### Sunday, January 24th

### Prelude

#### Welcome

### **Confession and Forgiveness**

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, whose voice is upon the waters, whose mercy is poured out upon all people, whose goodness cascades over all creation. **Amen.** 

Let us confess our sin, trusting in the abundant grace of God. Silence is kept for reflection.

Holy God, you search us and know us. You are acquainted with all our ways. We confess that our hearts are burdened by sin—our own sins and the broken systems that bind us. We turn inward, failing to follow your outward way of love. We distrust those who are not like us. We exploit the earth and its resources and fail to consider generations to come. Forgive us, gracious God, for all we have done and left undone. Even before the words are on our tongues, you know them; receive them in your divine mercy. Amen.

How vast is God's grace! Through the power and promise of + Christ Jesus, our sins are washed away and we are claimed as God's own beloved. Indeed, we are forgiven. In the wake of God's forgiveness, we are called to be the beloved community living out Christ's justice and the Spirit's reconciling peace. **Amen.** 

## Opening Hymn – We Are Called #720 (red hymnal)

1. Come, live in the light! Shine with the joy and the love of the Lord! We are called to be light for the kingdom, to live in the freedom of the city of God.

*Refrain*: We are called to act with justice, we are called to love tenderly; we are called to serve one another, to walk humbly with God.

- 2. Come, open your heart! Show your mercy to all those in fear! We are called to be hope for the hopeless so all hatred and blindness will be no more. *Refrain*
- 3. Sing! Sing a new song! Sing of that great day when all will be one! God will reign, and we'll walk with each other as sisters and brothers united in love. *Refrain*

# Prayer of the Day

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.

Kids' Sermon & Scripture Reading: Jonah 3:1-5, 10

Jesus Calls Us; o'er the Tumult #696 (red hymnal) #494 (green) vs. 1 & 5

- 1. Jesus calls us; o'er the tumult of our life's wild, restless sea, day by day his clear voice sounding, saying, "Christian, follow me":
- 5. Jesus calls us! By your mercy, Savior, may we hear your call, give our hearts to your obedience, serve and love you best of all.

#### Gospel: Mark 1:14-20

Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, <sup>15</sup> and saying, "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news."

<sup>16</sup>As Jesus passed along the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting a net into the sea—for they were fishermen. <sup>17</sup>And Jesus said to them, "Follow me and I will make you fish for people." <sup>18</sup>And immediately they left their nets and followed him. <sup>19</sup>As he went a little farther, he saw

James son of Zebedee and his brother John, who were in their boat mending the nets. <sup>20</sup>Immediately he called them; and they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired men, and followed him.

### Sermon

## Reflection Song - Precious Lord, Take My Hand #773 (red hymnal)

- 1. Precious Lord, take my hand, lead me on, let me stand, I am tired, I am weak, I am worn. Through the storm, through the night, lead me on to the light. Take my hand, Precious Lord, lead me home.
- 2. When my way grows drear, precious Lord, linger near, when my life is almost gone, hear my cry, hear my call, hold my hand lest I fall. Take my hand, Precious Lord, lead me home.
- 3. When the darkness appears and the night draws near, and the day is past and gone, at the river I stand, guide my feet, hold my hand. Take my hand, Precious Lord, lead me home.

## Prayers of the People

**Reflection Music** 

**Holy Communion** 

Benediction

Let Us Go Now to the Banquet #523 (red hymnal) vs. 1 - 3

*Refrain*: Let us go now to the banquet, to the feast of the universe. The table's set and a place is waiting; come, ev'ryone, with your gifts to share.

- 1. I will rise in the early morning; the community's waiting for me. With a spring in my step I'm walking with my friends and my family. *Refrain*
- 2. God invites all the poor and hungry to the banquet of justice and good where the harvest will not be hoarded so that no one will lack for food. *Refrain*
- 3. May we build such a place among us where all people are equal in love. God has called us to work together and to share ev'rything we have. *Refrain*

### **Announcements**

Postlude

Drive-thru Offering Collection & Holy Communion Distribution