

## **Scriptures: July 16, 2023**

### **Psalms 23 NRSV**

- 1** The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.
- 2** He makes me lie down in green pastures;  
he leads me beside still waters;
- 3** he restores my soul.  
He leads me in right paths  
for his name's sake.
- 4** Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I fear no evil,  
for you are with me;  
your rod and your staff, they comfort me.
- 5** You prepare a table before me  
in the presence of my enemies;  
you anoint my head with oil;  
my cup overflows.
- 6** Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life,  
and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord my whole life long.

### **Gospel**

#### **John 14:9-17**

Jesus said to him, 'Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, "Show us the Father"? Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works.

Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves. Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it.

If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you for ever. This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you.