

And he said to them, “Follow me and I will make you fish for people.” Immediately they left their nets and followed him. Matthew 4:19-20



Grace Presbyterian Church  
Fort Wayne, IN  
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3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday after Epiphany  
Installation of Deacons and Elders

Community Worship on Zoom – Live Stream/Replay on Facebook

## Sunday Service – January 25, 2026

How can we pray for you? Let us know in the Zoom/Facebook Chat!

We invite you to join in the liturgy by speaking the parts in **\*BOLD\*** with us from your homes!

10:15 – Zoom Meeting Starts ~ ~ ~ 10:20 – Facebook Live Stream Starts

10:30 – Live Prelude Starts

What a Friend We Have in Jesus by Converse

### Welcome

**Call to Worship – adapted from “Book of Common Worship-1993”**

God sent Jesus to proclaim the eternal kingdom of God.

**God sent Jesus to proclaim the good news of God’s love for us.**

God sends us to bring good news to the poor and brokenhearted.

**God anoints us with the Holy Spirit for the work of the Kingdom.**

God sends us to the people God loves.

**With the love of God in our hearts, we go to the people God loves.**

**Opening Hymn #761 “Called as Partners in Christ’s Service”**

### Call to Confession –

There is much in life that seeks to separate us from our Lord and the life that our Lord calls us to live. When tired, angry or afraid, we have listened to the voices that are not from God. With love for us, God calls us to turn around and renew our walk with Christ. We respond to Gods call through confession. Let us join our voices in confession as we come before God in prayer.

**Prayer of Confession – from “Homiletics-January 2002”**

O God, our many fears keep us distant from you and from one another. We hear Jesus inviting us to follow and become fishers of people, yet we do not understand what this means for our lives. We do not easily leave behind the things that seem important to our own welfare. We do not easily reach out to people whom we think are different from us. We do not easily embrace the One who does not promise material or social rewards. Have mercy upon us. Empower us by your Spirit to turn from our ways and walk with Jesus wherever he leads.

*Time for silent confession.*

## **Assurance of Pardon — from “Homiletics January 2002”**

“I am the light of the world,” Jesus proclaimed. The people who sat in darkness have seen this great light! When we come to the Light in repentance, we are restored and forgiven. Walk now as the children of the Light.

**Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Amen.**

## **Song of Assurance #581 “Gloria Patri”**

## **Passing the Peace — from “Homiletics January 2002”**

Since God has forgiven us in Christ, let us forgive one another. The Peace and Love of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

**And also with you!**

Please take a moment to greet your neighbor and others with the peace of Christ.

## **Children’s Message**

## **Time for Music & Meditation**

## **Prayer for Illumination —**

Let us Pray: God of sacred calling: through the voice of your beloved Son, you called fisherman to new lives and new faith. By your Spirit, enable us to hear your calling to transformed lives with new faith. As Christ’s calling to Peter and Andrew was filled with the urgency of the moment, enable us to hear the urgency of your call in this moment. **Amen.**

## **Hebrew Bible Reading — Isaiah 9:1-4**

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Nevertheless, there will be no more gloom for those who were in distress. In the past he humbled the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, but in the future he will honor Galilee of the nations, by the Way of the Sea, beyond the Jordan.

2 The people walking in darkness have seen a great light;  
on those living in the land of deep darkness a light has dawned.

3 You have enlarged the nation and increased their joy; they rejoice before you as people rejoice at the harvest, as warriors rejoice when dividing the plunder.

4 For as in the day of Midian's defeat, you have shattered the yoke that burdens them, the bar across their shoulders, the rod of their oppressor.

**Choir Anthem #700 "I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me"**

**Reading — Matthew 4:12-23**

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12 When Jesus heard that John had been put in prison, he withdrew to Galilee.

13 Leaving Nazareth, he went and lived in Capernaum, which was by the lake in the area of Zebulun and Naphtali— 14 to fulfill what was said through the prophet Isaiah:

15 “Land of Zebulun and land of Naphtali,  
the Way of the Sea, beyond the Jordan,  
Galilee of the Gentiles—

16 the people living in darkness

have seen a great light;

on those living in the land of the shadow of death  
a light has dawned.”

17 From that time on Jesus began to preach, “Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near.”

18 As Jesus was walking beside the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon called Peter and his brother Andrew. They were casting a net into the lake, for they were fishermen. 19 “Come, follow me,” Jesus said, “and I will send you out to fish for people.” 20 At once they left their nets and followed him.

21 Going on from there, he saw two other brothers, James son of Zebedee and his brother John. They were in a boat with their father Zebedee, preparing their nets. Jesus called them, 22 and immediately they left the boat and their father and followed him.

Jesus Heals the Sick

23 Jesus went throughout Galilee, teaching in their synagogues, proclaiming the good news of the kingdom, and healing every disease and sickness among the people.

## Affirmation of Faith: The 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 Ghost, 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 Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

## Hymn of Response #721 "Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore"

## Installation of Elders and Deacons

### Prayers of the People & 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 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.

## Call to Offering —

With thankful hearts, we share in Christ's work of proclaiming good news to the poor and release to the captives. Let us receive the morning offering.

### Offertory

*We Give Thee But Thine Own* arr. by Thygerson

## Doxology #606 "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

## Prayer of Dedication —

As we give thanks and praise for the good news of salvation Christ has spoken in word and deed, we present our offerings to you, O God. Receive these offerings with our prayers for the good news to be heard throughout the world. By your Spirit, fill our gifts with your love and grace. We pray in Christ's name. Amen.

## Announcements

**Closing Hymn #175 “Seek Ye First”**

**Charge & Benediction –**

**Postlude**

*Rondeau* by Mouret

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**All Congregational Meeting:** Grace's Annual Congregational Meeting will follow our service this Sunday. There are printed Annual Reports in the narthex.

**Last Chance to Update Your Directory Listing:** There are three copies of the rough for our updated directory. They are spread out in the narthex. Please take a moment to look at one of them and make any changes that you see fit for your listing. You can write make corrections on top of the printed rough. If everything looks right, please put a checkmark next to your family's listing. This will be helpful not only for the office but for Sandy as she joins us in March. This is your last chance before we go to print.

**Session to Meet on January 25<sup>th</sup>:** Session will meet following our Service this Sunday.

**2026 Per Capita:** The new PCUSA 2026 per capita is now \$46.02. Check or money can be given to JoAnn or placed in the offering plate with notice of what it's intended for.

**Newsletter Items:** If you have any items for the February newsletter please get them to Justin no later than 10:00 AM, Wednesday, January 28<sup>th</sup>.

## Birthdays

**Carrie Geist - January 26**

## Anniversaries

## **ZOOM INSTRUCTIONS**

To connect to our worship services on Zoom, follow these instructions to watch or listen. You can connect at 10:15 for fellowship; the service starts at 10:30.

### **Option 1: Automatically Join the Meeting**

Follow the link in the email sent every week. This is by far the easiest way to connect to the live video.

### **Option 2: Manually Join the Meeting**

You can download Zoom from <https://www.zoom.us>.

After you have installed the program/app, click on “Join” and enter this information:

**Meeting ID:** 9712063468      **Password:** 030414

### **Option 3: Call in to Listen (Audio Only)**

On Sunday Morning, you can call to listen to the service. After you call, it will ask you to enter the Meeting ID and Password Below:

**Phone Number:** (301) 715-8592 **Meeting ID:** 9712063468      **Password:** 030414

## Called as Partners in Christ's Service 761

1 Called as part-ners in Christ's ser-vice, called to min-is-tries of grace,  
 2 Christ's ex-am-ple, Christ's in-spir-ing, Christ's clear call to work and worth,  
 3 Thus new pat-terns for Christ's mis-sion, in a small or glob-al sense,  
 4 So God grant us for to - mor-row ways to or-der hu - man life

we re-spond with deep com-mit-ment fresh new lines of faith to trace.  
 let us fol - low, nev - er fal-ter-ing, rec - on - cil - ing folk on earth.  
 help us bear each oth - er's bur-dens, break-ing down each wall or fence.  
 that sur-round each per - son's sor-row with a calm that con-quers strife.

May we learn the art of shar-ing, side by side and friend with friend,  
 Men and wom-en, rich - er, poor - er, all God's peo-ple, young and old,  
 Words of com - fort, words of vi-sion, words of chal-lenge, said with care,  
 Make us part-ners in our liv - ing, our com-pas-sion to in - crease,

e - qual part-ners in our car-ing to ful - fill God's cho - sen end.  
 blend-ing hu - man skills to - geth - er gra - cious gifts from God un - fold.  
 bring new power and strength for ac - tion, make us col - leagues, free and fair.  
 mes - sen - gers of faith, thus giv - ing hope and con - fi - dence and peace.

This hymn is a celebration of mutuality and diversity as well as a challenge to the Christian community to live out a ministry of reconciliation and inclusion. This 20th-century text is set to a 19th-century tune named for the noted pastor and preacher Henry Ward Beecher.

TEXT: Jane Parker Huber, 1981

MUSIC: John Zundel, 1870

Text © 1981 Jane Parker Huber (admin. Westminster John Knox Press)

BEECHER

8.7.8.7.D

(alternate tune: EBENEZER)

## Glory Be to the Father

581

Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther, and to the

Son, and to the Ho - ly Ghost; as it was in the be -

gin - ning, is now, and ev - er shall be,

world with - out end. A - men, a - men.

## 721 Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore

*Tú has venido a la orilla*

D A D

1 Lord, you have come to the lake - shore look - ing  
 2 You know so well my pos - ses - sions; my boat  
 3 You need my hands, full of car - ing, through my  
 4 You, who have fished oth - er o -ceans, ev - er

G A A7

nei - ther for wealth - y nor wise ones; you on - ly  
 car - ries no gold and no weap - ons; you will  
 la - bors to give oth - ers rest and con - stant  
 longed for by souls who are wait - ing, my lov - ing

D A D D7

asked me to fol - low hum - bly.  
 find there my nets and la - bor.  
 love that keeps on lov - ing.  
 friend, as thus you call me:

*Refrain / Estribillo*

G D

O Lord, with your eyes you have searched me, and while  
 Se - ñor, me has mi - ra - do a los o - jos, son - ri -

A7 G A7 D D7

smil - ing have spo - ken my name; now my  
 en - do has di - cho mi nom - bre, en la a -

This is one of the most popular songs to emerge from the 1970s revival of religious song in Spain. It asks singers to become like the fishermen who left boats and nets to follow Jesus, first as disciples learning his way of love, then as apostles carrying that love to others.

TEXT: Cesáreo Gabarrial, 1979; English trans. Gertrude Suppe, George Lockwood, and Raquel Gutiérrez-Achón, 1988, alt.

PESCADOR DE HOMBRES  
8.10.10 with refrain

MUSIC: Cesáreo Gabarrial, 1979; harm. Skinner Chávez-Melo, 1987  
Text, English Trans., and Music © 1979, 1987, 1989 Cesáreo Gabarrial (Published by OCP)  
Music Harm. © 1987 OCP

boat's left on the shore-line be - hind me, By your  
 re - na he de - ja - do mi bar - ca, jun - to g

side I will seek oth - er seas.  
 ti bus - ca - re o - tro mar.

## SPANISH

- 1 *Tú has venido a la orilla,  
 no has buscado ni a sabios, ni a ricos,  
 tan sólo quieres que yo te siga.* Etribillo
- 2 *Tú sabes bien lo que tengo:  
 en mi barca no hay oro ni espadas,  
 tan solo redes y mi trabajo.* Etribillo
- 3 *Tú necesitas mis manos,  
 mi cansancio que a otros descance,  
 amor que quiera seguir amando.* Etribillo
- 4 *Tú, pescador de otros lagos,  
 ansia eterna de almas que esperan,  
 amigo bueno, que así me llamas.* Etribillo

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Descant

## Seek Ye First

Al - le - lu - ia,

1 Seek ye first the king - dom of God  
 2 Ask, and it shall be giv - en un - to you;  
 3 You shall not live by bread a - lone,

al - le - lu - ia,

and its righ - teous - ness,  
 seek, and you shall find;  
 but by ev - ery word

The author and composer wrote the first stanza and folk-style tune after attending a Bible study on Matthew 6:33. The later stanzas, based respectively on Matthew 7:7 and Matthew 4:4 emerged anonymously. Such meditative singing of scripture is an important form of sung prayer.

TEXT: Stanza 1, Karen Lafferty, 1971, alt.; stanzas 2-3, anon.; Spanish trans. anon.;  
 Korean trans. The United Methodist Korean Hymnal Committee

LAFFERTY  
 Irregular

MUSIC: Karen Lafferty, 1971

Text and Music © 1972 Universal Music – Brentwood Publishing/Calvary Chapel Costa Mesa dba CCCM Music  
 (admin. Universal Music – Brentwood Benson Publishing)

al - le - lu - ia,  
 and all these things shall be add - ed un - to you.  
 knock, and the door shall be o - pened un - to you.  
 that pro - ceeds from the mouth of God.

al - le - lu - ia!  
 Al - le - lu, al - le - lu - ia!

## SPANISH

1 Busca primero el reino de Dios  
 y su perfecta justicia,  
 que lo demás lo añadirá el Señor.  
 Alelu, aleluya.

## KOREAN

1 너희는 먼저- 주의 나라와  
 그의를 구하-면  
 이모든것 네게 더하시리라  
 알렐-루 알렐루야