



Third Sunday after Epiphany
January 24, 2021
8:30am

Welcome to Zumbro Lutheran Church!

Jesus' ministry in Galilee is expanding. The crowds are pressing in on all sides. Jesus needs help in reaching out to people. In this week's gospel, Jesus calls his first disciples. They've been fishing on the Sea of Galilee. Now Jesus invites them to join him in "fishing" for people.

PRELUDE

PRAISE TO THE LORD, THE ALMIGHTY
KRISTY GIERE, PIANO

ARR. MARK PATTERSON

SIYAHAMBA (WE ARE MARCHING IN THE LIGHT OF GOD)
HANDBELL QUARTET

SOUTH AFRICAN,
ARR. SONDRRA K. TUCKER

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

L: Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, whose voice is upon the waters,
whose mercy is poured out upon all people,
whose goodness cascades over all creation.

C: Amen.

L: Let us confess our sin, trusting in the abundant grace of God.

silence for reflection and self-examination

L: Holy God,

C: you search us and know us. You are acquainted with all our ways. We confess that our hearts are burdened by sin—our own sins and the broken systems that bind us. We turn inward, failing to follow your outward way of love. We distrust those who are not like us. We exploit the earth and its resources and fail to consider generations to come. Forgive us, gracious God, for all we have done and left undone. Even before the words are on our tongues, you know them; receive them in your divine mercy.

Amen.

L: How vast is God's grace! Through the power and promise of † Christ Jesus, our sins are washed away and we are claimed as God's own beloved. Indeed, we are forgiven. In the wake of God's forgiveness, we are called to be the beloved community living out Christ's justice and the Spirit's reconciling peace.

C: Amen.

HYMN

PRAISE TO THE LORD, THE ALMIGHTY!

**Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!
O my soul, praise him, for he is your health and salvation!
Let all who hear now to his temple draw near,
joining in glad adoration!**

**Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things is wondrously reigning
and, as on wings of an eagle, uplifting, sustaining.
Have you not seen all that is needful has been
sent by his gracious ordaining?**

**Praise to the Lord, who will prosper your work and defend you;
surely his goodness and mercy shall daily attend you.
Ponder anew what the Almighty can do
if with his love he befriend you.**

**Praise to the Lord! Oh, let all that is in me adore him!
All that has life and breath, come now with praises before him!
Let the amen sound from his people again.
Gladly forever adore him!**

GREETING

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.

HYMN OF PRAISE

ARISE, YOUR LIGHT HAS COME

**Arise, your light has come!
The Spirit's call obey;
show forth the glory of your God
which shines on you today.**

**Arise, your light has come!
Fling wide the prison door;
proclaim the captive's liberty,
good tidings to the poor.**

**Arise, your light has come!
All you in sorrow born,
bind up the brokenhearted ones
and comfort those who mourn.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

L: Lord Jesus,

C: We hear the call to come and follow you. We're not exactly sure where that will take us and what we'll be asked to do, but we're excited at the sound of our name and the love we hear in your voice. Only one thing seems certain: after following you, we will not be the same as before. Change our hearts, Lord. Put us to work. There's a lot to do. Amen.

HOLY GOSPEL

LUKE 5:1-11, 6:12-16 NRSV

¹Once while Jesus was standing beside the lake of Gennesaret, and the crowd was pressing in on him to hear the word of God, ²he saw two boats there at the shore of the lake; the fishermen had gone out of them and were washing their nets. ³He got into one of the boats, the one belonging to Simon, and asked him to put out a little way from the shore. Then he sat down and taught the crowds from the boat. ⁴When he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, "Put out into the deep water and let down your nets for a catch." ⁵Simon answered, "Master, we have worked all night long but have caught nothing. Yet if you say so, I will let down the nets." ⁶When they had done this, they caught so many fish that their nets were beginning to break. ⁷So they signaled their partners in the other boat to come and help them. And they came and filled both boats, so that they began to

sink. ⁸But when Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, "Go away from me, Lord, for I am a sinful man!" ⁹For he and all who were with him were amazed at the catch of fish that they had taken; ¹⁰and so also were James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon. Then Jesus said to Simon, "Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching people." ¹¹When they had brought their boats to shore, they left everything and followed him.

¹²Now during those days he went out to the mountain to pray; and he spent the night in prayer to God. ¹³And when day came, he called his disciples and chose twelve of them, whom he also named apostles: ¹⁴Simon, whom he named Peter, and his brother Andrew, and James, and John, and Philip, and Bartholomew, ¹⁵and Matthew, and Thomas, and James son of Alphaeus, and Simon, who was called the Zealot, ¹⁶and Judas son of James, and Judas Iscariot, who became a traitor.

L: The Gospel of the Lord,

C: Thanks be to God.

STORYTIME

JANETTE REEVES

SERMON

LOVE INVITES OTHERS ON THE JOURNEY

PASTOR VERN CHRISTOPHERSON

HYMN

WILL YOU COME AND FOLLOW ME

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

**"Will you let the blinded see
if I but call your name?
Will you set the pris'ners free
and never be the same?
Will you kiss the leper clean,
and do such as this unseen,
and admit to what I mean
in you and you in me?"**

**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.**

APOSTLES' CREED

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.

BAPTISM OF CLARA WYNN BEATTY

Child of Megan and Joe Beatty

Siblings: Ryan and Hannah

Sponsors: Nicole and John Beatty

EXPRESSIONS OF GRATITUDE

ADORO TE DEVOTE (THEE WE ADORE, O SAVIOR)

HANDBELL QUARTET WITH PIANO

ARR. ANNE KRENTZ ORGAN

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

L: Guided by Christ made known to the nations, let us offer our prayers for the church, the world, and all people in need.

A brief silence.

L: Let us pray.

After each petition the congregation responds:

C: Have mercy, O God.

L: Merciful God, hear the prayers of your people, spoken or silent, for the sake of the one who dwells among us, your Son, Jesus Christ our Savior.

C: Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

L: Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us:

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.

BLESSING

L: God the creator strengthen you; Jesus the beloved fill you; and the Holy Spirit the comforter † keep you in peace.

C: Amen.

HYMN

SHINE, JESUS, SHINE

Refrain **Shine, Jesus, shine, fill this land with the Father's glory;
Blaze, Spirit, blaze, set our hearts on fire.
Flow, river, flow, flood the nations with grace and mercy;
Send forth your word, Lord, and let there be light!**

**Lord, the light of your love is shining,
In the midst of the darkness, shining;
Jesus, light of the world, shine upon us,
Set us free by the truth you now bring us.
Shine on me, shine on me. *Refrain***

**As we gaze on your kingly brightness,
So our faces display your likeness,
Ever changing from glory to glory,
Mirrored here, may our lives tell your story.
Shine on me, shine on me. *Refrain***

"Shine, Jesus, Shine"

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SENDING

L: People of Zumbro, what is our mission?

C: Our journey of faith leads us to build bridges of understanding and peace, to reach out with compassion, and to share the hope of Jesus. Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

LOBE DEN HERREN (PRAISE TO THE LORD)
KRISTY GIERE, ORGAN

HANS FRIEDRICH MICHEELSEN

PRAYERS FOR HEALING:

Kathryn Aarseth Mel Aarseth Rick Turner

SYMPATHY TO:

Judy (Les) Thronson on the death of her brother, John Steffenson.

Karla Dexter on the death of her mother, Betty Kraayenbrink.

Jill (Bob) Sheehan on the death of her father, Douglas Doeden.

TODAY'S RADIO BROADCAST is in celebration of the 28th anniversary of Pastor Joel Bacon's ordination on January 24, 1993, given by his parents, Dorothy and Lyle Bacon.

THIS MORNING'S ALTAR FLOWERS are given by Ann and Chuck Beatty in celebration of the baptism of their granddaughter, Clara Wynn Beatty.

WORSHIP LEADERS TODAY

PROCLAIMER-Pastor Vern Christopherson; **WORSHIP ASSISTANT**-Pastor Shelley Cunningham;
LECTOR-Vikki Dalquist; **STORYTIME**-Janette Reeves; **ORGANIST**-Kristy Giere; **SONGLEADERS**-
Meredith Pritchard and Janette Reeves; **HANDBELL QUARTET**-Dorothy Bacon, Paul Bye,
Stacy Freimuth, Leah Holmes



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