

Peace UCC
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Dreaming Peace

Prelude "Festive Gloria" Aaron David Miller
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Welcome

Opening Words Christine Rohloff

One: When we worship in our building or on Zoom

Many: We are the church

One: When we work for justice and peace

Many: We are the church

One: When we work so our neighbors have what they need to thrive

Many: We are the church

One: When we advocate for education and health care for all

Many: We are the church

One: When we provide abundant hospitality, inclusive of all

Many: We are the church

One: When we hear God's voice and answer the call to justice, kindness, shalom

Many: We are the church

Opening Response "What Does the Lord Require?" Jim Strathdee

Prayer of Invocation

Ruth Duck

Mighty God, stay with us always, not only in our worship, but as we share the risk and challenge of living our faith. By your powerful Spirit, turn our fear to courage. Your glory shines in the face of Christ; shine in our hearts and lives. May your name be praised, glorious God! Amen

The Witness of Music Chancel Choir

"Fishers on Men" Becky Buller

Readings

Acts 2:43-47

Mark 1:14-20

Now after John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, and saying, 'The time is fulfilled, and the kin-dom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news.'

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

Robin Meyers from The Underground Church:

The other day I saw a nine-pound sparrow in front of my house, walking down the street. So I asked the sparrow, "Aren't you a little heavy?"

The sparrow said, "Yeah, that's why I'm out walking, trying to get some of this weight off."

And I said, "Why don't you fly?"

The sparrow looked at me like I was stupid and said, "Fly? I've never flown. I could get hurt!"

I said, "What's your name?"

And he said, "Church." (p190-191)

For the wisdom contained in these holy words we give thanks. Amen.

Sermon Rev. Wendy Bruner

Hymn NCH #173 "You Have Come Down to the Lakeshore" Tune: Pescador de Hombres

Joys and Concerns

Prayer

Creator, who art in heaven,
hallowed be your name.
Your kin-dom come, your will be done
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread,
and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors,
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For yours is the kin-dom, and the power,
and the glory for ever and ever. Amen.

How Shall We Join God's Work in the World

Gracious God, we give thanks.
We ask your blessings on these gifts of time,
talent, and treasure as we use them to join
Your work in the world. Amen

Closing

Postlude "Dream On, Dream On" Text: Hae Jong Kim
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