Sermon Text

Pew Bible

Mark 1:14-20

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A reading from the Gospel of Mark **May your Spirit stir us.**

Sermon

The Rev. Dr. Edie A. Gause GOOD GOD, WHAT'S NEXT?

III. Responding to the Word

*Hymn 463

Foundation

"How Firm a Foundation"

*Affirmation of Faith (Unison) The Confession of 1967

The church thus orders its life as an institution with a constitution, government, officers, finances, and administrative rules. These are instruments of mission, not ends in themselves. Different orders have served the gospel, and none can claim exclusive validity. A Presbyterian polity recognizes the responsibility of all members for ministry and maintains the organic relation of all congregations in the church. It seeks to protect the church from exploitation by ecclesiastical or secular power and ambition. Every church order must be open to such reformation as may be required to make it a more effective instrument of the mission of reconciliation.

*Doxology Hymn 606 Old Hundredth
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.

Pastoral Joys and Concerns of the Church

Prayer for the People and Lord's Prayer Choral Amen

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.

Call to Stewardship

All undesignated cash goes to the Compassion Fund.

Offertory

arr. Dale Wood

"Just As I Am"

*Congregational Response Hymn 471 (v.1) Hear My Prayer (Choir sings first, congregation will repeat.)

O Lord, hear my prayer. O Lord, hear my prayer. When I call, answer me. O Lord, hear my prayer. O Lord, hear my prayer. Come and listen to me.

*Offertory Prayer (Unison)

Father, whose bounty all creation shows, Christ, by whose wiling sacrifice we live; Spirit, from whom all life in fullness flows: to you with grateful hearts ourselves we give. Amen.

IV. Bearing and Following the Word into the World

*Hymn 686

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"God of Our Life"

*Invitation to Discipleship

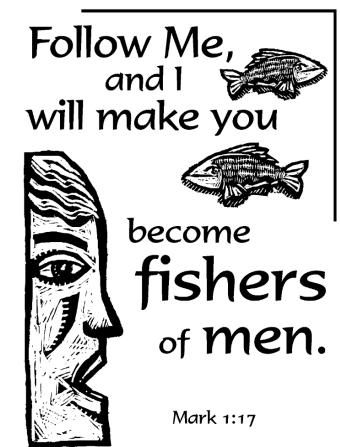
*Charge and Benediction

*Closing Choral Response Dickinson College
"May God Confirm Your Heart's Desire"
Sanctuary Choir

May God confirm your heart's desire and bring to fullness all your plans. May God's sustaining love inspire your shouts of praise and joyful dance.

*Closing Voluntary Johann Pachelbel "Toccata in E Minor"

Today's liturgy has been adapted from lifeinliturgy.wordpress.com.





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THE ORDER OF MORNING WORSHIP

January 21, 2018

10:40 A.M.

Third Sunday after Epiphany

*The congregation is invited to stand as music begins. Additional worshipers may enter as the congregation sings.

Welcome and Announcements

Welcome to God's house of worship. As we light the Christ Candle, we are reminded that Jesus is "the Light of the World" (John 8:12) and of his sustaining presence. With the pouring of the Baptismal Water, we know that we are made clean and given new life by our faith in God. Let us lift up our voices in song and prayer that we may be refreshed, and our hearts in praise and adoration that we may "walk in the newness of life" (Romans 6:4) as we joyously worship our Creator, Redeemer, Sustainer.

(Please sign the attendance register and pass it along, greeting those near you. Guests, please share your address and telephone number with us.)

I. Gathering Around the Word

Opening Voluntary arr. Michael Burkhardt "All Things Bright and Beautiful"

Chimes The Entrance of the Bible

Call to Worship (Responsive)

For God alone my soul waits in silence, for my hope is from him.

God alone is my rock and my salvation, my fortress; I shall not be shaken.

On God rests my deliverance and my honor; my mighty rock, my refuge is in God.

Trust in God at all times, O people; pour out your heart before him; God is a refuge for us.

Prayer of Invocation (Unison)

Eternal God, you have called us to be members of one body. Join us with those who in all times and places

have praised your name; that with one heart and mind, we may show the unity of your church, and bring honor to our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.

*Hymn 757 (vs. 1,2,3) Kingsfold "Today We All Are Called to Be Disciples"

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession (Unison)

In these quieter times, God of peace, as in the busyness of our hectic days, you hear the true prayers of not just what we say, but also what we do and who we are. Forgive us when we do that which you oppose, when we say words that lead others astray, and when we are contrary to your way. Hear us as we join our hearts in unity to pray for your church. May we be united in your truth, committed in your love, and sanctified by your grace that with one heart and one voice we might proclaim your gospel. Listen, God of forgiveness, as we confess in silence our individual sins. Amen.

Silent Confession...

Assurance of Pardon

*Congregational Response Hymn 757 (vs.4) Kingsfold

May we in service to our God
act out the living word,
and walk the road the saints have trod
till all have seen and heard.
As stewards of the earth
may we give thanks in one accord
to God who calls us all
to be disciples of the Lord.

II. Proclaiming the Word

Prayer for Illumination (Unison)

Teach us through the words of Scripture we hear, and lead us to share those words with those we meet. We await the stirring of your Spirit. In Christ we pray with anticipation. Amen.

Music Ministry Gilbert M. Martin
"Take Thou Our Minds, Dear Lord"
Sanctuary Choir

Take thou our minds, dear Lord, we humbly pray; give us the mind of Christ throughout each day.

Teach us to know the truth that sets us free, grant us in all our thoughts to honor thee.

Take thou our hearts, O Christ, they are thine own; come thou within our souls and claim thy throne.

Help us to shed abroad thy gen'rous love; use us to make the earth like heav'n above.

Take thou our wills, dear God! Hold thou full sway; have in our inmost souls thy perfect way, O guard thou each sacred hour from selfish ease; guide thou our ordered lives as thou dost please.

Take thou ourselves, O Lord, heart, mind and will; through our surrendered souls thy plans fulfill. We yield ourselves to thee – time, talents, all; we hear, and henceforth heed, thy sovereign call. Amen!

Old Testament Reading
Jonah 3:1-10

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This is a reading from the book of Jonah.

May these words teach us your ways, O God.

Children's Moment

Leslie Goeldner

Children's Worship

Psalm 62:5-12 Pew Bible Page 526 Cantor: Dave Young



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