Traditional Worship Service

Sunday, November 8, 2026 • 9:40 a.m.

Welcome! Rev. Lee Foster

Invocation

Quietly Preparing to Worship God Everyone

Please take a moment to silence your cell phones

There must have been something about Jesus that sparked the imagination of the fishermen on the shore of the Sea of Galilee. Because when Jesus offered the invitation saying "follow me," they immediately followed. They left their nets, their boat, and their father, immediately to follow. What was it about Jesus that connected with those two?

Maybe it was the hope that Jesus seemed to embody. Maybe it was his compassion. It could have been his courage to speak truth. Was it his sense of humor? Did they see a hint of the divine in this ordinary looking man? Maybe they knew that following Jesus would give them a life that would be far better than anything they could have ever had without him.

What is it about Jesus that connected with you? What about Jesus keeps you coming back to follow him each morning? Today in worship, ask God that your calling may be strengthened, and that your hold on all the things that would make you hesitant would easily slip from your life and hands.

Prelude ***Agincourt Hymn*** Dunstable

Hymn 446 ***Blessed Assurance, Jesus is Mine*** ASSURANCE

Reading from Psalm 70 Jo Gates

Responsive Reading Dr. Jimmie Miles and Everyone

Congregation reads the **bold** *print*

The LORD is my light and my salvation —

Whom shall I fear?

The LORD is the stronghold of my life —

Of whom shall I be afraid?

Long ago, the prophet Isaiah spoke of a people who lived in darkness:

"Land of Zebulun and land of Naphtali, the way of the sea, beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles —

The people living in darkness have seen a great light;

On those living in the land of the shadow of death, a light has dawned."

That light is our light still. For in the day of trouble he will keep us safe in his dwelling;

He will hide us in the shelter of his sacred tent and set us high upon a rock.

Then our heads will be lifted above the enemies who surround us;

At his sacred tent we will sacrifice with shouts of joy; we will sing and make music to the LORD.

The LORD is our light and our salvation.

We will not be afraid. Amen.

Reading from Matthew 25:1-13 Janet Garnett

Hymn 488 ***O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee*** MARYTON

Offertory Prayer

Giving Our Tithes and Offerings Everyone

Choral Anthem arr. Benjamin Harlan

I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light

Pastoral Scripture **Matthew 4:18-22** Rev. Foster

Pastor: The Word of God, for the people of God.
All: Thanks be to God.

Message ***To Be The Church: Make Disciples*** Rev. Foster

Hymn 436 ***Where He Leads Me*** NORRIS

Closing Words

Benediction

Postlude ***Now Thank, My Soul, the Lord*** Buxtehude

The flowers gracing the Sanctuary this morning were given in honor of the marriage of Rev. Joshua Roberts and Anna Midkiff.

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