

**St Benedict Biscop Church**

**Messy Church and Sunday Club at home**

**Week beginning 25<sup>th</sup> July 2021**



**Praise – Love the Lord**

<https://youtu.be/vdMlxCdIY-c>

**This week's reading is taken from – Mark 6:30-34** Note: A sheepfold is a pen or a shelter for sheep. A strong fenced enclosure for protection. As he stepped ashore he saw a large crowd; and he took pity on them because they were like sheep without a shepherd, and he set himself to teach them at some length. Jesus knows that we humans are like sheep. In order to teach the crowd Jesus thought like a shepherd. Good Shepherds need to consider three things. Firstly good shepherds love their sheep. Secondly good shepherds protect their sheep and thirdly good shepherds feed their sheep. Sheep are not the brightest of God's creatures in fact they are quite dumb, directionless and defenceless. First these dumb creatures aimlessly follow each other regardless of danger. Secondly they are directionless; they wander off in different directions. Thirdly they are defenceless. They cannot last very long on their own. They need a good shepherd to guide them. They need a voice they recognise, the shepherd's. Only then will the sheep trust the shepherd and confidently follow him. On the day Jesus saw the large crowd following him he could not ignore them or ask them to go away. He cared about them and told the disciples how to look after them. Jesus, the good shepherd, is there for us. He loves us and cares for us. He protects us and he feeds us spiritually and provides our daily bread. We are his sheep. Sometimes we wander off from God's pathway and Jesus is there to bring us back into the fold because he loves us and cares for us.

**This is a link for the story on You tube if you would like to use it:**

<https://youtu.be/Te9ormoRK18>

**Praise – The Baa Baa Song He's the Good Shepherd - Dance Steps for Kids**

<https://youtu.be/KuBEv334q3c>

### **An activity- Sheep craft**



**Please follow this link to make this craft:**

<https://www.google.com/url?sa=i&url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.redtedart.com%2F30-cute-lamb-crafts%2F&psig=AOVaw077yzIR7SG8kPSItYAvcf5&ust=1626268131375000&source=images&cd=vfe&ved=0CAcQjRxqFwoTCMiOqKOR4PECFQAAAAAdAAAAABAJ>

### **Colouring sheet and crossword**

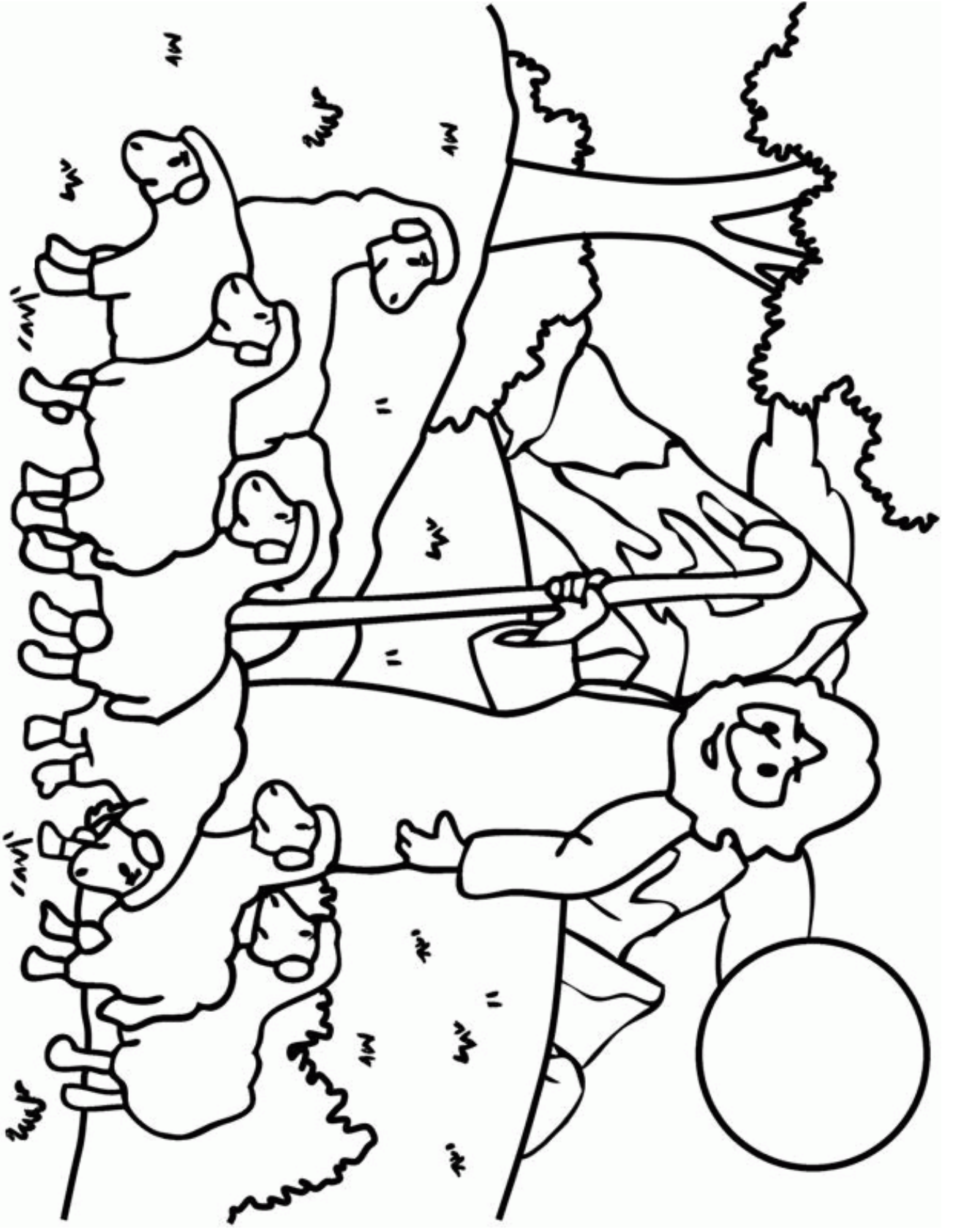
I attach a colouring sheet and a crossword for you to enjoy.

### **Prayer**

Jesus, the Good Shepherd, feed us and protect us with your loving care. Help us to put our trust in you now and always. Amen

**Praise – What a mighty God we serve**

<https://youtu.be/lijsESdEnZg>

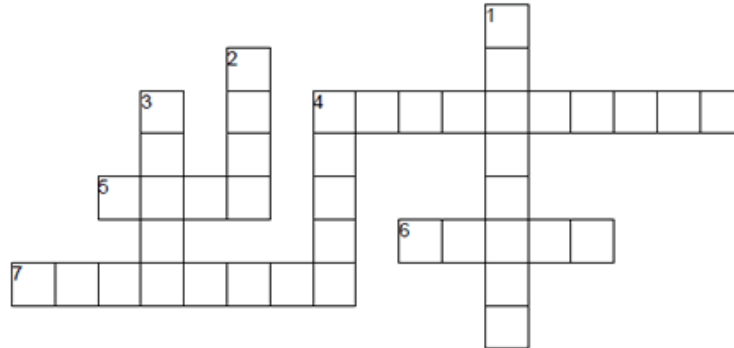


# Sheep without a Shepherd

When Jesus landed and saw a large crowd, he had compassion on them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd. So he began teaching them many things. Mark 6:34 (NIV)



Complete the activity below.



## ACROSS

4. To understand the suffering of others and want to do something about it
5. To take a break from activity
6. Free from noise or activity
7. A person who takes care of sheep

## DOWN

1. Giving knowledge and skills to others
2. A small vessel for travel on water
3. A small, usually white, wooly animal
4. A large group of people

SHEPHERD	COMPASSION	QUIET	BOAT
SHEEP	TEACHING	CROWD	REST