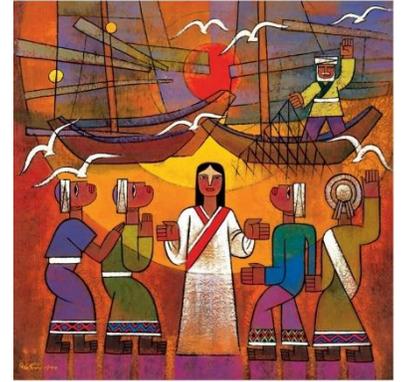


*Virtual Worship Service for the Third Sunday of  
Epiphany  
Crossnore Presbyterian Church  
Sunday, January 24, 2021*



Welcome and Announcements (separate PDF attachment) Rev. Kathy Campbell

Choral Call to Worship # 627 *I Love You, Lord*

Bobby Taylor

Text and Music: Laurie Klein, 1978

No Zoom? Sing along with the Maranatha Singers: <https://youtu.be/mLK8eG2JcB8>

I love you, Lord, and I lift my voice  
to you, worship you, O my soul rejoice!  
Take joy, my King, in what you hear;  
may it be a sweet, sweet sound in your ear.

**Call to Worship:**

Bonnie Vuolo

“The time is fulfilled;

**Repent, and believe in the Good News.**

The reign of God has drawn near;

**Repent, and believe in the Good News.”**

Jesus is calling out to us;

**“Repent, and believe in the Good News.**

“Come, follow me, and gather people,

**Repent, and believe in the Good News.”**

**Hymn of Praise # 9 (Songs of Worship) *Seek Ye First the Kingdom of God***

Bobby Taylor

Text and Music: Karen Latterty

No Zoom? Sing along with Maranatha: <https://youtu.be/EsBpM9IcBts>

**Seek ye first the kingdom of God and his righteousness,  
and all these things shall be granted unto you, Allelu, alleluia!**

**Man shall not live by bread alone but by every word  
That proceeds from the mouth of God, Allelu, alleluia!**

**Ask and it shall be given unto you, seek and ye shall find,  
knock and the door shall be opened unto you, Allelu, alleluia!**

**Call to Confession:**

Ashlyn DeWitt

Now is the appointed time. Pour out your hearts to God, bringing those harmful words you spoke, the chances to help you turned your backs on, and the foolish choices of your lives. Offer them to the One who longs to hear us, trusting that God will forgive us.

**Unison Prayer of Confession:**

**Christ, our Savior, we confess that though we have heard You call our name, we have been reluctant to follow You. We are stubborn to live into Your ways of justice that call us to break down barriers that empower us over others. We hesitate to turn away from systems that benefit us. We squirm when called to repentance, unwilling to abandon the world’s values that create wealth and power for some, and requires others to go without. Forgive us. Call us into repentance, and call us by name, so we may turn our hearts to You. Christ, help us to live into Your way, Your truth, and Your life. Amen.**

### **Assurance of Pardon:**

Jesus calls us by name, calls us from the ways of the world and to use our gifts for the kingdom of God. You and I have gifts that are precious to the work of Christ in this world. God needs us. We are blessed and beloved of God. Let us receive God's forgiveness, grace, and love. Let us show our love for one another and use our God-given gifts for Christ's work in this world. Amen.

### **Response to God's Grace and Mercy # 437 *You Are the Lord***

**Bobby Taylor**

Text: Traditional liturgical text; Music: Appalachian folk melody

**You are the Lord, giver of mercy!**

**You are the Christ, giver of mercy!**

**You are the Lord, giver of mercy!**

### **First Lesson: Jonah 3:1-5, 10**

**Bonnie Vuolo**

The word of the Lord came to Jonah a second time, saying, "Get up, go to Nineveh, that great city, and proclaim to it the message that I tell you." So Jonah set out and went to Nineveh, according to the word of the Lord. Now Nineveh was an exceedingly large city, a three days' walk across. Jonah began to go into the city, going a day's walk. And he cried out, "Forty days more, and Nineveh shall be overthrown!"

And the people of Nineveh believed God; they proclaimed a fast, and everyone, great and small, put on sackcloth. When God saw what they did, how they turned from their evil ways, God changed his mind about the calamity that he had said he would bring upon them; and he did not do it.

### **Special Music: *The Summons***

**Jim Taylor**

No Zoom? Listen to <https://youtu.be/GiXnbOORTAU>



### **Scripture Lesson: Mark 1:14-20**

Now after John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, and saying, "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news." As Jesus passed along the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting a net into the sea—for they were fishermen. And Jesus said to them, "Follow me and I will make you fish for people." And immediately they left their nets and followed him. As he went a little farther, he saw James son of Zebedee and his brother John, who were in their boat mending the nets. Immediately he

called them; and they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired men, and followed him.

### **Sermon: "Fishing with Jesus"**

**Rev. Kathy Campbell**

### **Affirmation of Faith: A Portion of the Brief Statement of Faith, PC(USA)**

**Ashlyn DeWitt**

**In life and in death we belong to God.**

**Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,**

**the love of God,**

**and the communion of the Holy Spirit,**

**we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel,**

**whom alone we worship and serve.**

**We trust in Jesus Christ,**

**Fully human, fully God.**

**Jesus proclaimed the reign of God:**

**preaching good news to the poor**

**and release to the captives,**

**teaching by word and deed**

**and blessing the children,**

healing the sick  
and binding up the brokenhearted,  
eating with outcasts,  
forgiving sinners,  
and calling all to repent and believe the gospel.  
Unjustly condemned for blasphemy and sedition,  
Jesus was crucified,  
suffering the depths of human pain  
and giving his life for the sins of the world.  
God raised this Jesus from the dead,  
vindicating his sinless life,  
breaking the power of sin and evil,  
delivering us from death to life eternal.

**Hymn of Meditation # 761 *Called As Partners in Christ's Service***

Text: Jane Parker Huber, 1981; Music: John Zundel, 1870

No Zoom? Sing along with St. Andrews, Owen Sound: <https://youtu.be/yRsQnmE9aVc>

**Bobby Taylor**

Called as partners in Christ's service, called to ministries of grace,  
we respond with deep commitment fresh new lines of faith to trace.  
May we learn the art of sharing, side by side and friend with friend,  
equal partners in our caring to fulfill God's chosen end.

Thus new patterns for Christ's mission, in a small or global sense,  
help us bear each other's burdens, breaking down each wall or fence.  
Words of comfort, words of vision, words of challenge, said with care,  
bring new power and strength for action, make us colleagues free and fair.

So God grant us for tomorrow ways to order human life  
that surround each person's sorrow with a calm that conquers strife.  
Make us partners in our living, our compassion to increase,  
messengers of faith, thus giving hope and confidence and peace.



**Prayers of the People**

**Rev. Kathy Campbell**

O God, our Rock and our Salvation, you call us through prophets, gospels, and teachers, and the voice of the Holy Spirit within, to come as we are to follow the path of Christ's Good News. Let us hear again, trust, repent, and leave our nets to your care, turning our hearts toward yours to accept and thrive in your steadfast love.

**Gracious, Merciful Lord, we put our trust in You.**

~ O God, our Rock and our Salvation, grant us continuing courage to walk the path of discipleship and call to account the leaders of this world, this country, and this community. As we strive to establish more justice, mercy, and peace, and other ways of enhancing the lives of all your people, let us strive equally to eliminate all actions that diminish them.

**Gracious, Merciful Lord, we put our trust in You.**

~ O God, our Rock and our Salvation, sustain the hope for all laid low by chronic or terminal illness, homelessness, or despair; and encourage the hearts of all those who provide support. We now join our hearts together to pray for those in need...

**Gracious, Merciful Lord, we put our trust in You.**

~ O God, our Rock and our Salvation, soothe the hearts of all who grieve as you receive our faithful departed with open arms, into your everlasting love and light.

**Gracious, Merciful Lord, we put our trust in You.**

~ O God, our Rock and our Salvation, we *pause* in this moment to offer you our other heartfelt thanksgivings, intercessions, and petitions...

**Gracious, Merciful Lord, we put our trust in You.**

We offer these prayers in the name of Christ who taught his disciples to pray:

**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 debts**

**As we forgive our debtors**

**And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.**

**For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.**

**Amen.**

**Presentation of Our Tithes and Offerings:**

**As we look at our past week, God has blessed us so richly. We, now, have the opportunity to express our gratitude by sharing our blessings for the needs of others. Let us receive this morning's offering.**

**Unison Prayer of Dedication and Thanksgiving:**

**Bonnie Vuolo**

**May these gifts we offer show we recognize your claim upon us, Holy God. Use them so your grace, your love, and your hope may be shared with everyone who needs them. Amen.**

**Closing Hymn # 307 *God of Grace and God of Glory***

**Bobby Taylor**

**Text: Harry Emerson Fosdick, 1930; Music: John Hughes, 1907**

**No Zoom? Sing along with the Grosse Pointe (Michigan) Memorial Church Virtual Choir, James Biery, organ.**

**<https://youtu.be/u9rWrw3XB08>**

**God of grace and God of glory, on thy people pour thy power;  
crown thine ancient church's story; bring its bud to glorious flower.**

**Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, for the facing of this hour,  
for the facing of this hour.**

**Cure thy children's warring madness; bend our pride to your control;  
shame our wanton, selfish gladness, rich in things and poor in soul.**

**Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, lest we miss the kingdom's goal,  
lest we miss the kingdom's goal.**

**Save us from weak resignation to the evils we deplore.**

**Let the gift of thy salvation be our glory evermore.**

**Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, serving thee whom we adore,  
serving thee whom we adore.**

**Charge and Benediction:**

**Rev. Kathy Campbell**



As we go out to meet a changing world, remember this:

God alone is our rock and our salvation;

the risen Christ is calling each of us to share the good news of the kingdom of God.

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you now and forevermore. Amen.

**Postlude: *In Christ Alone***

<https://youtu.be/rjiiF83q7G0>