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"Continuing the work of Jesus. Peacefully. Simply. Together."

January 24, 2021

3rd Sunday after Epiphany

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude *I To the Hills Will Lift My Eyes* Thompson

GIVE PRAISE TO GOD

* Opening Words

based on Psalm 143:8

Let the morning bring us word of God's unfailing love, for we have put our trust in God. God will show us the way we should go, for we have entrusted our lives in God.

* Opening Prayer

Lord Jesus of fisher folk, you taught your disciples to cast a wide net — not for fish, but for people. Teach us the fishing craft. Make our fingers nimble so we may handle hearts and hands gently; make our minds quiet and patient while we wait for those who are not yet ready to receive you; and make our hearts hungry for your word, for the sake of the one who has captured our hearts already, Jesus Christ. Amen.

* Opening Song

God of the Bible

Sing the Journey #27

"God of the Bible (Fresh as the Morning)" by Shirley Erena Murray

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CELEBRATE GOD'S FAMILY

Time with Our Children

Congregational Prayer

Revised Common Lectionary Prayers

One: Sisters and brothers, our baptismal vows call us to compassion and mercy on behalf of those in need. We offer our prayers for the church and the world.

You call your church to fish for people by proclaiming your love and grace in word and in deed; strengthen us for service and deepen our faith and trust in you.

Many: Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.

One: You call humanity to steward the earth and all that you have made; instill in us a desire to protect and care for all that you have made.

Many: Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.

One: You call upon the leaders of nations to work for justice and peace; make your justice roll down upon all people like rolling waters.

Many: Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.

One: You call upon us to reach out in love to all of our neighbors; open our eyes to see your face in the lonely, the anxious, the mentally ill, and all who suffer in mind or spirit.

Many: Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.

One: You call upon us to serve our neighbor's need; work through us to provide comfort and healing to all who are in pain or are suffering physical maladies.

Many: Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.

One: You call upon your church to unite in service to the world; grant that this assembly may go

forth to work on behalf of your blessed kingdom.

Many: Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.

One: You call all people to yourself; draw us, with the saints, to our home in you.

Many: Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.

One: Lord God, you revealed your Son in the waters of the Jordan and anointed him with the power of the Holy Spirit to proclaim good news to all people. Sanctify us by the same Spirit, that we may proclaim the healing power of the gospel by acts of love in your name.

ALL: Amen.

Song *In Christ Alone* on monitor
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WORSHIP IN GIVING

Invitation to Give Winston Churchill (1874-1965),
British wartime prime minister and statesman

We make a living by what we get; we make a life by what we give.

LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD PROCLAIMED

Special Music *Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee* Bennett
"Jesus The Very Thought Of Thee" by Bernard of Clairvaux, Edward Caswall, John B. Dykes, Lloyd Larson
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Scripture Lesson Luke 5:1-11 (NRSV)

Sermon "Who Signed Me Up for This?"

Closing Hymn *Dear Lord and Father of mankind* (vv 1-2, 4)

GO IN GOD'S NAME

*** Benediction**

*** Postlude** *Footsteps of Jesus* Everett

"Footsteps of Jesus" by Mary B. B. Slade & A. B. Everett
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** Please stand as able and led*



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