Message Notes

How to Join — During the Response Hymn, you are invited to join our congregation. You may become a member by one of the following methods, whichever is most applicable to you.

- You may share with the congregation that you have committed your life to Jesus & desire to be baptized.
- You have already made a commitment to Jesus, been baptized and now desire to transfer your membership from another church to Winfree, or join based on your statement of faith in Christ and not by transferring membership from another church. All new members agree to attend a New Member Orientation class.



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We are glad you are with us today.
Please scan the QR code to let us
know that you are here and to learn
more about Winfree Church.

Hearing aid headphones are available for the hearing impaired.

Please let one of our greeters know you'd like to use a pair, and we will be happy to assist you!

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Jesus Stories

FROM THE GOSPEL OF JOHN





Traditional Worship Service

Sunday, January 21, 2024 • 9:40 a.m.

Welcome! David Benjamin

Invocation

Quietly Preparing to Worship God

Everyone

We might have played "follow the leader" when we were children, but starting in adolescence we have less and less interest in following someone else. We want to find ourselves and chart our own path. The great irony is that we usually just end up following our culture or our friends anyway.

Jesus calls to each of us, "Follow Me!"

Simple, clear, straight to the point... and sometimes not as easy as it sounds. But always worth it!

Prelude Nun Bitten Wir Buxtehude

Hymn 454 God, Our Father, You Have Led Us York/Clay

Reading from Isaiah 55 Bill Minson

Reading from Philippians 3 Bonnie Minson

Hymn 293 Jesus Calls Us O'er the Tumult Alexander/Jude

Responsive Prayer Diane Semach and Everyone

Congregation reads the **bold** print

Jesus, I hear You call to me today, "Come. Follow Me."

Help me to love You with all my heart and follow You wherever You lead. Like the disciples, may I leave everything behind to follow You.

Jesus, You call me to imitate You, to take up my cross and follow You

I admit that for me, following You is sometimes a challenge. At times I am slow to lay down my own desires and my personal comfort. Sacrifice for the sake of the Kingdom of God is not my mentality. Forgive me, Jesus.

Savior, I remember Your instruction to bring others to You.

I ask You to give me a heart for those who do not know You. Like Peter, may I become a fisher of men, sharing Your love and message of salvation with those who have not yet turned to You. May my life be a light to point others to You.

Jesus, today I decide to follow You.

Thank You for Your unending patience and kindness towards me. Help me to carefully listen for Your voice and follow You faithfully every day. In Jesus' name I pray. Amen.

Hymn 483	Footsteps of Jesus	Slade/Everett
	verses 1, 2, and 3	

Offertory Prayer

Giving Our Tithes and Offerings Everyone

Choral Anthem Be Thou My Vision arr. Forrest

Message Following Jesus Dr. Benjamin

John 1:35-51

Hymn 305 I Have Decided to Follow Jesus Clark/Reynolds

Postlude Invention #4 in d minor Bach

Closing Words