

Order of Worship
Third Sunday of Epiphany
9:30 am – January 22, 2023

Participating Live?

Text your prayer requests to 805-309-6867 before the end of the first hymn.

PRELUDE

Miriam Arichea

GREETING

HYMN

I am the Light of the World

Jim Strathdee

CCLI / Streaming: 345977 / 2010537 / CCLI Song #7068562

Refrain: “I am the light of the world: You people come and follow me!”
If you follow and love you’ll learn the mystery of what you were meant to do and be.

1. When the song of the angels is stilled, when the star in the sky is gone,
When the kings and the shepherds have found their way home,
The work of Christmas is begun: **Refrain**
2. To find the lost and lonely one, to heal the broken soul with love,
To feed the hungry children with warmth and good food,
To feel the earth below the sky above! **Refrain**
3. To free the pris’ner from all chains, to make the powerful care,
To rebuild the nations with strength of good will,
To see God’s children ev’ry where! **Refrain**
4. To bring hope to ev’ry task you do, to dance at a baby’s new birth,
To make music in an old person’s heart,
And sing to the colors of the earth! **Refrain**

OPENING PRAYER

Tasha Salas, Liturgist

God of Blazing Light, through the power of the cross You shattered our darkness, scattering the fears that bind us and setting us free to live as Your children. Give us courage and conviction that we may joyfully turn and follow You into new adventures of faithful service, led by the light that shines through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

(Revised Common Lectionary Prayers, ©2002)

HYMN

Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore

UMH 344

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1. Lord, you have come to the lakeshore looking neither for wealthy or 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.

2. You know so well my possessions; my boat carries no gold and no weapons;
You will find there my nets and labor. refrain

3. You need my hands, full of caring through my labors to give others rest,
And constant love that keeps on loving. **Refrain**

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

PASTORAL PRAYER & 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.

CHORAL OFFERING

I Will Make You Fishers of Men

Dave and Jean Perry

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Chancel Choir; Clara Johnson—Director; Miriam Arichea—Accompanist

SCRIPTURE

1 Corinthians 1: 10-18 (CEB)

Tasha Salas, liturgist

Matthew 4: 12-23 (CEB)

The Word of God for the People of God. **Thanks be to God.**

MESSAGE

Pastor Tim Mull

MUSICAL RESPONSE

Open Your Eyes

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Open our eyes, Lord, we want to Jesus, to reach out and touch him, and say that we love him.

Open our ears, Lord, and help us to listen. Open our eyes, Lord, we want to see Jesus.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Text VenturaUMC to 1-888-364-GIVE (4483)

Great God of Heaven and Earth, you call us to leave behind our preoccupations and to follow you into the future. Sometimes we find your call challenging. We are comfortable, maybe even complacent, in our present. May this act of giving be a gesture of our willingness to follow where you lead. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

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HYMN

The Summons

TFWS 2130

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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?

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?

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?

Will you love the "you" you hide if I but call your name?
Will you quell the fear inside and never by 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?

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.

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Miriam Arichea

Prayer Requests

Santa Barbara First UMC—Pastor Mark Richardson & Pastor Liz Aguilar

San Luis Obispo UMC—Pastor Mark Sturgess

All those suffering from illness or loss of loved ones.

Ukraine



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