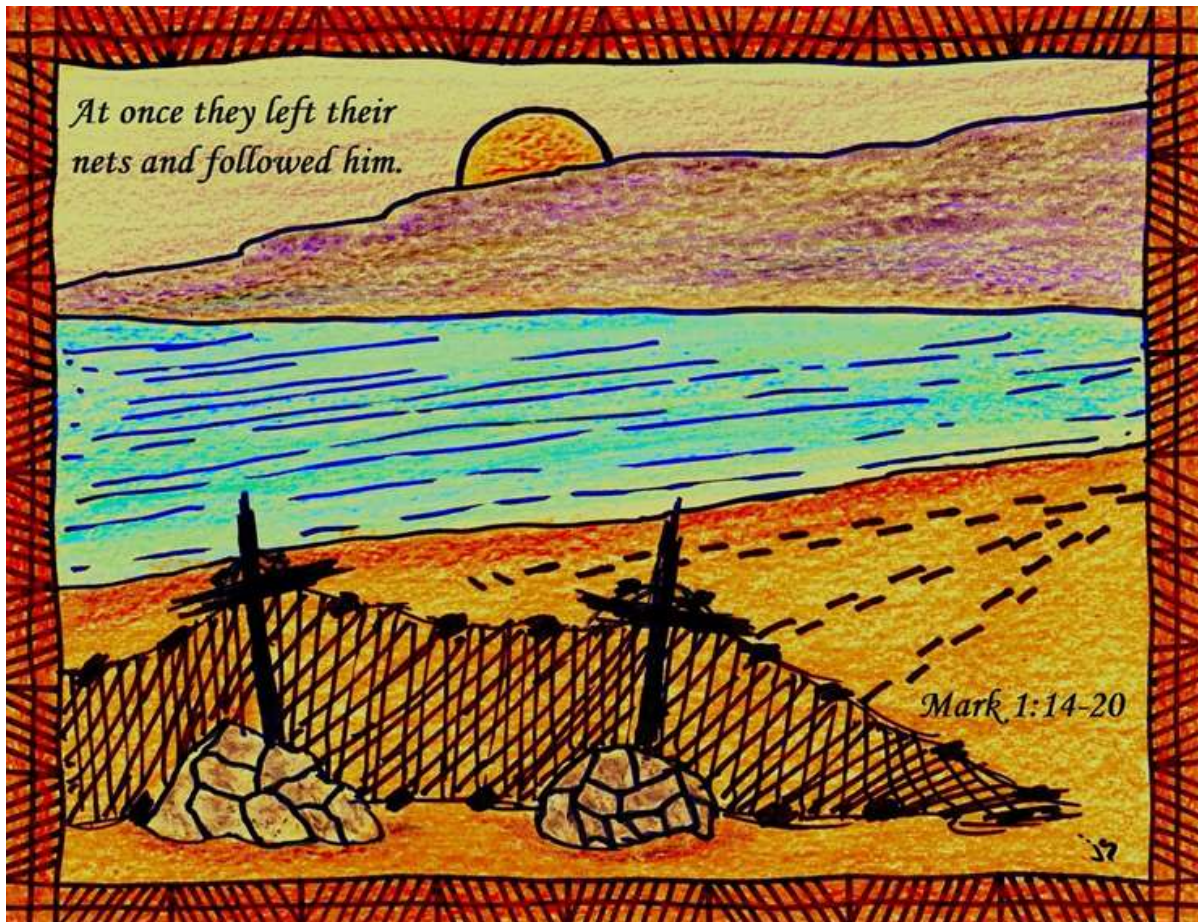


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(Disciples of Christ)  
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# Celebrating the Lord's Day

January 21, 2024

10:00 a.m. Worship Service

## *The Church Gathers Before God*

### GREETINGS IN CHRIST

### CENTERING MUSIC

*"Soul's Anthem"* by Tori Kelly

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

Karen Wrightsman, Liturgist

**Leader:** Are you listening? God is doing a new thing! Will you join in?

**Congregation:** Yes! We will follow!

**Leader:** Listen! Did you miss it? God calls us again to build the kin-dom of heaven. Will you join in?

**Congregation:** Yes! We will be builders of the kin-dom.

**Leader:** Wait, did you catch that? Again, God calls us to declare the good news to those in need. Will you join in?

**Congregation:** Yes! We will declare the good news with our voices and our lives.

**Leader:** And still, God calls. God never quits calling us to live and to give abundant life. Will you join in?

**Congregation:** Yes! We will join with God in sharing the gracious gift of abundant life with the world.

**ALL:** May we respond to God's loving and persistent call with a loving and persistent yes! A yes for us, a yes for our neighbors, and a yes for our world to be transformed by the good news that God's kin-dom has come near. Amen.

Written by Dr. Lisa Hancock, Discipleship Ministries, August 2023.

### \*OPENING HYMN

*"Jesus Call us O'er the Tumult"*

#337

Jesus calls us o'er the tumult of our life's wild restless sea,  
day by day his sweet voice soundeth, saying, "Christian, follow me";

Long ago apostles heard it by the Galilean lake,  
turned from home, and toil, and kindred, leaving all for his dear sake.

Jesus calls us from the worship of the vain world's golden store,  
from each idol that would keep us, saying, "Christian, love me more."

In our joys and in our sorrows, days of toil and hours of ease,  
still he calls, in cares and pleasures, "Christian, love me more than these."

Jesus calls us! By thy mercies, Savior, may we hear thy call,  
give our hearts to thine obedience, serve and love thee best of all.

## **\*CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER**

**L:** Let us join together in prayer.

Wondrous, Holy God, we humble ourselves in your presence. In the brokenness of the world, we recognize that we, too, are broken. In the fear of the world, we often see reflections of our own fears. And in its troubles, we too quickly try to deny our own guilt or shame. But You are a God who forgives, a God who redeems, and a God who transforms. Most of all, You are a God whose love endures. May that love reach us now, and may it set us upon a new course that lives into the love of Jesus together. In the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, amen

## **\*THE PEACE**

*The people exchange with one another, by words and careful gesture,  
signs of peace and reconciliation.*

## **ANTHEM**

*“Refresh My Heart”*

Chancel Choir

## **FIRST SCRIPTURE READING**

Jonah 3:1-10

Tree of Life Version

Now the word of *Adonai* came to Jonah a second time, saying, “Rise and go to Nineveh, the great city, and cry out to it the proclamation that I am telling you.”

So Jonah rose and went to Nineveh according to the word of *Adonai*. Now Nineveh was a great city to God—the length of a three day journey. So Jonah began to come into the city for one day’s journey, and he cried out saying: “Another forty days and Nineveh will be overthrown!”

Then the people of Nineveh believed God and called for a fast and wore sackcloth—from the greatest of them to the least of them. When the word reached the king of Nineveh, he rose from his throne, took off his robe, covered himself in sackcloth, and sat in the ashes. He made a proclamation saying:

“In Nineveh, by the decree of the king and his nobles, no man or beast, herd or flock, may taste anything. They must not graze nor drink water. But cover man and beast with sackcloth. Let them cry out to God with urgency. Let each one turn from his evil way and from the violence in his hands. Who knows? God may turn and relent, and turn back from his burning anger, so that we may not perish.”

When God saw their deeds—that they turned from their wicked ways—God relented from the calamity that He said He would do to them, and did not do it.

This is the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## **CHILDREN’S MOMENT**

## **JOYS AND CONCERNS**

## **PRAYERS OF GOD’S PEOPLE**

**\*DOXOLOGY***"Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow"*

#46

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below;  
Praise him above, ye heavenly host: Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

**OFFERTORY PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING****GOSPEL READING**

Mark 1:14-20

New International Version

Later on, after John was arrested, Jesus went into Galilee, where he preached God's Good News. "The time promised by God has come at last!" he announced. "The Kingdom of God is near! Repent of your sins and believe the Good News!"

One day as Jesus was walking along the shore of the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and his brother Andrew throwing a net into the water, for they fished for a living. Jesus called out to them, "Come, follow me, and I will show you how to fish for people!" And they left their nets at once and followed him.

A little farther up the shore Jesus saw Zebedee's sons, James and John, in a boat repairing their nets. He called them at once, and they also followed him, leaving their father, Zebedee, in the boat with the hired men.

This is the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**MESSAGE**

"Fish Stories"

**SONG OF PRESENTATION***"Where He Leads Me"*

#346

I can hear my Savior calling,  
I can hear my Savior calling,  
I can hear my Savior calling,  
"Take thy cross and follow, follow Me."

Refrain:

Where He leads me I will follow,  
Where He leads me I will follow,  
Where He leads me I will follow,

I'll go with Him, with Him all the way.  
I'll go with Him through the garden,  
I'll go with Him through the garden,  
I'll go with Him through the garden,  
I'll go with Him, with Him all the way. [Refrain]

He will give me grace and glory,  
He will give me grace and glory,  
He will give me grace and glory,  
And go with me, with me all the way. [Refrain]

**\*DISCIPLES OF CHRIST IDENTITY STATEMENT**

**We are Disciples of Christ, a movement for wholeness in a fragmented world. As part of the one body of Christ we welcome all to the Lord's Table as God has welcomed us.**

**COMMUNION PRAYER/THE LORD'S PRAYER**

Words of Institution

Communion Music

*"Grace Greater than our Sin"*

Partaking of the Bread and Cup

**Christ Has Died**

**Christ Is Risen**

**Christ Will Come Again**

**\*CLOSING HYMN**

*"O Jesus, I Have Promised"*

#612

O Jesus, I have promised to serve thee to the end;  
be thou forever near me, my master and my friend;  
I shall not fear the battle if thou art by my side,  
nor wander from the pathway if thou wilt be my guide.

O let me feel thee near me! The world is ever near;  
I see the sights that dazzle, the tempting sounds I hear;  
my foes are ever near me, around me and within;  
but, Jesus, draw thou nearer, and shield my soul from sin.

O let me hear thee speaking, in accents clear and still,  
above the storms of passion, the murmurs of self will;  
O speak to reassure me, to hasten or control;  
O speak, and make me listen, thou guardian of my soul.

O Jesus, thou hast promised to all who follow thee  
that where thou art in glory there shall thy servant be;  
and, Jesus, I have promised to serve thee to the end;  
O give me grace to follow, my master and my friend.

## **\*BENEDICTION**

### **SONG OF SENDING**

*“Plans”*

*by Rend Collective*

Darlene Ball, Choir Director

\*All who are able may stand.

### **Open Communion and Offering Information**

We celebrate the Communion of the Lord’s Supper every week. It is open to ALL Christians. Everyone who is able is invited to come to the front by rows. A piece of bread and cup of grape juice will be given to you to partake. Gluten-free wafers are also available. Return to your seat by the side aisles.

Kneelers are available on each side for those who wish to stop and pray. If you are not able to come forward for any reason, a plate and cup will be offered to you. If you prefer not to partake, just indicate that when offered the elements.

The offering that we share in worship is part of our shared commitment to doing ministry together. In our offering, we reflect that we are called to share in the blessings we have that others may be blessed. Offering bowls are provided in the center and right-hand aisles.

If you have questions regarding membership with our congregation, speak with Pastor Tim or any of the BCC Elders: (Dan Davis, Paula Davis, Jim Dolgae, Heather Faler, Myra May, Christy McCollum, Valarie Rizzo, Michelle Stineman, Megen Stocker, Larry Swiger).

### **In case of emergencies**

**Fire Alarm:** Calmly and quickly evacuate the building. Reassemble at the pavilion next to the garage. No longer at flagpole. Do not block the fire lanes. All doors in the sanctuary lead to outside exits.

**Tornado Warning:** Calmly and quickly exit through the rear doors and assemble in the hallway of the Educational Wing/Child Care area. Stay away from all doors and windows.

**Gunshots or Threats:** Duck down between the pews to shield yourself and allow the Security Team to handle the situation.

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## **THIS WEEK AT BAZETTA CHRISTIAN CHURCH**

Tuesday:	<b>NO Book Study this week.</b>	
	7:00 p.m.	Scouts
Thursday	7:00 p.m.	Chancel Choir Rehearsal
Friday/ Saturday	3:00 p.m.	Woman's Retreat

## **GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**The February Beacon** will be available to pick up next Sunday the 28<sup>th</sup> during service. If you would prefer to have the Newsletter emailed in the future, please contact the office with your correct email address.

**2024 Offering Envelopes** are available on the table by the office door. Please sign your name on the paper by the number of the box of envelopes you chose. There are weekly and monthly envelopes.

**2023 Giving Statements** are available on the table with the 2024 offering envelopes.

## **OUTREACH OPPORTUNITIES**

**Loose Change Mission Jar:** For the months of January, February, and March, the funds collected in the jar will go to Bella Women's Center, an organization that provides confidential and medical services for women facing unplanned pregnancy. They offer pregnancy testing, ultrasound, STD testing with limited on-site treatments and options consultation, all free of charge.