Order of Worship

Second Sunday of Ordinary Time

10:30 a.m. January 21, 2024

PRELUDE AND LIGHTING THE CANDLE

Andante

Giovanni Martini

Please observe a time of silence as we prepare for worship. Reflect on this prayer:

Holy Spirit, descend upon us. Fill our hearts and minds with your presence. We have made plans and preparations for what this morning might look like, but we want to be sensitive to your leading. Guide us as we worship. Help us to set aside our own agendas that we may be ready and willing to follow your leading. Draw us nearer to God that we may be once again reminded that we belong to him. In your holy name, Amen.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: For just this hour --

All: Follow me;

Leader: Listen to my word --

All: Follow me;

Leader: Think about your life as my disciple every day --

All: Follow me; Leader: Pray --All: Follow me; Leader: Sing --All: Follow me:

Leader: Come, let us worship God!

*SINGING TO GATHER #485 (Blue Hymnal) "To God Be the Glory"

Fanny D. Crosby, William H. Doane

BEING HONEST WITH GOD IN CONFESSION

As the psalmist reminds us, "The LORD is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love." Secure in this knowledge, we can freely open our hearts to God and confess our sins.

All: Holy God, we come before you with conflicted hearts. So often, our intentions are good, yet we still fail to do what is right. We yearn to follow your commands, but instead, yield to temptation. In our guilt, we seek to justify our actions rather than to make amends. Forgive us for the harm we cause when we follow our own wills and stray from your teaching. Strengthen us so that our hearts and wills are united in the desire to do what is right. Amen.

RECEIVING GOD'S LOVE AND SHARING CHRIST'S PEACE

*CELEBRATING GOD'S GRACE #485 (Blue)" To God Be the Glory" (refrain)

Fanny D. Crosby, William H. Doane

ANTHEM "At the Name of Jesus" Eugene Butler

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

(Children may be excused to Sunday School)

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING

Psalms 62:5-12

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING

Mark 1:14-20

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

SERMON "Stop, Drop and Go" The Rev. Dr. Jennifer Blake

*SINGING OUR FAITH #375 (Red) "Jesus Calls Us" Cecil F. Alexander, Willian H. Jude

OFFERING

OFFERTORY "Bringing in the Sheaves" George A. Minor arr by Ann Buys

*SINGING OUR THANKS #625 "Doxology" OLD HUNDREDTH

*DEDICATING OUR GIFTS (Unison)

We give our gifts with gratitude, loving God, in response to all that we have been given. And yet, we would ask you to stretch our giving. Help us to have the courage to change the rules and give even more, in thanksgiving to Christ who gave his all. As we dedicate our offering to you, we dedicate our lives anew to picking up the cross and following Jesus. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

*SINGING AS WE DEPART #377 (Blue)"Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore"

Cesareo Gabarain

*RESPONSE #602 "God Be with You" (v. 1) GOD BE WITH YOU

*MUSIC AS WE CONCLUDE "Honor and Glory Edward H. Wetheril

REMINDER FOR THIS WEEK:

Elder-of-the-Day: Laurie Van Dyke

Sunday School: Shana Lockhart, Skyler Smith, Jenika Raub

Music Director: Carolyn Blackburn Organist/Pianist: Michael Ellis Worship Director: Jereme Bintz Camera/Sound: Ryan Raub Ushers: Tim and Lynn Mahoney Fellowship: AMOR Luncheon

REMINDER FOR NEXT WEEK:

Elder-of-the-Day: Melodi Bintz

Sunday School: Leah Grinnen and Laurie Van Dyke

Music Director: Carolyn Blackburn Organist/Pianist: Michael Ellis Worship Director: Karleen Johnston Camera/Sound: John Van Dyke

Ushers: Tim Mahoney and Myron Jasmann Hosts: Carolyn Blackburn and Pat Vest

^{*}BEING SENT

^{*}Please stand if you are able