

Sermon Series:

Authentic Community

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02 Feb	We All Like Sheep	Isaiah 53:6 Matthew 9:9-13	Rev Chia CN
09 Feb	Culture of Honour	Romans 12:3-10	Rev Chan SC
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23 Feb	Our Father	Psalm 103	Mr Joseph Chean
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We All Like Sheep

Isaiah 53:6, Matthew 9:9-13

We all, like sheep, have gone astray, each of us has turned to his own way; and the LORD has laid on him the iniquity of us all.

Isaiah 53:6

As Jesus went on from there, he saw a man named Matthew sitting at the tax collector's booth. "Follow me," he told him, and Matthew got up and followed him.

While Jesus was having dinner at Matthew's house, many tax collectors and sinners came and ate with him and his disciples. When the Pharisees saw this, they asked his disciples, "Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?"

On hearing this, Jesus said, "It is not the healthy who need a doctor, but the sick. But go and learn what this means: 'I desire mercy, not sacrifice.' **For I have not come to call the righteous, but sinners.**"

Matthew 9:9-13

Prayer of Invocation

Almighty God, whose word is authority and power and whose way is love, grant unto us today clear minds, understanding hearts, and willing spirits so that we may wisely appropriate your word of truth. In the name of Christ. Amen.

**WHO
ARE WE?**

1932 – 2014: Pentecost M.C.

*We are a local branch or community
of the worldwide family of God*

*Putting our faith in Jesus involves not
just believing in Him but also
belonging to a local community of God*

家家有本难念的经

Every family has a (sad or unpleasant) story

To dwell above with saints we love,
That will be grace and glory.
But to live below with saints we know;
Now, that's another story!

WE ALL LIKE SHEEP

A sheep is a stupid animal. It loses its direction continually in a way that a cat or dog never does. And even when you find a lost sheep, the sheep rushes to and fro and will not follow you home.

So when you find it, you must seize it, throw it to the ground, tie its fore and hind legs together, throw it over your shoulder and carry it home. That's the only way to save a lost sheep.

God, The Shepherd

He tends his flock like a shepherd. He gathers the lambs in his arms and carries them close to his heart; he gently leads those that have young. Isaiah 40:11

I have other sheep that are not of this sheep pen. I must bring them also. They too will listen to my voice and they shall be one flock and one shepherd. John 10:16

WE ALL LIKE SHEEP

1. Dumb and foolish
2. Need to be rescued constantly

We Are All Sinners!

I tell you that this man, rather than the other, went home justified before God. For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled and he who humbles himself will be exalted.

Luke 18:14

Jesus eats with sinners

**I have not come to call the
righteous, but sinners.**

There is no one righteous, not even one; there is no one who understands, no one who seeks God. All have turned away, they have together become worthless; there is no one who does good, not even one. Romans 3:10-13