

Third Sunday after Epiphany

January 24, 2021

10:30 AM

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Everyone is welcome. As people of God, St. John's welcomes all regardless of age, economic status, ethnic background, gender, physical or mental ability, race or sexual orientation. We affirm that in Christ "there is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is neither male nor female." (Galatians 3:28) This is Christ's church, and Christ has bid you come.

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Giving Envelopes: If you usually give your offerings with giving envelopes, they are available for pick-up in the rear entry of the church. Contact the church office with questions.

Pastor Moore's Retirement: On **Sunday, January 31 at 10:30 AM** our regular online worship service will be Pastor Moore's retirement service. Following the service at **12:00 PM**, there will be a live-streamed Farewell and Godspeed with Bishop Bartholomew and the presentation of gifts. Both of these online events will be on St. John's Facebook and YouTube pages.

There will be NO COFFEE HOUR on this day.

A Toast to Gladys is planned for January 29 at 7:00 PM. Join us with your favorite beverage as we share some of our favorite stories and toast our Pastor. You are encouraged to come in a wig or costume in honor of Pastor Moore's many alter egos. Please RSVP [here](#).

Shrove Tuesday Zoom Event February 16 at 5:30 PM. Join us for one last hooray before the start of Lent. Come with donuts, pancakes, king cake, or libations. All ages invited. Let's have a little fun as a congregation together.

Ash Wednesday February 17. Lent begins on Ash Wednesday. More information to come. Home Lent bags will include materials for personal and family devotions.

Annual Congregational Meeting, Sunday, February 21 following the 10:30 AM service. The Annual Meeting will occur on Zoom <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82159990819?pwd=YVFRcDgzZ3JiR1ZxbDRTWEJoUzArQT09>.

Pledge Update: Thus far we have received 84 pledges for a total of \$422,030 towards our goal of \$450,000. If you haven't yet submitted your pledge, please do so today.

Neighbors Helping Neighbors: Please give generously to the emergency fund sponsored by the Summit Interfaith Council to help Summit immigrant neighbors adversely affected by COVID-19. You may make your tax-deductible donation to the Relief Fund [here](#), by check or PayPal. Checks should be made out to and mailed to Beacon UU Congregation in Summit, 4 Waldron Ave., Summit, NJ 07901.

Prayer Before Worship

The present form of this world is passing away. Therefore, help us to keep our focus on you, Lord, for true power and steadfast love belong to you. Amen.

From Feasting on the Word Worship Companion, Year B, Vol. 1

PRELUDE Setting of *Galilee*

By Paul Carlson (b. 20th C.)

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Gathering

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

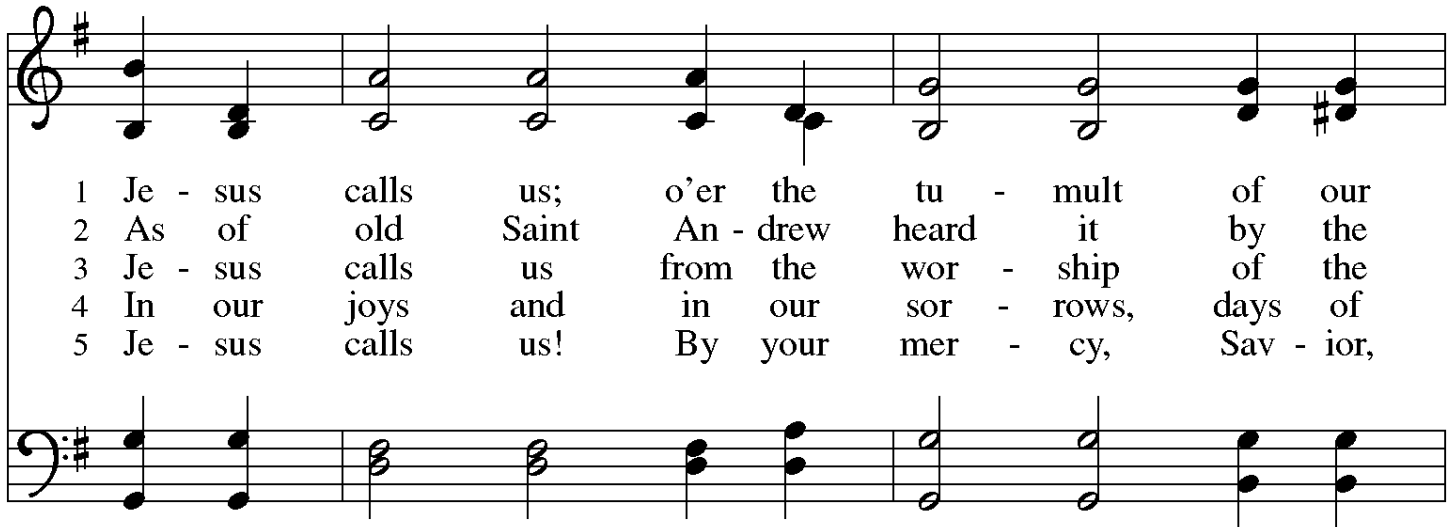
In the name of the Father, and of the ✠ Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

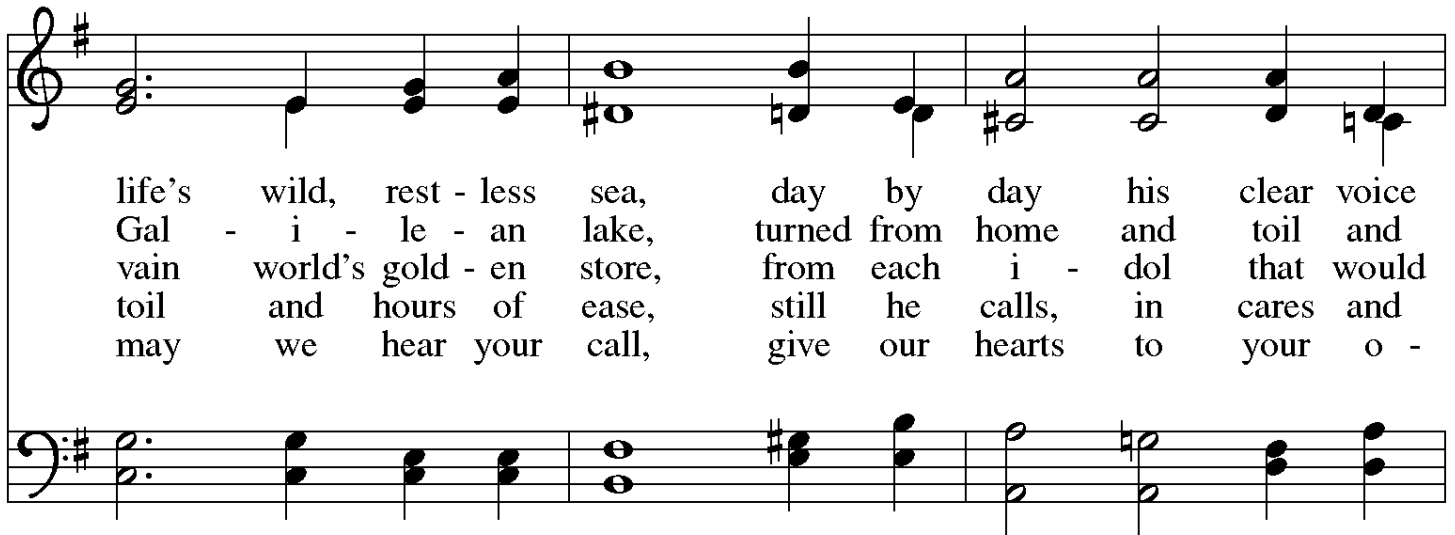
To you, O God, all hearts are open, to you all desires known. We come to you, confessing our sins. Forgive us in your mercy, and remember us in your love. Show us your ways; teach us your paths; and lead us in justice and truth, for the sake of your goodness in Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

How vast is God's love for us! Through water and the Word your sins are washed away. In the name of ✠ Jesus Christ you are forgiven, and by the power of the Holy Spirit you are claimed as God's own beloved. **Amen.**

GATHERING HYMN ELW 696 Jesus Calls Us, o'er the Tumult



1 Je - sus calls us; o'er the tu - mult of our
 2 As of old Saint An - drew heard it by the
 3 Je - sus calls us from the wor - ship of the
 4 In our joys and in our sor - rows, days of
 5 Je - sus calls us! By your mer - cy, Sav - ior,



life's wild, rest - less sea, day by day his clear voice
 Gal - i - le - an lake, turned from home and toil and
 vain world's gold - en store, from each i - dol that would
 toil and hours of ease, still he calls, in cares and
 may we hear your call, give our hearts to your o -



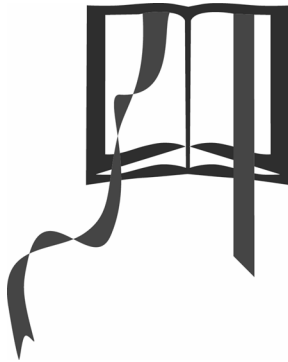
sound - ing, say - ing, "Chris - tian, fol - low me":
 kin - dred, leav - ing all for Je - sus' sake.
 keep us, say - ing, "Chris - tian, love me more."
 plea - sures, "Chris - tian, love me more than these."
 be - dience, serve and love you best of all.

APOSTOLIC GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray. Almighty God, by grace alone you call us and accept us in your service. Strengthen us by your Spirit, and make us worthy of your call, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**



Word

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching and song.

FIRST READING Jonah 3:1–5, 10

¹The word of the Lord came to Jonah a second time, saying, ²“Get up, go to Nineveh, that great city, and proclaim to it the message that I tell you.” ³So Jonah set out and went to Nineveh, according to the word of the Lord. Now Nineveh was an exceedingly large city, a three days’ walk across. ⁴Jonah began to go into the city, going a day’s walk. And he cried out, “Forty days more, and Nineveh shall be overthrown!” ⁵And the people of Nineveh believed God; they proclaimed a fast, and everyone, great and small, put on sackcloth.

¹⁰When God saw what they did, how they turned from their evil ways, God changed his mind about the calamity that he had said he would bring upon them; and he did not do it.

The reader concludes: The word of the Lord. ***The assembly responds:*** **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 62:5–12

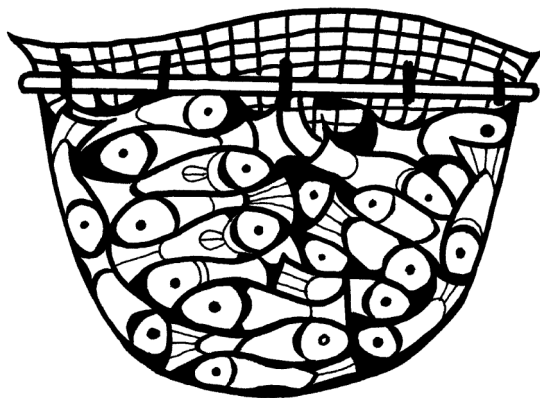
Spoken responsively

- ⁵For God alone I wait in silence;
truly, my hope is in God.
- ⁶**God alone is my rock and my salvation,
my stronghold, so that I shall never be shaken.**
- ⁷In God is my deliverance and my honor;
God is my strong rock and my refuge.
- ⁸**Put your trust in God always, O people,
pour out your hearts before the one who is our refuge.**
- ⁹Those of high degree are but a fleeting breath;
those of low estate cannot be trusted.
Placed on the scales together they weigh even less than a breath.
- ¹⁰**Put no trust in extortion; in robbery take no empty pride;
though wealth increase, set not your heart upon it.**
- ¹¹God has spoken once, twice have I heard it,
that power belongs to God.
- ¹²**Steadfast love belongs to you, O Lord,
for you repay all according to their deeds.**

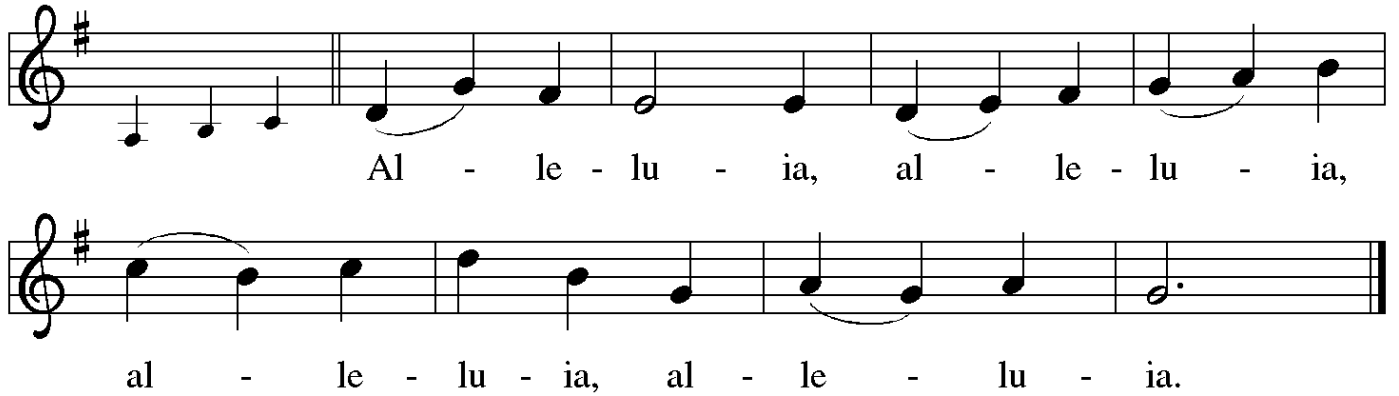
SECOND READING 1 Corinthians 7:29–31

²⁹Brothers and sisters, the appointed time has grown short; from now on, let even those who have wives be as though they had none, ³⁰and those who mourn as though they were not mourning, and those who rejoice as though they were not rejoicing, and those who buy as though they had no possessions, ³¹and those who deal with the world as though they had no dealings with it. For the present form of this world is passing away.

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GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



GOSPEL Mark 1:14–20

The Holy Gospel according to Mark. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

¹⁴Now after John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, ¹⁵and saying, “The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news.”

¹⁶As Jesus passed along the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting a net into the sea—for they were fishermen. ¹⁷And Jesus said to them, “Follow me and I will make you fish for people.” ¹⁸And immediately they left their nets and followed him. ¹⁹As he went a little farther, he saw James son of Zebedee and his brother John, who were in their boat mending the nets. ²⁰Immediately he called them; and they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired men, and followed him.

The Gospel is proclaimed, concluding: The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

HOMILY

The Rev. Blake A. Scalet



HYMN OF THE DAY ELW 798 Will You Come and Follow Me



1 "Will you come and fol - low me if I but call
 2 "Will you leave your - self be - hind if I but call
 3 "Will you let the blind - ed see if I but call
 4 "Will you love the you you hide if I but call
 5 Lord, your sum - mons ech - oes true when you but call



your name? Will you go where you don't
 your name? Will you care for cruel and
 your name? Will you set the pris - 'ners
 your name? Will you quell the fear in -
 my name. Let me turn and fol - low



know and nev - er be the same?
 kind and nev - er be the same?
 free and nev - er be the same?
 side and nev - er be the same?
 you and nev - er be the same.



Will you let my love be shown, will you let my
 Will you risk the hos - tile stare, should your life at -
 Will you kiss the lep - er clean, and do such as
 Will you use the faith you've found to re - shape the
 In your com - pa - ny I'll go where your love and



name be known, will you let my life be
 tract or scare? Will you let me an - swer
 this un - seen, and ad - mit to what I
 world a - round, through my sight and touch and
 foot - steps show. Thus I'll move and live and



grown in you and you in me?"
 pray'r in you and you in me?"
 mean in you and you in me?"
 sound in you and you in me?"
 grow in you and you in me.

Text: John L. Bell, b. 1949

Music: KELVINGROVE, Scottish traditional

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APOSTLES' CREED

Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith:

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living 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. Amen.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

LORD'S PRAYER

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.**

GATHERING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

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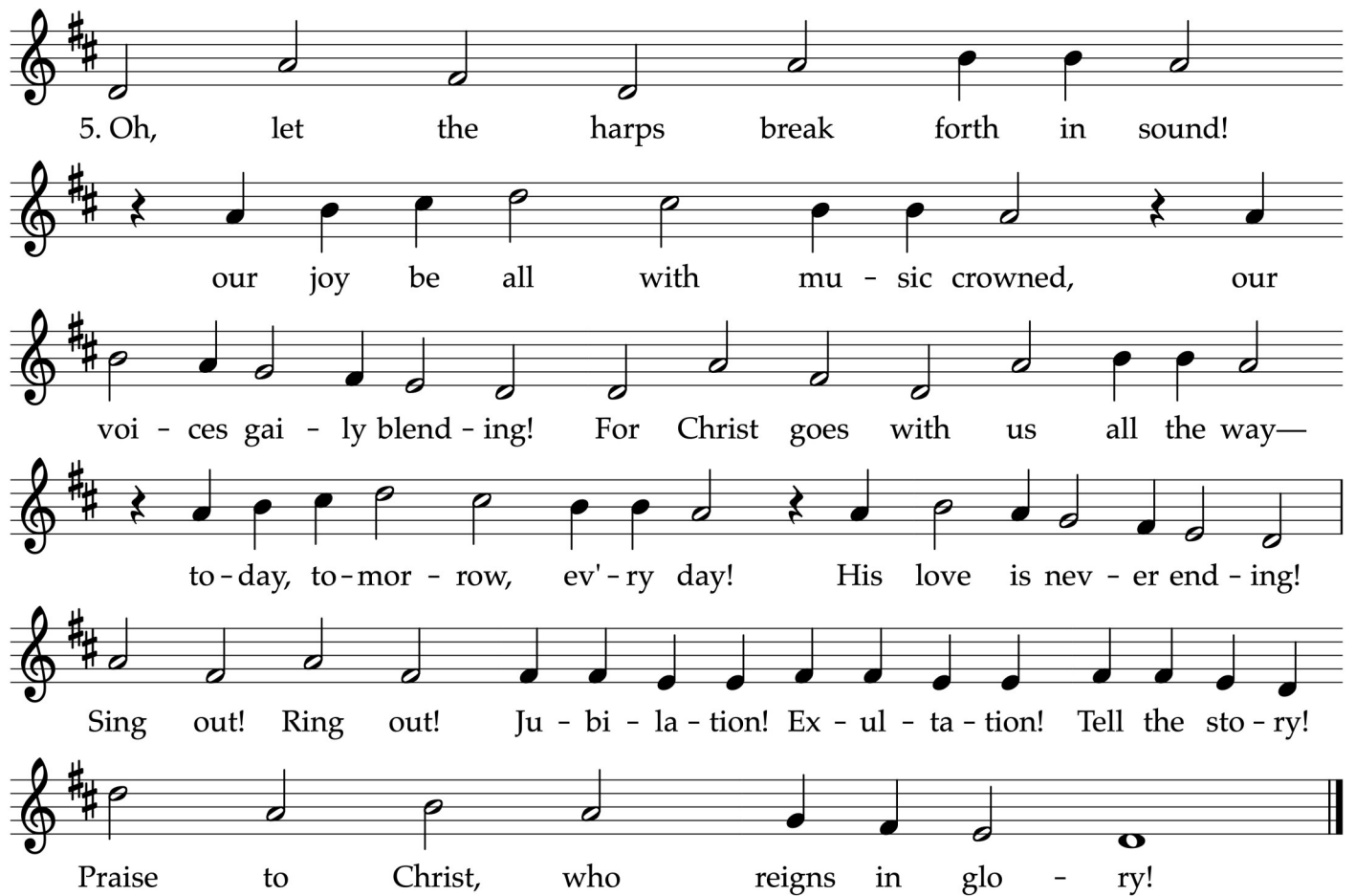
OFFERING MUSIC Setting of *Kelvingrove*

Andrew Larsen, soprano sax

By Charles Callahan (b. 1951)

OFFERING HYMN ELW 308 O Morning Star, How Fair and Bright!

Verse 5



5. Oh, let the harps break forth in sound!
our joy be all with music crowned, our
voices gaily blending! For Christ goes with us all the way—
to-day, to-morrow, ev'-ry day! His love is never ending!
Sing out! Ring out! Jubilation! Exultation! Tell the story!
Praise to Christ, who reigns in glory!

Text: Philipp Nicolai, 1556–1608; tr. *Lutheran Book of Worship*
Music: WIE SCHÖN LEUCHTET, Philipp Nicolai
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OFFERTORY PRAYER

Let us pray. Yours, O God, is the greatness, the power, the glory, the splendor, and the majesty; for everything in heaven and on earth is yours. All things come of you, O Lord, and of your own have we given you. Amen.

Sending

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

BLESSING

The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy. The Lord look upon you with favor and ☩ give you peace. Amen.

SENDING HYMN ELW 661 I Love to Tell the Story



1 I love to tell the sto - ry of un - seen things a - bove,
2 I love to tell the sto - ry: how pleas - ant to re - peat
3 I love to tell the sto - ry, for those who know it best



of Je - sus and his glo - ry, of Je - sus and his love.
what seems, each time I tell it, more won - der - ful - ly sweet!
seem hun - ger - ing and thirst - ing to hear it like the rest.



I love to tell the sto - ry, be - cause I know it's true;
I love to tell the sto - ry, for some have nev - er heard
And when, in scenes of glo - ry, I sing the new, new song,



it sat - is - fies my long - ings as noth - ing else would do.
the mes - sage of sal - va - tion from God's own ho - ly word.
I'll sing the old, old sto - ry that I have loved so long.

Refrain



I love to tell the sto - ry; 'twill be my theme in glo - ry



to tell the old, old sto - ry of Je - sus and his love.

Text: Katherine Hankey, 1834–1911

Music: HANKEY, William E. Fischer, 1849–1936

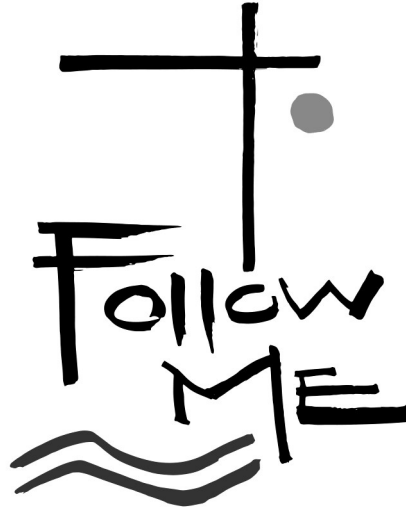
DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Share the good news. **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE Setting of *Kelvingrove*

By John Leavitt (b. 1956)

Zoom Coffee Hour: URL: <https://zoom.us/j/753360733>



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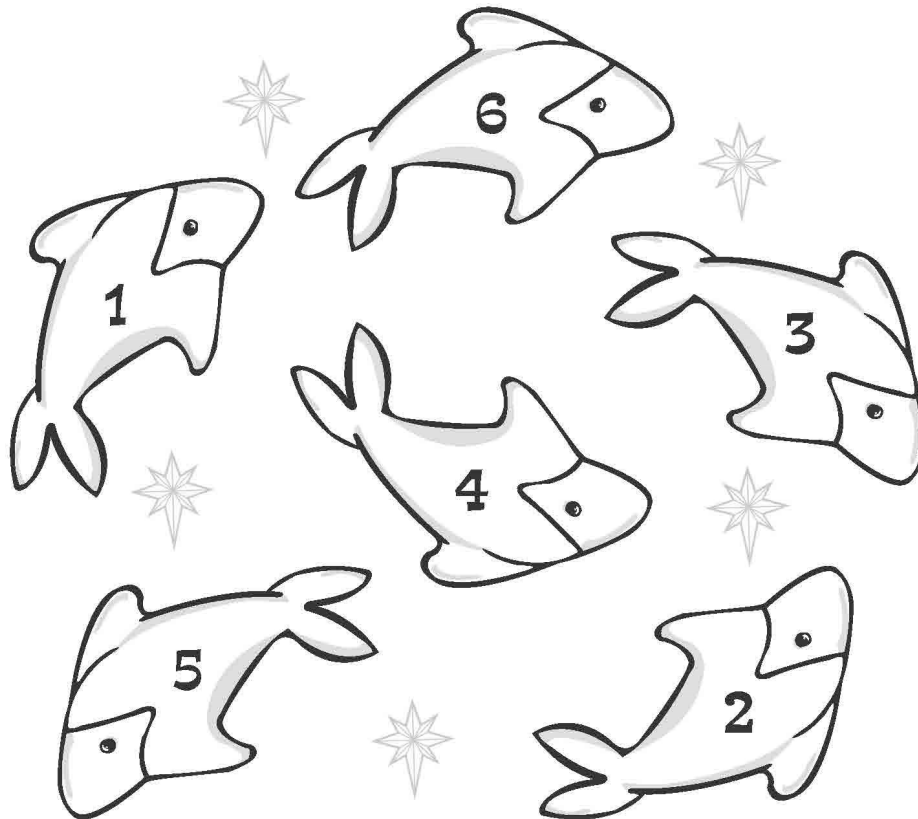


PRE-READER

Epiphany 3

- Today is the **3rd Sunday** in the season of **Epiphany**.
- During Epiphany, we remember **Jesus' ministry**.
- Jesus **called** disciples.
- We are all **Jesus' disciples**.

Some of Jesus' disciples were fishermen. Circle the fish that tells us what week of Epiphany it is. Color the rest of the fish in different colors.





“Let’s catch people instead of fish.”

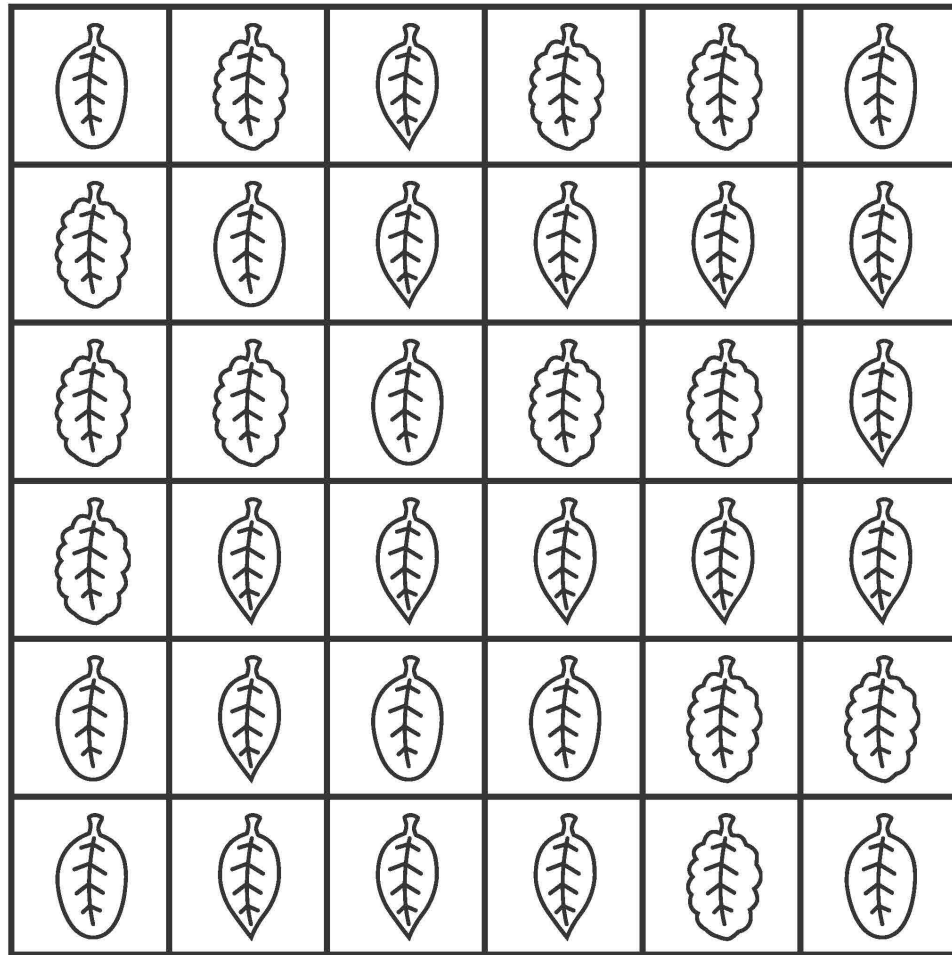


The color green reminds us that Jesus helps us grow.

Help the disciple get through the maze by coloring the pointy leaves green.



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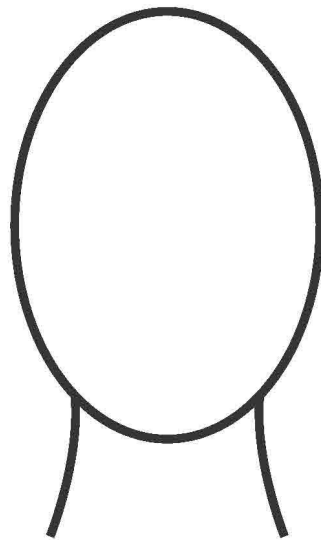
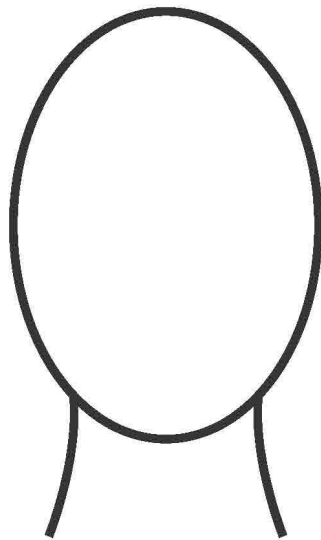
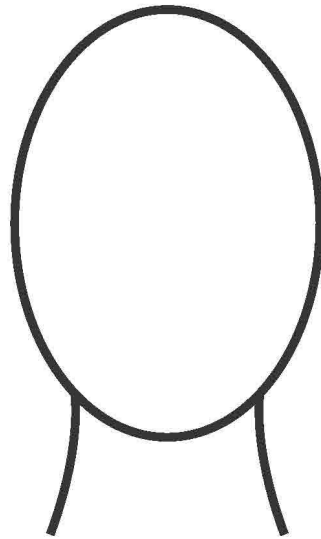
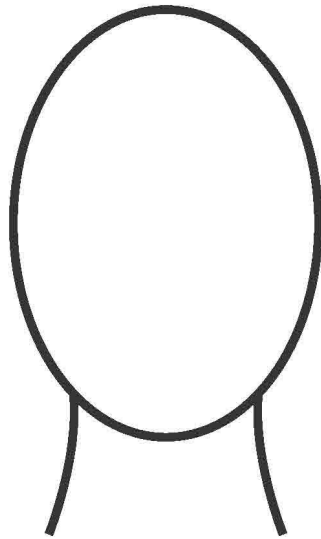


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Today, you heard about the disciples. They were Jesus' followers. Look around you during worship. You'll see many more of Jesus' followers.



Draw some of them here:





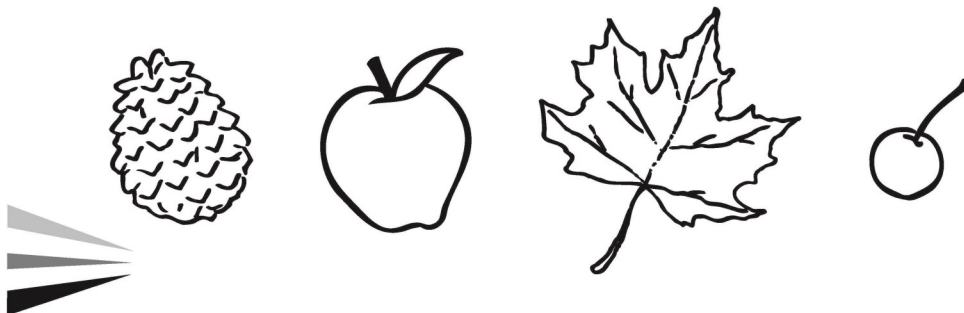
READER

Epiphany 3

- Today is the **3rd Sunday** of Epiphany.
- During Epiphany, we remember Jesus and the disciples **sharing** the good news.
- The color of Epiphany is **green**.
- Green reminds us of **how we grow** with Jesus' help.

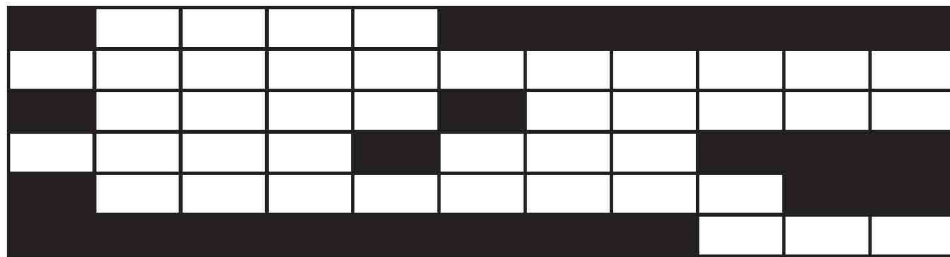
From the Tree

During Epiphany, we celebrate our growth in Jesus. Can you connect each tree in the top row with something it's connected to in the bottom row?



Broken Nets

The fishermen Jesus called caught so many fish that their nets broke! The letters are in the correct column, but all mixed up! Can you put them in the right order to find out what the fishermen did when Jesus called them? (Hint: See John 1:18.)



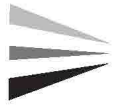
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Look It Up!

What are some other stories about fish in the Bible? Hint: Jonah 1:17, Matthew 14:13-21, Luke 5:1-11

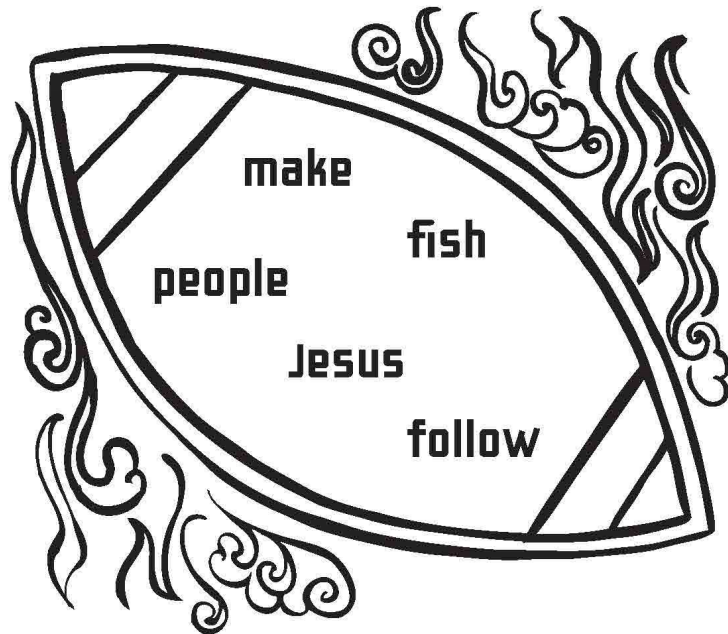


Use the words from below to finish this Bible verse.

Memory Verse



And _____ said to
them, " _____ me
and I will _____ you _____ for
_____."



Bible Tip!

The story of Jesus calling disciples who were fishermen is in all four gospels. Look through the first few chapters of Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John. Can you find the story?

Called Forward

Your pastor does many things during worship! A lot of other people are part of worship, too. Write or draw what different people besides your pastor do during the service.

