



CHRISTIAN EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

PSALM 23 CHALLENGE #2: Your Psalm, Your Words



Take the Psalm 23 challenge from now until the Pandemic is declared to be over.

Psalm 23 is one of the scriptures of the lectionary for Sunday, April 25, 2021. (The lectionary is a calendar of scriptures used for worship and study by many churches.) This psalm is perhaps the best known, most loved, most often quoted, recited, and requested of the psalms as well as passages of the bible. Whether one attends church service and church school every Sunday or has rarely ever participated in either, chances are strong that there is familiarity with this beautiful passage of comfort and assurance.

Rewrite Psalm 23 in your own words and/or draw your image of it. Post your image or version or video yourself reading/reciting your version on social media or send via email (You can post it on the Facebook page of the AME Church Department of Christian Education or emailed to cedoffice@ameced.com). Share it widely. Let's flood our networks with these familiar words that have brought and can bring comfort and assurance to many. #Psalm23Challenge #IamAME #AMECED #FamiliarAssurance #MyShepherd

Here is an example:

My Father's baby boy is my leader, and I am good with that.
He gives me time out in calm space. He's along the shores of the ocean in the middle of the night, and he keeps me on an even plain.
Even though it gets rough and the territory can be hostile, I don't have to worry because He is right there. He's given me His tools for my walk. He sets a table for me that the haters can see. He covers my head with His oil. The cup with my name on it runs over.
Surely – not maybe, not hopefully, not possibly, not wishing to be – but SURELY His goodness and mercy are always with me, and I am so glad to live in His house – not at the beach, or in a mansion, or on a cul de sac, or behind gates – but His house, and I'm going to live there every day of my life!

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