



Offering Jesus Christ to everyone through worship, prayer, study, mission, and fellowship.

January 24, 2021

8:30 am



Preparation for Worship

God's call is clear. "Follow me!" When we awake to God's call, we can be led into surprising, unconventional places. --P. Bankson

Announcements

Focus Scripture

Jonah 3:1-5, 10

Prelude

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

Ritter

*Call to Worship

Leader: Did you hear the good news?

People: The kingdom of God has drawn near.

Leader: Do you trust the good news?

People: We place our trust in Jesus, the one who calls us to follow him.

Leader: Do you have the courage to leave your former lives behind?

People: We put our faith in the Lord, our rock and our salvation.

Leader: Trust the Lord.

People: We will follow Jesus.

*Hymn

Jesus Calls Us

No. 398

1. Jesus calls us o'er the tumult of our life's wild, restless sea;
day by day his sweet voice soundeth, saying, "Christian, follow me!"
2. As of old the apostles heard it by the Galilean lake,
turned from home and toil and kindred, leaving all for Jesus' sake.
3. Jesus calls us from the worship of the vain world's golden store,
from each idol that would keep us, saying, "Christian, love me more!"
4. In our joys and in our sorrows, days of toil and hours of ease,
still he calls, in cares and pleasures, "Christian, love me more than these!"
5. Jesus calls us! By thy mercies, Savior, may we hear thy call,
give our hearts to thine obedience. serve and love thee best of all.

Common Prayer

Teach us anew, rock of our salvation, how your kingdom has come near. As you called Simon and Andrew long ago, call us to be your disciples this day, that we might find refuge and strength as we face the destructive forces of our lives. Grant us the strength to wait for you in silence, that we might meet you in the subterranean chamber of our souls. For in you we rest secure, in you we abide in holy love. Amen.

Scripture

Mark 1:14-20

Kid's Time

Message

Pastoral Prayer & Lord's Prayer

Sharing of our Gifts and Lives

*Hymn

I Have Decided to Follow Jesus

No. 2129

1 I have decided to follow Jesus, I have decided to follow Jesus,
I have decided to follow Jesus - no turning back, no turning back.

2 The world behind me, the cross before me, the world behind me, the cross before me,
the world behind me, the cross before me - no turning back, no turning back.

3 Though none go with me, still I will follow, though none go with me, still I will follow,
though none go with me, still I will follow - no turning back, no turning back.

*Benediction

We are God's people. We believe in the good news, for that is our daily bread.
We live as people of mercy and grace! Amen!

*Postlude

Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring

Bach

Worship Assistants today:

Song Leader: Kathy Brown

Organist: Mary Ellen Dean

Tech Support: Jamie Hannah

Sound Tech: Arthur Sievers



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Our Staff:

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Announcements

Do you know someone who has a special need or would like a phone call? Please call the office and let us know. Caring for each other has become a bit more difficult during covid--but not impossible!

Have you tried our new APP and website? We are excited for its launch. It is a great way to receive information about what is happening in the church. It is available in the Google Play store and Apple store.

Kids! Are you seeing the devotions each week from members of the congregation? They are doing a great job! Check them out!

Hey Church! I am looking for some help with kids ministry. Would you be willing to video a short devotion for the kids to see Sunday morning? I will provide the scripture, the devotion and the closing prayer, and anything else you need! Please consider helping. You can use this Sign-Up genius to select a Sunday that works for you. Thank you in advance for your help!

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0E4DA4AB2CA6FC1-kids>

Calendar

Today

8:30 am Worship, in-person, online and radio
10:45 am Worship, in-person
5:00 pm Middle School Youth Group in-person
6:30 pm Senior High Youth Group in-person

Tuesday, January 26

8:15 am Just Walking
7:00 pm Church Council in-person

Thursday, January 28

7:00 am High School Breakfast Group
8:15 am Just Walking
6:30 pm Hymn Singalong on Facebook Live

Sunday, January 31

8:30 am Worship, in-person, online and radio
10:45 am Worship, in-person
5:00 pm Middle School Youth Group
6:30 pm Senior High Youth Group