

St. Paul's United Church

January 24th, 2021-Season after Epiphany

Portions of the service printed in **bold** are spoken by the whole congregation.

Mission Statement: To glorify God through Worship, proclaiming the Gospel of Christ and serving others in Christ's name.

GATHERING TOGETHER

Prelude

Greeting:

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

Welcome & Announcements

Call to Worship (Responsive):

Made as creative and wonder-filled people,
we celebrate the awe of the universe around us, and its maker:

the laughter and love that bring creation into being,

the pattern of a tapestry of lives woven together,

the wonder of the diversity of love's design,

and the God who gave breath to it all.

In the imagination of heaven, we gather.

Prayer of the Day

Story Time: Living Psalm 139, written by Maria Mankin. Living Psalms Book is created by UCC Witness & Worship Artists' Group.
Edited by Maren Tirabassi.

Interlude I need thee every hour

Prayer of Illumination (Unison)

**In the reading of scripture may God's Word be heard;
In the meditations of our hearts, may God's Word be known;
and in the faithfulness of our lives, may God's Word be shown.**

Today's Scripture: Luke 5:1-11

This is the Word of our God.

Praise be to you, O Creator.

Message Who Wants to Go Fishing

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

Prayer of Dedication (Unison):

God of grace,

we know you want justice rolling down like water.

Accept these gifts from our hands,

which we cast upon the waters of your love,

a generous ever-flowing stream

seeking the lost and lonely,

feeding the hungry, and

helping those in need.

Accept these gifts for the work of your church. Amen.

— Carol Penner

Prayers of the People & The Lord's Prayer

Hymn: Christ Has no body now but yours MV 171

Christ has no body now but yours,
no hands but yours.

Here on this earth, yours is the work,
to serve with the joy of compassion.

No hands but yours to heal the wounded world,
no hands but yours to soothe all its suffering,
no touch but yours to bind the broken hope of the people of God.

Christ has no body now but yours,
no hands but yours.

Here on this earth, yours is the work,
to serve with the joy of compassion.

No feet but yours to journey with the poor,
to walk this world with mercy and justice.
Yours are the steps to build a lasting peace
for the children of God.

Christ has no body now but yours,
no hands but yours.

Here on this earth, yours is the work,
to serve with the joy of compassion.

Through ev'ry gift, give back to those in need;
as Christ has blessed, so now be his blessing,
with ev'ry gift a benediction be to the people of God."

Christ has no body now but yours,
no hands but yours.

Here on this earth, yours is the work,
to serve with the joy of compassion.

SENDING FORTH

Commissioning (Responsive)

God provides abundantly.

We will live without fear.

God has filled our nets to bursting.

We will live in joyful gratitude.

God has a great purpose for us all.

We will follow God's lead.

Let us trust God who has been ever steadfast.

We will be bold and answer God's call.

Go in God.

Benediction

Postlude

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