# **January 21st, 2024**

# 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday After Epiphany/Human Relations Sunday *GATHERING FOR WORSHIP*

PRELUDE: Take My Life and Let it Be/I Surrender All

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

QUIET HYMN: Precious Lord, Take My Hand #474

SILENT PRAYER

\*HYMN: Spirit of God #2117 (vs 1-3)

## CENTERING FOR WORSHIP

## \*CALL TO WORSHIP

L: God called Jonah to get up, go to Nineveh, and proclaim God's word.

P: But Jonah refused until God called a second time.

L: God is persistent. God believes in those whom God has called.

P: Jesus called the disciples by the lakeshore

L: They left their families and jobs to follow Jesus.

P: God, give us the courage to follow you all of our lives. Amen.

#### \* PRAYER OF INVOCATION

O God, you are our light and our salvation. Living in your presence, we have nothing to fear. Open our hearts to your word this day. As we hear the story of the call of the first disciples, make us ready to follow Jesus on whatever path he leads us. Cast aside our fears and doubts, and teach us to trust wholly in you, for we ask this in Jesus' Name. Amen.

**ANTHEM:** A Wilderness Wandering People

# PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

#### SCRIPTURE LESSON

Jonah 3:1-5, 10 Mark 1:14-20

\*HYMN: We Need A Faith

#2181

## THE WORD OF GOD EXPLORED

Pastor Joel Holcomb

# GRATEFUL RESPONSE TO GOD'S WORD

**OFFERTORY** 

\*DOXOLOGY

#95

\*DEDICATION OF TITHES AND OFFERING PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND PASTOR

#### THE LORD'S PRAYER

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. Amen.

## PRAYER RESPONSE

\*HYMN: Open My Eyes, That I May See

#454

## \*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE: Nobody Knows the Trouble I've Seen/All Night, All Day

\*Indicates standing if that is comfortable for you.

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