. You search for us. You turn every corner and climb every

Shepherding God. You look for us. You search for us. You turn every corner and climb every mountain. You call our name until your voice is hoarse. When we lose our way, you never stop seeking after us. May you find us in this moment. Look for us. And then surround us with your presence, so that we might feel you near. With hope we pray, with hope we listen. Amen.

Candle Lighting Litany & Prayer

Charlotte Hoppe's Care Group

Charlotte

I hope for your salvation, O Lord, and I fulfill your commandments. My soul keeps your decrees; I love them exceedingly. I keep your precepts and decrees, for all my ways are before you. Let my cry come before you, O Lord; give me understanding according to your word. Let my supplication come before you; deliver me according to your promise. My lips will pour forth praise, because you teach me your statutes. My tongue will sing of your promise, for all your commandments are right. Let your hand be ready to help me, for I have chosen your precepts. I long for your salvation, O Lord, and your law is my delight. Let me live that I may praise you, and let your ordinances help me. I have gone astray like a lost sheep; seek out your servant, for I do not forget your commandments.

One: A word from God for the people of God. Many: Thanks be to God.

Special Music

Joy in the Morning arr. by Martha Lynn Thompson

Vista Bells

(Please share your prayer concerns & joys with Rev. Dawn at <a href="mailto:revdawn@montevista.org">revdawn@montevista.org</a>.)

Sharing of Joys & Concerns

Rev. Dawn

Pastoral Prayer & Lord's Prayer (in unison)

Blessed One, our Father and our Mother. Holy is your name. May your love be embodied in the world. May your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread and forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Protect us in the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For all that we do in your love, and all that your love brings to birth, and the fullness of love that will be, are yours, now and forever. Amen.

Special Music

Abide with Me arr. by Jack Schrader

Vista Voices

Sermon Text Luke 15:1-7 Rev. Dawn

Now all the tax collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to Jesus. And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and saying, "This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them." So Jesus told them this parable: "Which one of you, having a hundred sheep and losing one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness and go after the one that is lost until he finds it? When he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders and rejoices. And when he comes home, he calls together his friends and neighbors, saying to them, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep that was lost.' Just so, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who need no repentance.

One: A word from God for the people of God. Many: Thanks be to God.

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\*Preparation for Confession Breathe, Listen, and Notice (vv 3, 4)
(Vista Bells ringing the "echo")

\*Call to Confession Rev. Dawn

\*Prayer of Confession (in unison)

God, if you are a painter, let us be the brush.

God, if you are a musician, let us be the song.

God, if you are an architect, let us be the tools.

Let us be the hands. Let us be the builders.

God, you are a shepherd, who never stops seeking.

May we be willing to be found, no matter how lost we feel.

God, you are never far away. Forgive us for forgetting this good news. Amen.

\*Words of Assurance Rev. Dawn

Sharing in Communion and Stewardship

Invitation to the Table Eli Gaspar-Lopez

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\*Communion Hymn Lost and Found

Words of Institution Rev. Dawn
Prayers for the Elements Eli

**Receiving Communion** 

Prayer of Thanksgiving Rev. Dawn

Invitation to the Community of MVCC Rev. Dawn

\*Closing Hymn Lord, Speak to Me That I May Speak

\*Announcements Rev. Dawn

\*Benediction Rev. Dawn

Postlude Wondrous Love: IV. Ritornello Paulette
by John Eggert

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Charlotte Hoppe, Worship Leader Paulette McClellan, Organist/Pianist Wally Miller, Sound Rev. Dr. Dawn Rosignol, Senior Minister, Preaching & Presiding



WORDS: Nederlandtsche Gedenckclanck, 1626; tr. Theodore Baker, 1894;

adapt. Ruth Duck, 1981

MUSIC: Dutch melody (16th century); arr. Edward Kremser, 1877

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#### Breathe, Listen, and Notice

A Sanctified Art, Lent 2025 for my mentor and friend, Donald Schell

Words and Music by Paul Vasile





### Lost and Found

**BEACH SPRING 8.7.8.7 D** 

Music by B.F. White, 1844 Words by Anna Strickland, 2024 friends lings sur - roun flock way quiet ly starts to brigh ten as The ho ri zon - mi liar voice cries out der down the quar ry As wan with my shep herd de - fend groun ded Safe at take ı step spi - rit ligh ten with each cau tious feel my can has tracked me down reck - less love shep - herd search-ing for me; at night feel - ing shine late long - ing as the ach ing, ex - cite - ment blends with fear paths un - fold - ing as Un fa mil iar all long fol - lowed left place of re - fuge, he has Though I my ľm not quite right ing and I know Draws me in. my dreams re - veal All en - folds me like the flock hold dear а tion now find my - self where be - long But had lose my - self to to

## 722 Lord, Speak to Me That I May Speak



Two great truths inform this text: first, that the testimony of experience is powerful and persuasive; and second, that no one should venture to minister on one's own strength rather than God's. The tune reflects a 19th-century practice of adapting piano pieces as hymn tunes.