



“And immediately they left their nets and followed him.”

Mark 1:18

January 24, 2021

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# OUR CHURCH AT WORSHIP

January 24, 2021

3rd Sunday after the Epiphany

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PRELUDE

Althea Waites

CALL TO WORSHIP

*adapted from Psalm 62*

Leader: For God alone I wait in silence; my hope comes from the Lord.

**People: You alone are my rock and my salvation; I shall not be shaken.**

Leader: On you my safety and honor depend; you are a mighty rock and refuge.

**People: Let us trust in the Lord at all times and open our hearts before our God.**

HYMN #398

*“Jesus Calls Us”*

Charles Dickerson

**Jesus calls us o’er the tumult of our life’s wild, restless sea;  
Day by day his sweet voice soundeth, saying, “Christian, follow me!”**

**As of old the apostles heard it by the Galilean lake,  
Turned from home and toil and kindred, leaving all for Jesus’ sake.**

**Jesus calls us! By thy mercies, Savior, may we hear thy call,  
Give our hearts to thine obedience, serve and love thee best of all.**

PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND RENEWAL

**Unison: Loving God, you come to us with your word of mercy and hope. You come to us in your good time, and invite us to join you in the work of your kingdom. Help us to hear you calling among all the voices that cry for our attention. Let us be open to your leading in our lives. Help us to make the changes that will free us to follow, and strengthen us for the journey ahead. Amen.**

SILENT PRAYER

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

Carrie Kissel

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

**Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!  
Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee.  
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty,  
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!**

THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

THE WORD FOR CHILDREN

ANTHEM

*“The Singer”* – M. Head

Abigail Whitman

JOYS AND CONCERNS

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

April Herron

THE LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.  
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread.  
And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil,  
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

OFFERING OUR GIFTS AND OURSELVES

OFFERTORY

Althea Waites

DOXOLOGY

Charles Dickerson

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise him all creatures, here below;  
Praise him above, ye heavenly host;  
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

SCRIPTURE

Jonah 3:1-5, 10

God's call to Jonah

Carrie Kissel

Mark 1:14-20

The call of Andrew, Peter, James and John

Carrie Kissel

SERMON

*"Followers"*

Jonathan Chute

HYMN #344

*"Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore"*

Charles Dickerson

**Lord, you have come to the lakeshore  
Looking neither for wealthy nor wise ones;  
You only asked me to follow humbly.**

**(Refrain) O Lord, with your eyes you have searched me,  
and while smiling have spoken my name;  
Now my boat's left on the shoreline behind me;  
By your side I will seek other seas.**

**You, who have fished other oceans,  
Ever longed for by souls who are waiting,  
My loving friend, as thus you call me.**

**(Refrain) O Lord, with your eyes you have searched me,  
and while smiling have spoken my name;  
Now my boat's left on the shoreline behind me;  
By your side I will seek other seas.**

BENEDICTION AND CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

**God be with you till we meet again, by his counsels guide, uphold you,  
With his sheep securely fold you. God be with you till we meet again.**

POSTLUDE

*"Watching the River Flow"*

3rd service ensemble

3<sup>rd</sup> service ensemble:

*Paula Kuno* – guitar/mandolin/vocals, *Teresa James* – piano/flute/vocals

*Michael Starr* – guitar/violin/mandolin/vocals, *Zach Provost* – piano/vocals

*Cory Tramontelli* – bass/vocals, *Jack Sollecito* – percussion/guitar/piano

Rev. Jonathan Chute, Senior Pastor

Rev. Dr. Martha Rowlett, Senior Pastor Emeritus

Myra Ghabrial, Preschool Director

Annette Matsuda, Parish Nurse

Gabby Palacios, Kid Zone/Mid Zone Director

Debra DeLuca, Children's Ministry Director

Kristin Reksc, Youth Ministry Director

Rev. Dr. April Herron, Associate Pastor

Charles Dickerson, III, Music Director

Althea Waites, Organist

Paula Kuno, 3<sup>rd</sup> Service Music

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Peggy Roulette, Church Office Admin.

Miguel Portillo, Custodian