

The Third Sunday after Epiphany
Sunday, January 22, 2023



Jesus Calls His Disciples, He Qi
Faith Presbyterian Church
Order of Worship

Welcome and Announcements

Rev. Kate Foster

Joys and Concerns**

Gathering of God's People

Prelude *I Want Jesus to Walk With Me*

Calvin Taylor

***Call to Worship**

God is my light and my salvation

Whom shall I fear?

God is the stronghold of my life;

Of whom shall I be afraid?

I will sing and make melody to the Lord.

We will call on the Lord. We will seek God's face.

*Please rise in body or in spirit

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Loving God,

You call to us in strange ways and in unexpected places, and you expect us to listen and respond faithfully.

But we confess that we do not always give you our attention.

Instead, we listen to other voices.

We listen to the voices calling us to live comfortably and resist change.

Forgive us for not trusting your call, and keep calling us until we have the courage to follow.

Amen.

Kyrie 576 *Lord, Have Mercy*

SINGAPURA



Lord, have mer - cy.



Christ, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy on us.

Assurance of Grace

*Act of Praise 590 *Hallelujah*

HALLELUJAH



Proclamation of the Word

A Moment with Faith Kids

Prayer for Illumination

Old Testament Reading Isaiah 9:1-4

...there will be no gloom for those who were in anguish. In the former time he brought into contempt the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, but in the latter time he will make glorious the way of the sea, the land beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the nations. ²The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who lived in a land of deep darkness— on them light has shined. ³You have multiplied the nation, you have increased its joy; they rejoice before you as with joy at the harvest, as people exult when dividing plunder. ⁴For the yoke of their burden, and the bar across their shoulders, the rod of their oppressor, you have broken as on the day of Midian.

Music *Give Me Jesus*

arr. Mark Hayes

Gospel Reading Matthew 4:12-23

As he walked by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon, who is called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the lake—for they were fishermen. And he said to them, ‘Follow me, and I will make you fish for people.’ Immediately they left their nets and followed him. As he went from there, he saw two other brothers, James son of Zebedee and his brother John, in the boat with their father Zebedee, mending their nets, and he called them. Immediately they left the boat and their father, and followed him.

Jesus went throughout Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and curing every disease and every sickness among the people.

This is the word of God, for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Follow Me

Rev. Foster

Responding to the Word

***Hymn 726** *Will You Come and Follow Me*

KELVINGROVE

Invitation to the Offering *If you wish to contribute online, please scan the QR code with your mobile device to be directed to Faith's online giving site.*



Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. Forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

Sending God's People into the World

*Hymn 157 *Lord of the Dance*

LORD OF THE DANCE

*Charge & Benediction

Postlude *Postlude II*

Denis Bedard

Leading Worship Today

Rev. Kate Foster, *Parish Associate*
Dr. Samuel Springer, *Minister of Music & Organist*
Judy Sperling, *Liturgist*
The Chancel Choir
Patrick Baker, *Zoom Moderator & PowerPoint*
Andy Fuller, *Audio/Camera*

****Joys and Concerns:** We are a community who prays with and for each other. There is a book in the narthex where you may write your joys and concerns to be included in the Prayers of the People and shared in our weekly prayer chain email. If you would like to be added to the prayer chain, please email faithchurchbalt@gmail.com.

This week we pray for:

Diane Borgatti	The people of Ukraine
Ann Scheck	Victims of gun violence
Faith's homebound members	Conrad Slacum

WELCOME to Faith Presbyterian Church! If you are visiting with us this morning, we hope you found our worship to be meaningful - your presence enriches our community. If you are seeking a church home, we hope you will return soon so that we might get to know you better. To learn about ways to get engaged in the life of Faith, check out our website, www.faithpcbalt.org, and speak with our pastor, Rev. Cat Goodrich, cgoodrich@faithpcbalt.org.

KIDS are welcome at Faith! Our PRAYGROUND at the front of the sanctuary is for children 6 and younger during worship. There are books and quiet activities to keep hands busy so ears can

listen, and it's close to the action so that our youngest members can experience the beauty of worship in a space that's just for them.

Wednesday Bible Study *11:00 a.m. on Zoom*

Join Cat every Wednesday to reflect on the coming Sunday's lectionary passage. All are welcome!

The Forum: Faith formation gathering for youth and adults, *Sundays, 9:15 in the Woodmont Room and on Zoom.*

January 29-February 19 What is patience? Is it waiting for the passing of time? Is it endurance in the midst of pain and suffering? Is it tolerance or forbearance with self or others? Is it constancy in the face of discouragement? Is it constructive engagement with events or circumstances? Whatever it is, why is it in such short supply? This Forum will pursue these questions and explore why patience is a concern for faith and social justice. **Arthur Sutherland, PhD**, associate professor of theology at Loyola University will lead the Forum.

Faith's Book Club meets the fourth Tuesday of each month for lively discussion of that month's title. For January, we are reading Horse by Geraldine Brooks. "A discarded painting in a junk pile, a skeleton in an attic, and the greatest racehorse in American history: from these strands, [Brooks] braids a sweeping story of spirit, obsession, and injustice..." Join us! **January 24 at 7:00 PM** at the Nesbitts' home, 3913 Juniper Road, 21218.