



Flock of sheep made by François-Xavier Lalanne

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WELCOME TO THIS WEEK'S AT HOME WORSHIP EXPERIENCE. PLEASE FOLLOW THE INSTRUCTIONS IN THIS GUIDE AND UTILIZE THE AUDIO LINKS SENT TO YOU IN THE ACCOMPANYING EMAIL TO ASSIST IN YOUR WORSHIP EXPERIENCE. PLEASE PROVIDE US WITH FEEDBACK IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS OR CONCERNS. YOU CAN REACH US AT [PASTOR@LAJOLLAUCC.ORG](mailto:pastor@lajollaucc.org).

PLEASE FIND A COMFORTABLE AND COMFORTING PLACE IN YOUR HOME OR SOMEWHERE ELSE YOU FEEL SAFE. GET COMFORTABLE, POUR YOURSELF A GLASS OF SOMETHING SOOTHING AND ENJOY.....

WE PREPARE OUR HEARTS AND MINDS FOR WORSHIP

ENJOY NINA'S SOLO BY CLICKING ON AUDIO FILE 1 IN THE EMAIL. DURING THIS TIME LEAVE YOUR FEARS, DOUBTS, AND UNCERTAINTIES OUTSIDE THE ROOM AND BE COMPLETELY PRESENT WITH YOURSELF. BREATHE INTENTIONALLY AND FOCUS ON EACH INHALE AND EXHALE



INTERNET FIELD TRIP!

1- This is an article about the unique sheep sculpture creations featured throughout this PDF. They are a mainstay of interior design:

<https://www.architecturaldigest.com/story/francois-xavier-lalanne-sheep-sculptures>

2. This very short video shows the home where Claude and François-Xavier Lalanne lived and worked in France. It is short but meditative. Take a look at the spaces, the objects, the lighting and explore what feelings it brings forth in you.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=aIjbqjc3GxM>

THIS WEEK'S SCRIPTURE LESSON

You can listen to Rev. Tim read this passage by clicking on the file marked "Scripture Reading" in the email.

John 10:11-18

"I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. The hired hand, who is not the shepherd and does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and runs away--and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. The hired hand runs away because a hired hand does not care for the sheep. I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father. And I lay down my life for the sheep.

I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd. For this reason the Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again. No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it up again. I have received this command from my Father."

CENTERING OUR HEARTS AND MINDS WITH MUSIC

ENJOY BRONWYN'S VOCAL SOLO BY CLICKING ON THE AUDIO FILE
TITLED "VOCAL MUSIC" IN THE ACCOMPANYING EMAIL



THIS WEEK'S MESSAGE TO LIVE BY

To listen to Rev. Tim's message my clicking on
the following link: [https://
www.youtube.com/watch?
v=WEZt9DMzBxI](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WEZt9DMzBxI)



THE WORK OF THE CHURCH CONTINUES....

YES, EVEN THOUGH WE AREN'T TOGETHER THE WORK OF THE CHURCH CONTINUES. WE MIGHT NOT BE PASSING A LITERAL OFFERING PLATE BUT WE ARE PASSING A VIRTUAL ONE. YOUR GIFTS AND TITHES ARE WHAT HAVE ALLOWED THIS CHURCH TO SEE THREE DIFFERENT CENTURIES. PLEASE CONSIDER PROVIDING YOUR OFFERING THROUGH THE FOLLOWING LINK:

https://www.paypal.com/cgi-bin/webscr?cmd=_s-xclick&hosted_button_id=MHKJLYNRGPDUS&source=url



WE PREPARE TO GO OUT INTO AN *UNCERTAIN* WORLD

PLEASE CLICK ON THE FILE MARKED "AUDIO FILE 2" IN THE
EMAIL.



MAY THE GRACE OF
GOD WHICH IS BEYOND
OUR UNDERSTANDING,
THE LOVE OF JESUS
CHRIST WHICH IS
BEYOND OUR
DESERVING, AND THE
POWER
OF THE HOLY SPIRIT BE
WITH EACH OF YOU
BOTH NOW
AND FOREVERMORE.

AMEN



AMEN

NO MATTER WHO YOU ARE OR WHERE YOU
ARE ON LIFE'S JOURNEY, YOU ARE WELCOME
HERE.

PERFORMANCE NOTES

Nina Gilbert, music director and pianist
Bronwyn Allen-Kaesler, office manager and soprano

Both selections this week are Romantic, sentimental pieces by cross-cultural composers. Gottschalk's parents were a French Créole mother and a Jewish businessman father; he grew up in New Orleans, and studied and performed in Europe and South America. Carreño was Venezuelan; her family emigrated to the U.S. when she was a young girl. Carreño's studies included piano lessons with Gottschalk at the age of 8. She played for Abraham Lincoln at the age of 9, and grew up to be both an opera singer and an international touring virtuoso pianist to whom Amy Beach and Edward MacDowell (her student) dedicated works.

Louis Moreau Gottschalk (1829-1869), *O ma charmante, épargnez-moi!* ("O my charmer, spare me!")

In the style of a dance from the Spanish Antilles

Teresa Carreño (1853-1917), "Venice," from *Two Italian Sketches*, Op. 33

Dedicated to Marie-Thérèse Gravier, wife of Napoleon's prime minister



Chrissy Teigen riding Kris Jenner's Lalanne sheep at a holiday party. As captured by Kim Kardashian's snapchat.