

Third Sunday of Epiphany

January 24, 2021

Theme: Jesus was busy teaching, healing, and performing miracles throughout the land. Unfortunately, the ones who failed to see God working through him were the people of his own hometown.

PRELUDE

Anglaise

J.C. Bach

Violin: Cathy Parker; Cello: Claudia Fitzpatrick

CALL TO WORSHIP

God has been revealed to us.

We are the people of the Lord!

The master steps into our lives

And prospers the work of our hands.

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GATHERING SONG

You Have Come Down to the Lakeshore

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**You have come down to the lakeshore, seeking neither the wise nor the wealthy,
but only asking for me to follow.**

CHORUS: Sweet Lord, you have looked into my eyes; kindly smiling, you've called out my name. On the sand I have abandoned my small boat; now with you, I will seek other seas.

**You know full well what I have, Lord: neither treasure nor weapons for conquest,
just these my fish nets and will for working. CHORUS**

**You need my hands, my exhaustion, working love for the rest of the weary— a love that's
willing to go on loving. CHORUS**

**You who have fished other waters; you, the longing of souls that are yearning: O loving
Friend, you have come to call me. CHORUS**

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: **Wondrous God, You turned fishermen into disciples, teachers, and healers.
Transform us in the ways which serve you best, and lead us fearlessly forward in faith. Amen.**

SPECIAL MUSIC

Allegro

W.F. Bach

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FIRST READING:

Psalm 90

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God**

GOSPEL:

Luke 5:1-11

The Holy Gospel according to Luke the 5th chapter. **Glory to you, O Lord.**
The reading concludes: The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ**

SERMON

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":

As of old Saint Andrew heard it by the Galilean lake,
turned from home and toil and kindred, leaving all for Jesus' sake.

Jesus calls us from the worship of the vain world's golden store,
from each idol that would keep us, saying, "Christian, love me more."

In our joys and in our sorrows, days of toil and hours of ease, still he calls,
in cares and pleasures, "Christian, love me more than these."

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.

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

We pray for the church, the world, and all those in need. Inviting God, **Hear our prayer**

Receive our prayers and shed light on our path as we seek to walk in your ways and bring glory to
you through your son Jesus, our Lord.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

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 trespasses, as we
forgive those who trespass 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 and ever. Amen.

BENEDICTION

Mothering God, Father, ☩ Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you and lead you into the way of truth and life.
Amen.

SENDING HYMN

Praise and Thanksgiving

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Praise and thanksgiving, God, we would offer for all things living, you have made good:
harvest of sown fields, fruits of the orchard, hay from the mown fields, blossom and wood.

God, bless the labor we bring to serve you, that with our neighbor we may be fed.
Sowing or tilling, we would work with you, harvesting, milling for daily bread.

Father, providing food for your children, by Wisdom's guiding teach us to share one with
another, so that, rejoicing with us, all others may know your care.

Then will your blessing reach ev'ry people, freely confessing your gracious hand.
Where you are reigning, no one will hunger; your love sustaining showers the land.

DISMISSAL

Go in peace, stay safe and be safe. God is with you. **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

Simple Gifts

Trad.

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