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MATTHEW 4:12-23



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**Christ calls us, forgives us, heals us, and
teaches us. Thanks be to God!**

*GLORIA PATRI

HEARING THE WORD

THE WORD FOR CHILDREN & YOUTH Rev. Kaul

ANTHEM “*Et In Terra Pax*” M.L. Lightfoot

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION Liturgist

OLD TESTAMENT READING Liturgist

Isaiah 9: 1-4 O.T. pg 638

GOSPEL READING Rev. Kaul

Matthew 4: 12-23 N. T. pg 3 ☺

SERMON “*The Gift of Action*” Rev. Norlita Kaul

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

*HYMN #170 GTG “*You Walk Along Our Shoreline*” Insert

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH APOSTLES’ CREED

**I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven
and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin
Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead,
and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose
again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth
on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from
thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit; the holy catholic church; the
communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the
resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen**

TITHES & OFFERINGS

Offertory “*Of Strange Lands and Peoples*” R. Schumann

*Doxology

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION/THANKSGIVING

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & LORD’S PRAYER

BEARING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

*HYMN #391 “*Take My Life*” vs. 1,2 & 5

*CHARGE

*BENEDICTION

May the Lord watch between me and thee while we are absent, one from another. Amen. (*Mizpah Benediction*)

POSTLUDE “*Prelude XV*” J.S. Bach WTC Bk II

Please note that a quorum of 30 active church members is required for our annual meeting this Sunday. Please make every effort to attend this meeting!

SYMBOLS:

- * - Those who are able, please stand.
- ☺ - Older children leave for Sunday School
- GTG - Glory To God Hymnal (PCUSA)

SERVING TODAY

LITURGIST- Debbi B-G

USHERS- TEAM #7- Ken F., captain; Heather N.

COFFEE/FELLOWSHIP HOUR- Howard T.

FLOWERS- Debbi B-G

COUNTERS- TEAM D- Marie D. & Joyce I.

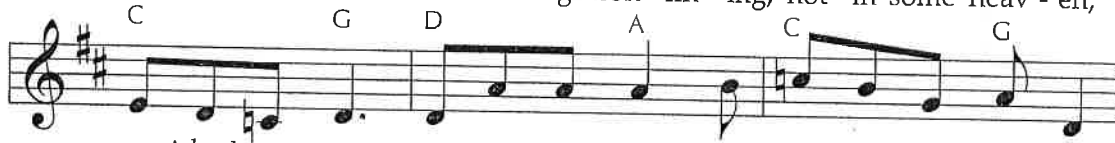
Here in This Place

Gather Us In

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1 Here in this place the new light is stream-ing; now is the dark-ness
 2 We are the young, our lives are a mys-tery. We are the old who
 3 Here we will take the wine and the wa-ter; here we will take the
 4 Not in the dark of build-ings con-fin-ing, not in some heav-en,



van-ished a-way; see in this space our fears and our dream-ings
 yearn for your face. We have been sung through-out all of his-tory,
 bread of new birth. Here you shall call your sons and your daugh-ters,
 light years a-way: here in this place the new light is shin-ing;



brought here to you in the light of this day.
 called to be light to the whole hu-man race.
 call us a-new to be salt for the earth.
 now is the king-dom, and now is the day.



Gath-er us in, the lost and for-sak-en; gath-er us in, the
 Gath-er us in, the rich and the haugh-ty; gath-er us in, the
 Give us to drink the wine of com-pas-sion; give us to eat the
 Gath-er us in and hold us for-ev-er; gath-er us in and



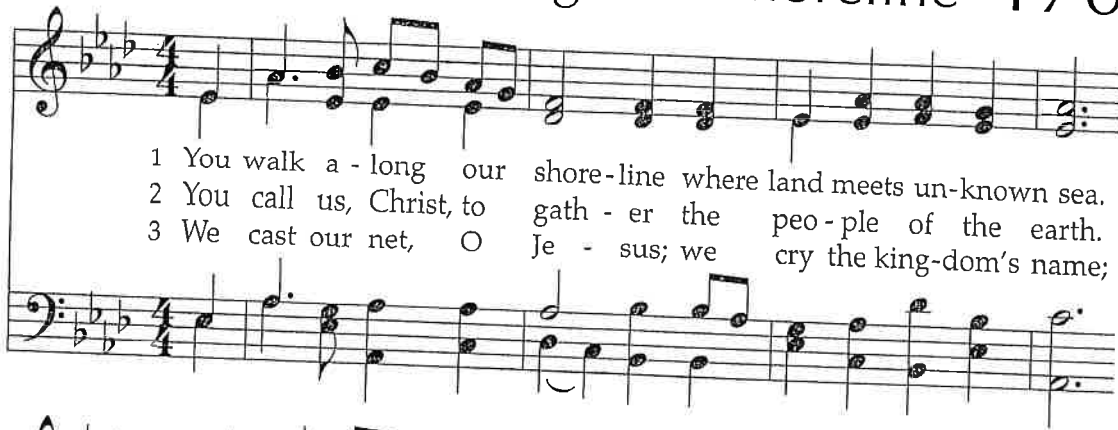
blind and the lame; call to us now, and we shall a-wak-en;
 proud and the strong; give us a heart, so meek and so low-ly;
 bread that is you; nour-ish us well, and teach us to fash-ion
 make us your own; gath-er us in, all peo-ples to-geth-er,



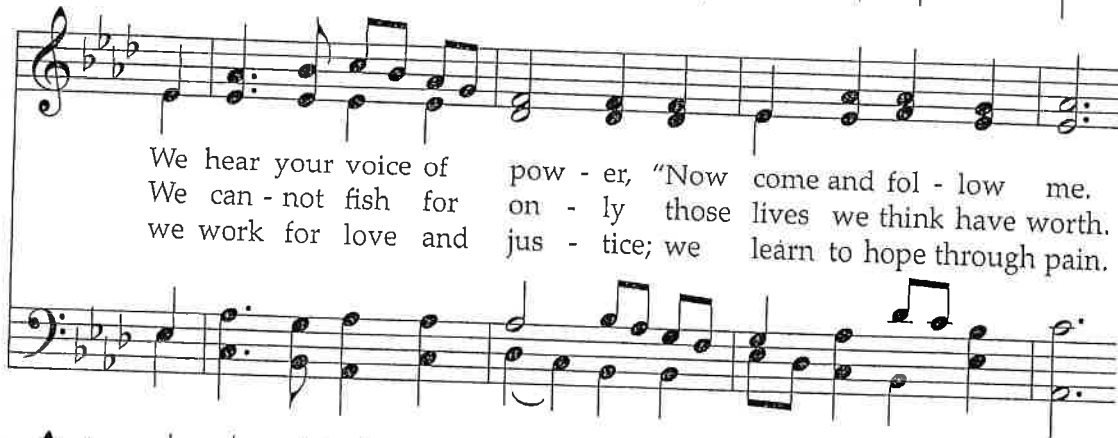
we shall a-rise at the sound of our name.
 give us the cour-age to en-ter the song.
 lives that are ho-ly and hearts that are true.
 fire of love in our flesh and our bone.

The "you/your" mentioned in every stanza is never identified, but this 1979 hymn is clearly a corporate prayer to God on behalf of the diverse congregation who have assembled for worship, longing to be transformed and used as God's witnesses and for God's purposes.

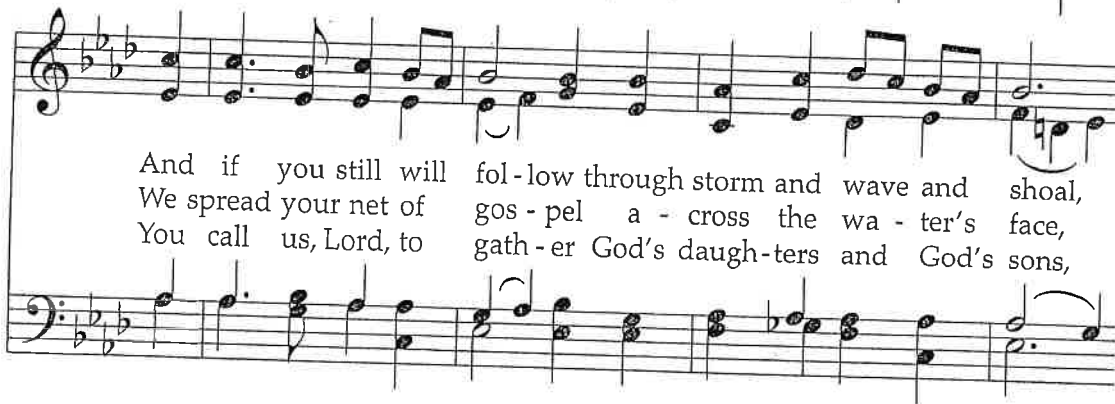
You Walk along Our Shoreline 170



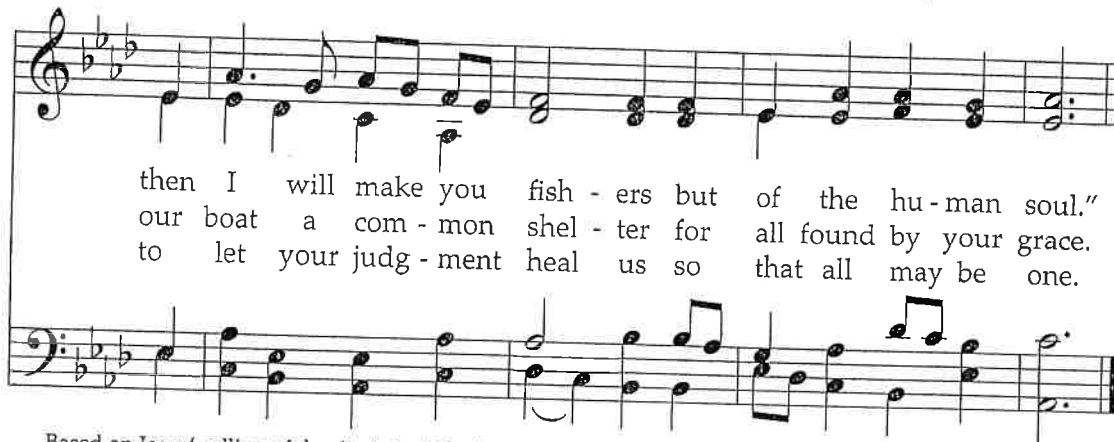
1 You walk a - long our shore-line where land meets un-known sea.
 2 You call us, Christ, to gath - er the peo - ple of the earth.
 3 We cast our net, O Je - sus; we cry the king-dom's name;



We hear your voice of pow - er, "Now come and fol - low me.
 We can - not fish for on - ly those lives we think have worth.
 we work for love and jus - tice; we learn to hope through pain.



And if you still will fol-low through storm and wave and shoal,
 We spread your net of gos - pel a - cross the wa - ter's face,
 You call us, Lord, to gath - er God's daugh - ters and God's sons,



then I will make you fish - ers but of the hu - man soul."
 our boat a com - mon shel - ter for all found by your grace.
 to let your judg - ment heal us so that all may be one.

Based on Jesus' calling of the disciples (Matthew 4:18-22/Mark 1:16-20/Luke 5:4-11), this hymn notes that their mode of fishing involved nets requiring the participation of more than one person. Likewise, in our work of love and justice we are called to bear witness in community.



Today
Congregational Meeting after worship

Wednesday Choir at 7:30 P.M.



Sunday, 1/29-

- Ordination/Installation of Church Officers during worship
- Meeting the Minister Luncheon after worship
(Lunch will be provided by the Deacons)

Tuesday, 1/31 - Our Newsletter will be sent out

Wednesday, 2/1 - Choir @ 7:30 P.M.

Thursday, 2/2 - Session Meeting @ 6:30 P.M. in Bonham Hall

OFFERTORY ENVELOPES

Due to the increased cost of custom Offering Envelopes along with decrease use of them by our congregation, our Session decided to not purchase these for 2023. For Cash offerings, please use the plain envelopes provided. Please also include your name or number on the outside of the envelope. Thanks!



FLOWER CHART

2023 flower chart is now on the bulletin board at the Giles Street entrance. Please signup for the Sunday(s) of your choice. Any questions please contact either Yvonne C. or Heather N.

NOTES FROM THE DEACONS

*Thanks to everyone who helped take down the Christmas Decorations.

*The Mitten Tree is now the Sock Tree for the month of January. The tree is located in the Laura Fithian Room. We are collecting socks for children, women, and men - all colors and sizes. We will pass them on to the Bethany Grace Shower Program along with the toiletries we have collected.

*Meet the Minister Luncheon will be held January 29th directly after church in Bonham Hall. Meatball sandwiches will be provided along with salad and chips. Desserts and Beverages will also be provided by the Deacons. Come, enjoy the fellowship and chat with Norlita. You just need to bring yourself - the meal and all the fixens will be provided by the Deacons and Franco's Market. Please plan to attend.

*Super Bowl Sunday, February 12th we will be collecting donations after our church service. Make donations in the "Soup pot" of your favorite team. (Each pot will represent one of the teams playing in the Super Bowl) The money in each Soup Pot will be tallied - Which team will be "our" winner? The proceeds will be given to one of the local food kitchens.

*Our Soup and Bread Bake sale is back on! February 25th the Boy Scouts will have their Pancake Breakfast in Bonham Hall and we will once again offer soup, bread and baked goods for sale. Consider providing something for our sale. Items can be dropped off the morning of the sale. Or stop by and purchase some delicious soup and/or bake goods. We will be there from 8 AM until 11 AM. Proceeds will support our Deacons Fund.

SERMON NOTES

TODAY'S CHUCKLE



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