

THE GOOD SHEPHERD



Stained Glass Window 5453:
Jesus Leads His Flock

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Jesus Christ is known by many names, including the *Messiah*, the *Light of the World*, and the *King of the Jews*. In the Bible, *Jesus also compares Himself to a shepherd*. The notion that the Savior watches over the faithful as a shepherd would his innocent and humble sheep has inspired some of the most glorious works of *Christian stained glass* of our time. Pictorial stained glass windows showing Jesus in His self-described role as the *Good Shepherd* can be both an educational tool illustrating one of the Parables of Christ and a comforting sight. Art glass windows frequently show *Jesus carrying a lamb on His shoulders* or *cradling one in His arms*, a representation of how Jesus protects His flock that is comprised of faithful Christians the world over.

THE STORY OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD

The image of Christ as *The Good Shepherd* is found in all four Gospels, but most are familiar with the reference and the parable that appears in the *Gospel of John*. First, Jesus tells the disciples that His sheep know who He is, saying: “the sheep follow him: for they know his voice.” He describes those that came before Him as “thieves and robbers,” and makes it clear that it is only through Him that



Stained Glass Window 5433: Jesus with His Sheep

THE STORY OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD CONTINUED

those who dwell on Earth can find salvation. Finally, He describes Himself as ***The Good Shepherd***, and proclaims His love in a manner that is both accessible and moving. In just a few lines, Jesus tells His disciples (and us) that He knows His sheep and is willing to lay down His life for them. He will never desert them in times of danger and doubt as a hired hand would.

The theme of ***The Good Shepherd*** is also the subject of Psalm 23. Even those who do not attend church regularly are likely familiar with at least some of this famous piece of writing, as it has appeared in films as well as sermons. The first sentence of the psalm is: ***“The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.”*** Subsequent lines describe the many blessings granted by the Lord to His followers: restoring their souls, leading them along the right path, granting them everlasting life in the Lord’s house, and comforting them with His “rod and staff.” ***Catholic stained glass*** showing Jesus watching over His sheep can be enhanced with text from this psalm or the section of the Gospel of John described above.

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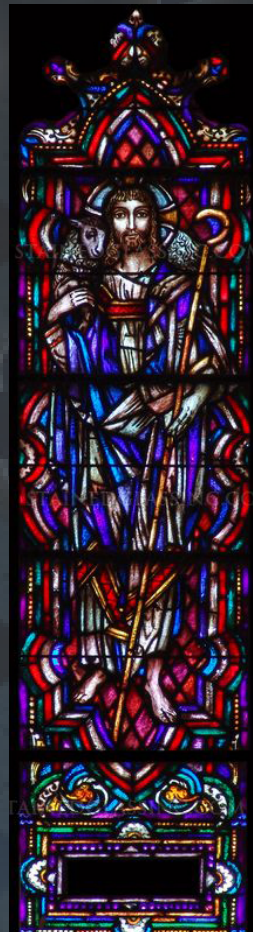
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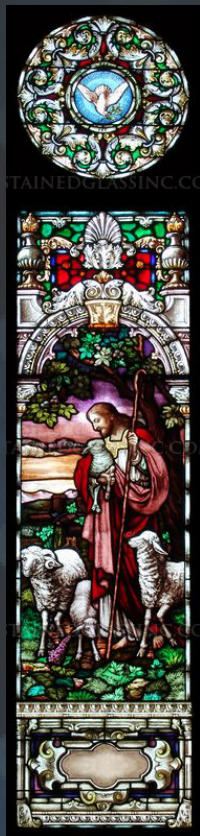


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Christ the Good Shepherd

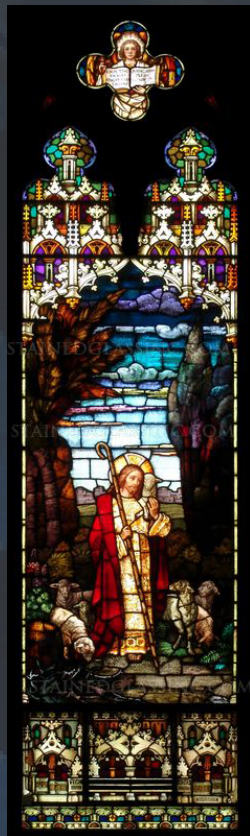


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Saving the Sheep

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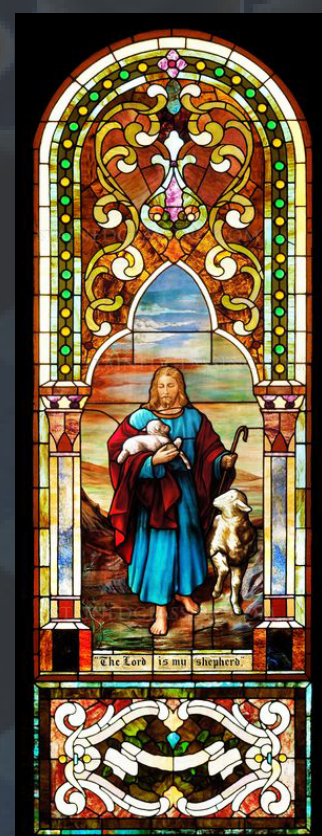
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My Shepherd



Stained Glass Window 1839:
The Lamb that was Slain



Stained Glass Window 3406:
The Lost are Found



Stained Glass Window 2170:
The Shepherd Jesus



Stained Glass Window 2257:
Good Shepherd the Good
Giveth His Life



Stained Glass Window 1667:
Christ with Sheep



Stained Glass Window 2283:
The Lord is Thy Shepherd



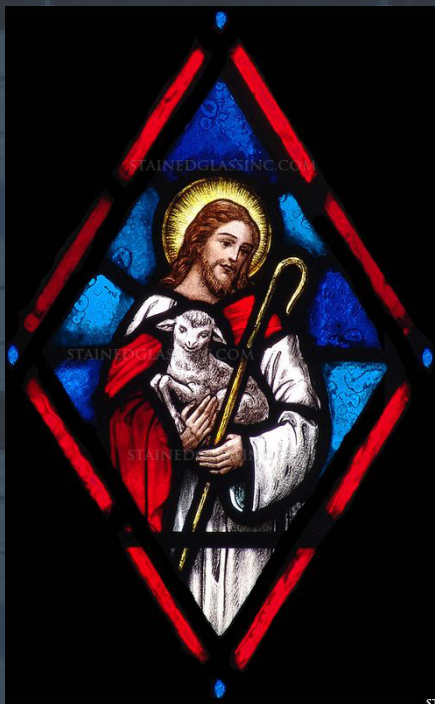
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The Good Shepherd



Stained Glass Window 4054:
The Glorious Shepherd



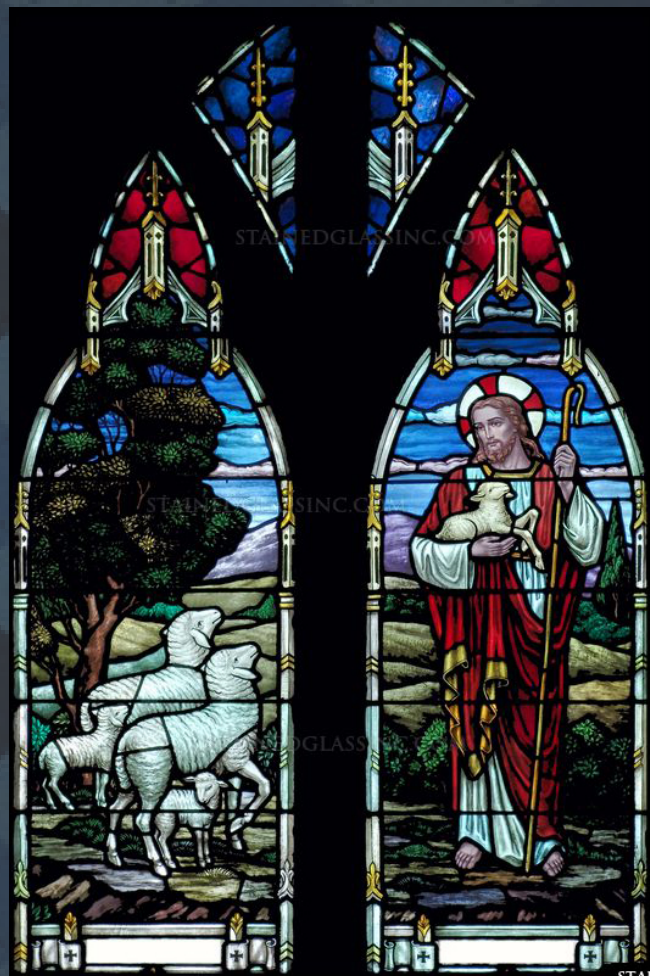
Stained Glass Window 2199:
Christ the Shepherd



Stained Glass Window 3170:
The Good Shepherd Triangle



Stained Glass Window 3691:
Psalm 23



Stained Glass Window 2201:
Jesus and His Sheep



Stained Glass Window 2132:
Tiffany Shepherd



Stained Glass Window 2282:
Glorious Shepherd



Stained Glass Window 2243:
Christ the Good Shepherd



Stained Glass Window 2411:
Shepherd



Stained Glass Window 2441:
Christ in Stained Glass



Stained Glass Window 2503:
Our Good Shepherd



Stained Glass Window 3135:
He Findeth the Lost



Stained Glass Window 3144:
Christ the Good Shepherd



Stained Glass Window 3159:
Christ the Shepherd



Stained Glass Window 3199:
Tending Thy Flock



Stained Glass Window 5501:
My Sheep Know My Voice



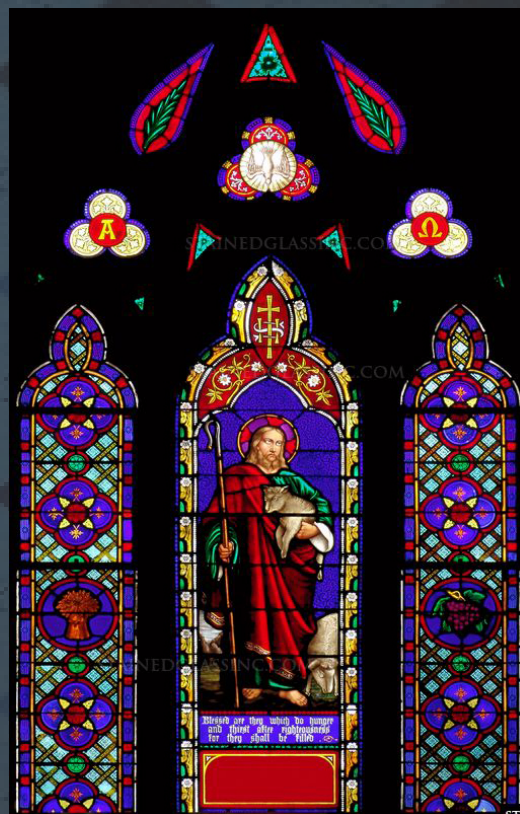
Stained Glass Window 4709:
Christ as Shepherd with Lily



Stained Glass Window 4816:
The Almighty Shepherd



Stained Glass Window 4956:
Jesus and the Lost Sheep



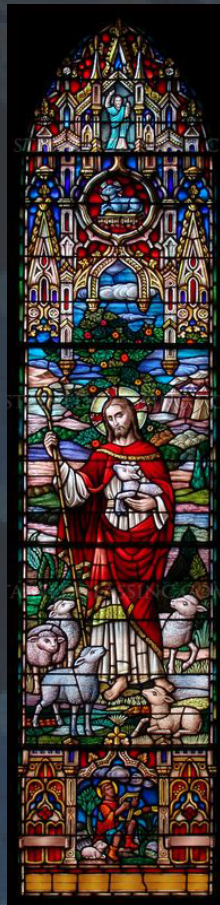
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Jesus the Good Shepherd



Stained Glass Window 4617:
Shepherd of His Sheep



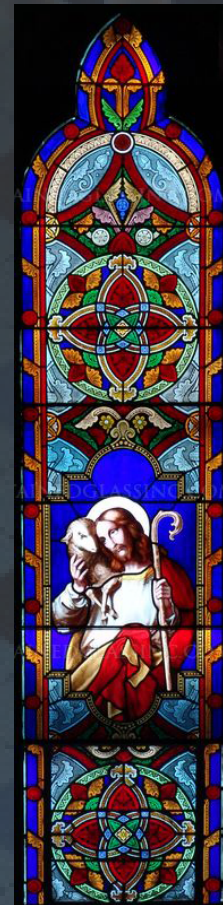
Stained Glass Window 4762:
Jesus Holding a Sheep



Stained Glass Window 5131:
Christ and His Flock



Stained Glass Window 4022:
Lamb of God



Stained Glass Window 5157:
Jesus as Our Shepherd



Stained Glass Window 12638:
Little Lambs



Stained Glass Window 5499:
Our Shepherd



Stained Glass Window 12795:
Shepherd of the Sheep and Lambs



Stained Glass Window 12278:
Shepherd with His Sheep



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Jesus Leads His Flock



Stained Glass Window 12554:
Arched Window Jesus the
Good Shepherd



Stained Glass Window 5451:
Jesus is the Good Shepherd



Stained Glass Window 5433:
Jesus with His Sheep



Stained Glass Window 5118:
The Lord is My Shepherd



Stained Glass Window 5314:
Jesus Holding and Tending
His Sheep



Stained Glass Window 5407:
Minding His Sheep



Stained Glass Window 2270:
The Shepherd



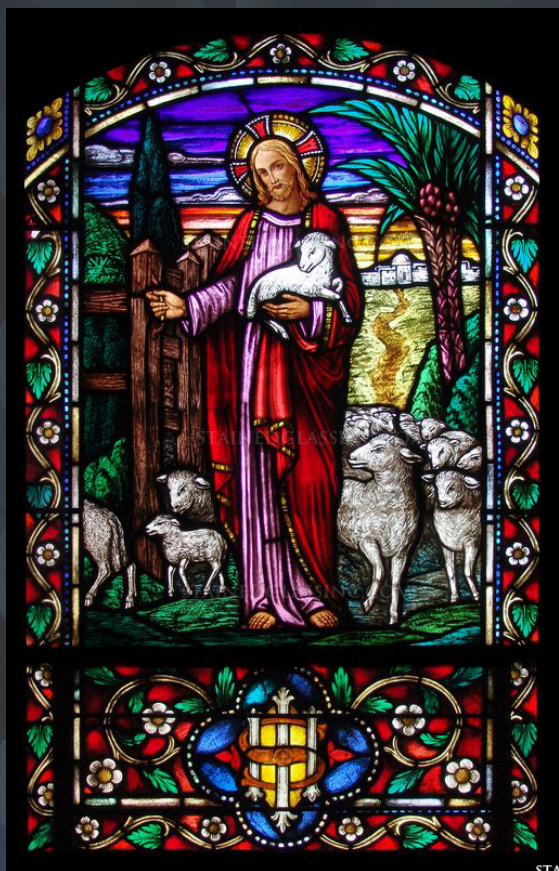
Stained Glass Window 3246:
Arched Christian Window



Stained Glass Window 4171:
The Blessed Lamb of God



Stained Glass Window
5042:
Jesus Tending to His Flock



Stained Glass Window 3479:
The Good Shepherd and His Sheep



Stained Glass Window 3574:
Careful Shepherd



Stained Glass Window 3618:
Christ Tending to Sheep



Stained Glass Window 3712:
Jesus Leading His Sheep



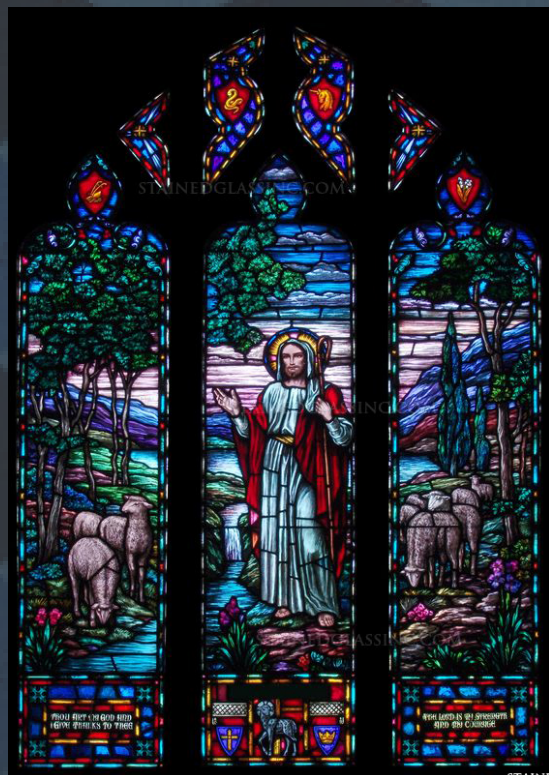
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Christ the Loving Shepherd



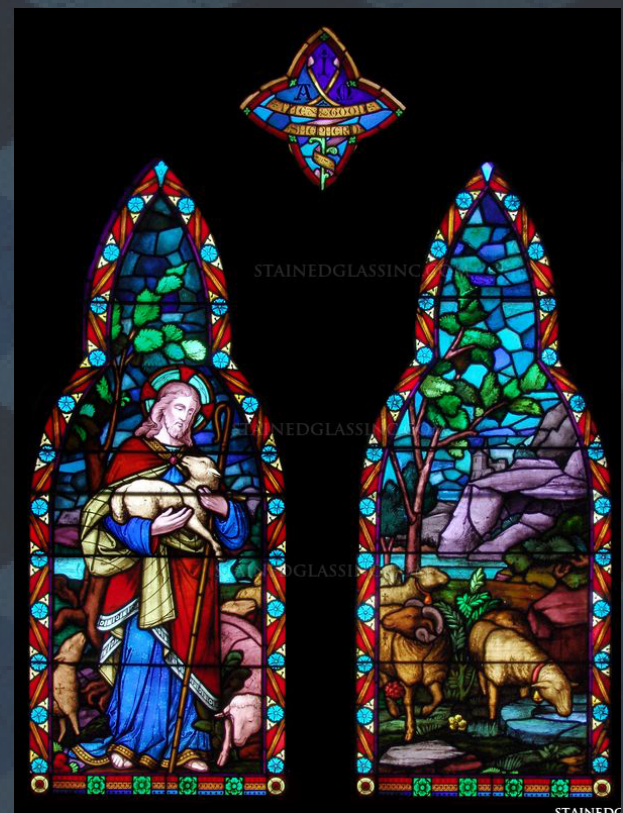
Stained Glass Window 5134:
Jesus Tends to His Flock



Stained Glass Window 3987:
I Shall Not Want



Stained Glass Window 4941:
Christ is My Shepherd



Stained Glass Window 4479:
Jesus Watching His Sheep



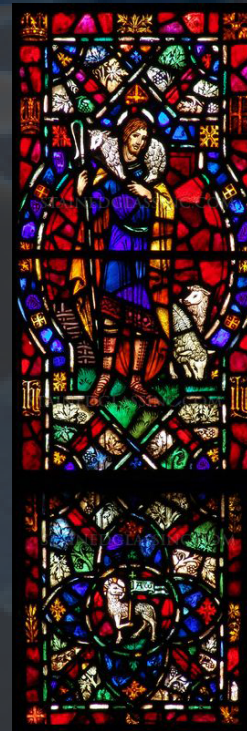
Stained Glass 5091:
Holy Shepherd



Stained Glass Window 4669:
Loving Shepherd



Stained Glass Window 13503:
Good Samaritan and Good Shepherd



Stained Glass Window 4496:
Holy is the Lamb



Stained Glass Window 4981:
The Love of Our Shepherd



Stained Glass Window 3737:
Depiction of the Good Shepherd



Stained Glass Window 4570:
Watching Over His Flock



Stained Glass Window 5248:
The Sheep Know His Voice



Stained Glass Window 5105:
Jesus with His Sheep Gothic



Stained Glass Window 5121:
Jesus and His Precious Sheep



Stained Glass Window 4584:
Jesus and His Flock



Stained Glass Window 5159: I am the Good Shepherd