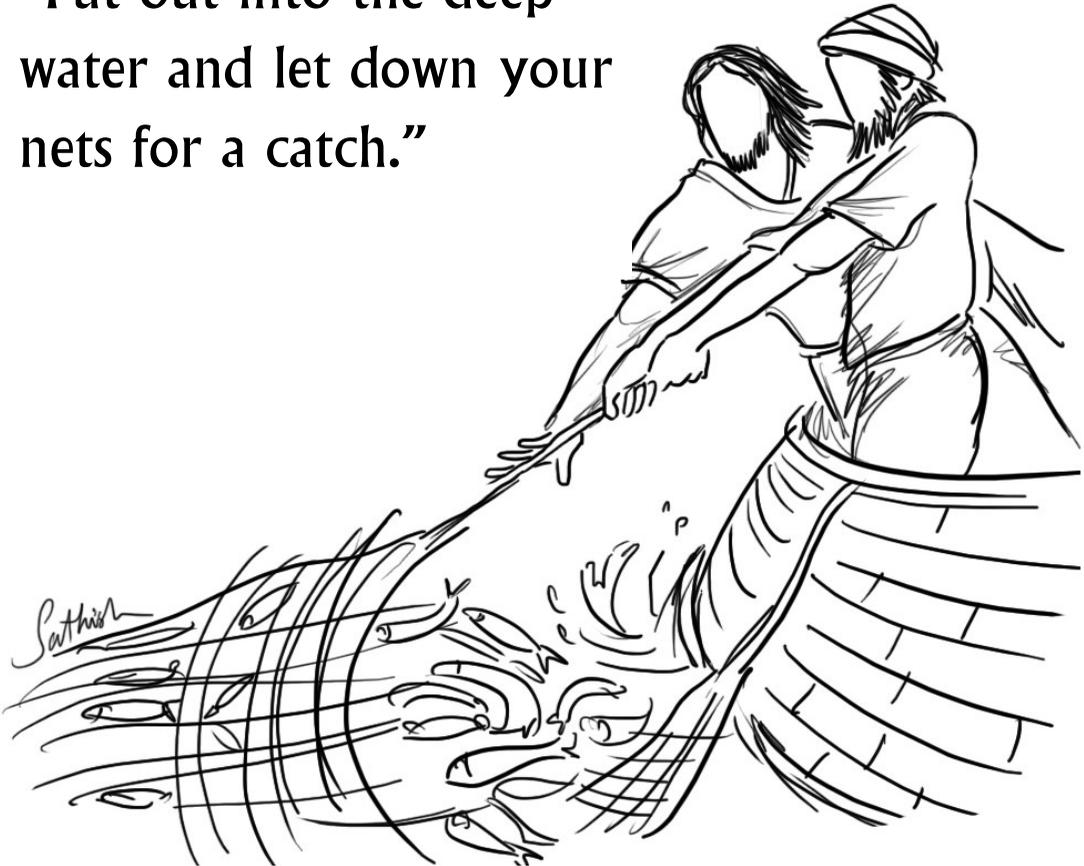


“Put out into the deep
water and let down your
nets for a catch.”



- Luke 5:4

WELCOME & OPENING SENTENCES

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up to the Lord.

PRELUDE

They Cast Their Nets in Galilee, arr. C. Callahan¹

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Holy, holy is the Lord of hosts; the whole earth is full of God's glory.

People: We give you thanks, O God, with all our hearts for your steadfast love and faithfulness.

Leader: Your name, O God, is exalted over all things, and your word goes forth to the ends of the earth.

People: When we call to you, O God, you answer, and preserve our lives in the midst of trouble.

Leader: You stretch out your hand to deliver us, and fulfill your purposes through us.

People: We will sing of the ways of God, for great is the glory of God forever.

Leader: Let us worship our God, together!

PRAYER OF ADORATION

*HYMN 170

*You Walk Along Our Shoreline, Wie Lieblich Ist Der*²

1 You walk along our shoreline when land meets unknown sea. We hear your voice of power, now come and follow me. And if you still will follow through storm and wave and shoal, then I will make you fishers but of the human soul.

2 You call us, Christ, to gather the people of the earth. We cannot fish for only those lives we think have worth. We spread your net of gospel across the water's face, our boat a common shelter for all found by your grace.

3 We cast our net, O Jesus; we cry the kingdom's name; we work for love and justice; we learn to hope through pain. You call us, Lord, to gather God's daughters and God's sons, to let your judgment heal us so that all may be one.

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

God of love and life, we often choose not to listen to your call. You call us to cast our nets into seas filled with life, but so often we are too afraid. Too often your way seems too demanding of us. Too often your way is too risky. We might lose our friends; we fear we might lose ourselves. Too often we are just too busy keeping our own lives together. Forgive us our selfishness, O God. Through the power of your Holy Spirit, help us decide what is most important. Remind us once again that you are always with us. Always, and all ways. In Christ's name we pray (continue with silent confession...) **Amen.**

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Leader: The promise is this: God is faithful and steadfast, eager to forgive our sin and welcome us home.

People: **Thanks be to God!**

***ACCLAMATION HYMN 583**

Glory to God, Taize Ecumenical Community³

Glory to God, glory to God, glory in the highest!

Glory to God, glory to God, alleluia, alleluia!

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Amy Poland

(There is no children's time after the message this week.)

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Isaiah 6:1-8

In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lofty; and the hem of his robe filled the temple. Seraphs were in attendance above him; each had six wings: with two they covered their faces, and with two they covered their feet, and with two they flew. And one called to another and said: "Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory." The pivots on the thresholds shook at the voices of those who called, and the house filled with smoke. And I said: "Woe is me! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips; yet my eyes have seen the King, the Lord of hosts!" Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding a live coal that had been taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. The seraph touched my mouth with it and said: "Now that this has touched your lips, your guilt has departed and your sin is blotted out." Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" And I said, "Here am I; send me!"

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

Luke 5:1-11

Once while Jesus was standing beside the lake of Gennesaret, and the crowd was pressing in on him to hear the word of God, he saw two boats there at the shore of the lake; the fishermen had gone out of them and were washing their nets. He got into one of the boats, the one belonging to Simon, and asked him to put out a little way from the shore. Then he sat down and taught the crowds from the boat. When he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, "Put out into the deep water and let down your nets for a catch." Simon answered, "Master, we have worked all night long but have caught nothing. Yet if you say so, I will let down the nets." When they had done this, they caught so many fish that their nets were beginning to break. So they signaled their partners in the other boat to come and help them. And they came and filled both boats, so that they began to sink. But when Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, "Go away from me, Lord, for I am a sinful man!" For he and all who were with him were amazed at the catch of fish that they had taken; and so also were James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon. Then Jesus said to Simon, "Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching people." When they had brought their boats to shore, they left everything and followed him.

SERMON

Simon's Story

*HYMN 751

From the Nets of Our Labors, Hamilton⁴

1 From the nets of our labors, through the noise and confusion, from the city or seashore, Jesus summons us all.

Refrain: We will rise up and follow, Christ before and beside us, loving pattern to guide us, as we answer the call.

2 When we faint and grow weary from the bearing of burdens, with a message of comfort, Jesus summons us all. [Refrain]

3 In the eyes of the stranger - tearful, joyous, or frightened - in the face of each neighbor, Jesus summons us all. [Refrain]

4 When we hear words of hatred spreading fear or false witness, words that cry to be challenged, Jesus summons us all. [Refrain]

5 In each moment of courage, steadfast even through trembling; in the yearning for justice, Jesus summons us all. [Refrain]

6 Like disciples before us, from the city or seashore, risking selfless compassion: Jesus summons us all. [Refrain]

CALL TO DISCIPLESHIP

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Joys and Concerns
Pastoral Prayer

PRAYER RESPONSE HYMN 467

Give us light; give us light; give us light, O Lord.

*Give Us Light, Jyothi Dho*⁵

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Leader: The Lord be with you,

People: And also with you.

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Leader: It is truly right and our greatest joy to give you thanks and praise (*prayer continues...*) Therefore, we praise you, joining our voices with the heavenly choirs and with all the faithful of every time and every place who forever sing to the glory of your name:

People: Sanctus Hymn 559 - Holy, Holy, Holy⁶

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.

Leader: You are holy, O God of majesty (*prayer continues...*) Now accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to be a holy offering of ourselves, That our lives may proclaim the One crucified and risen.

People: Memorial Acclamation Hymn 560 - Christ Has Died; Christ Is Risen⁷

Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

Leader: Gracious God, pour out your Holy Spirit upon us (*prayer continues...*)
We pray the prayer taught to us by our Lord Jesus Christ:

THE LORD'S PRAYER

BREAKING OF BREAD AND POURING OF CUP

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

*Prelude in C Major, J.S. Bach*⁸

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION (unison)

God of grace, you renew us at your table with the bread of life. May this food strengthen us in love and help us to serve you in each other. We ask in the name of Jesus the Lord. Amen.

*HYMN 726

*Will You Come and Follow Me, Kelvingrove*⁹

1 Will you come and follow me if I but call your name? Will you go where you don't know and never be the same? Will you let my love be shown? Will you let my name be known, will you let my life be grown in you and you in me?

2 Will you leave yourself behind if I but call your name? Will you care for cruel and kind and never be the same? Will you risk the hostile stare should your life attract or scare? Will you let me answer prayer in you and you in me?

3 Will you let the blinded see if I but call your name? Will you set the prisoners free and never be the same? Will you kiss the leper clean and do such as this unseen, and admit to what I mean in you and you in me?

4 Will you love the "you" you hide if I but call your name? Will you quell the fear inside and never be the same? Will you use the faith you've found to reshape the world around, through my sight and touch and sound in you and you in me?

5 Lord your summons echoes true when you but call my name. Let me turn and follow you and never be the same. In Your company I'll go where Your love and footsteps show. Thus I'll move and live and grow in you and you in me.

CHARGE AND BLESSING

POSTLUDE

*He Leadeth Me, arr. C. Callahan*¹⁰

Worship Notes:

Offerings and friendship forms may be placed in the plates as you exit the sanctuary. Pencils are available in the Narthex. Communion cups may be thrown in the baskets also as you exit. (They will be rinsed and recycled.)

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Leaders Today:

Pastor: Rev. Clara Thompson
Minister of Music: Joe Chrisman

Liturgist: Liane Kosaki
AV/Tech: John Tarr



WPC ANNOUNCEMENTS

Scott on Vacation

Scott will be away February 1-8. For pastoral emergencies, please contact the church office at 608-238-3121 or Pastor Clara Thompson at claradthompson@gmail.com or 608-698-1172.

Pres House Meals

We have one more meal that we are serving to our friends at Pres House coming up on **February 20**. We could really use some help with preparing/serving food. We are also in need of side dishes (salad, rolls, vegetable, dessert). If you can help in any way, please contact Karen at kjstephens24@att.net or Cell: 714-705-3004, Thanks!

Parting is Sweet Sorrow

Our dear members, Pamela Wilson and Paul Quin, are moving east to be near family. They will be at one more worship before they go - next Sunday, February 13. Although current restrictions prevent us from doing a formal appreciation gathering, we still wanted to share this information and wish them the best of luck. They will be greatly missed.

IN OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS...

Care List (rotating weekly): Nell Seiberlich, Shirley Toomey, Kathy Waggener, Wade Waggener

Members & Friends: Kelly McCann, Dave & Kathy Granquist's daughter Shari, Nancy Prine, Jerry Donnell, Doug Rouse, Gordon Bischel (Dorothy Schroeder's nephew)