

Worship Leader Edition
Godly Leaders are Called

February 25, 2024

8:30 AM

GATHERING

PRELUDE

“I Will Arise and Go to Jesus”
Bells of Praise

Cathy Moglebust

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS *{Front Center}*

+OPENING HYMN

“Will You Come and Follow Me”
Verses 1, 2 & 5

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Verse 1

Will you come and follow me
if I but call your name?
Will you go where you don't know
and never be the same?
Will you let my love be shown,
will you let my name be known,
will you let my life be grown
in you and you in me?

Will you risk the hostile stare,
should your life attract or scare?
Will you let me answer pray'r
in you and you in me.

Verse 5

Lord, your summons echoes true
when you but call my name.
Let me turn and follow you
and never be the same.
In your company I'll go
where your love and footsteps show.
Thus I'll move and live and grow
in you and you in me.

Verse 2

Will you leave yourself behind
if I but call your name?
Will you care for cruel and kind
and never be the same?

+GREETING *{Front Center}* (Greg Hornicke)

L: The grace of our Lord, Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

Screen

+LENT LITANY

L: Lent is a time to reset our aims to follow Christ.

C: Loving God, in you we trust,

L: Lent is an opportunity for healthy repentance of our personal sins.

C: Loving God, we ask for grace.

L: Lent is a time for defying temptations, turning our face to the light of Christ.

C: Loving God, we ask for strength.

L: Lent is a time to take up our cross and follow the narrow path of Christ Jesus.

C: Loving God, we ask for your guidance.

L: In the name of your Son and our Savior Jesus.

C: Amen.

Screen

+PRAYER OF THE DAY *{Front Center}* (Greg Hornicke)

L: Lord Jesus, it was hard for your disciples to hear that they would have to suffer in order to follow you.

Give us faith and courage to follow you, even when it's painful or frightening.

C: Amen.

WORD

Now the boy Samuel was ministering to the LORD under Eli. The word of the LORD was rare in those days; visions were not widespread. At that time Eli, whose eyesight had begun to grow dim so that he could not see, was lying down in his room; the lamp of God had not yet gone out, and Samuel was lying down in the temple of the LORD, where the ark of God was. Then the LORD called, 'Samuel! Samuel!' and he said, 'Here I am!' and ran to Eli, and said, 'Here I am, for you called me.' But he said, 'I did not call; lie down again.' So he went and lay down. The LORD called again, 'Samuel!' Samuel got up and went to Eli, and said, 'Here I am, for you called me.' But he said, 'I did not call, my son; lie down again.' Now Samuel did not yet know the LORD, and the word of the LORD had not yet been revealed to him. The LORD called Samuel again, a third time. And he got up and went to Eli, and said, 'Here I am, for you called me.' Then Eli perceived that the LORD was calling the boy. Therefore Eli said to Samuel, 'Go, lie down; and if he calls you, you shall say, "Speak, LORD, for your servant is listening."' So Samuel went and lay down in his place. Now the LORD came and stood there, calling as before, 'Samuel! Samuel!' And Samuel said, 'Speak, for your servant is listening.'

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand as you are able.

+THE HOLY GOSPEL

Mark 10:32-52

They were on the road, going up to Jerusalem, and Jesus was walking ahead of them; they were amazed, and those who followed were afraid. He took the twelve aside again and began to tell them what was to happen to him, saying, 'See, we are going up to Jerusalem, and the Son of Man will be handed over to the chief priests and the scribes, and they will condemn him to death; then they will hand him over to the Gentiles; they will mock him, and spit upon him, and flog him, and kill him; and after three days he will rise again.' James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came forward to him and said to him, 'Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you.' And he said to them, 'What is it you want me to do for you?' And they said to him, 'Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory.' But Jesus said to them, 'You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with?' They replied, 'We are able.' Then Jesus said to them, 'The cup that I drink you will drink; and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized; but to sit at my right hand or at my left is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared.' When the ten heard this, they began to be angry with James and John. So Jesus called them and said to them, 'You know that among the Gentiles those whom they recognize as their rulers lord it over them, and their great ones are tyrants over them. But it is not so among you; but whoever wishes to become great among you must be your servant, and whoever wishes to be first among you must be slave of all. For the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life a ransom for many.' They came to Jericho. As he and his disciples and a large crowd were leaving Jericho, Bartimaeus son of Timaeus, a blind beggar, was sitting by the roadside. When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout out and say, 'Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!' Many sternly ordered him to be quiet, but he cried out even more loudly, 'Son of David, have mercy on me!' Jesus stood still and said, 'Call him here.' And they called the blind man, saying to him, 'Take heart; get up, he is calling you.' So throwing off his cloak, he sprang up and came to Jesus. Then Jesus said to him, 'What do you want me to do for you?' The blind man said to him, 'My teacher, let me see again.' Jesus said to him, 'Go; your faith has made you well.' Immediately he regained his sight and followed him on the way.

L: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: **Praise to You, O Christ.**

SERMON

Rob Norris-Weber, Pastor

+HYMN OF THE DAY

"O Master, Let Me Walk With You"

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Verse 1

O Master, let me walk with you
in lowly paths of service true;
tell me your secret; help me bear
the strain of toil, the fret of care.

Verse 2

Help me the slow of heart to move
by some clear, winning word of love;
teach me the wayward feet to stay,
and guide them in the homeward way.

Verse 3

Teach me your patience; share with me
a closer, dearer company,
in work that keeps faith sweet and strong,
in trust that triumphs over wrong,

Verse 4

In hope that sends a shining ray
far down the future's broad'ning way,
in peace that only you can give;
with you, O Master, let me live.

+THE APOSTLES' CREED {*Front Center*} (Greg Hornicke) *Screen*

C: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

+THE PRAYERS {*Front Center*} (Greg Hornicke) *Screen*

After each petition:

L: Lord in your mercy,

C: Hear our prayer.

+THE LORD'S PRAYER {*Front Center*} (Greg Hornicke) *Screen*

C: 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.

+SHARING OF THE PEACE {*Front Center*} (Greg Hornicke)

L: The peace of the Lord be with you all.

C: And also with you.

L: For all who are gathered, let us take a moment to welcome those around us with a greeting. For those of you online, please share a word of peace in the comment or chat. Most all as we go out into the world may we greet others as people of peace.

TIME OF REFLECTION AND RESPONSE {*Front Center*} (Greg Hornicke)

L: You may be seated. In this time of reflection and response you are invited to fill out your welcome card. Share any reflections, questions, or prayers on the back. Also, take this time to prepare your offering. For those gathered the collection plates are in the front and back, and there is a QR code in the bulletin to give electronically. For those on-line please go to our website stlukesbloomington.org there is a link to give at the bottom of every page. Enjoy this time.

MUSIC

“What Wondrous Love Is This”
Bells of Praise

Susan Geschke

SENDING

COUNCIL INTRODUCTION

Britt Halaas, Missions

+BENEDICTION {*Front Center*} (Rob)

L: As we journey through Lent, may we walk your path that leads to life and invite others in the way of salvation.
In the name of the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

C: Amen.

+SENDING HYMN

“O Christ, Our Light, O Radiance True”
Verses 1, 2 & 3

ELW #675/Screen

Verse 1

O Christ our light, O Radiance true,
Shine forth on those estranged from you,
And bring them to your home again,
Where their delight shall never end.

Set free all those whose hearts and minds
Some deep delusion haunts and blinds.

Verse 3

Lord, open all reluctant ears
And take away the needless fears
Of those who tremble to express
The faith their inmost hearts confess.

Verse 2

Fill with the radiance of your grace
The wand'ers lost in error's maze.

+DISMISSAL (*Rob*)

L: Go in peace. Christ is with you.

C: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Altar Flowers Today Given by
David Skinner
In memory of my mother Darlene Skinner
who died Feb. 17, 1992.