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*The Chancel flowers on the Altar are dedicated
In honor of Col. Thomas W. Haven, in celebration of his 90th birthday
Given by Margaret Bell*



“Worship God, Love One Another, Serve the World”



January 22, 2023

11:00 am

Traditional Worship

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Welcome and Announcements

Prelude "Down to the River to Pray"

*Greeting

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Jesus called to his disciples: "Follow me, and I will make you fish for people!"

Jesus calls to us today: "Follow me, and I will make you fish for people."

The ministry begun by the Sea of Galilee continues in our day when we proclaim the good news of God's love.

Let us worship with joy as we seek to follow Jesus!

*Hymn UMH #584 "Lord, You Give The Great Commission"

*Opening Prayer of Confession

God of love, we hear your call to follow. May we see that the foolishness of your word is more powerful than the wisdom of this world. May we lay aside our differences for the sake of the gospel. May we boldly throw open the doors of our hearts so that you might shine in and through us to a broken and hurting world. Your realm of light and life has drawn near; we hear your word of truth. Fortify our resolve to follow you into the world so that your name might be glorified in all the earth. AMEN.

*Assurance of Pardon

The light of Christ shines brightly in the darkened places of our lives, bringing healing and hope. The light of Christ shines brightly in the faces of our neighbors. Look for that light as we share Christ's peace.

In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven! Glory to God! Amen.

First Scripture Lesson: 1 Corinthians 1:10-18

Bobbi Edge

The Peace *(As forgiven, reconciled people, let us show one another signs of reconciliation & love).*

Open Altar, Open Heart *(As "Call to Prayer" is sung, all are invited to come to the altar for morning prayer led by a Pastor).*

Call to Prayer "Now Behold the Lamb"

Pastoral Prayer & The Lord's Prayer

Lord in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

*The Apostles' Creed UMH #881

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth;
And in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord;
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried;
the third day he rose from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting.**

*Gloria Patri UMH #71

Anthem "Lord of the Dance"

*Gospel Lesson Matthew 4:12-23

Sermon "Serve the World"

Invitation: Response to the Word "I Have Decided" (FWS #2129)

Giving of our Tithes, Offerings, and Connection Cards

Offertory "Softly and Tenderly Jesus is Calling"

*Doxology UMH #94

*Prayer of Dedication

*Hymn W&S #3158 "Go to the World"

*Dismissal with Blessing

*Postlude "They'll Know We Are Christians"

Please stand as you are able