

January 22, 2023

(**Indicates, please stand as able)

Prelude

Greeting/Life of the Church

Pastor Andy Wagner

Introit

Chancel Choir

**Call to Worship

L: From the midst of our real lives with their very real problems.

P: We come to seek courage and strength from the presence of God and the support of one another.

L: As persons who love imperfectly and are loved imperfectly,

P: We come to be renewed by the perfect love of God, proclaimed in the community of love and faith.

L: As persons who never fully live up to their high calling in Jesus Christ.

P: We come to be encouraged to do our best for one more week.

A: Let us worship, with hearts open to the love of God, with hands outstretched to one another, and with whole selves willing to accept the cost and joy of being Christ's disciples. Amen.

**Opening Hymn "Leaning on the Everlasting Arms" UMH#133

Opening Prayer (unison)

We thank you, O God, for calling us into your church to be your people. We have gathered, God of grace and wisdom, because we have heard your call. You have reached out to us in Jesus Christ, you have touched us with your Spirit; and we have turned toward you, seeking to love as we have been loved. We call upon your holy name: empower us to worship and serve you, walking gently on this earth, through the grace of Jesus Christ. Amen.

Children's Moments/Moment for Missions

Luke Snell

Prayer Hymn "O Jesus, I Have Promised"

UMH#396

Prayers of the Faithful & the 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 sins as we forgive those who sin 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.

Worship with Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

**Doxology

UMH #95

**Prayer of Dedication

Let these gifts follow Christ's lead into the lives of people who live in poverty or despair. O God, use them to heal divisions among your children. Show us how to be instruments of peace. Ready us to follow Jesus, to make an offering of ourselves, not just our money. Teach us so we may teach others. Heal us so we can become instruments of healing. To these purposes we dedicate this offering and our lives. Amen.

**Gospel Lesson

Matthew 4: 18-25

L: The Word of God for the People of God.

P: Thanks be to God! Amen.

Ministry of Music

"Look at the World"

Chancel Choir
(see insert)

Sermon

"Two Kinds of Followers"

Pastor Andy Wagner

**Closing Hymn

"Where He Leads Me"

UMH #338

Sending Forth

Choral Benediction

Postlude



The Altar Flowers are given to the Glory of God

Gospel Lesson – Matthew 4: 18-25

Jesus Calls the First Disciples

¹⁸ While walking by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon (who is called Peter) and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea, for they were fishermen. ¹⁹ And he said to them, "Follow me, and I will make you fishers of men." ²⁰ Immediately they left their nets and followed him. ²¹ And going on from there he saw two other brothers, James the son of Zebedee and John his brother, in the boat with Zebedee their father, mending their nets, and he called them. ²² Immediately they left the boat and their father and followed him.

Jesus Ministers to Great Crowds

²³ And he went throughout all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the gospel of the kingdom and healing every disease and every affliction among the people. ²⁴ So his fame spread throughout all Syria, and they brought him all the sick, those afflicted with various diseases and pains, those oppressed by demons, those having seizures, and paralytics, and he healed them. ²⁵ And great crowds followed him from Galilee and the Decapolis, and from Jerusalem and Judea, and from beyond the Jordan.

WELCOME VISITORS!

If you are visiting with us today, please take a moment to sign our attendance register located in each pew. We welcome you and hope you will come back and worship with us again soon.



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We are a Stephen Ministry Congregation

January 22, 2023 – Worship Team

Ushers	Mike Tittle, Will Mossing, Chad Mossing, Bob Whipp
Greeters	Harry Osman, Alice Osman
Acolytes	Luke Mossing, Logan Fleming
Liturgist	Elaine Hughes
Guest Organist	Mike Klontz
Choir Director	Glen Shaw
Bells Director	Jim McPeck



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by John Rutter

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Look at the world, and marvel every day
Look at the world, so many joys and wonders.
So many miracles along our way

(Chorus) Praise to the O Lord for all creation
Give us thankful hearts that we may see
All the gifts we share and every blessing
All things come of thee

Look at the earth, bringing forth fruit and flowers
Look at the sky, the sunshine, and the rain
Look at the hills, look at the trees and mountains
Valley and flowing river, field and plain

(Repeat Chorus)

Think of the spring, think of the warmth of summer
Bringing the harvest, before the winter's cold
Everything grows, everything has a season
Till it is gathered to the Father's fold

(Repeat Chorus)

Every good gift, all that we need and cherish
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