

THIRD SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY
11:00 A.M.

Rev. Glenn Zuber
Music Director – Gregory Fraser

THE GATHERING

PRELUDE with SILENT PRAYERS: “Liszt Auc Lac du Wallenstadt” (Years of Pilgrimage)
GREETINGS & ANNOUNCEMENTS - Please **clearly** sign the friendship/attendance pad. Thank you.

INTROIT: “O How He Loves You and Me” Choir
CALL TO WORSHIP (Leader/**People**) (Please stand)
(L) The Lord is my light and my salvation;
(P) whom shall I fear?
(L) The Lord is the stronghold of my life;
(P) of whom shall I be afraid?
(L) From our daily labors, the Lord summons us.
(P) Freed from fear, we are bold to follow.
(L) “Come! I will make you fishers of people.”
(P) We respond with gratitude and praise!

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE (If children are present)
HYMN: #454 (Please stand) “Blessed Jesus, at Your Word” (Please be seated)

CALL TO CONFESSION Rev. Glenn Zuber

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)
On the bustling shores of Galilee, Jesus called Peter and Andrew, James and John. Immediately, they dropped their nets. Immediately, they abandoned their boats. Immediately, these fishermen-turned-followers set out to fish for people. Christ, you also call to us. But we are slow to set aside the mundane tasks that shape our lives, slow to abandon the weak excuses we recite to drown out your voice, slow to drop the daily demands that compete for our attention. Call to us again, we pray, and summon us to lives of gracious service. Fashion us into faithful followers who hear Christ’s commands and respond with courage and compassion, so that we might proclaim the reign of God. Amen. SILENT PRAYER

ASSURANCE OF PARDON Rev. Glenn Zuber

SONG OF PRAISE: HYMN #298, verse 1, “There’s a Wideness in God’s Mercy”

CONCERNS and JOYS Rev. Glenn Zuber

PRAYERS OF THE CONGREGATION

THE LORD’S PRAYER (Unison)
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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

WORDS & GESTURES OF PEACE: (Please stand and greet your neighbors)
The peace of Christ be with you. **And also with you.** (Please be seated)

THE PROCLAIMING

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION Rev. Glenn Zuber

OLD TESTAMENT: Psalm 27:4-9 (Pew Bible page 503)
The Lord is my light and salvation; therefore I am not afraid.

ANTHEM: “There’s a Wideness in God’s Mercy” Choir

NEW TESTAMENT: Matthew 4:12-23 (Pew Bible page 3)
Jesus calls four disciples: Follow me, and you will fish for people.

SERMON: Christ Calling Disciples Rev. Glenn Zuber

HYMN: #371 (Please stand) “Lift High the Cross”

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH - “Adapted from the Confession of 1967”
God’s sovereign love is a mystery beyond the reach of the human mind. Human thought ascribes to God superlatives of power, wisdom, and goodness. But God reveals divine love in Jesus Christ by showing power in the form of a servant, wisdom in the folly of the cross, and goodness in receiving sinful men and women. The power of God’s love in Christ to transform the world discloses that the Redeemer is the Lord and Creator who made all things to serve the purpose of God’s love. Amen.
(You may be seated)

THE RESPONDING

OFFERTORY Rev. Glenn Zuber

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

SONG OF DEDICATION: (Please stand) “Doxology”
“Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise God all creatures here below; Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.” Amen. (Please remain standing)

PRAYER OF DEDICATION Rev. Glenn Zuber

THE SENDING

HYMN: see Insert “We Are Marching in the Light of God” Rev. Glenn Zuber

CHARGE and BLESSING

CLOSING SONG: Rev. Glenn Zuber

Go now in peace. Never be afraid God will go with you each hour of every day. Go now in faith, steadfast, strong and true. Know He will guide you in all you do. Go now in love, and show you believe. Reach out to others so all the world can see. God will be there watching from above. Go now in peace, in faith, and in love. Amen. Amen. Amen.

POSTLUDE: “Liszt Pastoale” (Years of Pilgrimage)