

Morning Worship

Listening for God's Call

January 17, 2021 (Online)



Ring of the Bell

Our Life Together

The Solemn Declaration

Prelude Music

Call to Worship

Leader: What do you do, when God calls?

All: Wake up. Listen. Act.

Leader: What do you do when God asks you to do something difficult?

All: Wake up. Listen. Act.

Leader: What do you do when God asks you to do something impossible?

All: Wake up. Listen. Act. Because, with God, nothing is impossible.

Leader: Even changing ourselves?

All: Even changing the world. Walk up. Listen. Act.

Leader: And, with all this living,

All: we worship God.

Prayer of Invocation

O God, you call to us today,
 just as you called to the boy Samuel so long ago.
 We gather today, as people of many different ages
 and backgrounds, but we pray for the maturity of faith
 to hear your call and respond to your Word.
 Open our ears and our hearts as we worship,
 as we work, and as we care for one another.
 We ask that you would give us courage and
 integrity to answer your call with the heart-felt words,
 "Here I am!" **Amen.**

Call to Confession

We are the people of God, but Scripture reminds us that we still sin. We need to confess our failures, knowing that the Lord Jesus intercedes for us with the Father, who freely forgives us through his infinite goodness and mercy. So, let us draw near to God with sincerity and confidence, and pray together.

Confession

Holy One, you have called us by name.
 You will not let us lounge in bed.
 You wake us up in the middle of the night to remember.
 You will not let us hide under the tree.
 You summon us from the shade to be change.
 You will not let us bury our secrets within the earth.
 You unearth our fears and speak them aloud...
 Forgive us, O God, when we cannot speak.
 Reveal the words we need most.
 In Jesus Christ, we pray. **Amen.**

...time of silent prayer...

Assurance of Pardon

Our God knows you by name.
 Our God knows what you fear.
 For you are fearfully and wonderfully made.
 In your name, God's works are revealed again to us. You are forgiven.
 Thanks be to God. Amen.

Scripture

Old Testament Reading	Psalm 139:1-6 and 13-18
New Testament Reading	John 1:43-51
Gospel Reading	1 Samuel 3:1-10

Morning Message

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Morning Prayer

Our Lord's Prayer

Symbolic Offering

God knows you by name. God knows all that you can do.
 God appears in your works for justice.
 God is revealed in our hope for change.
 Let us carry this spirit into our giving.
 Let us praise God with our gifts of tithes and offerings.

Offertory Music

Dedication

O God, you offer us wonderful gifts.

In these offerings, may we make for change that doesn't yet exist.

May we give it a name. May we move through our fears.

May we dare to call this hope wonderful, in the hope of
Christ Jesus, we pray. Amen.

Benediction

Send us, O God.

Send us to count

Send us to feel

Send us, O God,

Send us to search for your name.

your works.

you calling our name.

into your dream.

***Three-fold**

Amen

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*Postlude

