

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday after Epiphany

January 22, 2023

11:00 AM

Welcome and Announcements

Rev. Dr. Lynn Miller

GATHERING

Prelude

“My Savior’s Love” (Larson)

David Thompson

Call to Worship

Robin Morris

One: We gather together in worship and praise.

Many: Praise to you, God!

One: Praise to you for this morning.

Many: Praise to you, God!

One: Praise to you for the great commission: to make disciples, to baptize, to teach.

Many: Praise to you, God!

One: Praise to you for always lighting our way.

Many: Praise to you, God!

\*Hymn of Praise #475

“Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing”

\*Call to Confession

Robin Morris

\*Prayer of Confession

Loving God, each morning we rise,
Convinced that we know what we are supposed to do,
Convinced that we know who we are supposed to be.
We forget that you are active in our lives, in our callings, in our purposes.
We confess that we like it that way because we don’t want to listen,
don’t want to act, don’t want to serve.
Forgive us, O God, when we avoid unknown pathways
because we are afraid, because we are comfortable as we are,
because we don’t want to risk all that we have.
Forgive us when we ignore your voice calling us to new pastures.
Give us the courage, we pray, to be your disciples. Amen.

\*Assurance of Pardon

One: Hear the good news! The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance,
that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. He himself bore
our sins in his body on the cross, that we might be dead to sin, and
alive to all that is good. Friends, believe the good news.

Many: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

\*Gloria Patri #581

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen, amen.

THE WORD

Prayer for Illumination

Anthem

“Lord, Here Am I” (Beck)

Chancel Choir

Master, Thou callest, I gladly obey; Only direct me, And I'll find Thy way.
Teach me the mission Appointed for me, What is my labor And where it shall be.
Master, Thou callest, And this I reply, “Ready and willing, Lord, here am I.”
Willing, my Savior, To take up the cross; Willing to suffer Reproaches and loss;
Willing to follow If Thou will but lead; Only support me With grace in my need.
Master, Thou callest, And this I reply, “Ready and willing, Lord, here am I.”
Living or dying, I still would be Thine. Yet I am mortal While Thou art divine.
Pardon, whenever I turn from the right; Pity, and bring me Again to the light.
Master, Thou callest, And this I reply, “Ready and willing, Lord, here am I.”

First Reading

Psalm 27:1, 4-9 (Pew Bible OT p.573)

Second Reading

1 Corinthians 1:10-18 (Pew Bible NT p.166 )

Third Reading

Matthew 4:12-23 (Pew Bible NT p.3-4)

One: The Word of God, for us, the people of God.

Many: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Rev. Dr. Lynn Miller

“What Zebedee Learned About and From Jesus, Even Though He,
Unlike Those Boys of His, Didn’t Go Traipsing Across the Countryside
After that Carpenter From Nazareth”

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

\*Hymn #474

“As a Child Rests” (verse 2 only)

Sacrament of Baptism for Hazel Sefah Anokye

Presentation

Questions to the Congregation

Do you, as members of the church of Jesus Christ, promise to guide and
nurture Hazel Sefah by telling her the good news of the Gospel, by
showing her the love of Christ, and by praying for her as she grows?

We do.

Will you encourage her to know and follow Christ and will you be for her
an example of what it means to be a faithful member of Christ’s church?

We will.

Questions to the Children of the Congregation

Will you be a friend to Hazel, loving her as your sister in Christ?

We will.

Will you tell her the story of today, of when she was baptized, and will
you tell her the stories of God’s love for us and for her?

We will.

Will you make good choices in your own life so that Hazel can see how a
Christian should live?

We will.

\*Renunciations and Affirmation of Faith

(Apostles’ Creed)

Do you believe in God the Father?

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

I believe in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by
the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day
he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on
the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come
to judge the quick and dead.

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church; the communion
of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the
life everlasting. Amen.

Thanksgiving Over the Water

The Baptism and Blessing

Welcome

\*Hymn

Take her life and let it be consecrated, Lord, to thee;
Take her moments and her days; let them flow in ceaseless praise;
Let them flow in ceaseless praise.

Prayers of the People concluding with the Lord’s Prayer

Service of Giving

Offertory

“Jesus Loves Me” (Traditional)

Jim Simmons

\*Doxology #606

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen

\*Prayer of Dedication

\*Hymn #485

“We Know That Christ Is Raised”

\*Charge and Benediction

Rev. Dr. Lynn Miller

\*Postlude

“Triumphant Finale” (Bliss)

Rita Harmon

\*Please stand, in body or in spirit.

The flowers for worship today are given for the glory of God and in memory of
Peggy Jolley by her family.

Please remember in prayer:

Friends and Family of Peggy Jolley; Friends and Family of Fulton Ross; Anna
Cox; JT & Teresa Spires; Ashton & Jenni Lail; Rachel Hopper; Steve Beheler;
Confirmation Class: Layla Lemmonds, Taylor Miller & Leah Miller; Confirmation
Sponsors: Michelle Jolly, Hazel Hubbard, & Becky Wheeler.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Sunday School Offering for the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter will be donated to Smile Train.

Today in worship we celebrate the baptism of Hazel Sefah Anokye, daughter
of Vincent and Afia Anokye. Elder Hazel Hubbard will represent the Session.

Next week’s lectionary readings are:

Micah 6:1-8; Psalm 15; 1 Corinthians 1:18-31; Matthew 5:1-12.

### Bible Study in January/February

We have "pictures" of them in the hallway outside the church office. What do you know about them? On Monday, January 30, we will begin a 4-week Bible study focusing on Jesus' 12 disciples -- who they were, where they were from, what they did in scripture, how we are like them, what we can learn from them. The gospel readings for January 15 and January 22 are both accounts of Jesus calling those disciples, so you can hear that part of the story in worship. Then on the 30th, we'll begin looking at these distinct persons and personalities. Can you name all twelve? We'll be learning (yes, singing!) a song that will let us have the names of those disciples on the tips of our tongues. If you want to be at the head of the class, you can hear the song and see the lyrics here: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RiZq3zDI5D4>

### Ministry Teams

Members of the Session are in the process of gathering their teams together in this new year. Are there places you would be interested in serving? The Elders have received a compilation of the Time and Talent Surveys completed in the Fall, but if you are interested in becoming involved in a particular part of congregational life, please contact the Elder for each team: Fellowship/Congregational Care - Teresa Spires, Christian Education - Nancy McElroy. Outreach - Mimi McCully, Building and Grounds - Larry Sossamon, Worship - Dean Wyatt, Finance - Bill Wheeler

### Conference

Interested in attending a Montreat conference? There is a 2023 Program Calendar for the Montreat Conference Center on the bulletin board across from the church office. Montreat offers conferences for youth (6 of them!), women, small churches, and young adults. The conferences range in topic from worship and music to arts and recreation to crafts and more. Check out the poster or find all the offerings at <https://montreat.org/events>

### Office News

Lynn will be out of the office this week. Before she even talked with the LPC PNC, she agreed to present a workshop at the 2023 APCE Annual Event in Birmingham, AL. For more information on what she'll be doing, see the 1/19/23 LimeLight.

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## CALENDAR of EVENTS

### Sunday, January 22

9:45 AM Confirmation Class - Parlor  
9:45 AM Children's Sunday School  
10:15 AM Chancel Choir Practice - Choir Room  
11:00 AM Worship - Sanctuary & via Facebook Live

### Monday, January 23

5:30 PM Girl Scouts

### Wednesday, January 25

6:00 PM Wednesday Night Supper - FLC

### Sunday, January 29

9:45 AM Confirmation Class - Parlor  
9:45 AM Children's Sunday School  
10:15 AM Chancel Choir Practice - Choir Room  
11:00 AM Worship - Sanctuary & via Facebook Live

### Upcoming

January 30 - Bible Study

## NEXT STEPS

- Make reservation for Wednesday Night Supper
- Review a book from our Library
- Check out the "12 Disciples" song on YouTube
- Pray for the unity of Christ's church
- Pick up a hard copy of the LimeLight

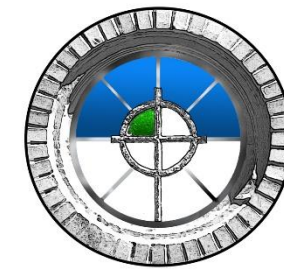
## BIRTHDAYS

January 24 - Jim Simmons

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TOGETHER



John Mosiman. *Jesus Calling Disciples*. Serigraph.

Vocation does not come from willfulness. It comes from listening. That insight is hidden in the word *vocation* itself, which is rooted in the Latin for "voice."  
Vocation does not mean a goal that I pursue. It means a calling that I hear.  
-Parker J. Palmer, *Let Your Life Speak*, p. 4.