

# St. Andrews Presbyterian Church



Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore

January 21, 2024

# 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday after Epiphany

## ORDER OF WORSHIP

### **THE GATHERING**

PRELUDE

"W Zlobie Lezy"

arr. SORENSON

*"Be still and know that I am God."*

*Psalm 46:10*

(Please use this time to prepare for worship in silence.)

WORDS OF WELCOME AND OPPORTUNITIES FOR DISCIPLESHIP

PASSING THE PEACE

*"...I was a stranger and you welcomed me."*

*Matthew 25:35b*

The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

**And also with you.**

(The people may greet each other in the spirit of Christ.)

THE LITANY OF THE CALLED

\*HYMN 410

"God Is Calling through the Whisper"

W ZLOBIE LEZY

\*CONFESSION AND PARDON

Jesus calls to us: change your hearts and change your lives! Repent, and believe the good news. The mercy and forgiveness we have already received enables us to be honest about the places in our lives in need of transformation. Let us confess our sin together. Let us pray:

**God of mercy, we confess that we have settled down in Nineveh. We have gotten comfortable in our categories: haves and have-nots, makers and takers, bigots and bystanders, self-starters and subordinates, law-abiders and illegals, the perpetrators and the innocent.**

**We confess that we are comfortable living under systems of injustice and exploitation. We confess our discomfort in speaking truths which unmask idolatries. Make us ready to follow Jesus, ready to repent, and eager to change our hearts and lives. Call to us again, and show us your mercy. Let us hear your good news. Amen.**

Silent Confession

\*KYRIE

**Lord, have mercy,  
Christ, have mercy,  
Lord, have mercy upon us.**

God desires relationship with us and reconciliation of all of creation. Jesus comes bearing the good news of forgiveness and transformation. Receive the good news of God's grace: **We are forgiven! Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Amen.**

### **THE WORD**

CHILDREN'S TIME

THE LORD'S PRAYER (Traditional)

(Page 35, *Glory to God Hymnal*)

SINGING WITH THE CHILDREN: "Jesus Loves Me"

(Hymn 188)

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING: Jonah 3:1-5, 10  
The Word of God for the people of God

**Thanks be to God.**

SPECIAL MUSIC

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING: Mark 1:14-20  
The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

SERMON "Courage, Curiosity and Confidence"

***THE RESPONSE***

\*HYMN 377 "Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore" PESCADOR DE HOMBRES

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (Unison) (From *The Declaration of Faith*)

**In forming his people and sending them into the world Jesus called individuals to be disciples. They were to share the joy of his companionship, to understand and obey his teachings, and to follow him in life and death.**

**We confess that Christians today are called to discipleship. Life shared with Christ and shaped by Christ is God's undeserved gift to each of us. It is also God's demand upon every one of us, never perfectly fulfilled by any of us. Forgiven by God and supported by our siblings in Christ, we strive to become more faithful and effective in our daily practice of the Christian life.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

OFFERING OUR GIFTS TO GOD

OFFERTORY "Pescador de Hombres" arr. CARTER

\*DOXOLOGY/Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow (Hymn 607)

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
praise Christ, all people here below;  
praise Holy Spirit evermore;  
praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.**

\*PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

***THE SENDING***

\*HYMN 649 "Amazing Grace" AMAZING GRACE

\*COVENANT OF THE CONGREGATION (Responsive)

**Let us go forth into the world in peace, have courage, hold on to what is good, return to no person evil for evil, strengthen the fainthearted, support the weak, help the suffering, honor all persons, love and serve the Lord, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit.**

\*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

We Shall Overcome"

arr. RANEY

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